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Our purpose is to educate all of our children and enable them to become effective members of society.

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DIARY DATES

March

- 23rd Interschool sport Away game vs Albion Nth PS
- 26th Sporting Schools after school clinic (T?T)
- 28th House Cross-Country activity at 12:30pm
- 29th Hat Parade at approx.. 9:15am
- 29th **End of Term -2:30pm Dismissal**

April

- 16th Term 2 Begins
- 20th District Cross Country at More Park

May

- 3rd Power of One Anti Bullying interactive performance
- 15th NAPLAN – Language Conventions and Writing (for students in years 3 and 5)
- 16th NAPLAN – Reading
- 17th NAPLAN – Numeracy
- 23rd-24th Year 4/5/6 Camp to Phillip Island

School Council

The first meeting of the new School Council was held on Monday 19th March. Two community members were co-opted. Bridey Lokhorst-Blight, from the Albion and Friends Toy Library and Shaoli (Alice) Sun who has a keen interest in learning about how schools run are our co-opted members. The co-opted members have exactly the same rights as all other members but they serve a one year term (however, can be co-opted again).

Office bearers were elected at this first meeting and they are as follows:

President – Mat Holmes

Vice President – Naomi Harper

Treasurer – Alice Sun

Minute Secretary – Jann Turner

Executive Officer – Adrienne Williamson (must be the Principal).

Message from the Principal

Term 1 finishes on Thursday 29th March at 2:30pm.

First term has flown! Some highlights include: growth in the school population; meeting and working with new staff and students; watching as student friendships develop and flourish; a great start in all classrooms in terms of setting expectations, procedures and focus; communicating with our school community through parent/teacher information sessions, newsletters and assemblies; a new school council, junior school council and student leaders; a great turnout to our first parents' club meeting; the programs students participate in – curricular and extra-curricular; the support and care provided for families in need; the feedback received by visitors to the school; the celebration of our cultural backgrounds and family picnic. So many things to appreciate and acknowledge.

Enjoy the two week break coming up. Term two starts on Monday 16th April and I look forward to another rewarding term.

Family fun Evening Wednesday 21st March

5:30pm – 7:30pm

Thankfully the weather was kind and a lot of fun was had at our Family Fun Evening on Wednesday. I hope that all those who attended enjoyed it. A huge thank you to the students who performed for us as part of our celebration of Cultural Diversity Week, and to their families who made it happen. Congratulations to Dave and Thomas Connolly who retained the adult/child piggy back race championship! The four-legged races were very funny to watch! Thanks to all for participating in some simple fun. It was terrific to see so many families – parents playing with their children, friends sharing food. I look forward to next year's picnic.

Cultural Diversity Week

Thank you to all the parents, students and staff for making Cultural Diversity Week such a celebration of the wonderful mixture of cultures we have at Albion Primary School. From east and west, north and south, we have the world represented in our little school. We have a peace and calmness at Albion that always gets commented on from visitors to the school, particularly by visiting teachers who work in lots of other schools. How wonderful would the world be if all people could

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live in harmony and peace; have care and respect for each other? We work hard to achieve these values at Albion Primary School. Thank you to everyone for helping to make Albion the lovely school that it is.



Emergency Management

The emergency evacuation drill that we had last week worked well and all people in the school made it safely to the oval in a timely manner. There will be a different type of drill each term - lock down, shelter in place, and evacuation to secondary location (St Theresa's Primary School).

National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

We had some great things happen on the national day of action against bullying last Friday. Whilst there was a focus on this day, action against bullying is something that staff and students work on a lot at Albion.

Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

Behaviours that do not constitute bullying include:

- mutual arguments and disagreements (where there is no power imbalance)
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- one-off acts of meanness or spite

- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence.

At Albion Primary School, we take bullying issues and issues of conflict very seriously. Once we know about an issue, we work with the students involved. Everything we do at Albion centres around the school's values of respect, care, honesty, learning and achievement.

If you do have any concerns about your child around bullying or violence, please see your child's classroom teacher, Mrs Turner or me at any time.

Bullying and violence prevention is everyone's responsibility.



BULLYING. NO WAY!

Supervision of Students in the Yard Before and After School

Staff supervise children in the *school grounds* before school from 8:50 to 9:00am and after school from 3:20 to 3:35pm. Outside of these times, supervision is the responsibility of parents or guardians. If children want to use the playground equipment or be in the garden with the chickens (even during the times above) they must be supervised by their own parent or guardian. Once children have been picked up in the afternoon, and they remain in the school grounds, supervision is the responsibility of the person who picked them up. Children who attend breakfast club are supervised by staff inside. At times, we also have special activities (such as practising for the House Cross-Country before 8:50am) that a particular staff member will supervise but supervision is only for that activity and not the general school yard.

Sincerely,
Adrienne Williamson

Breakfast Club



Every day
8:40am - 8:55am
All students welcome



House Cross Country Challenge

On *Wednesday 28th March* at 12:30pm, students will compete in a *House Cross Country* challenge. Students will be asked to come to school wearing their house colours. The clothing worn on this day needs to be predominantly the colour of their house (blue, gold, green or red) and suitable for running laps around the oval. Runners also need to be worn and children are encouraged to bring a water bottle. If you are unsure of your child's house colour, please feel free to ask your child's teacher. If students are unable to wear their house colour, please send them in their school uniform. It is *not* a casual clothes day, so only house colours or uniform should be worn.

