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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

November

- 16th Foundation transition session 2
- 19th School council meeting
- 22nd Run4Fun Colour Explosion
- 23rd Foundation transition session 3
- 23rd Year 6 transition workshop at school
- 23rd Year 1/2 excursion
- 23rd Foundation Fire Education session 2
- 24th State election (school is a polling booth sausage sizzle)
- 27th Rock Ed workshops (re school production)
- 29th Rock Ed workshops (re school production)
- 30th Foundation transition session 4 and parent information session

December

- 3rd Swimming commences
- 6th Year 6 transition workshop at school
- 10th School council meeting
- 11th Year 6 orientation day at secondary school
- 11th 'Step Up' Day (in school transition)
- 13th Canteen Meal Deal
- 14th Last day of swimming
- 17th School production, awards night, graduation
- 19th Year 6 graduation excursion
- 19^{th} Year 1-3 day camp
- 21st Last day of school year **1:00pm** dismissal

Message from the Principal

2019 Planning

The class structure for 2019 will be as follows:

- 2 x Foundation classes
- 3 x 1/2 classes
- 2 x 3/4 classes
- 2 x 5/6 classes.

I ask parents to let me know if your child/children is/are not returning to Albion Primary School next year. If you have a child who is commencing foundation (prep) in 2019, please make sure you have completed an enrolment. Only children who have enrolled participate in the K – F transition. Similarly, if you know of anyone who is intending to send their child to Albion Primary School in 2019, please let them know that they need to enrol their child as soon as possible.

Placement of Children in Classes for 2019



Our strategy for the placement of children in classes is quite straightforward. Placement is based on educational grounds in what is best for the individual student as well as the group.

We endeavour to have a spread

of gender, special needs and talents, leadership qualities and personalities in each class. Increasingly we have found friendship groups less important and harder to satisfy. Obviously this is considered in the process but it is well down the priority list in the placement of students.

If you have sound educational reasons as to a certain consideration regarding the placement of your child, you are invited to submit a written request to me by Friday 23rd November.

Please note nominating a teacher for your child is not part of the consideration.

Once classes have been developed it is extremely difficult to change as it causes a 'ripple effect' across the rest of the classes.

24th November – State Election Day BBQ

Albion Primary School is a polling booth for the state election on Saturday 24th November.







We are having a sausage sizzle to help raise funds to go towards the purchase of some new outdoor furniture. This fund raiser will provide the opportunity for support from the wider Albion community. However, we are relying on the school community to provide 'people power' to run the BBQ on this day.

Yellow notes were sent home last week. If there is anyone who can help out, but has not sent the note back, please do so by Monday 19th. (There are also notes at the office if you cannot find yours). You will be notified of your time slot on Wednesday 21st November.

If you cannot help with the BBQ, make sure you come along and purchase a sausage or two (and vote!)

Parent Payments for Essential Items

As mentioned in the last newsletter, in line with the Education and Training Reform Act 2006, school council approved the parent payment policy and the school level parent payment charges for 2019 essential items that are required for all students to support their learning. School council decided to keep the cost at \$105 per student (the price has remained unchanged for at least the last eight years). Parents are responsible for the payment of items students take possession of, and activities and services that Albion Primary School considers essential. (This includes book packs, classroom and specialist class materials and school uniform.)

Parents who have a current health care or pension card with each named Albion student on it, as of the first day of term one in 2019, are eligible for the Albion Primary School's Education Assistance (SEA). This covers the cost of book pack, classroom and specialist materials at the above amount. Those students who are named on health or pension cards are also eligible for the Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund (CSEF), to help cover the cost of school activities.

Notes and information about parent payments for the 2019 school year have been handed out. Please check with your child's class teacher if you have not received the information.

You can find the Parent Payment policy on the school's website as well as other information pertaining to parent payments including frequently asked questions.



