Dear Parents and Families,

WAKAKIRRI: CONGRATULATIONS!!!

THANK YOU to everyone who helped us put on such a spectacular performance and a big thank you to Ms McCawley and the 5/6 unit for putting in so much effort and time to make it truly remarkable.

As in previous years, ANPS will not be taking Wakakirri DVD orders. Wakakirri DVD’s are available through the Wakakirri website. [www.wakakirri.com](http://www.wakakirri.com). Further information on this can be found later in the newsletter.

FOPA: Once again I was blown away by the high standard of our students’ performance on stage at Carranbilla, for FOPA. Our Instrumental Group were just sensational. It was a pleasure watching the various talents come together so professionally under the expert guidance of Ms McCawley. Well done team and thank you to Will, our Community Development Worker, for helping out on the day.

PREP NGV EXCURSION: Our Preps had a sensational day at the National Gallery of Victoria today. They experienced the City Circle Tram and much more during their time in the city. I think we are going to hear a lot more about their experiences tomorrow, when they calm down from their excitement.

LITERACY & NUMERACY WEEK: This week has been wonderful with an outstanding assembly on Monday with all of our students doing a wonderful job with their performances.

Buddies have been busy with both Numeracy and Literacy “Cross Age” activities on Tuesday and Thursday, and of course, we had such a successful Open Evening last night with so many families sharing in the learning experience.

I encourage all families to seriously consider attending tomorrow morning’s Book Character Parade in the hall at 9.00am. We have had some spectacular dress-ups in the past and we are looking forward to an equally good parade tomorrow.

BACK TO ALTONA NORTH REUNION: This SUNDAY is the ANPS 50 year Anniversary Reunion. We are looking forward to seeing over 300 past students, parents and staff. We would like to give a huge thanks to our community for supporting us in putting this fantastic community event together.

BADMINTON CLINIC: Next Monday the 3/4 unit will participate in a Badminton Clinic which will be held on site at ANPS.

DISCO: Next Friday, 28th August, the P&F will be hosting the Annual ANPS Student Disco. This event is for current students only. Notices and payment need to be sent back ASAP as tickets will NOT be available for purchase on the night.

ATHLETICS: On Tuesday 1st September, students from the 3/4 and 5/6 units will represent Altona North Primary School at the ADSSA Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to all students selected to represent our school and we wish them all the best in their efforts, both on and off the Athletics track.

Thank you to Mrs Soto and all staff who have supported these students in the training and preparation for this event. Parents are most welcome to attend and to cheer and support all our students in their sporting endeavours during the day.

1/2 UNIT SLEEPOVER: Friday 11th September is the big night for our 1/2 students and staff. The sleep over is an integral part of our camp development program which begins with the Prep Picnic and culminates with the 3 to 6 camp. These opportunities to provide students with a sleep over and camp are invaluable for their social and emotional development.

LAST DAY OF TERM: Friday 18th September is the last day of term 3 and it is a 2:00pm finish. Please ensure you have someone here to pick up your child/children at this time, alternatively you can contact our OSHC - Camp Australia to arrange for your children to attend. Assembly will be held at 8:45am in the school hall. All parents, friends and family members are welcome to come along. Students will be dismissed from their classrooms at 2pm. Morning tea and lunch breaks will be held at alternate times to accommodate the early finish.

SWIMMING: 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. The cost to attend the program is $100 per student.

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. The cost of the beach program is $110 per student.

Permission notes and deposits are due back by 21st August. Full payments to be completed by 3rd September.

STAFF CARPARK: We still have many parents parking in the staff carpark. If you park in the carpark you will be asked to move you car. It is a safety hazard for your children and they should not be in the carpark at any stage.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Robyn Gregson - Principal
WORKING BEE:

We are looking for a few volunteers to help with the next stage of the Kitchen Gardens project. This Saturday 22/8/15 starting at 8:30am we will be holding a working bee.

