

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

Congratulations to the students, parents and staff who went on the grade 5/6 camps. I have heard many positive reports regarding all facets of the camp.

Students' reports will go out via Compass next Tuesday. All families will need to log on to access the reports.

We still have over 600 unexplained student absences on the system. Could families please update this information on Compass.

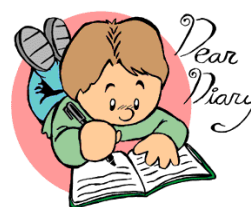
This **Monday** is a student free **Curriculum day**. It is the final 'Improving Instructional Practice' day for teachers. Thank you for your support for this very valuable training day for the staff.

Congratulations to Olivia Chilcott who was been awarded a scholarship to Ivanhoe Grammar school. Congratulations also to Amelie Barham who was awarded a scholarship to Westbourne Grammar and won the Hobsons Bay Library Writing Competition with an amazing piece of writing.

Thank you to all of our staff including the OSHC staff for another brilliant term. It is the people: students, staff and families, who set the culture and make an organisation successful.

This is the last newsletter for the term. I wish you a restful holiday; enjoy the time with your families. I look forward to seeing everyone next term.

Kevin Enright
Principal



Friday 23rd June

School Disco

Monday 26th June

Curriculum Day – Pupils free

Friday 30th June

Early finish – 1.30pm

Monday 17th July

First day of Term 3

PREP ENROLMENTS 2018

If you have a child enrolled at Altona PS and they have a sibling who is starting school next year, please pick up an enrolment pack if you have not already done so.

Enrolments cut off at the end of August 2017.



After School Art and Craft Classes. Term 3, 2017.

Printing & Weaving

The class is now full.

Thank you to all the families who have supported the program each term.
Mrs. Cain.

WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR

(PARENTS)

20/6/17

After School Activities: Dan-Sing Wed 3:20-4:20pm, Art Class Thurs 3:30pm-4:30pm, Science Class Wed 3:15-4:15pm
Guitar Group Wed & Thursday 3:15-4:15, Junior Ukulele Friday 3:15-4:00pm, Robotics (Snr) Wed 3:30-4:30pm,
Robotics (jnr) Tues 3:15-4:15.

2017 TERM 2

WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR (PARENTS)

Please be aware of the following changes to the Calendar

Prep – Grade 2 Swimming sessions Thursday 19th October – 7th December and Fridays 20th Oct – 8th December 17

CHANGES: Junior Athletics Carnival date change – now Monday 23rd October 2017 held at APS from 9am-11am

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Robotics (jnr) Tues 3:15-4:15.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	17 th April EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	18 th April Commence Term 2	19 th April	20 th April FFC – 9am APS Staff room	21 st April Grade 2 Altona Homestead Visit 9-11 2M & 2W 11.30 – 1.30 2N & 2K
WEEK 2	24 th April 2.30pm APS ANZAC DAY SERVICE	25 th April ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	26 th April State Swimming	27 th April	28 th April
WEEK 3	1 st May CURRICULUM DAY	2 nd May	3 rd May Prep T incursion Playact	4 th May	5 th May Winter Sports R1 Prep H incursion Playact
WEEK 4	8 th May	9 th May NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	10 th May 7pm School Council NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	11 th May 2.15pm 1B PlayACT incursion. NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	12 th May Winter Sports R2 Mother's Day Stall
WEEK 5	15 th May APS Athletics day – Grade 3/4	16 th May Altona District Cross Country	17 th May	18 th May APS Athletics day – Grade 5/6	19 th May Prep "Zoo Excursion" National Walk to school day
WEEK 6	22 nd May	23 rd May FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room	24 th May	25 th May First Aid in Schools – Grade 1-6	26 th May Winter Sports R4 Grade 2 StartSmart Incursion
WEEK 7 National Reconciliation Week	29 th May 9am Aboriginal Art Mural Launch at Assembly Grade 1 Mini-beast Incursion	30 th May	31 st May Divisional Cross Country	1 st June	2 nd June Winter Sports R5
WEEK 8	5 th June	6 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T)	7 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T)	8 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T)	9 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T) Winter Sports R6
WEEK 9	12 th June QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	13 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J)	14 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J)	15 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J) Grade 3 / 4 Hoop time	16 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J) Winter Sports Round Robin Finals F&F Parents Night out. Hanger 1one2
WEEK 10	19 th June	20 th June	21 st June 7pm School Council	22 nd June FFC – 9am APS Staff room WMR Cross Country	23 rd June SCHOOL DISCO
WEEK 11	26 th June CURRICULUM DAY	27 th June	28 th June	29 th June	30 th June End Term 2 1:30pm