CSEF - Health Care and Pension Cards

To be eligible for the CSEF, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered government Victorian primary or secondary school must on the first day of term one, OR on the first day of term two:

- be an eligible beneficiary and holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card OR
- be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder OR
- be a temporary foster parent, AND
- submit an application to the school by the due date.

If you have a health care or pension card, it is important to understand that there are limits on how long your card remains current if you travel outside Australia. Your card may be cancelled and therefore, you will be ineligible for CSEF for your child. Also, there may be difficulties with payments if your child in not in school at the start of the school year.

2019 Foundation (Prep) Student Transition

Our K – F transition sessions have commenced and the first session was very successful with thirty of our new preps in attendance. As stated above, only children who have enrolled are able to attend the transition sessions.

The dates for the remaining sessions are as follows: Friday 16th November 9:30am – 11:00am Friday 23rd November 9:30am – 11:00am Friday 30th November 9:30am – 11:00am (includes a parent/carer information session).

Supervision of Students in the Yard Before and After School

Staff supervise children in the school yard 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 (eg. athletics training 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

Albion Parents' Club News

On Thursday 22nd November, the school will be holding the Run4Fun Colour Explosion with colour explosions happening around the oval. It was a great success last year and we wanted to have another go this year.



Thank you to everyone who returned their sponsorship forms needed earlier this week as requested. If you still have one at home, tomorrow,

Friday 16th, is the absolute cut off day if you wish to order a prize. You can still return your sponsorship forms and money after this date (and we would love you to in support of our fund raising efforts) but please understand that your child will not receive the prize they may have selected.

On the day, children will be receiving sunglasses, a wrist and head band.

We hope the weather will be kind so we can run the event. Should it turn out to be wet, we will reschedule.

Swimming

Swimming is now full and we have a number of students on the wait list. Students who will be participating in swimming



will receive a confirmation note and medical information form on Monday. Parents will need to complete and return the form to school before swimming commences.

Students who are on the wait list will receive a note about that.

In light of the response for swimming, we will be reviewing the swimming program next year to see how we can accommodate a larger number of students.

Book Fair



It is that time of the year again..... BOOK FAIRHooray!

This week has been Book Fair week in the Library. It finishes on Monday morning. The more books you buy, the more wonderful books we receive for our Library.

The holidays are fast approaching perhaps a book would be a great gift or some holiday reading!

Student Learning and Achievement Awards Week Ending 26th October 2018

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Prep A	Alexandra - For making great 'text to self' and 'text to text' connections during shared and
	guided reading sessions. Your enthusiasm and
	love of reading is evident and you should be so
	proud of the wonderful progress you have made
	this year.
Prep B	Kratoz - For his enthusiastic narrative writing
_	about a party. Well done and keep up the
	great work, Kratoz!
12A	Diesel - For doing a wonderful job of fluently
	reading 'Kitty Cat and the Fish' and then
	rereading to make sure his reading made sense
	and sounded right.
12B	Riangelie and Harasees - For a fantastic effort
	when learning about irregular plurals and for
	remembering the spelling rules for different
	words.
12C	Phoebe - For being an excellent helper and
	assisting her teachers with setting up so lessons
	are ready.
34A	Silynnsa - For working really hard to improve
	her understanding of fractions. Well done and
	keep up the great work!
34B	Harrison - For doing a great job of setting out his
	work better when writing.
	Well done and keep it up!
56A	Solialii - For an overall improvement to his
	attitude for learning. Well done on always using
	initiative and giving everything a go with a
- CD	positive attitude, Soli!
56B	Hao - For being a supportive class member
	when someone needed help with their work.
Italian	Thank you and keep it up!
Haman	Bella 5/6A - For consistently working hard in
	Italian and making an excellent effort to learn about Italian landmarks, parts of the body and the
	family tree. Brava, Bella!
	Guru 1/2C - For always listening attentively to
	all instructions, helping others with their work
	and for doing a great job of accurately matching
	the animal names to the corresponding pictures.
	Bravo, Guru!
Library	Fredrick 1/2C - For demonstrating his newly
	learned computer skills and following
	instructions well.
Art	Lana 1/2C - For working persistently on her
	weaving with great success. Well done on a
	fantastic effort!
PE	Jeremiah PA - For participating so well during
	the warm up and gymnastics lesson.
	Raisa PB - For doing a wonderful job of being
	able to manoeuvre the 'Dizzy Giddy' by herself.