We would like to complete the timber sections of the veggie boxes. It would be much appreciated if anyone with a few building skills could volunteer for an hour or two.

It's a working bee

ART ROOM NEWS:

There is a display of students art work at the Point Cook Town Centre (outside Target) until Sunday 23rd August.

MATERIALS NEEDED!!
Egg Cartoon and Polystyrene trays. If you could please drop these items into the school it would be greatly appreciated.

EXTRA CURRICULA ART ACTIVITIES
Are you looking for extra art/craft activities for your child after school?
See the community notice board (located in the corridor behind the office) for art classes at:
Louis Joel Arts and Community Centre. Phone: 9398 2511
Sandra’s Art in Motion; Children’s Classes. Phone: 0402 599 521

HOBSONS BAY LIBRARIES ILLUSTRATION COMPETITION
Children are invited to enter a competition by illustrating a favourite book using pencils, paint, graphic design and photography to recreate a scene from a published piece of literature.
See Mrs. Morgan for entry forms.

Student Banking Update – Please Read
Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.
Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.
Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

WAKAKIRRI DVD ORDERS.
As in previous years, ANPS will not be taking Wakakirri DVD orders.
Wakakirri DVD’s are available through the Wakakirri website. www.wakakirri.com Go to the “Shop” tag and select the venue “The Clocktower” and the date of the performance “13th August”
ANPS STUDENT DISCO: “LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE”  Friday 28th August 2015 – 6:30-8pm
$5 per student. Includes: entry, popcorn, glowstick, games and lots of prizes.
Full details have been sent home with the TICKET ORDER FORM. The disco is only open to CURRENT ANPS students. Tickets WILL NOT be sold on the night so please send back your forms ASAP.
ALL STUDENTS MUST BE SIGNED IN AND OUT BY A PERSON 16 YEARS OR OLDER.
Thank you to Kidz Playshak (Altona North) for your generous donation of prizes for our Disco.

FATHERS DAY STALL: Wednesday 2nd September 9-11am
Come along and buy a gift for Dad, Grandad or someone special in your life. Gifts priced between 50c and $5. Items available for purchase will be displayed around the school in coming weeks.

Sausage Sizzle Lunch- Canteen Closed: Thursday, 10th September, 2015
We will be offering a sausage sizzle lunch on this day. Orders forms will go out to each child during the first week of September.

FUNDE 2 for 1 voucher books are coming soon. These books include 2 for 1 vouchers to Village Cinemas, Hungry Jacks, Ten Pin Bowling, MovieWorld, Muffin Break, plus many more popular stores. Purchase price is $20 per book and each book contains over $800 worth of savings. Please be aware, this fundraiser will only go ahead if we receive a minimum order of 50 books sold—more information will be sent home with students shortly.

Father’s Day Stall Volunteers wanted: IF YOU ARE ABLE TO VOLUNTEER AN HOUR OR TWO OF YOUR TIME ON WEDNESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER to assist with sales, please complete this form and return it to the office.

Student:_________________________________________            Class:________________________
I understand that a member of the P&F will be in contact with me in regards to this fundraiser.

Parent / Guardian Name: ____________________________________________________________________________
Contact No.: __________________________________________
Signed: _______________________________________________________

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST only: Proposed Shopping Tour Term 4, 2015
The P&F are proposing to organise a shopping tour during term 4 and we are asking members of our community that may be interested in attending to let us know. Please fill in the attached slip and a P&F member will contact you with more details.
Are you interested in getting more information about an ANPS Shopping Tour?

Student:_________________________________________            Class:________________________
I understand that a member of the P&F will be in contact with me to confirm this fundraiser.

Parent / Guardian Name: ____________________________________________________________________________
Contact No.: ____________________________
Signed: ____________________________

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for our school.
It’s simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths, you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet.

Double Sticker Weekend To help you collect even more, we are holding a big Double Sticker Weekend this Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. Customers will get two stickers for every $10 they spend. The more you collect the more educational equipment you can redeem.