Dear Parents and Families:

Winter is most certainly here and hasn’t it made us know it. Don’t forget to mark your child’s/children’s jumpers as we are getting a lot of lost property that is NOT named.

QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY: Just a reminder that there is NO school next Monday the 8th June due to the Queen’s Birthday holiday. There will be NO staff at school on this day.

EDUCATION WEEK 9th - 12th JUNE: Don’t forget we have open morning on the 9th June. Put this date in your diaries now. We are starting the day with a special assembly where all students will be performing with their grades. You are more than welcome to bring other family members along or friends that might be interested in enrolling their Preps for next year.

All families are welcome to come along and join in the activities our teachers have planned for both students and parents on Wednesday 10th June from 5pm - 7pm at our Open Evenings. Even Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles can be challenged.

Come and share in our multi-cultural lunch on Thursday 11th June. You can join your children in the classrooms and share in their multicultural feasts!!

CHOCOLATE DRIVE: Remember to sell your chocolates and return the money to our P & F as soon as possible. This is a great fundraiser for our school and thankyou to our team of Parents & Friends who work so hard for us.

CAMS SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND: This fund is separate to the Family Assistance payment that was offered earlier in the year. If you have a current health care/pension card or are a temporary foster parent, please come to the office and fill out the form. It is a quick process and can greatly help towards the cost of our upcoming camp as well as our term 4 swimming program. Ask at the office or visit the website for more information. www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

CAMP COOLAMATONG: Camp forms have been sent home and are due back shortly. Coolamatong is an excellent camp with outstanding facilities and activities. Students will have the opportunity to visit the World Famous 90 Mile Beach by boat, go canoeing, learn archery as well as a range of other adventurous activities.

Please consider carefully the excellent value your child will gain from this experience. Please visit the camp website http://www.campcoolamatong.com/

BREAKY CLUB: It was great to see so many at Breaky Club this morning with Will. I think he might be able to cook up a storm!!! Don’t forget if you would like to attend Breaky Club on Thursday and Fridays please let Will or Mrs Gregson know. Thankyou to the Bendigo Community Bank and Altona Rotary Club for giving ANPS a grant for $3,700 to run our breaky club.

F.I.T.B.A GIRLS SOCCER: We had a very excited group of girls return to school yesterday after their day at the Girls Soccer Round Robin Day. I heard so many variations of excitement that in the end I think they came 2nd!!!!!! A big thankyou to Mrs. Soto for organising the day, to Steve Barlas (Mikaela and Heidi’s dad) for training and coaching the girls and Fay for braving the cold to support the team.

WAKAKIRRI: Wakki is well on the way with staff spending time last night painting, cutting and designing costumes and props. If any parents have sewing skills or could spare some time to help out please speak to Ms McCawley. I am sure she would be pleased to hear from you.

3/4 BIKE ED: I have enjoyed watching out of my office window and seeing all the 3 / 4 students enjoying their Bike Education Program. You can see the effort they are putting into their learning and it is definitely paying off.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS: Parent Teacher Interviews are coming around quickly. Information regarding these were sent home last week with all students. Please return all forms so appointment times can be made. It is important for you to come along and find out about your child’s learning and how we can work together to provide the best education and experiences for every child. Please remember to send a separate form back for each child within your family

BIRTHDAYS AND PARTIES: We have had a number of Birthdays and Parties recently. If you would like to bring a cake to school for your child’s birthday we are more than happy to have a little get together to sing Happy Birthday and share cake and lolly bags BUT please make arrangements with your child’s teacher prior to coming to school with a cake. This way we can make sure the class is ready and the time is suitable as other students in the playground. These sites are NOT accessible on school computers as we have a very complex blocking system that our ICT Tech Thi is very conscious of. So please always check on your children’s use of the internet and make sure they are looking at age appropriate sites.