Student Learning and Achievement Awards Week Ending 2nd November 2018

Prep A	Airam - For writing a well-structured narrative
	entitled 'Love' which had a lovely heartfelt
	message within the story.
Prep B	Jukkah - For always being respectful and friendly
_	to all classmates and for consistently working
	hard on all given tasks.
12A	Claire - For creating excellent poems that use
1	'onomatopoeia' (sound words like boom, crash,
	clap, shh) and poems that use 'alliteration' (the
	same letter or sound at the start of most words
	eg. monkeys make major messes).
12B	Janina - For making great 'text to text'
120	connections whilst reading.
12C	Joshua - For consistently working hard to finish
120	
244	all learning tasks to a high standard.
34A	Sahibleen - For working well on all classroom
	tasks. You have done some fantastic learning in
	literacy and maths this week.
34B	Lillyan - For putting a great effort into her
	creative writing. Well done and keep it up!
56A	Jordan - For making a great start on her
	procedural text on how to make a unicorn cake.
56B	Lauren - For doing a great job of answering
	beyond the text questions with confidence and
	for her willingness to develop her reading
	comprehension.
Italian	Malaak 1/2B - For displaying wonderful
	listening skills and doing a fantastic job of
	correctly sequencing the story of 'The Little Red
	Hen' with her peers and then having a go on her
	own with great success. Brava!
	Judah 1/2C - For doing an excellent job of
	learning the <i>'Topolino'</i> chant and following all
	the game rules when playing the game outdoors
	with the class and then being able to unscramble
	the chant accurately and draw a wonderful
	picture of our game. Bravo!
Library	Billan PA - For her wonderful and brave
Liniary	rehearsal singing performance.
Art	The Whole Grade 3/4B - For doing a great job
Ait	of walking into class quietly and getting ready to
	continue on with their work.
PE	Loza and Jasmine 1/2A - For being able to hit
re.	
	forehand and backhand shots during their second
3.5.41	Hot Shots lesson.
Maths	Sumaiya 1/2A - For completing her Maths
(Mrs	homework and bringing back her Emu bag.
Ryan)	



Student Learning and Achievement Awards Week Ending 9th November 2018

Prep A	Davina - For trying hard to make sure she copies
	all the letters correctly while copying a sentence
	off the whiteboard. Well done on concentrating
	and trying your best, Davina!
Prep B	Mies - For increasing her writing stamina,
	resulting in a detailed recount of her long
	weekend.
12A	Hasnain - For writing entertaining poems that
	include alliteration (words that begin with the
	same sound), rhyming words and words that
	make sounds like 'boom' and 'crash'.
12B	Malaak - For improved concentration and
	participation in all areas of her learning and for
	doing it with a great sense of humour.
12C	Abigail - For re-reading sentences in texts to
	ensure she understands the authors purpose.
	Guru - For working hard at school and home to
	improve his numeracy knowledge and skills.
34A	Fadumo - For the kindness and care you have
	shown towards so many classmates this week.
	We are all so happy to have you as a friend.
34B	Anthony - For his fantastic ideas and
	contributions made during our class discussions.
56A	Samuel - For always having a go during class
	discussions and for making excellent
	contributions during shared reading. Well done!
56B	Blessing - For working hard on improving his
	summarising of texts
	Sahara - For being a great leader during our
	small group reading session.
Art	Ekamjot 1/2C
	For always putting in her best effort with all set
	tasks and for readily assisting her peers at all
	times. Congratulations, Ekam!