Students in grade Prep-2 will be encouraged to run a minimum of 2 laps and a maximum of 10 laps. Students from grade 3-6 will be encouraged to run a minimum of 4 laps and a maximum of 15 laps. The interschool cross-country team will be selected as a result of this challenge.

School Wide Positive Behaviours



Our Jigsaw reward system will be up and running very soon. We wanted to give our House system a boost and have focussed on that during term one. Jigsaw pieces, will be given when students are 'caught' demonstrating expected behaviours. The aim is to collect all pieces of the jigsaw in order to complete the puzzle. A special certificate and prize will be awarded to a child who completes a puzzle. The more puzzles they complete, the higher level of prize is awarded.

Student Learning and Achievement Awards Week Ending 9th March 2018

PA	Alexandra Murphy	For being an enthusiastic participant in all classroom discussions, completing all learning tasks to an excellent standard & for being a helpful friend to her classmates.
PB	Soliana Shaweno	For displaying the Albion Primary School values of respect, care and learning by always being polite and kind to others, concentrating well and working hard on all set tasks. Well done & keep up the wonderful work Soliana!
1/2A	Jorden Bourke-Cullen	For trying really hard in all learning areas and for demonstrating a good understanding of tens in place value. Well done on a super effort & keep up the great work, Jorden!
1/2B	Ava Bird	For demonstrating a passion and drive to learn and achieve her highest with all set tasks. Well done and keep up the hard work, Ava!
1/2C	Sahir Khan	For using his knowledge of letters and sounds to help him read words. Keep up the great work, Sahir!
3/4A	Janjay Soclo	For using the 'counting on' strategy to solve one and two-digit addition problems. Well done and keep up the great work, Janjay!
3/4B	Aaron Tran	For concentrating well and making great contributions during our class discussions. Great work, Aaron!
5/6A	Jordan Williams-Robb	For making valuable contributions during our class discussions and for working to the best of her ability at all times. Well done, JJ!
5/6B	Kafoatu Tulimaiau	For having a positive attitude towards her learning and for displaying great focus when completing all set tasks. Well done and keep it up, Kafoatu!
ART	Mahmoud Salah Aldin PB	For staying focused on the set tasks and achieving a great outcome. Congratulations and keep up the great work, Mahmoud!
PE	Jimel Paye 5/6A	For putting in an outstanding effort with his Beep Test to achieve Level 8, No. 6 . Congratulations, Jimel!
	Ryan Weir 5/6B	For doing a wonderful job of practicing his basketball skills at home. Well done on the great improvement in your game!
LIBRARY	Quan Nguyen 3/4A	For displaying great enthusiasm when learning about jokes and riddles. Well done Quan!



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**Student Learning and Achievement Awards
Week Ending 16th March 2018**

PA	Marshall Sims	For attempting all set tasks with a positive attitude and for always trying to achieve your personal best. It is so wonderful to see your enthusiasm for learning. Well done & keep it up, Marshall!
PB	Mayank Mishra	For being a hardworking member of Prep B who is always polite and a thoughtful friend to his classmates. Well done & keep it up, Mayank!
1/2A	Olivia Buckow	For trying her best in all areas, doing a wonderful job of reading her books out loud during independent reading and for displaying care towards her classmates. Well done on a fantastic effort, Olivia!
1/2B	Ifoni Tulimaiau	For making a conscious and enthusiastic effort to apply his personal learning goal of leaving spaces between words on a regular basis. Well done & keep it up, Ifoni!
1/2C	Lana Tran	For working to understand the place value of two-digit numbers and for learning how to skip count by 2's & 10's. Well done & keep up the great work, Lana!
3/4A	Mudrik Ahmed	For taking responsibility and enthusiastically extending your learning in Mathematics. Well done & keep up the fantastic work, Mudrik!
3/4B	Madhushika Mathiyalagan	For doing a wonderful job of writing an excellent beginning to her story. Well done & keep up the great work, Madhushika!
5/6A	Aluel Ayeng	For using punctuation marks to assist her with reading with expression. Well done!
5/6B	Ivy Schelfhorst	For displaying a growing confidence towards every task she is presented with. Well done, you have made a great start to Grade 6, Ivy!
PE	Huy Tran & Mustafa Mohammed 1/2A	For running 20 & 19 laps on the oval on Wednesday in readiness for the House Cross Country competition. Well done on an excellent effort, Huy & Mustafa!
LIBRARY	Junior Kollie 3/4B	For displaying care towards the younger students by doing their dishes in Breakfast Club. Well done, Junior!
ITALIAN	Raj Datta PB	For listening carefully to the Pinocchio story & doing an excellent job of answering lots of the questions asked by Mrs Belvedere! Bravo Raj!



**Albion Primary School Annual Hat Parade
Thursday 29th March**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Thursday 29th March, the Albion Parents' Group are running a decorated hat/bonnet parade.

All children are encouraged to create a decorated hat or bonnet of their choice. The use of recyclable materials is highly encouraged. If you celebrate Easter, it could be Easter related. However, any sort of decorated hat/bonnet is encouraged. We want as many children as possible to come to school with a decorated hat. We encourage parents to work with their children to create their decorated hats.

The parade will commence at approximately 9:15am on the bat tennis courts or Multi-Purpose room (weather dependant) and we welcome parents to attend and view all the wonderful creations.



Some examples from previous year

A small prize will be given to a student from each year level for the 'best' or 'most creative' hat as judged by the adjudicators.

Happy creating!

Sincerely from
Albion Parents' Club