

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

We received our first Victorian accreditation for School Sustainability this week. Congratulations to Ms. Kent and the Environmental Captains. The key components for sustainability are Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Having all students bring the minimum or no food wrapping, along with less paper use across the school, is the key. The new creatively painted rubbish bins are working.

On Monday grade 4LW were involved in a Hobsons Bay Council project; The Book Cubby. Each student created their own book with the help of a visiting author and illustrator. As a follow up, two students will be going to the Council office to help create a collaborative community book.

The grade 5/6 Bike Education group goes on their first bike ride tomorrow. Watch out for Mr. Fava and Mr. Hargreaves leading the group in their lycra!

The grade 3 and 5 students completed the NAPLAN tests last week. NAPLAN is an academic assessment and one valuable indicator of learning and teaching at Altona P.S. There are so many more endearing qualities, talents and individual characteristics that we appreciate our students for.

We have recent instances of senior students posting photos on Instagram of themselves and other students in their school uniform. Altona P.S. is one of the only two schools I know of whose school uniform is purple and yellow. It would not take too much investigation by unwanted strangers and/or cyber bullies to link the photos to students at the school and possibly their home address, especially with their names on the front of grade 6 windcheaters.

There has been some unwanted contact and e mails from strangers sent to our students suggesting they meet without their parents' knowledge in nearby locations. Students should not be on Instagram and certainly not with their school uniform on. If your child has posted photos on Instagram with their school uniform on can you please have the photos removed. This goes against everything we teach students regarding Cybersafety. It is a very dangerous situation to allow children's photos to be accessed by complete strangers.

The girls' guitar group sounded fabulous at Monday morning's assembly. Mr. Rouse's music program is really amazing. The number of talented student musicians in the school is quite extraordinary. The students are very lucky to have access to such a range of talented staff musicians here at the school.

Tim Henwood, formerly from The Androids and Rogue Traders and currently Palace of the King front man (along with our own Andrew Gilpin as the base player), has recently joined our group of private guitar teachers. Tim is an internationally successful musician.

Altona P.S. prides itself on providing a wide range of the highest quality specialist programs to compliment the outstanding student achievements in Literacy and Numeracy. We are so lucky to have such wonderful students and families.

Have a great weekend

Kevin Enright

2016 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES

17/5/16

Please note the following additions/changes: 8th June Ride/Walk to school day

8th June – PYJAMA DAY gold coin donation

8th August – Curriculum Day

12th August – Whole school fundraiser – OLYMPIC COLOUR OBSTACLE-A-THON

2016 TERM 2 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR

After School Activities:

Dan-sing Monday & Wednesday 3:20pm-4:20pm Mrs. Cain's Art Class Thursday 3:20pm-4:20pm

Mr. Corroon Robotics Wednesday 3.30pm -4.30pm

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April
			Preps Zoo Excursion		Friends & Family Meeting 9am OSHC HUB
WEEK 2	18 th April	19 th April	20 th April	21 st April	22 nd April
					10:30am ANZAC DAY SERVICE at APS
WEEK 3	25 th April	26 th April	27 th April	28 th April	29 th April
	ANZAC DAY			56 Excursion Melbourne Zoo	Bookclub Issue 3 due
WEEK 4	2 nd May	3 rd May	4 th May	5 th May	6 th May
		ADSSA Cross Country 11.30 – 2.15pm	JAPANESE CULTURAL DAY	Grade 2 Incursion: CERES 'Water Cyclists' Grade 4 Incursion: 'Earth, Moon & Sun – Hands on Science'	Winter Sports R1 Mother's Day Stall High Tea for prep mums 2.15pm
WEEK 5	9 th May	10 th May	11 th May	12 th May	13 th May
		NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	Winter Sports R2 Friends & Family Meeting 9am OSHC HUB
WEEK 6	16 th May	17 th May	18 th May	19 th May	20 th May
			Ride/Walk to School Day		Bike Ed Grade 5 Winter Sports R3
WEEK 7	23 rd May	24 th May	25 th May	26 th May	27 th May
		Grade 1 Minibeast Incursion 9 – 1.30pm		Divisional Cross Country	Bike Ed Grade 5 Winter Sports R4 Bookclub Issue 4 due
WEEK 8	30 th May	31 st May	1 st June	2 nd June	3 rd June
		2 ND Hand Book Sale (Recess, Lunchtime & after school)			Bike Ed Grade 5 Winter Sports R5
WEEK 9	6 th June	7 th June	8 th June	9 th June	10 th June
		2 ND Hand Book Sale (Recess, Lunchtime & after school)	SRC Pyjama Day Gold coin donation, proceeds to support Latitude – homelessness charity	WMR Cross Country	Bike Ed Grade 5 Winter Sports R6 Friends & Family Meeting 9am OSHC HUB Grade 2 Incursion "Start Smart" Program
	13 th June	14 th June	15 th June	16 th June	17 th June
WEEK 10	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY		SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM Prep Incursion Ranger Libby 9.30am – 10.45am		Bike Ed Grade 5 SCHOOL DISCO
	20 th June	21 st June	22 nd June	23 rd June	24 th June
WEEK 11					End of Term Finish 1.30pm

