

ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Knowledge and Nurturing by the Bay



MOTTO:

Be True

VISION:

Knowledge and Nurturing by the Bay

MISSION:

To provide a positive, challenging, innovative, caring and safe environment for our children, enabling them to learn academically, creatively, socially and emotionally in all aspects of life.

Principal's Corner,

Thank you to students, staff and families for another wonderful term. Color crazy day was a big highlight amongst the learning, teaching and many events. Athletics and winter sports were very popular with students. The student achievements in Robotics and film making were also a highlight. The list is a large one.

We have recently been notified that parents are parking illegally and putting children's lives in danger. Please park and drive with the safety of all children in mind.

This term we have had a number of review meetings for parent feedback. School council would like to give other families who were unable to attend, the chance to provide their feedback. If you would like to participate in the school review, there is now an online survey. You will find the survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XMGBCYR> the survey will close at the end of October.

There are three questions on the survey. The same three questions previously asked: What do we want for our children by the time they leave Altona P.S? What do we like about Altona P.S. and not want to lose? And if you could change one thing about Altona P.S. what would it be?

Thank you to all of our staff. They work hard and dedicated their energy for the benefit of each and every student.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable 2 week break.

Kevin Enright
Principal.

GRADE PLACEMENT FORM

2017 Grade placement forms must be returned by tomorrow Friday 16th September to be considered.

Late forms cannot be accepted.

PREP-GRADE 2

Parents please be sure to have some spare clothing and undies in your child's schoolbag in case they require a change of clothes.

EARLY FINISH TOMORROW – 1.30pm

Tomorrow Friday 16th September is the last day of Term 3.

We finish at 1.30pm, there are no lunch orders and lunch is not required.



2016 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES
15/09/16
After School Activities:

Dan-sing Monday & Wednesday 3:20pm-4:20pm Mrs Cains **Art Class** Thursday 3:30pm-4:30pm Mr Corroon **Robotics** Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm
Guitar with Tim R, Andrew G & Leigh E Wed & Thurs. 3:15-4:15pm **Music Production** with Tim R Tues 3:15-4:00pm.

Singing with Tim Henwood Tuesdays 3:15-4:15

Carl Manuel **Drums** (also during school) Thurs & Fridays until 4:30pm. Tim Nelson – **Piano** Wed & Thurs – till late

Science Program with Mrs Kenny & Miss Hruschka each Thursday in Term 4 from 3:15 – 4:30pm **Fitastic Kids Club** Mon, Wed & Fridays 3:15-4:15pm

2016 TERM 4 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	3 rd Oct Start Term 4	4 th Oct	5 th Oct	6 th Oct P – 2 Swimming Hobson's Bay Division Softball Lightning Premiership Mr Fava	7 th Oct P – 2 Swimming GIRLS NIGHT OUT (parents) Hobson's Bay Division Volleyball Lightning Premiership Mr Corroon
WEEK 2	10 th Oct GRADE 3 CAMP	11 th Oct GRADE 3 CAMP Grade 2 Science works Excursion/ WMR Aths	12 th Oct GRADE 3 CAMP	13 th Oct P – 2 Swimming	14 th Oct P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 3	17 th Oct	18 th Oct	19 th Oct 'House Colour Day' SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	20 th Oct P – 2 Swimming	21 st Oct P – 2 Swimming Bookclub Issue 7 due SCHOOL DISCO
WEEK 4	24 th Oct	25 th Oct	26 th Oct GRADE 4 CAMP	27 th Oct GRADE 4 CAMP P – 2 Swimming	28 th Oct Grade 5/6 Energy Incursion GRADE 4 CAMP P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 5	31 st Oct CURRICULUM DAY	1 st Nov MELBOURNE CUP DAY	2 nd Nov	3 rd Nov P – 2 Swimming	4 th Nov P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 6	7 th Nov	8 th Nov	9 th Nov	10 th Nov P – 2 Swimming	11 th Nov P – 2 Swimming Remembrance Day Service
WEEK 7	14 th Nov	15 th Nov	16 th Nov SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	17 th Nov P – 2 Swimming	18 th Nov P – 2 Swimming Bookclub Issue 18 due
WEEK 8	21 st Nov	22 nd Nov	23 rd Nov	24 th Nov P – 2 Swimming 1 st Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15	25 th Nov P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 9	28 th Nov	29 th Nov	30 th Nov	1 st Dec 2 nd Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15	2 nd Dec
	5 th Dec	6 th Dec	7 th Dec	8 th Dec	9 th Dec
WEEK 10 PLANNING WEEK				Whole School Transition 2.15 – 3.15 Prep Transition Evening	
	12 th Dec	13 th Dec	14 th Dec	15 th Dec	16 th Dec
WEEK 11 PLANNING WEEK			APS Evening Xmas Carols 6.30pm	Whole School Transition 2.15 – 3.15	Grade 6 Mystery Tour
	19 th Dec	20 th Dec			
WEEK 12 PLANNING WEEK	Grade 6 Graduation 6:30pm	End of Term Finish 1.00pm Merry Xmas			



