Dear Parents and Families:

CANCAN NEWS: In last week’s newsletter we sent home a canteen price list, please disregard that list, an OLD canteen price list was accidently attached. Prices have not changed and remain the same. An updated version of the price list was sent home earlier in the week, which reflects items that have been removed.

The canteen will be CLOSED ALL DAY TOMORROW, Friday 24th July. Parents/Guardians are asked to please make sure they pack a snack and lunch for their children tomorrow as we will not be able to provide any assistance in this area.

ANPS SCHOOL REUNION: Our school reunion will be held on Sunday August 23rd. All past students, parents and teachers are welcome. If you know anyone who would be interested in attending please let them know of this very exciting event. Please remember to RSVP by August 7th to help us with catering. For more information visit our website: http://www.altonanorthps.vic.edu.au/ or contact the office.

CAMP COOLAMATONG: This will be my last chance to wish our students a safe and enjoyable time on camp next week. A big thank you to Ms Shiels for her thorough organisation and to our staff attending; Mr Jaggard, Miss Ousley, Mrs Blunt, and Tara. The plans for the week’s activities look challenging. We do hope the weather is kind for our campers. Most importantly please make sure your child has everything they need packed for camp. Please make sure that your child arrives at school by 8:45 on Tuesday so all campers are able to get away on time.

WAKAKIRRI: Is approaching fast and we still have many costumes and props that need to be made, if any parents are able to help with the making of these or know anyone who can assist us, please contact the office or speak with Ms McCawley.

STUDENT FREE DAY: Friday 14th August is a student free day. Please make sure that you do not send your child to school on this day.

LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK: The learning and sharing of how we learn continues under the guidance of our Numeracy and Literacy Week team lead by Mrs Touma. Please refer to the schedule that will be released in the coming weeks and place these important dates and times on your home calendar. We welcome all families to school during this week to gain first hand knowledge of the hard work our staff and students’ achieve.

PARENT SURVEYS: Parent Opinion Surveys will be sent home tomorrow (Friday 24th July). Families who receive these are randomly selected by a computer generated program. Staff at ANPS do not see the personal responses of these surveys. The surveys are due to be returned to school by Friday 31st July.

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY: This Friday Mr Raghdo and his band of environment monitors will support the school in planting new trees into our gardens. It will also be a paper free lunch day-"Nude Food Day". Please send your child to school with lunch that is completely rubbish free. More information about the day is on the next page.

PREP 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL: Time flies when you are engaged in life and learning. Our beautiful Preps have been at school for 100 days, which seems incredible. They have counted to 100 and often much more, many have read for over 100 nights at home, amazing. I hope you all enjoy celebrating this milestone.

PREP 2016: A friendly reminder to families who have children turning 5 years of age before April 30th 2016 - Now is the time to enrol your child for Prep 2016! It is not long now before I start to work out our staffing needs for 2016 and in doing so, it is imperative that all enrolments are lodged. Please make sure you have your child enrolled to guarantee their place at ANPS in 2016.

I hope you have a great week.

Robyn Gregson - Principal
PLANET ARK TREE DAY AND PAPER FREE LUNCH

Nude Food Day is a nationwide initiative developed to encourage kids and parents to eat well and live well, and eliminate all unnecessary packaging and wrapping that goes into schools.

Essentially, kids bring their food – nude! This will reduce the amount of rubbish that goes into the bins, and onto the ground, which pollutes our planet. This is an amazingly simple concept that really empowers kids to create change.

Historically, Nude Food Day has been celebrated on a specified date, however this year we are promoting the event to run alongside Planet Ark’s National School’s Tree Day (Tomorrow Friday 24th July).

STUDENT BANKING

TUESDAY is Student Banking Day. Keep those deposits coming in and remember that once you have 10 tokens you can redeem them for a great reward.

Term 3 Student Banking competition has commenced.

Students only need to make three deposits during this school term, to be automatically entered into the competition.

Prizes include:
- 75 X iPad minis
- 125 X Beats Headphones
- 200 X $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates.
- You can also win books for your school library. The CBA are giving participating Student Banking programs a chance to win one of 75 sets of children’s books for their school library, valued at $200.

For more information, visit www.commbank.com.au/prizeportal.

