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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

9th Public Holiday - school closed

10th School Council ballot closes at 4:00pm

11th Fun Family Evening 5:00pm – 7:00pm

13th 5/6 interschool sport (home vs St Theresa's)

13th House meetings – no assembly

16th Annual Meeting and first meeting of the new School Council 6:00pm

18th Cultural Diversity celebrations including Harmony Walk, Italian incursion for all students, spaghetti eating competition, gumboot throw

19th School review day 1

20th House Cross Country event

20th National Day of Action Against Bullying

20th 5/6 interschool sport (home vs Sirius)

25th - 27th 4/5/6 camp

26th School review day 2

27th 5/6 Interschool sport (BYE)

27th Last day of term – early dismissal at 2:30

April

14th Term 2 Begins at 9:00am 17th Hat Parade

May

5th Mothers' Day stall

Message from the Principal

Diary Dates

Please continue to check the diary dates above as some of the entries have had to be changed since the last newsletter.

School Website

http://www.albionps.vic.edu.au

You are able to access current information, newsletters, school calendar, notes for excursions,

complete online absence notes and find out about our school's polices and other information.

Take the time to have a look at it. It is a continuing work in progress and it is updated on a regular basis, so put the link into your favourites and keep visiting.

Our school website is also mobile friendly! It's like an app but better. You can save dates from the website directly into your mobile phone's calendar.

Please visit our website and view the short video on the home page. We are sure you will love how easy it will be keeping up to date with all that is going on at school. There are also some instructions on how to put the app on your phone at the office.

School Review

In Victoria, schools are reviewed periodically to make sure they are meeting the minimum standards and other requirements for registration. Schools complete a self-evaluation against the minimum standards and how they have progressed the goals set in the school's strategic plan (2017 – 2020).

Albion Primary School is up for review. Our review dates are 19th and 26th March. A panel is formed to conduct the review. The panel consists of: an external departmental chosen school improvement reviewer, the Deer Park/Sunshine network of school's (of which Albion is a member) senior education improvement leader, principal of the school, two challenge partners (for eg. a principal from another school), school council president or representative, staff members and student representatives. The first day includes looking at how the school has performed against its goals from the 2017 - 2020 strategic plan, classroom observations, teacher focus group discussion, minimum standards review, forward planning for day two. Day two includes future directions for the school and the development of the next strategic plan.

I look forward to working on the future direction of Albion Primary School.

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 running the program. At times, we also have special activities (eg. House cross country training before 8:50am) that a particular staff member will supervise but supervision is only for that activity and not the general school yard. Ball games are not permitted before and after school.

School Council News

Ballot papers were distributed to families on Monday 2nd March. Parents and guardians of children at Albion Primary School are eligible to vote in the election of school council members. The remaining parts of the process are as follows:

- Tuesday 10th March Close of ballot at 4:00pm
- Wednesday 11th March Counting of votes and declaration of ballot
- Monday 16th March Annual Meeting of School Council, as well as the first meeting of the new School Council

Parents/guardians are invited to attend the annual meeting. At this meeting, the school's annual report is presented. Other than school council members, please RSVP to me if you intend to come along to this annual meeting.

Student Leadership

Junior School Council

The Junior School Council is made up of two representatives from classes Year 1 - Year 6. In 2020, the representatives are:

12A - Saskia and Emmanuel

12B – Gabriella (abs for photo) and Billan

12C - Mies and Dahlia

12D - Lucas and Aya

34A - Hayley and Eben

34B - Cindy and Zac

56A - Harrison and Fouzia

56B - Filsan and Emma



These representatives are spokespeople for their class and form a part of the student leadership at Albion Primary School. The Junior School Council also organise fund raising events for causes they feel a connection to and that are worth contributing to. The sorts of events they have organised in the past include:

- Teddy Day
- Wear yellow day
- Football dress up day
- Red Nose Day
- Funky Hair Day
- Casual clothes day

The organisations they have assisted include:

- Cancer Council of Australia
- Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal
- SIDS Foundation
- Cerebral Palsy Foundation
- State Schools' Relief
- Pet House Shelter
- Children's Cancer Foundation

Positions of Responsibility

We also have a number of the senior students who hold positions of responsibility. They include:
Art Room Leaders – Emma and Lillyan
Library Leaders – Fide and Fauzia
Sports Equipment Leaders – Khalid and Anthony
Environment Leaders – Olive and David S
Communications Leaders – Priscilla and Filsan
ICT Leaders – Masuma and Saadat



Building Works

Our year 5/6 students are back in their classrooms and the library is now operating as normal. Children were very pleased to be able to borrow again. Thank you to the staff and students for being so flexible and patient during this disruption. Works in Block A will be commencing in the next couple of weeks. The office will be temporarily located to room 4 while works are progressing in the administration and old art room area.

