From the Principal

I draw your attention to the words above regarding acceptance. As you will have realised I have been putting our Values at the top of the page over the last few weeks as a reminder to everyone that R.E.A.C.H. is an import guide for our students at ANPS and is highly regarded by students and staff. Please practice these values at home and in the community so our students can confidently meet life’s challenges.

WORKING BEE AND SAUSAGE SIZZLE: Thank you to our families who came along and worked so hard at our working bee on Sunday. The weather was perfect and as you will notice around the school there were a lot of tasks completed and lots of tiding up done. We had happy gardeners, rubbish collectors, painters, cobweb cleaners, toilet cleaners (they are sparkling clean thank you), cooks and general cleaning. I would sincerely like to thank the following people: Aiden and Jasper Murphy, Natasha and Darcy Whittle with friend Tristan, Wayne, Sonja, Marten and Liam Berryman, Neil Chenery (Noah and Gideon’s dad), Steve, Natalie, Mikaela and Heidi Barlas, Kylie, Greg, Amy, Quinn and Harmony Swan and also Wendy Curran for her assistance. What a great team we all made and a shared lunch was a lovely way to end the hard work.

ANZAC SERVICE: Next Tuesday our Student Leaders will be holding an ANZAC service at 8:45am at the front of the school on the basketball court. This will take place during assembly. The students work hard to provide us with an exceptional service each year and they make us as teachers very proud. All parents, grandparents & family members are welcome.

INFORMATION EVENING: A reminder not to forget our Information Evening next Wednesday evening. This year is a little different as we will be covering all years of the school. If you have a Prep for 2017 please invite them to come along and learn more about our amazing school.

SCHOOL PHOTOS: A reminder that School Photo Day is quickly approaching. Next Thursday, the 28th April, please make sure ALL students are at school by 8:45 as we do not want students missing out on their class photos. As I have mentioned before we CAN NOT redo class photos because someone was late. If you could ensure ALL students wear correct uniform on the day and are neat and tidy ready for our photos. Order envelopes have already been sent home with each student and family photo envelopes are available from the office. These envelopes, along with payment, are to be returned to the office prior to next Thursday.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL: Thankyou once again to are wonderful Parents and Friends who are working hard on holding a Mother’s Day Stall on the 5th May. They always ensure there is something for everyone and a cost to suit all.

LOTTE: I would like to introduce Mariana Voggenreiter to our team at ANPS. Mariana has been employed as our new LOTTE (AUSLAN) teacher. Mariana will be here every Thursday working with students from Prep to Grade 3/4. Please learn the signs from your children as you will have loads of fun learning together.

ROAD SAFETY: I am very pleased to say that our students are very conscious of road safety and the rules outside of our school but unfortunately there are still a number of parents who are very forgetful and DO NOT obey the signs and road rules when picking up their children, our students. Please listen to your sons, daughters and the children you care for when they tell you that you are not doing the right thing when picking them up. I have a number of STUDENTS, not parents, who complain about people not obeying the rules. Listen to our children they have been taught very well.

I hope you all have a wonderful long weekend with your families and take some time to remember our ANZACS.

Have a great long weekend - Robyn Gregson - Principal.
GREAT NEWS!!!!
State Schools’ Relief (SSR) is offering uniform support to all 2016 Government School Prep recipients of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF). If you have a child in Prep 2016 and have made a successful CSEF application, you will soon receive a uniform order form to complete and return to the school.

Families eligible for uniform support can select either a windcheater and tracksuit pants, or a bomber jacket: just in time for winter.

Once the application is approved by SSR, a voucher is dispatched electronically to the school. The school then provides the voucher to the parent/student to present at the school shop within 45 days.

Many families claimed CSEF at the beginning of 2016 and need take no further action. However if you only recently became eligible for a Health Care Card or Pension Card and your card is valid as of the 11th April 2016, CSEF applications can be processed until June 3rd, 2016.

For more information, please contact our friendly office staff.

As this is a new initiative, we may not have all the answers, but we will do our best.

BOOK FAIR’s Last Opening!
THURSDAY 21st APRIL
3.15 pm – 3.30 pm
FRIDAY 22nd APRIL
8.30 am – 8.45 am
The Book Fair has been a big success so far with lots of exciting books, posters and stationary items already sold out. Total sales have already reached $1,400. Don’t miss out on your last chance to make a purchase and go into the draw to win a $10 voucher to spend at the Fair! Item pricing starts at $1. All purchases benefit our school.

COLLINGWOOD CHILDREN’S FARM:
On Wednesday 4th May, the Prep Unit are heading off to Collingwood Children’s Farm for a fun-filled day of learning.

Permission notes have been sent home and we would like to remind families that if they have claimed the Camp, Sports, Excursion Fund (CSEF) they may like to use these funds to cover the $17 cost associated with the excursion.

If you would like to use CSEF, please return the signed permission form and DO NOT send PAYMENT - just write CSEF on the note and the office will take care of this for you.

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ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL - 2017 Enrolments now being accepted.
Aussie of the Month

Talal El Bodon

Prep M

Talal is a thoughtful and friendly student who treats everyone kindly, and always shows respect towards his peers and teachers. He is considerate of the welfare of others, and always ensures everyone is included.

Talal is an enthusiastic student and is eager to contribute to class activities. He always tries his best, and encourages others to do the same.

Congratulations and thank you for being such a valuable member of our school Talal!
ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

INFORMATION EVENING
WEDNESDAY 27TH APRIL
6:00pm - 7:00pm
*Child care available on the night*

For more information: 9391 4233 or altona.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au