Dear Parents and Families:

1/2 SLEEPOVER

Last Friday night the 1 / 2 team had their annual sleepover in the hall. My congratulations to our staff and students for the excellent organisation and manner in which this took place. A big thank you also to our parents who strongly supported this great program.

HOBNOS VOICES

Once again our choir represented ANPS on the stage at Williamstown Town Hall. This is an incredible opportunity for our students to perform in front of a large audience on a grand stage and they did it so well. Thank you students and staff, we are all so proud of your efforts.

Special thanks to Miss McCawley and Miss Jedda for giving up their Sunday and also to Mrs Kam, Miss Kehoe and Mrs Morgan for their support on the day.

LITERACY & NUMERACY WEEK:

Last night was our Literacy and Numeracy Week Open Night. Once again this was an outstanding success. We had 70 people in attendance, the choir and instrumental groups performed, Mrs Blunt and Peggy T. (student) presented and highly engaging classroom activities were undertaken.

Congratulations again to Mrs Touma and her team for the organisation of a wide range of comprehensive activities throughout the week.

We will finish off the week of events tomorrow morning with our Book/Movie Character Parade. Parents are welcome and you never know who might turn up in costume!!!!

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM:

This program has allowed children the opportunity to participate in activities which promote and encourage them to be active after school and it also provides links to local community and sporting clubs.

Parents are reminded the program for this term finishes tomorrow afternoon. Expressions of interest letters for Term 4 have already been sent home. If your child would like to participate next term, please make sure you hand in the forms by next Monday, 16th Sept. to avoid disappointment.

RAINWATER DIVERTER & FROG BOG WORKSHOP:

We are fortunate to be having Mr Raghdo host a days’ workshop at ANPS this Sunday on rainwater diverters. It is not too late to register with the City of Hobsons Bay. Your gardens will flourish and your water bill will reduce if you come along and learn more about this simple but most effective mechanism.

END OF TERM:

Friday 20th September is the last day of Term 3. We will be holding a whole school assembly at 1pm with all students being dismissed at 1:30pm. Please remember to make arrangements to have your child/ren collected earlier than usual on this day.

On a personal note I would like to thanks Mrs Gregson and Mrs Blunt for ensuring everything at ANPS was in good hands whilst I was on leave.

Have a great week,
Brendan O’Brien, Principal

PREP FAMILY PICNIC:

WHEN:
Thursday 19th September
TIME:
5:00pm – 6:30pm
WHERE:
Altona North Primary School Amphitheatre
WHAT TO BRING:
A picnic rug and a plate of food to share with everyone.
Hope to see you there!
HOBSOON VOICES PERFORMANCE
SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
WILLIAMSTOWN TOWN HALL

OPEN EVENING:
Wednesday 11th September:
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