Car Park

The car park is for **staff parking only**.

Children are not permitted to walk through the carpark, even with adults. Your children are taught this rule at school and we often see and hear children tell the adult they are with that they are not allowed to go through the car park, but the adult takes them anyway. We have cars going in and out of the car park all throughout the day. It is not a safe practice. Please help your child to do the right thing by following this school rule.

Parking is available for drop-offs and pick-ups in Adelaide, Albury, and Derrimut Streets. Children are to use the pedestrian gates for entry and exit to the school. The only exception is for staff who have students at the school.

If you arrive late and the pedestrian gates are locked, then the only option is the car park gate. However, please use the black entrance gate onto the basketball court rather than walk through the car park.

Sincerely, **Adrienne Williamson**



Cultural Diversity Week

Albion Primary School takes pride in the fact that our community comes from cultural backgrounds all over the world. On Wednesday 18th March, we are taking the opportunity to

celebrate this diversity. We invite students to dress in their cultural dress/costumes. We are incorporating Italian culture in the day as this is the language other than English that all students are learning at school. The day includes:

- Harmony walk approx. 9:10am on basketball court
- Italian incursion
- Spaghetti eating competition approx 12:30pm on basketball court
- Gumboot Throw competition approx..
 2:20pm on oval

Parents/guardians are most welcome to come along to the harmony walk, the spaghetti eating competition and gumboot throw.

Breakfast Club



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



Canteen

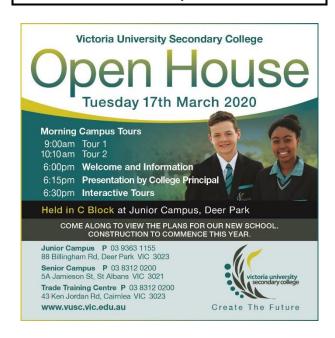


A new canteen menu and price list was sent to families with email addresses and a hard copy sent home with students whose families do not have an email address.

Weekly specials will be on offer. Next week's will be sausage rolls

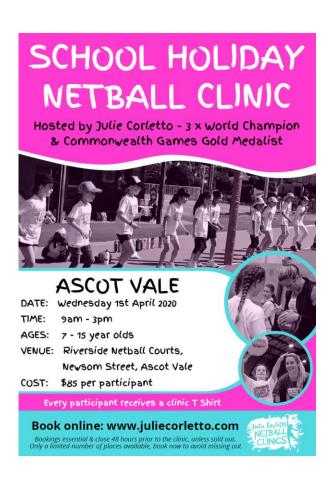
Keep your eye on the board at the front of the canteen for future specials. The canteen is open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Community News



What is Bedwetting?

Families can often drive themselves crazy trying to find a reason for their child's bed wetting (nocturnal enuresis). Bed wetting is a sleep problem, that is a problem with the child not being able to rouse from their sleep if they need to wee during the night. NightOllie Bedwetting Alarm can mean the end of bedwetting. The end of bedwetting means happy child, less laundry, less frustration, and the end of embarrassment. Night Ollie ensures children and teenagers enjoy the freedom of camps and sleepovers and assists in the regaining of self-confidence through accessing our family friendly Night Ollie Bedwetting Alarm. Visit http://nightollie.com/ for more information





The Gallery In Me is a free school holiday visual arts program supporting Brimbank kids aged 9-12 in developing tools to express their ideas, experiences and sense of self. It offers the kids an

experience of being 'heard' and the broader community the opportunity to 'hear their voices'. Over a series of five workshops, kids will experiment with a vast range of art materials to establish personal connections to them, identify which ones they can communicate through and build skills. They will then create artworks that tell us about themselves and their experiences, with a focus on the themes Identity and Belonging. Their work will be displayed in an exhibition and BBQ event for the whole community. Following that, the exhibition will be moved to another public venue for longer-term display. Images of the introductory workshops can be viewed on the program's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/thegalleryinme.