	2017 Term 3 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR (PARENTS)				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1	17 th July	18 th July	19 th July	20 th July	21 st July
	Commence Term 3			State Cross Country	
WEEK 2	24 th July	25 th July	26 th July	27 th July	28 th July
		FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room			29 th July Robotics Melbourne Regional Comp
WEEK 3	31 st July	1 st Aug	2 nd Aug	3 rd Aug	4 th Aug
			PREPS 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL	Grade 2 Werribee Zoo Excursion	
WEEK 4	7 th Aug	8 th Aug	9 th Aug	10 th Aug	11 th Aug
WEEK 5 APS Gaelic Football Comp	14 th Aug	15 th Aug	16 th Aug	17 th Aug	18 th Aug
		Robotics State Comp	7pm School Council	FFC – 9am APS Staff room	
WEEK 6 APS Gaelic Football Comp	21 st Aug	22 nd Aug	23 rd Aug	24 th Aug	25 th Aug
			ART SHOW Opening night (adults only)	ART SHOW After school 3:30-7:00pm	ART SHOW After school 3:30-7:00pm 56 Hoop time Sat 26 th Aug ART SHOW 10am-12pm
WEEK 7 APS Gaelic Football Comp	28 th Aug	29 th Aug	30 th Aug	31 st Aug	1 st Sept
			Prep – 3 Brave hearts Incursion in PAC		2018 Prep Enrolments close
WEEK 8 APS Gaelic Football Comp	4 th Sept	5 th Sept	6 th Sept	7 th Sept	8 th Sept
		Altona District Athletics	7pm School Council	Backup Day Altona District Athletics	
WEEK 9	11 th Sept	12 th Sept	13 th Sept	14 th Sept	15 th Sept
		Prep & Grade 1 Incursion: Alpha Show Production 'CINDERELLA'	Divisional Athletics		
WEEK 10	18 th Sept	19 th Sept	20 th Sept	21 st Sept	22 nd Sept
		FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room			End Term 3 1:30pm

	2017 TERM 4 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR (PARENTS)				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	9 th Oct	10 th Oct	11 th Oct	12 th Oct	13 th Oct
	Commence Term 4				Family & Friends "Girls Night Out" Kooringal Golf Club
WEEK 2	16 th Oct	17 th Oct	18 th Oct	19 th Oct	20 th Oct
		WMR Athletics	7pm School Council Prep Fire Ed Program 9 – 11am	FFC – 9am APS Staff room P-2 Swim Sessions	P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 3	23 rd Oct	24 th Oct	25 th Oct	26 th Oct	27 th Oct
	APS Junior Athletics Carnival 9am-11am		Prep Fire Ed Program 9 – 11am	P-2 Swim Sessions	SCHOOL DISCO (Halloween theme) P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 4	30 th Oct	31 st Oct	1 st Nov	2 nd Nov	3 rd Nov
	State Athletics WMR Summer Sports Finals 30 th – 3 rd Nov			P-2 Swim Sessions	P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 5	6 th Nov	7 th Nov	8 th Nov	9 th Nov	10 th Nov
	APS European Handball Comp	MELBOURNE CUP DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	7pm School Council	WMR Hot Shots Final P-2 Swim Sessions	APS House Colour Day P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 6	13 th Nov	14 th Nov	15 th Nov	16 th Nov	17 th Nov
	APS European Handball Comp			P-2 Swim Sessions	P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 7	20 th Nov	21 st Nov	22 nd Nov	23 rd Nov	24 th Nov
	APS European Handball Comp	FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room (AGM)	5/6 Family Life	P-2 Swim Sessions	5/6 Family Life P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 8	27 th Nov	28 th Nov	29 th Nov	30 th Nov	1 st Dec
	APS European Handball Comp		5/6 Family Life	P-2 Swim Sessions	5/6 Family Life P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 9	4 th Dec	5 th Dec	6 th Dec	7 th Dec	8 th Dec
			5/6 Family Life	P-2 Swim Sessions	5/6 Family Life P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 10	11 th Dec	12 th Dec	13 th Dec	14 th Dec	15 th Dec
		Grade 6 Orientation Day (Govt Schools)			
WEEK 11	18 th Dec	19 th Dec	20 th Dec	21 st Dec	22 nd Dec
		Grade 6 Graduation Wyndham Cultural Centre			End Term 4 1:00pm