CAMPS,SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND

CSEF has arrived. Families who made a successful CSEF claim last term can now access these funds to pay for camps, sports, excursion and incursions.

The tear off slip attached to the school activity note will now include an option to pay using CSEF funds.

Many families have used their CSEF to pay for this year’s camp. If you nominate to use CSEF and you have insufficient funds, the office will contact you to make alternate arrangements.

SCHOOL SPORT

On Tuesday the 21st of July, the ANPS Tee Ball team played against Spotswood Primary School in the first round finals of the Hobson’s Bay Division. It was rather a windy day, but that did not stop both teams from playing excellently. Numerous triple plays occurred throughout the game, which kept the game very interesting! In the end, Spotswood proved to be too strong by winning 25 to ANPS 16. Our students upheld our school values by being good sports and trying their best.

Congratulations to our Tee Ball team as we did win the ‘Premiership’ of the Altona District Competition at the end of last term against Altona Primary School.

Thank you to our parents for supporting the team.

Also a big thank you to Ray Baker from Williamstown Baseball Club who has voluntarily umpired our games throughout the finals series. He has invited students of ANPS to attend a "Come and Try" Day this Saturday the 25th of July, from 10am to 12 noon. The ground is Greenwich Reserve, corner of The Strand & North Road, Newport. All equipment is provided. Just bring your smiles!

Lisa Ousley
Tee Ball Coach
Parents and Friends

Upcoming Events

Sausage Sizzle Lunch- Canteen Closed
Monday, 17th August, 2015
We will be offering a sausage sizzle lunch on this day. $1.50 per beef Halal sausage in bread $1.50 per bottle of water.
Orders forms will go out to each child during the first week of August.

Student Disco
Friday, 28th August, 2015
$5 per student
Includes: Professional DJ, entry, popcorn, glow stick, games & prizes
This is a fully supervised event held in our school hall. Open to current ANPS students only. All music, prizes and games will be age appropriate. Glow ware will be available for purchase on the night. Full details will be sent home with children in coming weeks.

Fathers Day Stall
Will be held on Wednesday, 2nd Sept 9am-11am
Gifts available from 50c up to $5. Buy a gift for Dad, Granddad or a very special someone in your life. If you are able to assist us with this stall please fill out the form at the bottom of the page and send it back to school with your child ASAP.

Sausage Sizzle Lunch- Canteen Closed
Thursday, 10th September, 2015
We will be offering a sausage sizzle lunch on this day. $1.50 per beef Halal sausage in bread $1.50 per bottle of water.
Orders forms will go out to each child during the first week of September.
This year, P&F are raising funds to upgrade and add new outdoor play areas for our children. We are really excited to be getting very close to our goal and it's only the middle of the year!! Your support within our community is very important. The P&F team try and come up with ideas which the students and community will enjoy and support. We are planning events for next year and would love to hear your ideas about events we could hold in the future and feedback on past events. Watch out for a BIG GREEN suggestion box located at the office foyer.

The P&F are proposing to organise a shopping tour during term 4. If you are interested in attending please fill out the attached form to register your interest. A P&F member will contact you with further details.

Proposed Shopping Tour Term 4, 2015
Name:
Contact No.:
Student Name:
Class:

Father's Day Stall Volunteers
Name:
Student:
Class:
Contact No.:
Times Available between 9am-11am:

Swimming Program and Beach Program

Our 10-day intensive swimming program will take place in Term 4 this year. The program caters for students from Grades Prep – 4. It will run from Monday 5th October – Friday 16th October. The lessons will take place at Carlile Swimming which is located at Bayfit Leisure Centre, with each daily lesson being for 45 minutes.

Our 5-day Beach Program will also be in Term 4. This program caters for students in Grades 5 and 6. It will take place at Williamstown Beach. Permission notes and further detailed information will be provided later during the term for both programs.

HUGE GARAGE SALE

WHEN: Saturday 25th July
WHERE: 32 Hatherley Grove, Altona North
TIME: 9:00am - 4:00pm
Many household items and tools

COME ALONG AND PICK UP A BARGAIN
CELEBRATE WITH US!
SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST, 2015
1:30PM - 4:30PM
51 CRESSER STREET, ALTONA NORTH
RSVP BY FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST
9391 4233 OR altona.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au