Cyber Safety

TikTok

TikTok is the world's fastest growing entertainment app recording over 1.5 billion downloads from the Apple and Google Play stores in 2019. The App is jam



packed full of features with more than meets the eye. This month we dive under the hood of TikTok to uncover what is really happening on this entertainment/social networking platform that has everyone hooked!

Keep reading about TikTok by clicking on the link.

https://www.cybersafetyproject.com.au/blog/what-is-really-happening-on-tiktok

Student Learning and Achievement Awards Week ending 21st February 2020

Prep	Aalto - For being an excellent role model in
	our classroom
	Kai - For settling in so well to his first year of
	school and for being a responsible and
	hardworking member of our classroom.
12A	Tess - For using her letter-sound knowledge
	during independent writing time to make
	attempts at spelling words.
12B	Mahmoud - For writing a detailed and
	informative recount about his experience
	with the Fire Brigade
12C	Tshoyang - For always trying her best during
	our numeracy lessons.
12D	Ellen - For becoming more confident and
	using a bigger voice when speaking to her
	teachers and classmates.
34A	Tatjana - For the great enthusiasm she
	shows in her learning, her participation
	during our class discussions and for always
	working well independently.
34B	Tasneem - For working hard to produce well
	thought out ideas during our story writing
	and writer's journal sessions.
56A/56B	All students - For their amazing efforts in
	transitioning into the Library and for
	continuing with their learning in challenging
	circumstances. They have shown resilience,
	respect and consideration for each other
	and for their teachers and support staff.
Art	Myron 3/4B - For having an excellent
	understanding of line and patterns and this
	is evident in his finished art work.
Library	Mahad 1/2A - For working well on his
	'Monster Sandwich' recipe.
Italian	Annabella 1/2A - For following instructions
	carefully and producing well organised work
	in her Italian book.
	Mohammed 1/2B - For listening carefully to
	instructions and correctly completing his
	activity of matching four Italian colours.



Student Learning and Achievement Awards Week ending 28th February 2020

Prep	Eli - For making great contributions to our class discussions and for being a kind and friendly class member.
	Yaqub - For making a great effort with his
	assigned tasks and for concentrating well on the
	mat.
12A	Declan and Emmanuel - For being able to
	partition numbers into hundreds, tens and ones
	and then explain what each digit stands for.
12B	Billan - For her overall positive approach to
	school, her attitude towards her personal
	learning and for encouraging others with her
	kind words.
12C	Danial - For trying his best and developing more
	confidence with his reading.
12D	Mathusika - For showing excellent effort in her
	writing, particularly during Guided Writing
	groups.
34A	Merve - For consistently writing pieces that are
	detailed and entertaining and for focussing
	during our class discussions and contributing her
	thoughts.
34B	Riangelie - For doing a great job of listening and
	contributing during our numeracy sessions.
56A	David - For demonstrating maturity and
	resilience. Keep working hard at displaying good
	leadership skills.
56B	Faayaz - For consistently displaying the Albion
	Primary School values, but especially for showing
	initiative in our classroom and helping his peers
	and teacher when needed by always going
	beyond what is expected.
Art	Aalto-Prep - For creating some beautiful line
	patterns using oil pastels for his 'Magic Carpet
	Ride' work.
PE	Fauzia 5/6A - For increasing her Beep Test result
	by 17 points to reach Level 6, no. 3.
	David M 5/6B - For increasing his Beep Test
	result by 16 points to reach Level 8, no. 2.
Italian	Amalia 5/6A - For completing her tasks about
	seasons and the climate accurately and for then
	helping others.



MUMS, DADS, BROTHERS, SISTERS, GRANDPARENTS FAMILY MEMBERS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

Family Fun Evening

WEDNESDAY 11TH MARCH 5:00PM—7:00PM

ALBION PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAL

BRING YOUR OWN:
PICNIC FOOD AND DRINKS (NON-ALCOHOLIC)
RUG AND/OR CHAIRS

CHILDREN ARE TO BE SUPERVISED BY PARENTS SO STAFF
CAN SOCIALISE TOO

THERE WILL BE SIMPLE ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES TO ENJOY TOGETHER

We hope we will see everyone there!

An opportunity for families and staff to get together in a less formal situation.

