Dear Parents and Families:
This has been a very short week for you all. I hope you enjoyed the long weekend and got some family time in. For those who follow the Melbourne Cup I do hope you backed a winner.

**HOUSE SPORTS DAY:** What a great day the House Sports Day was! With all of our student participating in a variety of challenges and fun activities on the day. I even got to have a dance with the 1/2 students at the end of the activities. Thank you to all the parents who came along and joined their children for a picnic lunch. It was nice to see the picnic rugs and picnics being shared around. Boy did those fish and chips smell good!!!!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to BLACKSHAWS (RED HOUSE) on their big win for the day. (YEAH RED HOUSE !!!!!!!!) Congratulations goes out to our other houses as everyone tried their best all day and were good sports throughout the day.

**FINAL SCORES:** Blackshaws (Red) 140pts  Cresser (Green) 135pts  Yellow (Mason) 129pts  Millers (Blue) 124pts

**REPORT PREPARATION:** Our teachers are well on the way with their reports for your children. This is a big effort as ANPS does take pride in excellent reporting to parents. This is not a task that is taken lightly and there are many hours of preparation and planning to support our reports. Thank you to our wonderful teachers for the amount of time they put into gathering evidence, testing and ensuring all students are learning to the best of their ability.

**GRADUATION PHOTOS:** The Grade 6 Graduation Photo will take place on Tuesday 15th November. All Grade 6 students will need to arrive at school by 8:45am. Grade 6 students who missed their individual photo earlier in the year will have the opportunity to have their photo taken on this day. This is an important photo for our Grade 6 students as it will give them memories for many years to come.

**2017 CLASS PREPARATIONS:** A reminder to all families and friends that preparations are well under way for developing class models for 2017. If you have a family member, friend or neighbour that is wanting to enrol at ANPS for 2017 please tell them to get enrolments forms in quickly as grades are filling up.

**CONCERT PREPARATIONS:** Mr John, students and staff are well into the concert preparations with dance moves, singing and costume-making underway. Parental help is always appreciated and if you are able to assist, please speak to your child’s classroom teacher or Mr John. More information on ticketing will follow.

**PREP TRANSITIONS:** Prep Transition is beginning next Wednesday. If you have any questions please contact the office.
Every year we have 5 days of transition for our future preps which provides a strong grounding in preparing our new school beginners to feel confident and excited about where their journey begins. The first of these transition days is Wednesday November 9th. We are all looking forward to meeting our 2017 Preps.

**SCHOOL CROSSING IN CRESSER STREET:** As I have mentioned in previous newsletters, we are now entitled to a supervised crossing in Cresser Street. The work on this was held up with Council elections and now the work will begin on our crossing. Also we have had a number of complaints about parents NOT stopping at the Seventh Avenue crossing. This crossing is as important to stop at, if not more so, than the manned crossing the Fifth Avenue. Please make sure you do stop as I am ringing the police to patrol around the school.

**SCHOOL REVIEW:** Our school Review is well under way and our independent reviewer will be visiting the school on 11th November. She will be speaking to staff and students to get a feel for our school. If you see Toni at school please make her feel welcome as you do with all visitors that we have at ANPS.

I hope you all have a great weekend and enjoy this wonderful weather we are having at the moment.

Regards
Robyn Gregson
Principal
ANPS 2016 CONCERT - BATTLE OF THE BANDS.
This year’s School Concert will be held on Thursday 8th December in our School Hall. Our Prep to Grade 6 students will perform in one combined School Concert to be held at 6:00pm. The Grade 6 Graduates will also be presented on the night.

ANPS has moved into the 21st century with Concert Tickets on offer through TryBooking Online Ticketing System. From mid November, Parents will be able to go online to access a customised website and purchase tickets using credit card facilities. Tickets will then be emailed to your email address.

TryBooking is an uncomplicated, streamlined ticketing system trusted by many schools and organisations. Should parents be unable to access the internet, perhaps a friend could assist. If this is not an option, our office staff will be available to order tickets on your behalf. Online ticketing is a new process for ANPS and we are confident that it will simplify the process for all concerned.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email or phone the school office.

SENIOR CHOIR NEWS:
Yesterday, Thursday 3rd November, Mr John and the Senior Choir visited the residents of Florence Aged Care Facility on Mason Street.

The Choir sang and entertained beautifully and were asked to “Please come back soon”. A couple of requests were put forward by the residents for Mr John and the Choir to learn in preparation for their next visit.

Annual K-Mart Wishing Tree:
This is an ongoing fundraiser throughout Term 4.

Children are asked to start donating some of their loose change towards the purchase of a gift to be placed under the K-Mart Wishing Tree. The loose change is collected in the classroom. The gifts are purchased and collected by the Salvation Army and distributed to families or individuals who may not receive a gift at Christmas.

The Parents and Friends will be holding a huge End of Year Christmas Raffle. Tickets are to be distributed at the end of November. $1 per ticket or $10 per book. If you DO NOT wish to participate in this year’s raffle, please complete the tear off slip below and return it to the school.

PARENTS & FRIENDS CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:
NO TICKETS PLEASE

Child’s Name: ___________________________________________ Grade: ___________________________

I DO NOT wish to receive a booklet of Raffle Tickets to sell on behalf of ANPS

Parent/Guardian Name: ________________________________________________________________