What do your children look at on the computer?: I ask you to please be aware of what your children look at online when using a computer at home. We have had a number of students playing games they have learnt off the internet and scaring other students in the playground. These sites are NOT accessible on school computers as we have a very complex blocking system that our ICT Tech Thi is very conscious of. So please always check on your children’s use of the internet and make sure they are looking at age appropriate sites.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and all our footy teams have a good week. Go Melbourne!!!! Have a great week; Robyn Gregson - Principal
Chocolate Drive

All orders have now been distributed

Each box of chocolates consists of a total of 50 chocolates. Chocolates sell for $1 each or $50 per box. ANPS makes $20 for every box sold. (These chocolates are Halal Certified.)

It's not too late to offer to sell chocolates - please send a written request, signed by an adult, stating the number of boxes you would like to sell. If you sell all of your chocolates and you would like to order more, you are required to also send a written note, signed by an adult to the office. Additional boxes of chocolates will not be distributed until full payment is received for the first box sold.

A HUGE thank you to those families who have already sold their chocolates and have handed the money into the school. We have already profited $240! Well Done.

Mattel Toy Store

The following dates and times are available to visit the Mattel Toy Store in Derrimut:
- Tues 23rd June 3pm-7pm;
- Fri 26th June 10am-3pm;
- Sat 27th June 11am-12:30pm.

Order forms will be sent home with the eldest child in the coming week. We only have 25 tickets per day. So make sure you send your forms back ASAP.

No one under 15 years old (no infants, babies or children) is allowed entry.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS:

ALTONA LIBRARY BIRTHDAY PARTY

Come as a family, come as you are for the biggest Altona Library party in half a century.

From 10am to 1pm we have The Connies, Photobooth, Facepainting, CWA Altona branch craft, Altona Primary School 100th anniversary stall, cultural games from Vietnam and Japan, Luchair stones – dragon masks, Leversha Design recycle craft, Giant games, EnviroCentre taxidermied animals and more. Cake cutting at 12pm.

Date Saturday 6 June
When 10am to 1pm
Where Altona Library

Performances and activities:
- 10am Stephen and Matilda Colebrook - Woodwind duo
- 10.30am Birthday story time
- 10.30am Salvatore Romita - Piano accordion
- 11am Out of the Woods – Ukulele
- 11.30am Greek dancing - Pegasus Academy
- 12pm Speeches and cake cutting
- 12.30pm Dylan Appleby – Acoustic guitar

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Rationale

As students are better prepared for learning when they are healthy, safe and happy, student welfare is the responsibility of all staff working in a whole school context. Student learning cannot be separated from wellbeing.

Helping students to learn effectively and to develop positive attitudes and behaviours are goals that have long been shared by teachers, student support services staff and parents. It requires that each young person is educated in an environment which provides for their individual development. This has been a long standing challenge for all involved in education.

Purpose

To ensure Altona North Primary School embeds student wellbeing in all learning experiences by aligning student welfare and curriculum policies and creating an educational environment and curriculum that is inclusive and meaningful to all students.

Implementation

The school will provide an integrated and comprehensive curriculum approach that incorporates the personal and social issues of students into their daily learning experiences.

The school will provide a flexible, relevant, inclusive and appropriate curriculum and accommodate student developmental needs within the Victorian Essential Learning Standards stages of schooling:
- Years Prep – 4 (laying the foundations)
- Years 5 – 8 (building breadth and depth)
- Years 9 & 10 (developing pathways).

The school will use The Framework for Student Support Services to better understand the principles, arrangements and the additional resources provided to strengthen student welfare and support services.

The school will promote a whole-school approach for creating a safe and supportive school community.

The school will apply prevention and early intervention strategies that define, teach and establish consistent school- wide and classroom expectations, consequences for problem behaviour, processes for early identification of students with difficulties, processes for ongoing collection and use of data for decision-making, provide a positive and engaging physical environment, empower students to take responsibility and be involved in decision-making, use evidence-based interventions, monitored regularly, equip students with skills and knowledge around pro-social behaviours.

When concerns arise about a student’s behaviour, or a student is displaying chronic patterns of problem behaviour the school will consider more targeted intervention strategies.

If resources permit the school will create/maintain the role of Student Welfare Officer or similar to promote the whole school approach to health and wellbeing within the school community and work in collaboration with students and parents, school staff including the Principal, teachers, aides, specialist staff, student support services officers and with broader community agencies.

