



# ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 1  
February

Wednesday 5th  
No Preps

Wednesday 12th  
No Preps

Friday 14th  
5/6 Big Camp  
Day In

Tuesday 18th  
Prep Picnic

Wednesday 19th  
No Preps

Monday 24th  
Grandparent's  
Day

Wednesday 26th  
No Preps

Friday 28th  
Multicultural  
Day

March

Monday 3rd  
Young Leader's  
Day  
&  
Morning Mingle

Friday 7th  
Harmony Day

Friday 28th  
House Sports  
Day

**REMINDER: No Preps on Wednesdays during the month of February.**

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Dear ANPS Families,

**Welcome back to school!**

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2025 and an exciting new year of learning, growth, friendships, and unforgettable memories at ANPS. I hope all our families had a relaxing time over the holidays and are feeling refreshed as we start the new year. It was so special to be able to watch our new Preppies and their families come through our gates to start their school journey at ANPS. A big welcome to all of our new families and students. It was also wonderful to see all the other students returning for the new school year. I would also like to welcome our new staff to ANPS; Mr Mountford (1/2M), Ms Willowwhite (1/2B), Mr Patterson (3/4P), Mrs Stott (5/6S).

Teachers have already been working hard planning and organising exciting events and excursions to support and enhance the teaching and learning for our students. Be sure to keep an eye on our website, Facebook page and newsletter so you are aware of what's happening at ANPS. I wish you all a fabulous year.

**Welcome Preps:** Our new Preps began their school journey on Thursday and it was wonderful to see them settling into their classrooms. During the month of February, Preps **do not have school on a Wednesday** due to Prep testing. Parents were very well behaved and left the room as soon as possible, well done parents as this is not an easy thing to do especially with your first child starting school. As from Monday, Prep teachers will bring the children out to the line up area where you can pick up your child from the teachers, this is the next step to independence.

**Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF):** The Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) Provides a yearly payment for those eligible to assist your child/ren to attend activities such as school camps or Excursions. To be eligible for the fund you must hold a valid Concession/ Health Care Card. Application Form will be attached to this Newsletter. Please contact the office with you have future questions.

**5/6 Big Camp Day In:** Our 5/6 Students will be participating in a Big Camp Day In on Friday the 18th February. The day will centre around developing and supporting social connections, confidence and leadership. On this day we will also be holding a sausage sizzle. We would love to have parents come along to help with the sausage sizzle if they have time. Please contact the office if you have a valid WWCC and would like to volunteer.

**Soccer X:** Soccer X is back at Altona North Primary School this term beginning on Monday the 3rd of February. The program will run every Monday from 3:30pm-4:30pm and is available to students from Prep-Grade 6. Many of our students participated in the program before and had a fantastic time. Please follow the link on our website to register your child.

**Gates:** Please be aware that our School is open between 8:30am to 4 pm throughout the term. The gates open everyday at 8:30am as staff are not on duty until this time. For safety reasons, please ensure that your child does not arrive before this time. Camp Australia operates a Before School Care program if you require child care before 8:30am. Please contact the office if you would like further information about Camp Australia.

Have a wonderful weekend,

**Lee Blunt**

Acting Principal