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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

September

16th - School Council meeting

17th - School production rehearsal at venue

18th - School production at 6:30pm

20th - Last day of term (early dismissal - 2:30pm finish)

October

7th - School resumes for term 4 at 9:00am

25th - Colour Fun Run

November

5th - Melbourne Cup Day public holiday

8th - Foundation 2020 transition session (1)

14th - Year 3/4 excursion

15th - Foundation 2020 transition session (2)

18th - School Council Meeting

22nd - Foundation 2020 transition session (3)

29th - Foundation 2020 transition session (4)

December

2nd - 13th Swimming program F - 2

9th - School Council Meeting

12th - Year 6 graduation dinner

16th - Awards and year 6 graduation

18th - Year 6 graduation excursion

20th - 1:00pm dismissal

three more – Junior Landcare, School Shade Grant and Local Schools Community Grant. Junior Landcare is to help support the biodiversity in our garden and to help create the maths garden. The other grants will help us to gain funds to go towards erecting cover over the basketball court so that we have a space where the whole school and community can assemble.

NAPLAN

Initial data from NAPLAN indicates terrific growth in our students from years 3 – 5 in reading and numeracy. The Deer park/Sunshine network senior education improvement leader was in contact with the school to congratulate us on our achievement. The results are a credit to everyone. Unfortunately, in schools, so much hangs on NAPLAN results. However, it is the only country/statewide measure that is used in terms of student outcomes even though it is only a snapshot of how the school is travelling. As a school, we need to keep the momentum going to improve our practice. If we do that, then we will always see growth in student outcomes.

Message from the Principal

Calendar dates

The year is flying past and the calendar is filling fast! Please note the dates above. The calendar will be added to as other activities/dates are known.

Grant Applications

The school applies for numerous grants across the course of a year. Sometimes we are successful, sometimes we are not. This year we have been successful in five grants so far – for musical instruments, sporting schools (terms one, two and three) and Transform Us - Active Schools. We are in the process of applying for

Congratulations

Four of our students represented the Sunshine District Sports Association at the district athletics carnival held earlier this week at the Keilor Little Athletics centre. Well done to Angelo (year 6 – open) and Maryan (year 5 U11) who represented the district in discus and shot put, to Max (year 5 – U11) who represented the district in shot put and to Blessing (year 6 – open) who represented the district in the 200m and 800m events. It is a great honour to represent your school and district. Blessing and Max continue



onto the next level of competition in their events. We wish them well.

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

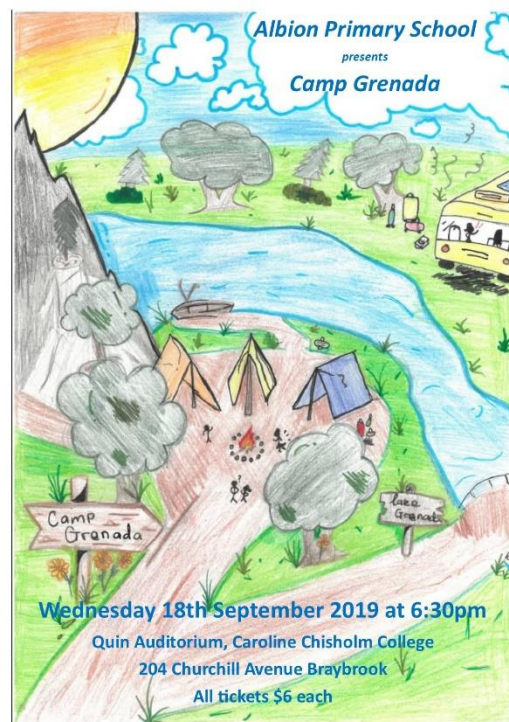
3:20 to 3:35pm. Outside of these times, supervision is the responsibility of parents or guardians. If children want to use the playground or be in the garden with the chickens (even during the times above) they must be supervised by their own parent or guardian. Once children have been picked up in the 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.

Money at School

Money that parents give their children to bring to school for the canteen or special occasions such as the Fathers' Day Stall is only for those children. It is important for parents to be clear with their child as to what they are to use the money for. It is also important that children understand that the money is for them and they should not be giving it to other children. Nor should children be asking other children for money. We have been talking to classes and teaching children if other children ask them for money to say, 'No. This is my money. My parents gave me this money. If you want money, you need to ask your parents. I am not allowed to give you mine.' If a child continues to ask your child for money, students have been taught to then tell their teacher about it so it can be dealt with straight away. I would ask that you have a conversation with your child and reinforce the statement we are teaching our students and have them practise it at home with you. If you do send money to school with your child, please make sure they know and understand what they are allowed to use the money for.

Sincerely
Adrienne Williamson

School Production



Well done to Bella and Sahara, both year 6 students, who submitted the winning poster picture. You will see their design on the posters, tickets, program and DVD cover.

We are now running full show rehearsals so that we can put everything together. The production is a huge undertaking and it takes a great team approach in order to make the show work.

The production is part of the performing arts teaching and learning so it is expected that all children are part of it. We realise there may be some exceptional circumstances for why a child does not participate but they need to be discussed with Mrs Williamson.

What we need now is an audience! Tickets have gone on sale and each child should have received a ticket booking form. All tickets are \$6 each. Tickets will be sent home on the Monday before the show. Tickets must be shown at the theatre to gain entrance.

The whole school rehearsal at the venue is on Tuesday 17th September. It happens after school and goes until 8:00pm. Details for this event are finalised and notes have gone home. Please ensure your child brings the permission note back to school.

Terrific Tuesdays and WOW Wednesdays

Are you part of the pollution or part of the solution?

