Dear Parents and Families:

I do hope you have enjoyed our Literacy/Numeracy week activities. It has been a delight seeing our parents/carers and grandparents all being involved in our students’ learning. It’s also a wonderful way to engage children in their learning and see some of the great things that are happening at Altona North Primary School.

DISTRICT SPORT FINALS - CRICKET/ TENNIS: CONGRATULATIONS to our Cricket and Tennis finalists. The enthusiasm of our students was electric after a long day at the Schools Sports Finals. Both teams played to the best of their abilities and had loads of fun in doing so. Well done to the Tennis team for coming SECOND!!!!!!!!! And well done to our Cricket team for doing their best all day against some tough competition.

LITERACY/NUMERACY WEEK: Literacy and Numeracy Week hit the floor running with the Special Assembly and Open Morning on Monday. Thankyou to all those Parents who came along to visit your children’s classrooms.

We then had Monday Night’s “Family Maths Night”. WOW - it was spectacular with over 140 people turning up - more than we expected which was fabulous! Rob Vingerhoets did a great job keeping everyone entertained whilst he tested our Maths brains. Lots of guesses and lots of laughs. Rob will be back later this year and into next year to work in the classrooms with our students and teachers. We are all looking forward to that. “Thank You” to STAR PIZZA in Newport for supplying our yummy pizzas on the night.

Wednesday saw parents, carers, grandparents and family members come along for our “Come Read With Me” - this was wonderful to see.

To finish the week off, we had our fabulous Book Parade this morning. All of the students and staff put in so much effort and looked great! From The Cat in The Hat to Harry Potter and Willy Wonker - I think you will be very surprised!

VOLUNTEER PARENT HELPER PROGRAM: If you would like to help around the school, do some classroom reading or help on excursions ETC. please come along to join our parent program which will be held here at school on Monday 12th September @ 9:30 am in the staffroom. Mrs Blunt and Suzi would love to see you there.

SWIMMING: Our 10-day intensive swimming program is filling fast! - ONLY 10 PLACES LEFT! The program caters for students from Grades Prep – 4. It will run from Monday 3rd October – Friday 14th 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 $105 per student. Many families are accessing their CSEF for this program. So if you are eligible for CSEF please see Bev in the front office.

Our 5-day Beach Program will also be in Term 4. This program caters for students in Grades 5 and 6. More information about the 5/6 Beach Program will be sent home soon.

FATHER'S DAY STALL: A HUGE THANKYOU to our wonderful Parents and Friends for another fabulous Father’s Day Stall. With so many choices for Dad, or that special person in their lives, our children went off happy with their secret parcels in readiness for Sunday. HAPPY FATHER’S DAY FOR ALL OUR DADS AND SPECIAL PEOPLE.

KIDS THRIVE PERFORMANCE: Our 1/2 Kids Thrive Performance is getting closer so don’t forget to come along to our Kid’s Thrive Performance on Wednesday 7th September at 10am sharp. Join our children and those from other schools and quests from the Hobson’s Bay community to celebrate the fabulous work that’s been happening in our Tuesday workshops. I think you will be very surprised!

HATS: Please remember that as of September 1st we start to wear our hats. ANPS is a sun safe school and follows the recommendations form the Anti Cancer Council to ensure our students and staff are protected from the sun. Ensure that your child has a hat each day. Please see Angela in the uniform shop if you need a new one.

From the Principal
The Olympic games were celebrated with the children creating artwork ranging from the Olympic Torch / Medals / Group collage of spectators watching sporting events / Framed collage of sporting events / Plaster sculptures of sports people in action.

Currently in the art room the children are relating their artwork to Literature / Books. We have talked about illustrations in Books and how they have been created. The children have been inspired to create an artwork relating to a book we have read.

The Preps and Grade 1 / 2 children read ‘Piranhas Don’t Eat Bananas’ and made 3D piranhas and Bowls of fruit which Brian the Piranha was trying to get his friends to eat.

Other books which have been read are: ‘Dougal the Garbage Dump Bear’, ‘Mutt Dog’ and ‘Rex’.

Additional artworks will be on display soon. Be sure to come and have a look!
Students have had a busy Term 3 focusing on the skills and abilities used in basketball, hockey and soccer. They have started by breaking down the skills used in each game and learning the rules and techniques so that they can apply them to game sense situations. Games such as sideline hockey and four corner soccer have produced some great quality teamwork.

With the ADSSA Athletics Carnival only a week away the team has been selected and students will be doing their final preparations before they head to the Newport Athletics track on Tuesday 6th September. Best of luck to all students in their events, and congratulations on making it this far.

GO ANPS!
"Book Character Parade"

For more pictures check out our website: http://www.altonanorthps.vic.edu.au/
**Aussie of the Month**

**Victoria Coul toukis 3/4S**

Victoria is a kind, quiet and thoughtful class member, who always displays beautiful manners. She always tries her best in all areas of her schooling. Victoria is an attentive listener who always shows mutual respect to those around her. She is an excellent role model to both the children in our grade and other children in the school. Victoria gets along with everyone and is a great friend to all her peers. She is an excellent member of a team. Victoria is extremely helpful both in the classroom and out in the playground. She displays a positive attitude at all times. Victoria is well organised and is always keen to help others when they are in need.

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**Community News:**

**Holiday Program** – Bookings Now Open for Altona North Primary

These holidays are going to be epic! We’re making sure every day is action-packed with a massive selection of awesome activities to keep your children entertained all day long.

Team Holiday is a multi-award winning holiday program service bringing the fun to your school these holidays! We’ll be providing full day programs for kids aged 5-12 each day of the school holiday break from 8am-6pm! Every child from every school is welcome to come and join the fun.

At Team Holiday, all programs are fully rebatable for Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebates, which means you only pay half, if not less, of the full program price.

Every one of our staff is fully-qualified, Working With Children checked, and is either a teacher or studying in the education field. They’re also the absolute experts in creating unforgettable school holiday experiences.

If you would like more information, please visit www.teamholiday.com.au or call our friendly staff on 03 9532 0366.

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**Numeracy Challenge**

**Age by Jelly Beans.**

(Ask your parents to try this too.)

1. Pick the number of jelly beans you would like to eat.
   (More than one and less than 10.)
2. Multiply this number by 2.
3. Add 5.
4. Multiply by 50.
5. If you’ve had your birthday this year add 1766. If you haven’t, add 1765.
6. Subtract the four digit year of your birth. eg. 2006

You should have a three digit number. The first digit of this is the number of Jelly beans you would like to eat. The next two numbers are “YOUR AGE”!!!!!
INVITATION

to

VOLUNTEER PARENT HELPER PROGRAM

Want to be part of class/school programs?
Want to support our students’ learning?
This is your opportunity to participate in our parent Volunteer Helper Program, where you can gain skills and knowledge that you can use to help support learning at school and at home.

Date:
Monday 12th September 2016 at 9:30am
Duration:
90 Minutes
Location:
Staffroom

Lee Blunt
Assistant Principal

Suzi Gurovski
Speech Pathologist