

# ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### November

#### Wednesday 1st

Prep 2024
Transition Session 2
&
School Concert
tickets on sale

#### Friday 3rd

1/2 'Donna the water Droplet' Incursion

#### Monday 6th

Report Writing Day (Student Free)

#### Tuesday 7th

Melbourne Cup (Public Holiday) Friday

#### Friday 17th 1/2 Camp day

Monday 20th School Council Dinner

#### Tuesday 21st 5/6 Robotics Expo

**Friday 24th** 5/6 Beach Program

#### December

## Thursday 7th School Concert

**Thursday 14th**Grade 6
Graduation

#### **Friday 15th** Grade 6 Big Day Out

**Tuesday 19th** Students Last Day

### **REMINDER:** Concert Tickets on sale next Wednesday

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Dear Families,

Our School Concert preparations are well on the way. Classes are busily practising their routines, students are helping out with props etc and out tickets are going on sale soon. Thank-you in advance for helping your child to put together the costume items they will need for their class item. Mrs Mamo works very hard to keep costumes effective, simple and cost-effective. Having the correct costume helps to make each concert item special. If you are having trouble with a costume item please speak with Mrs Mamo as we want every child to enjoy their class routine.

Prep 2024 Transition Program: Yesterday we had our first of our five Prep 2024 Transition sessions. It was wonderful to meet our Preps for next year and give them a warm welcome to our wonderful school. They experienced some 'getting to know us' time, story time, drawing and writing and social time. All left with smiles on their faces. We look forward to seeing them all again at our second session for Prep Transition on Wednesday 1st November from 9:00am to 10:30am.

**Concert Tickets:** Next Wednesday our tickets for the school concert will go on sale at 9:00am. Tickets can only be purchased online and cannot be purchased at the door on the night of the concert. ANPS children will not need a ticket as they are seated in the hall with their grade and teacher. To purchase a ticket please follow the link on our Facebook or Website, or search www.trybooking.com

1/2 Unit Incursion: This term the 1/2 unit's Science Inquiry focuses Living on Earth/ Water Recycling for Life. Next Friday the 1/2 unit will participate in the 'Donna the Water Droplet' incursion to assist the students with their understandings of the topics, they will learn about water, why it's one of our most important natural resources and why it's important to save it. They will explore the water cycle, including precipitation, clouds, the sun and rain. This is a great opportunity for our students to help support with their learning through this free educational program supplied by Greater Western Water.

**Teeth on Wheels:** Teeth on Wheels will be returning to ANPS on the Wednesday 8th November. If you would like your child to participate in the program, the online form must be completed by 7th November for your child to participate. Please contact the Office if you need any support with the form.

Last day of Term 4: Last day of Term 4 is Tuesday 19th of December due to Wednesday being a Student Free Day, students will finish at 3:15pm. Teaching teams will spend Wednesday planning for the beginning of the 2024 school year as well as for Term 1.

Remembrance Day: Our student leadership will be leading a Remembrance Day ceremony in the school hall on Friday November 10th at 10:20-10:45am. You are welcome to join us during this time. We also have a range of badges and poppies for sale at our office, with all purchases going towards the Poppy Appeal to support veterans and their families. The prices of the items range from \$1 - \$5.

<u>World Events:</u> As many of you are aware, there are many happening across the world at this moment. It is important that we are all aware of what our children are accessing and viewing on-line, as some events can be distressing, especially for children. Please support the wellbeing and safety of your child by monitoring what they view online and who they communicate with online

"If I cannot do great things, I can do small things in a great way." – Martin Luther King, Jr.

A smile is a small thing but it can make someone feel great.

Lee Blunt Acing Principal



#### **Grade 5/6 IMAX and Museum Excursion**

Good morning everyone my name is Wajiha and this is Mika. On Friday last week, the year 5/6 unit went on an amazing excursion to the city to visit the IMAX theatre and the Melbourne Museum. This was to add to our learning as part of our science inquiry into 'Natural Events, Natures Forces'.

The documentary we watched at IMAX Theatre was called 'Extreme Weather' and was about all the different types of extreme weather that occurs throughout the world. For example, large tornadoes with strong speeds, glaciers melting due to global warming, droughts, bush fires and little tsunamis that happens in Antarctica due to crashing ice shelfs. We also learnt that Alaska is losing large amounts of ice because glaciers are melting and when a glacier melts, they can make small tsunami waves which break ice and cause danger to sea animals.

After our visit to the Imax Theatre, we then went to the Museum to see our first exhibit, bugs alive. We saw all kinds of different insects like spiders, butterflies and ants. The insects were quite scary but it was very fun walking around and learning new information about them. We really enjoyed going to this exhibition.

We learnt that a common house fly has millions of bacteria. The deadliest spider in the world is the Sydney funnel web spider. Luckily, we don't get the Sydney funnel web spider in Victoria. There was a huge collection of tarantulas and their shredded skins, the bottom of the tarantula is where their silk comes from and tarantulas only have webs on the ground instead of high up in trees.

