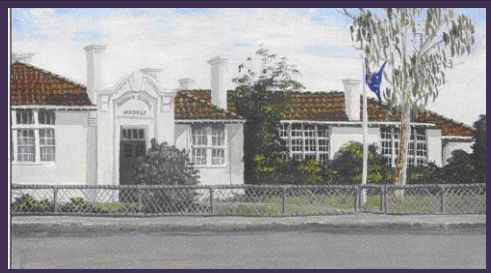


# ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL

*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,

Another exciting week at APS with 'House Colour Day' yesterday which was a huge success. All grades participated in the activities run by our student leaders with great enthusiasm. Everyone enjoyed their sausage sizzle lunch. Thank you to Ms. McKendrick, parent helpers and our student leaders for organising the day. A big thank you to the Bigolin family for the donation of sausages for lunch yesterday. We are very grateful for their support of APS.

The Prep – 2 swimming program commenced this term at Sweeny's Swim School. Swimming safety is crucial given our proximity to the beach. This short program supports students in developing their ability to become confident swimmers and for some it is their first time in swimming lessons.

As you will see, the Spider Playground area has been blocked off this week. The mulch is being topped up on Friday in all playground areas to ensure the safety of all students.

Over the past few months we have had numerous ambulances attend the school. This is a timely reminder to ensure you have ambulance cover for your family and that you keep your contact details at the school up to date.

In partnership with Opera Australia and ExxonMobil, our school was fortunate enough to receive tickets for the new production El Kid which will be held at the Arts Centre. I have 22 tickets available for families to attend the 11am Session on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November. *If you are interested in attending, could a parent please see me on Friday before school to secure your tickets.*

Have a great weekend,  
Mrs Galvin



## **Prep and Whole school Transition**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November - 1<sup>st</sup> Prep Transition

2.15pm - 3.15pm

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December - 2<sup>nd</sup> Prep Transition

2.15pm - 3.15pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December - 3<sup>rd</sup> Prep Transition

2.15pm – 3.15pm (and whole school)

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – 4<sup>th</sup> Prep Transition

2.15pm – 3.15pm (and whole school)

# 2016 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR **FOR FAMILIES**

20/10/16

**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 Ukulele Group Friday's 3.15pm with Mr Rouse

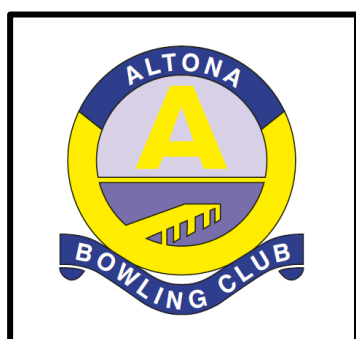
	2016 TERM 4 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 2	10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	14 <sup>th</sup> Oct
	GRADE 3 CAMP	GRADE 3 CAMP Grade 2 Science works Excursion WMR Athletics	GRADE 3 CAMP	P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 3	17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	21 <sup>st</sup> Oct
			'House Colour Day' SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming Bookclub Issue 7 due SCHOOL DISCO
WEEK 4	24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	28 <sup>th</sup> Oct
			GRADE 4 CAMP	GRADE 4 CAMP P – 2 Swimming	GRADE 4 CAMP Grade 5/6 Energy Incursion P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 5	31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	4 <sup>th</sup> Nov
	CURRICULUM DAY	MELBOURNE CUP DAY		P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming
WEEK 6	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	11 <sup>th</sup> Nov
				P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming Remembrance Day Service
WEEK 7	14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	18 <sup>th</sup> Nov
			SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	P – 2 Swimming	P – 2 Swimming Bookclub Issue 18 due
WEEK 8	21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	25 <sup>th</sup> Nov
				P – 2 Swimming 1 <sup>st</sup> Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15	P – 2 Swimming 10am – 11am Bulldog's Premiership Cup Visit
WEEK 9	28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec
				2 <sup>nd</sup> Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15	
WEEK 10	5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec
				3 <sup>rd</sup> Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15 Whole School Transition 2.15 – 3.15	
WEEK 11	12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec
			APS Evening Xmas Carols 6.30pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Prep Transition 2.15 – 3.15 Whole School Transition 2.15 – 3.15	Grade 6 Mystery Tour
WEEK 12	19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	20 <sup>th</sup> Dec			
	Grade 6 Graduation 6:30pm	End of Term Finish 1.00pm			



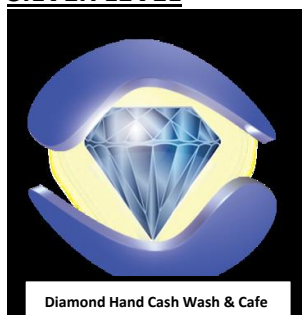
# Olympic Colour Crazy Obstacle-a-thon

Thank you to all of our fabulous sponsors

## GOLD LEVEL



## SILVER LEVEL



## BRONZE LEVEL





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**

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**Gold Sponsor - \$500**



*Mandy Couzens*  
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**Sliver Sponsor - \$250**



National Bandanna Day is CanTeen's largest fundraiser and will be held on Friday 28th October 2016.