	2016 TERM 3 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	11 th July	12 th July	13 th July	14 th July	15 th July
WEEK 2	18 th July	19 th July	20 th July	21 st July	22 nd July
				First Aid In School Program – whole school	
WEEK 3	25 th July	26 th July	27 th July	28 th July	29 th July
			PREPS 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL		Bookclub Issue 5 due Sat 30 th Regional Robotics Competition
WEEK 4	1 st Aug	2 nd Aug	3 rd Aug	4 th Aug	5 th Aug
	Woorabinda Camp Small number of Gr 4/5 students	Woorabinda Camp	Woorabinda Camp	Woorabinda Camp	Woorabinda Camp
WEEK 5 RIO OLYMPICS	8 th Aug	9 th Aug	10 th Aug	11 th Aug	12 th Aug
	CURRICULUM DAY OSHC will be available on this day. MUST be Pre-arranged. Limited numbers				Olympic Colour Obstacle-a-thon Whole school fundraiser
WEEK 6 RIO OLYMPICS 	15 th Aug	16 th Aug	17 th Aug	18 th Aug	19 th Aug
		State Robotics Competition – Melb University	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	APS Athletics Carnival (new date)	
WEEK 7	22 nd Aug	23 rd Aug	24 th Aug	25 th Aug	26 th Aug
	Backup - APS Athletics Carnival (new date)		GRADE 1 & PREP Incursion Hunchback of Notre Dame 9.15 – 11am	Junior Athletics Carnival (new date)	Bookclub Issue 6 due
WEEK 8 National Literacy & Numeracy Week	29 th Aug	30 th Aug	31 st Aug	1 st Sept	2 nd Sept
					Father's Day Stall Preps: BBQ Breakfast for dads Cut off day for 2017 Prep enrolments
WEEK 9	5 th Sept	6 th Sept	7 th Sept	8 th Sept	9 th Sept
		ADSSA Athletics	JUMP ROPE FOR HEART		
	12 th Sept	13 th Sept	14 th Sept	15 th Sept	16 th Sept
WEEK 10		Divisional Athletics			End of Term Finish 1.30pm

	2016 TERM 4 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	3 rd Oct	4 th Oct	5 th Oct	6 th Oct	7 th Oct
				P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 2	10 th Oct	11 th Oct	12 th Oct	13 th Oct	14 th Oct
	GRADE 3 CAMP	GRADE 3 CAMP WMR Athletics	GRADE 3 CAMP	P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 3	17 th Oct	18 th Oct	19 th Oct	20 th Oct	21 st Oct
			SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming Bookclub Issue 7 due SCHOOL DISCO
WEEK 4	24 th Oct	25 th Oct	26 th Oct	27 th Oct	28 th Oct
			GRADE 4 CAMP	GRADE 4 CAMP P – 2 Swimming	GRADE 4 CAMP P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 5	31 st Oct	1 st Nov	2 nd Nov	3 rd Nov	4 th Nov
	CURRICULUM DAY	MELBOURNE CUP DAY		P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 6	7 th Nov	8 th Nov	9 th Nov	10 th Nov	11 th Nov
				P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming Remembrance Day Service
WEEK 7	14 th Nov	15 th Nov	16 th Nov	17 th Nov	18 th Nov
			SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	P – 2 Swimming 1 st Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15	P – 2 Swimming Bookclub Issue 18 due
WEEK 8	21 st Nov	22 nd Nov	23 rd Nov	24 th Nov	25 th Nov
				P – 2 Swimming 2 nd Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15	P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 9	28 th Nov	29 th Nov	30 th Nov	1 st Dec	2 nd Dec
				Whole School Transition 2.15 – 3.15 Prep Transition Evening	
	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	
	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		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			