Olympic Colour Crazy Obstacle-a-thon

Thank you to all of our fabulous sponsors

GOLD LEVEL



SILVER LEVEL



BRONZE LEVEL





"You can do it"

Awards Week 3 Term 10



Prep Awards		
Cruz	PTW	<u>Persistence</u> – for persisting with his writing even if it seems challenging at times.
Jacob	PTW	<u>Resilience</u> – for displaying excellent resilience and remaining positive when something is challenging

Grade 1 Awards		
Imogen	1F	Persistence – for persisting with writing goals and using her time effectively to get lots of ideas down. Amazing work!
Charlotte	1N	Organisation – being organised, focused and enthusiastic towards all aspects of her learning! Well done Charlotte
Grade 2 Awards		
Joshua	2H	Confidence – for presenting a brilliant and creative video on his chosen Olympian. We absolutely loved it! You're a champion!
The fantastic students of 2H		Confidence – for confidently presenting your 3-way conference to your parents. You all did a sensational job!
Grade 3 Awards		
Lucy	34J	Resilience – Independently working on her goals and coming up with strategies to achieve them.
Grade 4 Awards		
Grade 5/6 Awards		
Lucinda	56F	Organisation – Confidently offering her opinions and thoughts during reading group discussions and always coming prepared. Well done young lady.
Finley	56X	Organisation – for confidently utilising student and teacher feedback to improve written pieces before handing them in for correction. Well done.



RAFFLE TICKETS RETURN DATE TUESDAY
OCTOBER 2

\$2.00 a Ticket
\$3150 worth of prizes to be won

On the Night - DOOR PRIZES

The Good Guys - Ninja Blender value \$210
The Good Guys - Mixmaster 500w Food Mixer value \$159
Sweat Box Fitness - 8 Class Pass, Top & Visor value \$130
Brazilian Butterfly - voucher \$100
Double C Jeanery - voucher \$50
Double C Jeanery - voucher \$50
Mumm Champagne - \$50 donated by Telstra Phone words
Borg's Cakes - \$30
Mosaic Restaurant- dining voucher \$25
Cup Cake Queen- voucher \$20
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Big W - voucher \$20
Pier 71 - dining voucher- \$20
Bottle Slip Knot Sauvignon Blanc - \$34 donated by Pier 71
Gracie's Boutique - voucher \$10
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14 Days of unlimited YOGA Classes value \$30 Williamstown Yoga & Mediation
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Brazilian Butterfly Williamstown

SPECIAL Pre Event Offer -\$26.00 spray tans in the lead up to the event (valid the week before the event).
Ladies simply need to mention they are attending the event to get the discounted price.



TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE ON - LINE

<http://buytickets.at/altonaprimaryschool/65778>

PRESENTED BY
SWEENEY REAL ESTATE

GIRLS NIGHT OUT

80'S & 90'S DISCO FUNDRAISER
HOSTED BY ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY OCTOBER 7TH

7.30pm -Midnight

@The Koorinal Golf Club

Cost: \$25 per ticket

Includes: Glass of champagne on arrival and a bite to eat.

Raffle draw & door prizes on the night.

**Buy: Tickets available from the APS Office
or via the newsletter ticket request form.**

Adults Only

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TICKETING REQUEST

Name _____

Childs Classroom _____

Number Of Tickets _____ x \$25 Total Amount \$ _____

Payment options:

Cash – please return to the classroom

Credit card – over the phone or at the office -9398 2925

<http://buytickets.at/altonaprimarieschool/65778>



We would like to thank our Sponsors for their support with the Girls Night Out event. Their generosity is greatly appreciated within our school community.