This year, CanTeen are aiming to raise \$1.25 million to support young people living with cancer. Altona Primary School is jumping on board to help them achieve this.

Students can purchase merchandise (bandannas, pens etc) off SRC representatives before school, at recess and at lunch from **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October until Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October** outside Miss Beckman's classroom. Students will be able to wear their groovy bandannas at school throughout the whole week.

Thank you for your support!



### **SCHOOL ABSENCE MESSAGE**

If your child is absent from school, please leave a recorded message on the office phone. These messages will be passed on to the classroom teacher.

### **IMPORTANT DATES 2017**

**First day of Term 1**

*Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February for all students*

**School photo day**

*Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March*

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Parents please do not let your child bring valuable or sentimental items to school. We have had lots of sad children who have lost Fit Bits, toys, jewellery and other precious items.

We cannot guarantee that these will be returned.

Please also remember to mark all uniform items with your child's name. 😊

### **APS DISCO**

**Don't forget to dress up tomorrow night for the Halloween Disco, however we ask that children do not wear any scary clown masks as this will scare some of the children.**

### **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.







# "You can do it"

Awards Week 2 Term 4



Prep Awards		
Prep M		<b><u>Getting Along</u></b> – for always using their very best APS manners everywhere and anywhere! Great APS ambassadors. Well done Prep M
Griffon	PM	<b><u>Getting Along</u></b> – for always being an amazing class member, caring for others and giving his best effort all the time. Good luck in Grade 1 Griffon! (Griffon will be overseas for the next few months)
Leon	PM	<b><u>Organisation</u></b> – for taking his time to plan his writing using key words and picture plans, enabling him to write an interesting recount about his holidays. Well done Leon
Nicholas	PM	<b><u>Persistence</u></b> – for persisting when writing. Well done Nicholas for stretching your words to hear the sounds and writing them down! Keep up the big effort
Haylee	PK	<b><u>Confidence</u></b> – for being able to read, write and make 2 digit numbers, showing how many tens and ones.
Grade 1 Awards		
Ryan	1P	<b><u>Getting Along</u></b> – for always using his manners and showing good behaviour at all times.
Anu	1P	<b><u>Persistence</u></b> – for working hard to improve her comprehension skills and showing a better understanding when reading
Bailey	1N	<b><u>Confidence</u></b> – for displaying confidence when writing and sharing her fantastic “sizzling start” to her holiday recount. You’re a star!
Milli	1F	<b><u>Getting Along</u></b> – for a fabulous first week at APS and making lots of new friends – Welcome to 1F
Scarlett	1B	<b><u>Persistence</u></b> – for staying determined and enthusiastic during all maths tasks – setting and achieving challenges everyday – Top job!!
Grade 2 Awards		
Gabriel	2W	<b><u>Organisation</u></b> – for trying hard to include lots of detail in his writing
Grade 4 Awards		

Ella	4LW	<b><u>Persistence</u></b> – for her excellent understanding of angles and applying this knowledge to shapes
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# "You can do it"

Awards Week 3 Term 4



## Prep Awards

Prep Awards		
Naomi	PTW	<b><u>Getting Along</u></b> – for making lots of new friends at APS.
Harvey	PK	<b><u>Confidence</u></b> – for using his knowledge of place value to order 3 and 4 digit numbers. Awesome work!



Grade 1 Awards		
Rico	1F	<b>Organisation</b> – for super organised at swimming and in the change rooms. Keep up the great work!
Ophelia	1PL	<b>Persistence</b> – for show persistence when reading a challenging book.
Caitlin	1N	<b>Organisation</b> – for showing excellent focus and organisation when writing her swimming recount. Your writing was outstanding! Well done.
Grade 2 Awards		
Charlie	2K	<b>Organisation</b> – for writing on engaging narrative title “What a mess!” Keep up the fantastic work Charlie.
Connor	2W	<b>Persistence</b> – for trying hard to make his writing interesting.
Tyler	2N	<b>Confidence</b> – for writing a creative and engaging narrative. Well done!
Olivia	2H	<b>Persistence</b> – for showing great persistence with spelling and learning new words.
Grade 3 Awards		
Evan	3R	<b>Persistence</b> – for the amazing confidence and persistence he showed on Camp.
3R		<b>Resilience</b> – for their excellent behaviour and attitude on Grade 3 camp!
Grade 4 Awards		
Phoebe	4F	<b>Getting Along</b> – for always being a kind, caring and respectful person to those around you. You are a superstar!
Lara	4L	<b>Confidence</b> – for producing amazing sizzling starts and indirect characterisations in her writing.
Annabelle	34J	<b>Resilience</b> – for expanding her creativity to write detailed and engaging stories – Keep it up!
Grade 5 Awards		
Boadie	56F	<b>Persistence</b> – for using descriptive language to make his writing entertaining. Well Done!
Ilirian	56J	<b>Confidence</b> – for willingness to get involved with all class discussions your input is invaluable – Keep it up!
Amogh	56XV	<b>Getting Along</b> – for participating enthusiastically and positively during our maths lessons on Data.

**ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Presents  
**2016 GRADE 6 GRADUATION**



**When:** Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Time:** 6:30pm – 9:00pm (*Student arrival 5:15pm*)

Altona Primary School invites families of the '2016 Grade 6 graduating class' to attend our Graduation Ceremony at the Wyndham Cultural Centre. The graduation begins at 6:30pm sharp, so make sure you don't miss a second. We ask that families drop students who are graduating off at 5:15pm (where their teachers will be waiting for them). Feel free to grab a bite to eat or a drink nearby while you wait. **Wyndham Cultural Centre is located at 177 Watton Street Werribee and is surrounded by many food and beverage venues. It is a five-minute walk from Werribee Train Station for those of you who are taking public transport.**

As we want to ensure that all families can attend this ceremony, we ask that families limit themselves to a **maximum of five tickets per family**. If for some reason you require more than five tickets please contact Laura McKendrick at school.

If there are any unsold seats available once all families have purchased seating, we may consider offering any remaining seats to families who may require extra seats. Unfortunately, we will be unable to guarantee seating with your original allocation.

This year tickets will be sold online at the following website:

[http://www.wyncc.com.au/whats\\_on/schoolsandcommunities](http://www.wyncc.com.au/whats_on/schoolsandcommunities)

Wyndham Cultural Centre can also take personal bookings at their Box Office counter or phone bookings (8734 6000) if you are unable to book online. Both VISA and Mastercard are accepted. Ticket sales will be opening online on **Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> of October**.

After the Graduation Ceremony, light refreshments will be served in the foyer until 9pm.

We are looking forward to a fantastic evening celebrating your child's time at Altona Primary School.

Kind Regards,  
The 5/6 Team.



## **Do you want to play basketball? Come and join Altona Laverton Eagles**

Come and join our fantastic club for the new season starting now.

Our club is currently looking for players in all age divisions.

Under 8's Mixed For boys and girls born in 2010 and 2011

Under 10 Boys For boys born in 2008 and 2009

Under 10 Girls For girls born in 2008 and 2009

Under 12 Boys For boys born in 2007 and 2006

Under 12 Girls For girls born in 2007 and 2006

Under 14 Boys For boys born in 2005 and 2004

Under 14 Girls For girls born in 2005 and 2004

**Enquiries to Club Registrar Renee**

**Mobile 0414 252 030**

**Email [altonalavertoneagles@gmail.com](mailto:altonalavertoneagles@gmail.com)**



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

Friends and Families Committee

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**The School Disco is tomorrow!**

**Are you coming?**  
**Let's BOOgie!**



The Friends and Family  
Committee are hosting  
a **Halloween disco!**

**TOMORROW!**  
**Friday 21st October**

Jnr prep-grade 3                      6.30-7.30

Snr grade 3-6                        7.45 -9.00

*You can only attend 1 disco.*

Tickets: \$5 per child

Families with 3 or more children: \$10 per family

**Return ticket money with the RSVP by Tuesday 16 October**

On the night we will be selling snacks for \$1.  
Water provided.

The disco is for children only and only children enrolled at APS can attend.

Flashing lights will be used.

**Tickets Available on the Door – see yoOO there!**

A very big **THANK YOU** to all the parents who helped to  
organise the House Colour Day bbq this week!

#### **ICY POLES ARE BACK FOR TERM 4!**

Icy poles will be back on sale on a Wednesday for term 4. If you would like your child to have an icy pole, please send them to school with \$1. Money to be handed to the class teacher no later than second bell. No late orders. If you would like to help Friends and Family with Icy Poles, please meet at the flag pole at 9am.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - TERM 4

SCHOOL DISCO - 21/10/16

Next FFC Meeting – 4/11/16 @ 9am. Meet at staff room.

Coming soon – The Great Book Swap - An event to raise money for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. More information coming soon in the newsletter and at assembly.