

Specialists Unit

Auslan

Occupations in Auslan

During term 2 our Preps will be introduced to the fingerspelling alphabet and counting to 10. We will also be continuing with everyday words in the classroom and family. Our grade 1-2 students will be working on fluency in fingerspelling and everyday important words to assist with building vocabulary to form sentences. I will be introducing the grade 3-6 students to occupations in our community and how to form conversations to ask questions as well as continuing on with descriptions of people and objects.

The Auslan choir will help choose a new song to practice and perform at the end of term assembly.

Lesley Dickens



Music / Performing Arts

The grade 1/2 unit this term will move from the 'Music around the World' unit to one of drama. Students will further develop and build on skills such as improvisation and staying in character. Amongst these are manipulating vocal tones and body movements as a means of more strongly portraying different improvised or predetermined characters. Acting skills are life skills that students will use in a continually integrated world where globalisation, interconnectedness and therefore public speaking is so prominent. A variety of drama, acting and improvisation activities will be explored as a means of developing these skills.

John Koutsonikolas



Sustainability:

This year 'Planet Ark school Tree Day' will be held on Friday August 25th. ANPS has been an active participant in the 'Planet Ark Tree Day' every year for the last 14 years, with all students being involved in planting a tree, shrub or plant, helping to improve our school's environment. This year ANPS has designated the same day as an 'Environmental Day' as part of our school's commitment to the environment and sustainability and in support of 'Planet Ark Tree Day'.

Throughout this day, all students will be given the opportunity to plant a native tree in their grade's designated area in the school's gardens. Some grade 5/6 students will provide the rest of the school with support and guidance in planting and caring for trees.

During the day, students across the school will participate in classroom based activities with an Environmental focus. These activities will assist in the development of the students' knowledge and appreciation of trees as a sustainable resource and the important role that trees have on our planet.

In support of our 'Environmental Day' (Friday August 25th) ANPS will be having a 'Rubbish Free Day'. We request that all parents support this event by ensuring that children's 'snacks and lunch' are packed in containers or materials which can either be recycled or reused with minimal or no rubbish going into the school bins.

It is hoped that the 'Environmental Day' will assist students in gaining a greater understanding and connection with their environment and the need to care for it.

We look forward with excitement to the Term three planting of vegetable seedlings in of the school "Kitchen garden" on Friday the 21st July and the planting of some additional fruit trees on the 25th of August.

ANPS is an accredited "Water-Live it Learn It" school and as part of our commitment to this program we will commence preparations to participate in the National Water Week, which will be held from the 15th to 21st of October (Term 4).

Wal Raghdo



Physical Education

During term three the grade 1/2 students will continue to be immersed in a challenging and rewarding physical education program that will see them using a wide variety of sporting equipment. The students will be refining the skills of over arm throw and catch previously learned in term one through game play. Term three will see the students learning and developing the Fundamental Motor Skills of two handed strike, dodge and run in a modified Hockey unit. Students will be taught the correct techniques for passing and trapping a Hockey ball, passing accurately, controlling the ball while running and shooting for goal. Students will be involved in playing modified games of Hockey during their class lesson time and will be given the opportunity to work as a team.



Vanessa Shiels

Visual Arts

Term 3 will commence with the children using a variety of skills and techniques to create a 'flying insect'. Along with neighbouring schools an Exhibition will be held at the Rotunda at Commonwealth Reserve, Williamstown on Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 September. More information will be in the newsletter closer to the date.

The children will continue to learn a variety of skills and techniques to create artworks and will explore who makes artworks and for what reason.

Later in the term the children will create artwork relating to a book to coincide with our Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations.

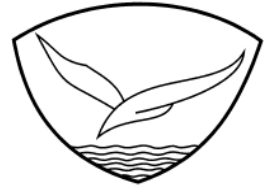
Deb Morgan



WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY 2009

Important Dates

DATE	EVENT
20/5/2009	Open Evening
22/5/2009	Inter School Sport



"Consider Others"



Visual Arts

**Curriculum Overview
Specialists**

Library

Health and Physical Education

Music and Performing Arts

Sustainability

Computers