This photo shows the litter that was collected from the school grounds during a recent litter audit. Disgusting isn't it?



The biggest litter culprits are snacks packets and plastic zip-lock bags. This litter problem could

be easily resolved if all students brought nude food to school each and every day.

Albion PS promotes and encourages students to bring nude food to school. Please encourage your child to be part of the solution and not part of the pollution by bringing nude food to school.

Nude Food Tips



- pack snacks in reusable containers
- pack lunch in a reusable lunch box
- utilise lunch boxes that have separate sections
- bring drinks in a reusable bottle
- use reusable utensils
- include fruit and vegetables (they have their own natural packaging)
- label reusable containers and lunch boxes with your child's name and grade
- purchase large packages of snack items and portion them out in reusable containers (this will also save you money)
- involve your child in helping to decide what to pack for snack and lunch (this will help avoid unwanted food being thrown out)

Parents' Club

Thank you to everyone who supported the Parents' Club Fathers' Day stall and hope all the fathers had a lovely Fathers' Day.

The school raised close to \$500. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who organised and ran the stall.

Thanks you also to the parents and staff who supported the Biggest Morning Tea on Wednesday. We had a great turn up and lots of delicious food to eat – so much so that there was enough morning tea for the rest of the week! If you were unable to make it and would like to donate to support the work of the Cancer Council, please drop your donation in at the office.

Community News



ST. ANDREWS FOOTSCRAY CRICKET CLUB

NOW RECRUITING JUNIORS!

Are you keen for a hit this upcoming season?

St. Andrews is a club that prides itself on comradery and strong team spirit!

We are a family orientated, all-inclusive local cricket club based at Pennell Reserve Braybro.

We are looking for Boys and Girls of all abilities to join us for our next season.

Please Contact Us!



standrewsfootscray@gmail.com

Nat 0432798560 or Tash 0490117185

Local Braybrook Cricket Club



St. Albans Sports Club

We are looking for YOU to come and join St Albans Cricket Club, Tuesday's and Thursdays 4.30-6pm starting 24th September. We are wanting young cricketers of all ages to join: Males 10, 12, 14 & 16s. All training sessions are held at Kings Park Reserve, Gillespie Road, St Albans. For more details contact:

Sophie Hubery
Junior Secretary:
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Simon Lambert
Junior co-ordinator:
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WOOLWORTHS BLASTERS (U8s)

\$50 SUBSIDISED BY THE CLUB FROM \$75 (INCLUDES KIT, SHIRT, BAT, BAG)

THURSDAYS 4.30 - 6.30

VISIT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU TO REGISTER

**Student Learning and Achievement Awards
Week ending 23rd August 2019**



Prep A	Rehan - For being a quiet achiever in Prep A who works hard to complete all set tasks.
Prep B	Isabel For making a great start to your new school. Eklaas - For putting in an excellent effort with her first guided reading group after returning to our school.
12A	Davina - For working well in her Maths group and for making a big effort to dress up for our Book Week parade.
12B	The Whole Class - For an outstanding whole class effort in writing, designing and publishing a class information text on 'Frogs'.
12C	Chantelle - For consistently showing our school values and for making a big improvement with her writing.
34A	Emma - For confidently presenting her South American project.
34B	Claire - For doing a wonderful job of taking on new ideas to improve her writing.
56A	Angelo and Filsan - For producing and presenting a well-researched debate.
56B	Nilakshay and Mudrik - For producing and presenting a well-researched debate. Angela - For producing and presenting a great debate. You worked well with your team to make sure it all linked together.
Art	Liku PB - For knowing which two primary colours, when mixed, make the secondary colours.
PE	Muaad PA and Chern Juin PB - For being able to accurately shot put a bean bag into a bucket using the correct technique.
Library	The Whole School - For all the 'Super Students and Staff' at Albion Primary School for being so wonderful during Book Week.
Italian	Ellen PB - For listening carefully and following the instructions correctly during our counting game of 'Buzz'. Bradley 3/4A - For doing a great job of locating nouns in a word search at the speed of lightning.

**Student Learning and Achievement Awards
Week ending 30th August 2019**



Prep A	Harrison - For working hard during reading groups, trying his best during independent work and for making valuable contributions to our class discussions.
Prep B	Aseel - For being a responsible and fun member of our classroom, whose attitude to learning is wonderful to see.
12A	Hooda - For doing a wonderful job when reading or thinking of how a character might be feeling and then changing her voice to show that feeling.
12B	Manahil - For demonstrating enthusiasm and focus when practising maths skills.
12C	Erick - For focusing hard on becoming a good learner by showing enthusiasm for all tasks, participating in our class discussions and for being a caring and respectful friend to his peers.
34A	Mehak and David M - For always showing the school values of care and respect by helping their classmates whenever they can both in and out of the classroom.
34B	Zaid - For doing a great job when working on his poem about the colour 'Green'.
56A	Madhushika - For always displaying the school values and for striving to achieve her best at all times.
56B	Ayaanuddin - For producing and presenting a well-researched debate.
Art	The Whole Grade 5/6A and 5/6B For all the Grade 5 and 6 students who did not believe that they would be able to knit but have succeeded and are well on their way to making their first scarf. Congratulations on your persistence, patience and wonderful achievement!
PE	Albion PS Athletics Team - For doing a wonderful job and giving their personal best in all the events that they competed in at the Newport Athletics track. Jasmine 1/2B - For always giving her personal best during all Physical Education lessons.
Library	Nilakshay 5/6B - For sharing with the class his fantastic interpretations of the characters in our shared novel.
Italian	Garry PB - For putting two jumbled Italian sentences in order, and then helping someone else in the class to do the same. Adam 3/4B - For working hard to match the pictures of the parts of the face.