DON'T MISS OUT

This will be your very last chance to have your family's name immortalised on a paver in our beautiful Centenary Pathway.
Only 77 pavers available to complete the Pathway – be quick!

**SIGNATURE
ENGRAVING**

SINGLE PAVER \$50

Your donation of \$50 entitles you to have your family name/s (To a maximum of 48 letters) engraved into a paver as a permanent record of your history at Altona P.S. The paver will be permanently installed at **Altona P.S.** in the centenary entrance pathway to the front doors of the school; Size: 230 x 115 x 40mm.

Please write the **48** letters (maximum) to be inscribed on your paver here:

Number of bricks required: _____

For Example:

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Simply fill out this form and return along with full payment by cheque, cash or phone to:

Altona P.S. 109 Blyth Street or P.O. Box 127 Altona 3018

{Call (03) 9398 2925

Contact Name

Phone (Mobile preferred)

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Our Donation

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Closing date for orders 1st June 2016

Writing Cubby!

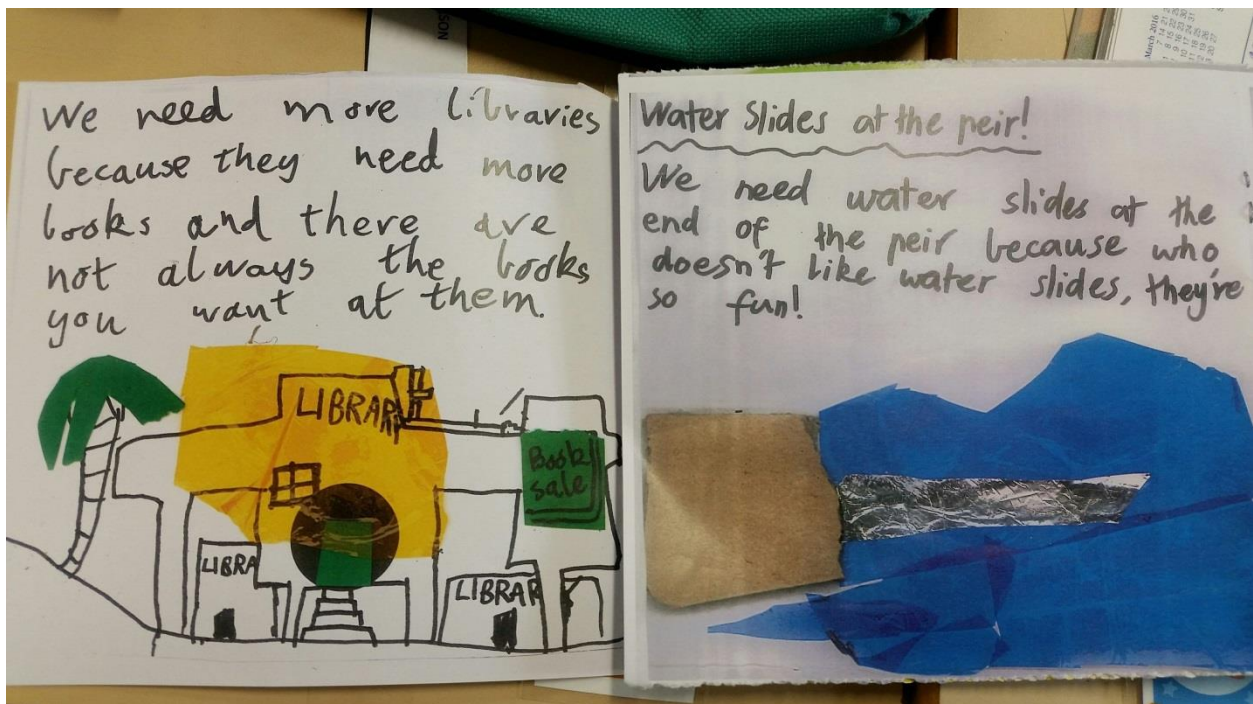
4LW had to miss out on assembly on Monday the 16th of May because we were doing a special writing and illustrating program. The people running the program introduced themselves first then told us what we'd be doing. Our class was going to be making a book about Hobsons Bay and what we want Hobsons Bay to be like in thirty years' time. We discussed some things we love about Hobsons Bay and things we want it to keep and have. Some of the ideas were great and then we got to work.