Week 9 Term 2



Prep Awards		
Elissa	Prep H	<u>Persistence</u> – for always trying her best and giving everything a “red hot go”.
Aya	Prep B	<u>Getting Along</u> – for always helping others and being a great friend!
Lola	Prep K	<u>Confidence</u> – for showing how to measure people using blocks and finding out who is the tallest and shortest.
Pim	Prep T	<u>Confidence</u> – for confidently trying challenging tasks. Great effort Pim.
Thomas	Prep H	<u>Confidence</u> – for writing multiple sentences about one idea and making great connections to the Thrass chart when spelling. Well done!
Angus	Prep K	<u>Persistence</u> – for trying his best to stretch out words and write what he can hear.
Max	Prep T	<u>Getting Along</u> – for helping his friends and always encouraging them to do their best. You’re an awesome friend.

Grade 1 Awards		
Lily	1PL	<u>Confidence</u> – for always persisting and achieving your personal learning goals in all areas. I’m so proud!
Summer	1F	<u>Persistence</u> – for displaying amazing persistence in learning her letters and sounds. I am so proud of you for using this knowledge to help you with your reading and writing.
Lily	1AV	<u>Organisation</u> – for remembering her mailbag each day and for outstanding reading efforts at home. Well done Lily!
Harvey	1F	<u>Resilience</u> – for showing an incredible amount of improvement in his resilience. Even when something doesn’t go the way you want, your smile does not leave your face.
Grade 2 Awards		
Aaron	2W	<u>Persistence</u> – for using multiple strategies when solving a problem.
Cecilia	2W	<u>Organisation</u> – for completing excellent editing and revising during narrative writing.
Grade 3 Awards		
Mila	3N	<u>Persistence</u> – for persisting when drawing her detailed graphs. Well done!
Rose	3F	<u>Persistence</u> – for always having a smile on your face. Your positivity is absolutely contagious.
Matthew	3F	<u>Persistence</u> – for the fantastic effort that you have been putting into everything you do of late. Keep up the amazing work.

Grade 4 Awards		
Jack	4B	<u>Confidence</u> – for using a range of strategies to solve subtraction problems! Wow, what a star!
Grade 5/6 Awards		
Aastha	56XV	<u>Confidence</u> – for confidently writing a recount about Camp ADANAC independently and feeling extremely proud of her achievements. Well done.
Charlotte	56HD	<u>Persistence</u> – for successfully working through her reading goals at an impressive rate!
Natasha	56T	<u>Confidence</u> – for working through her fears and having the confidence to tackle the flying fox at Camp Adanac.



Altona Primary School Art Show 2017

The students and staff are busy creating their art pieces for our up and coming APS Art Show.



Important Dates

Opening night 23rd of August – Adults only auction night with entertainment and light refreshments. From past experiences a-not-to-be-missed night! Book your baby sitters now. Tickets can be purchased in Term 3.