Platinum Sponsors - \$1500 Naming Rights Sweeney Real Estate Altona



Gold Sponsor - \$500



Mandy Couzens
photography & styling



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Sliver Sponsor - \$250



Bronze Sponsor - \$100



Jim's Cleaning Hobsons Bay



Special Mention

In 2 The Woods Candles

Gracie's Boutique - Point Cook Town Centre

Cup Cake Queen

Vicki Reid

Sharon Hunt

Vanessa Jackson – Sweat Box Fitness

Mosaic Restaurant

HIIT YOU FIT

Telstra Phone Words

Pier 71

Borg's Cakes

Good Guys – Hoppers Crossing

Powder Puff Hair Dresses – Altona

Williamstown Yoga & Meditation

Shelly Beach Restaurant

A.P.S VACATION CARE PROGRAM

19th September– 29th September 2016

Program Times:

7.15am – 6.15pm

	WEEK 1
Monday 19 th September	<u>Welcome to Hollywood!</u> Lights, Camera... ACTION! This is your chance so unleash your inner rock star. Whether you are a singer, dancer, an actor or just a drama queen, today you will be able to showcase your talents. We will be creating our very own movies, songs and dance routines!
Tuesday 20 th September	<u>OSHC Cup</u> Get ready for the race that stops the nation... well Altona at least. We will be having our own OSHC Cup, complete with fascinators, fashions on the field and racing of course! So dress up in your OSHC Cup finest and saddle up.
Wednesday 21 st September	<u>Cartoon Incursion</u> Calling all Picassos, Warhol's and da Vinci's! Today we will be joined from the team from Toonworld who will be teaching us all about drawing and art. We will use these skills to complete our own arts and crafts to decorate our OSHC room.
Thursday 22 nd September	<u>Westgate indoor sports excursion</u> We are going to Westgate Indoor Sports Centre! We will work up a sweat while competing in all of our favourite sports. From football to soccer to cricket to netball, we will get a chance to verse each other in many sports and fun games!
Friday 23 rd September	<u>Flashback to the Stone Age</u> We are going back to prehistoric times where dinosaurs ruled the earth. Today we are going to live how the cavemen and cavewomen did. We will be making volcanoes and fossils and playing games that are centuries old! Join us for a Yabba Dabba Doo time.

*****PLEASE NOTE*****

Bookings can ONLY be made via OSHC or the school office. In order to secure a booking, full payment must be made within 24 hours.

If your child is attending an excursion day there must be a form filled out as a formal permission form for ALL children to attend on those days. You can collect & return these to the OSHC office.

Unless otherwise specified, all children are required to bring lunch and snacks.

COSTS INVOLVED:Daily rate: **\$55.00**Incursion: **\$65.00**Excursion: **\$70.00**

	WEEK 2
Monday 26th September	<u>Indian Spectacular</u> Namaste! These holidays, we are travelling all the way to India. We will spend the day enjoying an abundance of Indian themed activities including; cooking Indian dishes, decorating our own mandalas. We will also be having a special visit from traditional Bollywood dancers. *Lunch provided, vegetarian options available
Tuesday 27th September	<u>Village Cinemas</u> Today we will be enjoying a screening of the movie The Storks, complete with popcorn and a drink. Kick back and relax at Sunshine cinemas while watching this whirlwind adventure.
Wednesday 28th September	<u>Pirates vs Sailors</u> Ahoy there matey! Today is the day we navigate through the seven seas... hopefully without a mutiny. From boat making, to sealing messages in bottles and even our very own treasure hunt; we will be doing all things nautical! The real question is... are you a pirate or a sailor!?
Thursday 29th September	<u>Footy Fun Day</u> If you're a footy fan this is a day you will not want to miss. In preparation for the AFL grand final, we will be doing all things football! Be sure to wear your team colours as we will be enjoying a range of football themed activities and games accompanied by a sausage sizzle lunch. *Lunch provided, vegetarian option available
Friday 30th September	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NO PROGRAM</u> <u>(GRAND FINAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY)</u></p>

- Please note that in the event an Excursion or an Incursion is cancelled due to do unexpected circumstances, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided.
- Days that involve incursions/excursions children are required to be at the program by 9am.
- All toys and technology devices are not to be brought to the program.
- *Food which requires heating or cooking should not be given.*
- *Please ensure that children attend with morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, a drink bottle and sufficient snacks to get them through the day.*

House Colour Day

On Wednesday the 19th of October we will celebrate a 'House Colour Day'. As a part of this day we will be having a sausage sizzle for all students from prep to grade six.

In order to make sure all the sausages are cooked and delivered to classrooms, we are going to need some parent helpers on the day.

If you are able to help out please complete the following slip and send it back to your child's classroom teacher or email Laura McKendrick (mckendrick.laura.m@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Many thanks in advance,
2016 School and House captains.



I _____, am able to help on the 19th of October.

My contact number is _____

and my child/children are in grade _____



As a part of our After School Science Program that will be held on Thursdays starting in term 4 we require **recyclable glass jars with lids and recyclable plastic drink bottles with lids!**

If you can remove the label that would be awesome. Please send as many as possible to Mrs Kenny (room 15) or Miss Hruschka (room 17)!