First we drew a face, any face, just a face and when we were done drawing our face we gave it to the people running the program. Then we had to choose something we want Hobson Bay to have or still have in thirty years' time, write why and then draw a picture and stick collage paper on it, our pictures looked really cool. Our whole class was going to be making three books together with all our pages that we did and they might actually show the books to the council which was very exciting. When we had finished our pages we gave them to Mrs. Luketic and she stuck them on the big sheets of paper we were going to turn into our books. When we had finished our books, we found our faces again and went to the water colours table and painted our faces with water colour paint. After we had finished that we went to the floor. The lady gave some people the job of making the front and back covers of our three little books. The rest of us had to clean up the collage paper before we went outside for a few games.

After that we made an eight page book with one piece of paper and now we're going to write a personal narrative with our little eight page books that they taught us how to make.

4LW had a great time doing this activity!

Neena Taukei-Stevens 4LW



National Reconciliation Week

Now in its 25th year – is celebrated around Australia each year between 27th May and 3rd June and commemorates the successful May 1967 referendum and the date of the landmark High Court Mabo decision of 3rd June 1992. The national theme this year is 'Our history, our story, our future'.

Mayor of Hobson's Bay Cr Peter Hemphill said the local program would include a Sorry Day ceremony, *Black Screen* Indigenous films screening and a presentation by Indigenous author [Bruce Pascoe](#) based on his award-winning book *Dark emu: black seeds, agriculture or accident?*

Details for the local free events are:

- **Sorry Day ceremony** – Thursday 26 May from 12pm to 1.30pm at the Hobson's Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona. Jaedan Williams of the Boonwurrung Foundation will speak. Light refreshments and a reconciliation activity will follow the formalities. All welcome.
- **Bruce Pascoe: Dark Emu** – Monday 30 May from 6.30pm to 8pm at Williamstown Library, 104 Ferguson Street, Williamstown. Join Indigenous author [Bruce Pascoe](#) for a compelling [Reconciliation Week](#) talk based on his award winning book *Dark emu: black seeds, agriculture or accident?* His research has uncovered evidence from the diaries of early explorers that suggests that systems of food production and land management have been understated in modern retellings of early Aboriginal history, and that a new look at Australia's past is required. Bruce writes about the past to suggest solutions for the future. His book Dark Emu was shortlisted for the 2014 Victorian Premier's Award for Indigenous Writing. Bookings: libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au or phone 1300 HOB LIB

Black Screen Indigenous films screening – Thursday 2 June from 6.30pm for a 7pm start at Altona Theatre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona. Enjoy contemporary Indigenous Australian films and documentaries promoting cultural awareness and Indigenous screen culture by renowned filmmakers such as Deborah Mailman, Leah Purcell and Darlene Johnston. Films include The Redfern Story. RSVP: arts@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au



MURDCOCH INSTITUTE

Dear Participating Grade 1 & 2
Parents

Reminder to all the Parents and
Carers that the consent forms
for the Murdoch Children's
Research Institute are **due back
tomorrow 20th May 2016.**

Many thanks,
The Leadership Team

research

TERM 2 NETBOOKS

Payments are now due for grades 4, 5
and 6.

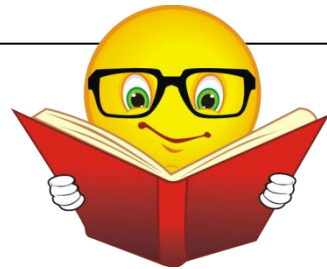
Please pay promptly to avoid Netbooks
being withheld from your child.

Thank you.