Family Viewing and Gallery opening times:

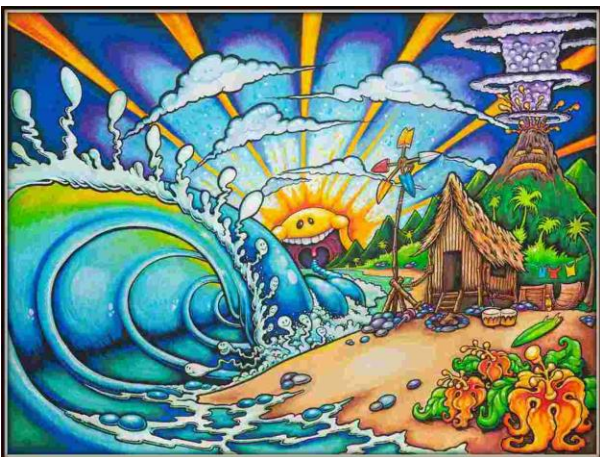
Thursday 24th of August from 3:30-7:00pm

Friday 25th of August from 3:30-7:00pm

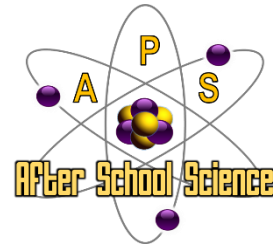
Saturday 26th of August from 10:00am-12:00pm

Thanks,

Christina Sakellarides
Grade 4M



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
**'Human Biology, Engineering and
Astronomy'**



Dear Parents and Students,

We are pleased to offer an **After School Science** program that will be held on Wednesdays from 3.15pm – 4.15pm. The opportunity to participate is offered to students from grade 1 to grade 6. This term our focus will be on **Human Biology, Engineering and Astronomy**.

We are excited to be involved in this fabulous science program where our hands on experiments will complement classroom learning and inspire the scientist in each student involved. Please complete the attached form below to indicate interest and we will contact you.

A deposit of **\$30.00** will be required by **Friday 16th of June** to allow time for the purchase of materials and to secure your child's place in the program. *The cost of each session will be \$10.00. If would like to pay in full the cost is \$120 including the deposit.*

Please note that all payments need to be made in cash, NO BPAY and sent to Mrs. Kenny in Room 15.

Dates: Term 3, 2017.

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| – Week 1 Wednesday 19 th of July | – Week 2 Wednesday 26 th of July |
| – Week 3 Wednesday 2nd of August | – Week 4 Wednesday 9th of August |
| – Week 5 Wednesday 16th of August | – Week 6 Wednesday 23rd of August |
| – Week 7 Wednesday 30th of August | – Week 8 Wednesday 6th of September |
| – Week 9 Wednesday 13th of September | |

We will contact you if you are successful in your expression of interest.

We will select students on a first in priority basis.

So please get notes in as soon as possible.

If the session is popular and our waiting list is extensive, we will consider doing another session on a Friday from 3.15 to 4.15pm.

Please express your interest; however understand that this will only go ahead if the demand is there.

Thank you,

Mrs. Kenny and Miss Hruschka

Student Leadership Term 2

During Term 2, the School and House Captains have been working on multiple projects for the school community.

We have been working on a way for students to provide us with feedback on how to make our school even better than it already is.

We are setting up Student Voice boxes in each grade, which will allow students to ask questions and leave comments about our school.

We have been on many school tours and they have been a lot of fun.

We have been working on ideas for future school newsletters and how to make the school grounds a better place for students.

At the beginning of next term, we look forward to sharing some of the plans we have for the remainder of 2017.

From the Student Leadership Team 2017



Sport/PE News

Interschool Sport Finals for the Altona District will be this Friday, June 23rd.

The follow APS teams are participating at the venues below on Friday between 10am – 2pm.

Mixed AFL – Civic Parade Ovals

Girls Tee Ball – Dog Obedience Ovals (Behind Civic Centre)

Girls Soccer – Altona City Soccer Club (Millers Road)

Girls Netball – Altona College (Civic Parade)

Good luck APS!



REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to the 4 students who competed in the Regional Cross Country today.

Congratulations on a super effort boys.

Ryley placed 3rd, Magnus 6th, Zac M 16th, Zac O did not compete due to an injury.

The first 12 placed children go on to the State finals.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Namie from 2K who participated in the Write by the Bay writing competition. Namie submitted 3 writing pieces and won first prize for her poem. What a fantastic achievement!

Enjoy reading Namie's prize winning poem.

The Friendship Poem

As a bird flies in my mind;
Carrying things that I loved to find.
Flying in my heart or in my soul;
Not buried in a mole's hole.
No being mean; no being bad;
Because that is the way to end up sad.