Please refer also to the school’s Curriculum Policy, Student Engagement Policy, the Discipline Policy and the Bullying/ Harassment Policy.
SOMERS CAMP 2015

From May 19 - 27 ANPS were fortunate to have 16 students and three staff attend Somers School Camp. This was a wonderful personal development experience for the students to meet and interact with students from the Hobsons Bay Region and to challenge themselves both mentally and physically during activities. We have had nothing but rave reviews of their experience and it was great to hear the positive chatter in the yard and classroom.
Girl’s FITBA Lightning Premiership

On the 3\textsuperscript{rd} June, 25 Grade 5/6 girls attended the annual Girls Soccer Tournament. We had two teams from ANPS: Altona North Green and Altona North White. Seven schools attended the tournament. There was a canteen and most of the girls enjoyed eating hot chips. Some of us met up with our friends from Somers Camp whilst other girls made new friends. Thank you to Steve (Mikaela’s dad) and Mrs Soto for coaching us. Also thank you to Fay and all the parents who came on the day to watch and support us. ANPS scored six points altogether. Ella from 5/6R successfully scored two goals for Altona North Green. We had a wonderful day and a great time.

By Mikaela & Cecylia
The Victorian Government have unveiled a new initiative to ensure all Victorian students can take part in school trips and sporting activities. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) will run over four years and provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions. $125 per year will be paid to eligible primary school students. CSEF payments will go directly to the school from the commencement of Term 3 and be tied to the student.

**Eligibility:**
To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government Primary School must:

a) be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC), Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder or an eligible beneficiary of a Veterans Affairs Gold, OR

b) be a temporary foster parent.

on the first day of Term 2 (April 13th) or on the first day of Term 3 (July 13th).

**Applications:**
Parents or legal guardians are required to complete a CSEF application form and lodge it with their child’s school for processing by Friday June 26th, 2015.

**Implications for Students in Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6 who would like to attend Camp Coolamatong:**
CSEF may be offset against the payment of $300 for Camp Coolamatong. However, a deposit of $100 is required by Friday June 19th.

*Please Note:* If you claimed ANPS Family Assistance at the beginning of 2015 and nominated to carry over funds towards “CAMP”, your balance will be automatically adjusted. Please make contact with our friendly office staff if you are unsure or have any queries.
Altona North Primary School

Education Week

Open Evening

Wednesday 10th June
5pm - 7pm

Celebrate Learning with our Community

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Changing lives for 50 years

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Enter via Cresser Street.

Telephone: 9391 4233
Assembly
Watch your child perform at our school assembly. You are invited to watch a variety of performances from grades Prep to Six showcasing the Teaching and Learning across the school in Inquiry Learning. Students have been enthusiastically practicing their acts ready to perform for you.

Open Morning Session
Your child/children would love you to visit their classroom and participate in classroom activities with them. This is the perfect time for you to experience the learning your child is involved in. You are also welcome to visit other classrooms.

Morning Tea
Stay a little longer and spend some time chatting with other parents and staff while enjoying a cup of tea and a biscuit.

Open Evening
Come along with your child and participate in Inquiry learning activities together. This is the perfect way for you to gain an insight into your child’s school day. We strongly encourage you to join us on the night and take the opportunity to help us celebrate your child’s learning and gain an insight into the school’s curriculum. Afterwards join the staff for a chat and supper. We would love to see you here.

Whole School Multicultural lunch
You are invited to our Whole School Multicultural Lunch. Join us as we celebrate the Cultural Diversity in our school. We ask all students to bring a plate of food to share with their class that represents their culture or a meal that is a family favourite.

Whole School Disco
Students will have the opportunity to sing and dance to a variety of their favourite songs.

Whole School Dress Up Parade
The whole school will Dress Up in costumes according to the ‘Inquiry Topic’ children are learning about this term. You are invited to join in and watch your child in the Parade. You will also have the opportunity to watch the Choir perform.

Student Organised Activities
Throughout the week, our Student Peer Leaders will be organising and running activities for students during recess and lunchtime.