BOOKCLUB ISSUE 4

If you wish to order a book, please put the
order and cash into an envelope and send
to the classroom teacher, or order online
and send your order sheet only to school.
Please ensure your name is on the form.
If buying for a present, please mark this on
the envelope.



INTESTINAL WORMS

We have had a couple of cases of
Intestinal Worms in classes. Please
talk to your child about hygiene and
washing their hands at home and at
school.



WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY and APS STUDENTS

In recent weeks a number of students in grade 5/6 (Netty, Erin, Frances, Izzy) focused their discussions around the lack of safety when crossing Grieve Parade. This is an extremely busy road which is crossed daily by many of our students and their families.

A crossing of some kind was required to ensure the safety of all. The girls took their petition (with 119 signatures) to the Hobson's Bay Council and convincingly put forward their arguments as to why some type of crossing was required. As a result of their persistence a pedestrian island will be installed at the intersection of Grieve Parade and Wren & Railway Street.

Congratulations to all girls involved, we thank you on behalf of our school community who now look forward to using the pedestrian island and feeling much safer.



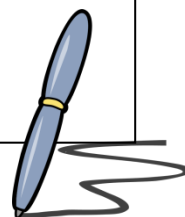
LOST PROPERTY

Parents please check the lost property area regularly and be sure to name your child's uniform as any items not named will go into the second hand cupboard.



EARLY LEAVER & LATE ARRIVALS

Please be sure to sign your child in and out of school if they arriving late or leaving early. If accompanying your child to the classroom, please be sure to sign yourself into the visitors' book.





After School Art and Craft Classes

Plants, Pots and Paper

After school art and craft classes will be held in the art room on a **Thursday** afternoon between **3.30-4.30pm** in **term 3, 2016**. The opportunity to participate is offered to children from grades 2 – 6.

The cost will be \$30 to cover materials and \$10 per session, making a total of \$110 for **8 Sessions**

Please note: Permission slips and payments must be directed to Mrs. Cain or Mrs. Barry in the art room and not the main office.

- Session 1** (21/07/16): Make your own simple terrarium
- Session 2** (28/07/16): Painted garden rocks
- Session 3** (04/08/16): Potted plants from recycled cans and jars
- Session 4** (11/08/16): Continue with potted plants
- Session 5** (18/08/16): Decorate your own terracotta pot
- Session 6** (25/08/16): Planting succulents inside interesting objects
- Session 7** (01/09/16): Create your own paper plants!
- Session 8** (08/09/16): Complete arrangement of paper plants

Please complete the attached form to indicate interest in attending. I will contact you as soon as possible. A deposit of \$30 will be required by the last week of term 2 (20/06/16) to allow time for the purchase of materials.

I am delighted to offer this opportunity out of school hours and look forward to working with children who enjoy art and craft as much as I do.

Thank you, Mrs. Cain

After School Art and Craft Classes. Term 3, 2016.

Plants, Pots and Paper

Child's name _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Contact Number: _____

Thank you, Mrs. Cain





Dear Altona Primary School,

It's not long now until National Walk Safely to School Day and we hope you're school is gearing up for a fun day!

We'd appreciate your continued support of this event by sending out the attached survey to your families to help us build our insights into how children are currently getting to school and how they would actually like to get to school. This is a national survey and we are looking for as many responses as we can so we can get solid data that will give insights to governments of all levels.

Link to survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WSTSD2016>

It only takes about two minutes to complete.

Can you please email out to your families or place a notice in the newsletter with the link?

The survey will close Monday COB.

Thanks again for your support and all the best for National Walk Safely to School Day 2016!

Sincere regards,

Katrina Flynn



PYJAMA DAY!

Wednesday 8th June 2016

Roll out of bed and come to school in your pyjamas on Wednesday 8th June 2016.

Bring a gold coin donation to raise money for Latitude Foundation.

Latitude: Directions for Young People is a Homelessness Assistance Service providing support to young people 15-25 years with or without children who are at risk of, or experiencing homelessness in the City of Hobsons Bay. Let's help raise money to support their foundation!

Thanks in advanced for your support,
SRC.



SECOND HAND BOOK SALE

Altona Primary School library will be having a second hand book sale to sell a large range of pre-loved books to new homes!