Thank you for your support we appreciate it!
Mrs Kenny and Miss Hruschka

LIBRARY NEWS

We have many overdue library books to be returned to school. Please help your children to look for their overdue books.

Thank you to the two wonderful parents and one of our incredible volunteers who have done a fantastic job tidying up the library.

It is a very time consuming job and it took many hours to sort out all the books and make our library look amazing again.



Library
Resources

PREP ENROLMENTS 2017

Parents of Prep children for 2017 will be notified in the first weeks of Term 4 if their application has been successful.

In 2017 our students first day back to school is Wednesday 1st February.

Prep children will attend every day of the first week back to school (Wednesday, 1st, Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd of February.) In week 2 Prep children will attend on Monday 6th February but for the rest of that week they will only be required at school during a predetermined assessment time. This time will be given to families at transition.

In past years Preps have had Wednesdays off for the month of February however this year we are trialing a new procedure.

Prep Transition days will be from 2:15pm – 3:15pm each:

Thursday 24th November

Thursday 1st December

Thursday 8th December

And Thursday 15th December





ALTONA LIFE SAVING CLUB INFORMATION DAY

Sunday 9th October 2016

11am -1:30pm

Altona Life Saving Club Rooms,

139 The Esplanade, Altona.



For more information visit: **www.altonalsc.com.au**

TERM 4 – HATS MUST BE WORN

Now is the time to search for your purple school uniform hats. Hats must be worn in Term 4 or you must play in the shade.

Hats must be the bucket type purchased from Double C jeanery in Laverton.

Please make sure that school uniform is worn at all times, we have had a lot of students wearing casual clothes, remember to look through the second hand cupboard for uniform items.

Please be sure to also name all school uniform items and lunchboxes. Any uniform not named will be put into the second hand cupboard and lunchboxes without a name will be thrown out for hygiene reasons.



Term 4 Grade 5/6 Incursion – The Mobile Energy Classroom.

As part of our Term 4 Integrated Studies unit, Essential Energy, the grade 5/6 students will have the opportunity to take part in an interactive learning experience that offers an alternative classroom, demonstrating future energy solutions.

The session will explore renewable energy technologies as students generate their own energy, see solar panels making electricity to power common appliances and learn how to be part of the solution.

Permission forms will be handed out to students in the first week of Term 4.

The 5/6 Team 😊





Get excited! Fitastic Kids Club is coming to Altona Primary School in Term 4.

Fitastic Kids Club is a structured physical activity multi-sport afterschool program run by 3 qualified instructors.

This program will be offered to students at Altona Primary School (Grade 1-6) on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (3:15-4:15pm), starting Monday 10th October in Term 4.

The last session for the year will be Friday 16th December 2016.

The program will be an hour long, inclusive of a 10 min break with fruit provided for participants.

Each session is \$10 per child.

If you would like your child to be involved in this exciting and energizing program, please complete the tear off booking form below and return it to school to **Friday 9th September** *(spots are limited)*

You will then receive further information via email to confirm your child's place.



Child's Full Name: _____

Class: _____

Year Level *(Please circle)* Year 6 Year 5 Year 4 Year 3 Year 2 Year 1

Day/s of the Week *(Please circle)* Monday Wednesday Friday

Parent Name: _____

Email Contact: _____

Phone contact number: _____

Dear Families

As the school holidays are approaching, you may have plans to travel on Victoria's roads. Significant rain is expected to fall over much of Victoria over the next few days, which may result in flooding.

Because of this rainfall, there is an increased risk to those travelling on our roads, and it is possible that houses across the State may be impacted as well.

I urge you to heed the following advice from emergency services:

- You should never drive through floodwater – it only takes about 15 centimetres of water to lose control of your vehicle.
- Drive to the conditions around you and be aware of road hazards such as mud, debris, damaged roads and bridges.
- Roads in your area could be damaged by the bad weather so plan your journey and monitor VicTraffic for road condition updates and any road closures, see: [Vic Traffic](#)
- Never swim, walk or play in floodwater, it is dangerous and may contain hazardous debris or toxins.
- If your property is at risk of flooding, please raise belongings onto tables, benches or beds and if you are on a farm, consider moving your livestock to higher ground.
- Remain informed with emergency broadcasters to ensure you are up-to-date with the latest conditions and if possible, make sure your neighbours are aware of the situation. For more information, see: [Vic Emergency](#)

Many thanks, and have a safe and enjoyable holiday break.