Healthy Food Hub

Are you aware, of a
supportive initiative with our
local community?

To find out more about the
Healthy Eating Hub follow the
link below.

Healthy Food Hub website:

<http://www.urcommunitytimebank.org.au/cafe/>



Pokémon Card Stall

To support the SRC and help raise money for charities, we will be selling pre-loved Pokémon cards Tuesday snack and Friday lunch times.

Cards will be 50c. Empty Tins will be \$3.

If you have any old Pokémon you can donate, please send them to 4B's classroom.

Our Pokémon stall will be set up outside Miss Beckman's classroom. We hope to see you there to buy some awesome cards and help raise money!



Altona Primary School

FRIENDS AND FAMILIES COMMITTEE



Disco this Friday

Junior disco (Grades Prep-3): 6.30-7.30pm

Senior disco (Grades 3-6): 7.45-9pm

(You can only attend 1 disco)

Tickets: \$5 (for sale on the door).

\$10 for families of 3 or more children.

On the night, snacks will be for sale for \$1. Water provided. The disco is for children only and only children enrolled at APS can attend. Flashing lights will be used. Flashing items for sale for \$2 (and can be recycled if dismantled)

Scouts Monster Raffle tickets ON SALE NOW!



Ticket books (of 10 tickets) are being sent home with the eldest child THIS WEEK. Please return completed ticket stubs and money to your student's teacher before 19 August. If you'd like to help us sell more than 10 tickets, please contact us to request more books.

75% proceeds back to school and more than 100 prizes are up for grabs, including a Kia Sportage SUV. The prize draw will take place on 15 September/

West Welcome Wagon Food Drive ends next Tuesday

SUPPORTING
LOCAL ASYLUM
SEEKERS



Thanks to everyone for your food donations! We've been overwhelmed by the generosity of the school community. There's still time to donate so bring your non-perishable food items to class and we'll send it along to the West Welcome Wagon and the asylum seekers they as-

Calling all Makers and Bakers

The FFC has created a new Facebook group for APS parents who are makers of things and are handy with sewing, cooking, baking, woodworking, etc. The purpose of the group is to have a place for general discussion about various crafty projects parents may get involved in (eg creating items to sell at the Mother's and Father's Day stalls). Join us by searching APS Makers and Bakers on Facebook or go to this link—> <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1693499137625267/>



English Grammar Group

Come and explore English and improve your grammar in a relaxed environment. The classes are fun and interactive with plenty of opportunity to practice new skills.

Our tutor Mary-Jane who holds a CELTA certificate and a degree in Arts and Social Work has a genuine passion for language and for helping students to develop skills for communicating more easily and effectively.

Note: This class is aimed at pre-intermediate level, not suitable for beginners.

When Wednesday

Starting 19 July 2017

Time 9.30am to 11.30am

Cost \$10 per class

Where Laverton Community Hub

95-105 Railway Avenue, Laverton

Contact 8368 0100 or

lavertoncommunityhub@hobsonsabay.vic.gov.au



**HOBSONS BAY
LANGUAGE LINE**

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INTERPRETER SERVICE FOR ALL LANGUAGES

Your Council in your language

Managing Type 1 Diabetes in Children: A Parenting Perspective

Being a parent of a child with type 1 diabetes can be extremely stressful. The University of Queensland is seeking parents of children with type 1 diabetes to take part in a research study that will explore factors that could help or hinder parents in managing their child's diabetes. If you are a parent of a 2- to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you! By sharing your experiences (confidentially) you will help us identify better ways for health care professionals to support parents and families. To complete the online survey, please go to: <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1/>. For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Jade Grambower at j.grambower@uq.net.au or call Dr Amy Mitchell at the Parenting and Family Support Centre at The University of Queensland on (07) 3346 1202. Thank-you!

This study adheres to the Guidelines of the ethical review process of The University of Queensland and the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research*. This research project has been approved by the UQ School of Psychology Ethics Review Committee (Clearance Number: 2016001875).

Thank you for considering my request, and I hope you can help us out with this important work. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries or concerns.

Many thanks in anticipation.

Kind regards,

Jade Grambower