Dates: Tuesday 31st May & Tuesday 7th June 2016

Time: Recess, lunch time and after school.

Location: APS library

Cost: 50c and \$1 books

All money made will be put back into the school library, to purchase fabulous new books for the students at APS.

Come along to buy some CHEAP awesome books!



Altona Primary School Friends and Families
"Always there with a helping hand"

Friends and Families Committee

Thursday, 19th May 2016

Colour Crazy Fundraiser

2016 is a big year in sport, with the Rio Olympics happening in August. We want to bring some sporting **Fun** into our **Fundraising** at Altona Primary this year and are looking for people interested in joining a working party to help to plan a **Colour Crazy Fundraiser** later this year.

If you have ideas, experience or simply energy to get involved and support our school and to provide a **Fun** and exciting opportunity for our children, please get in touch. Please use the slip below or email your interest to Carol Preston, FFC secretary.

Thank you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY TERM 2

Friends and Families Meeting @
9:00 in Staff Room:

Friday 10/6/16

School Disco:

Friday 17/6/2016

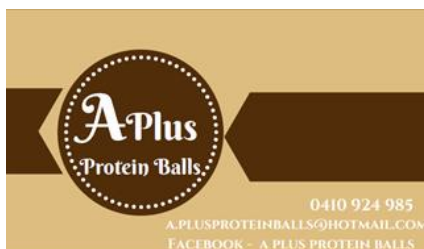
SCHOOL BANKING

Every Friday

The Friends and Family committee would like to thank everyone below that was kind enough to donate a prize for the Mother's Day raffle. Thanks too to Tom Sarros Pharmacy and Debbie Galvin.



Vanessa Jackson
sweatboxfitness.com.au | 0418 138 618
34 Maidstone St, Altona



Entertainment Books – New Books Out now!

Entertainment Books are now available. Jump online to look at some of the great deals it contains! They are priced at \$65 each for either digital or hard copy. Hard copies are available at the office.



Colour Crazy Fundraiser

Please fill in and return to school or email interest to Carol Preston at ladyplexing68@gmail.com
I would like to be involved in the organisation of colour run fundraiser.

Name _____ Contact No: _____ email: _____



Altona Primary School Friends and Families
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Friends and Families Committee

Thursday, 19th May 2016

2016 Altona Primary School Shoppers Card has arrived

Cards on sale for \$10:00. Please complete the order form and hand it in to the office.
 Orders will be filled and the cards will be sent to your child's classroom to be brought home.

Apples and Pears Clothing	www.applesandpears.com.au	10% Off Storewide *Not applicable to Postage
Borgs Cakes	Harrington Square	10% Off Storewide
Cartridge World	Harrington Square	10% off all ink cartridges
Double C Jeanery Clothing	2 Aviation Rd, Laverton	10% off full priced items & \$10 discount of all school shoes. Excludes school uniform
Dragon Temple Restaurant	Somers Parade, Altona	10% Off Storewide
Future Tech Windows & Doors	www.futuretechwindows.com.au	10% Off
Hanger 1one2 - Licensed Cafe	Pier St, Altona	10% off the order
Hide Away Cafe - School Lunches	Excluding lunch orders	10% off Services
Just Sweets Lolly Shop	26 Upton Street, Altona	Coffee deal. Small- \$2:00 , Med \$2:50 and Large \$3:00
Lily's Playhouse Toy Store	www.lilysplayhouse.com.au	10% Off Storewide *Not applicable to Postage
Melissa's Cakes	Pier St, Altona	10% Off
McDonalds Laverton	Fast Food	10% Off no drive-thru or parties
Mosaic Restaurant	Pier St, Altona	10% Off
Runkle Dell Rouge	80 Pier St, Altona	10% Off Storewide
Spottiswoode Hotel		10% Off
Sun Theatre	Yarraville	members prices
Wyncity	36 Wallace Ave, Point Cook	Buy 1 and get 1 free
Subway Central Square	Central Square	10% off storewide
Bayside Computers		10% off
Bakers Delight	Bakery	10% Off
Intimo	Altona	Extra half price when party booked or 10% of purchase

Shoppers Card Order Form 2016

Name: _____ Number of cards: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____