



ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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June

Tuesday 4th

Prep Tour

Wednesday 5th

Prep Swimming
&
Camp Malmsbury

Friday 7th

Campers return

Monday 10th

King's Birthday
Public Holiday

Wednesday 12th

Prep Swimming

Monday 17th

School Council

Wednesday 26th

Parent/Teacher
Share Time

Friday 28th

Last day of
Term 2
(Footy Day)

July

Monday 15th

Term 3 begins

Monday 22nd

School Council

August

Friday 16th

Student Free Day

September

Monday 9th

School Council

REMINDER: Camp Malmsbury, next Wednesday.

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Dear ANPS Families,

I can't believe we are past the half way mark for the term. We have so many exciting learning opportunities happening for our students. On Wednesdays Preps have been attending swimming at Westgate Leisure Centre. We celebrated Education Week last week and we were thrilled to see so many families attend the special events. Next week the Grade 3-6 campers are heading to Camp Malmsbury.

Illness: At this time of the year there are illnesses going around. We have had a number of students coming to school with runny noses, sneezing and coughing that we have had to send home early. We have also had numerous families reporting that their child is unwell with COVID. Therefore it is important to keep your child at home when they are showing any signs of being unwell, this is for their health's sake and to help keep the other students and staff safe, healthy and well.

Camp Malmsbury: Camp Malmsbury kicks off next week!!! Students attending camp are very excited and looking forward to their adventure. Our campers leave Wednesday morning and will be back Friday afternoon around 3:00pm. Mr James and the team have been working very hard behind the scenes coordinating and organising all the aspects associated with running a school camp. Please remember to check your child has everything they need. Ensure any medication is correctly labelled and handed to the teachers Wednesday morning. On Friday afternoon when campers return to school, we ask that parents stay back from the bus to give teachers space to oversee the children getting off the bus. We wish all the campers a fantastic trip and we look forward to hearing about their adventures.

Glasses For Kids: On Monday and Tuesday we had the team from 'Glasses for Kids' onsite providing vision screening and testing for students in Prep to Grade 3. This program is a valuable addition to all the great health and well-being programs we already have in place, such as Teeth On Wheels and the visiting nurse. As we all know, being able to see clearly is important for learning because if children can't see the words on a page clearly, then their ability to read is impacted. We had 70 Prep to Grade 3 students vision tested and 22 students were identified as needing glasses. I wonder how the 22 students will feel once they receive their glasses and can see the world more clearly.



Parent/Guardian and Teacher Share Time: Thank you to all parents /guardians who handed in the requests for Parent and Teacher Share Time. Teachers are in the process of allocating your times. Please Contact the Office as soon as possible if you did not receive a note.

King's Birthday - Public Holiday: Just a reminder the King's Birthday public holiday is on Monday 10th June, there will be no school on this day as it is a public holiday.

Prep 2025: We are still accepting Prep enrolments for the 2025 school year. If you or anyone you know wishes to enrol at Altona North Primary School for the 2025 school year, please do so as soon as possible as positions are filling up. **Enrolments are due by Friday 26th of July.** Enrolment packs are available at the office. We have our next Prep tour next Tuesday 4th June at 9:30am. If you would like a tour please contact Inass and Libby at the office. .

Cross Country Division Championships: Congratulations to Meryem 5/6B for getting 7th place in the Hobsons Bay Cross Country Championships. Meryem received 7th place and will now go onto represent our school at the regional cross country championships. This is an amazing effort and we wish all the best at the regional cross country championships.



Deputy Premier/Education Minister Visit: Last Monday morning we were visited by some very important guests. Deputy Premier and Education Minister Ben Carroll, together with Melissa Horne our Local Government Minister, the Education Department's South Western Regional Director, acting Area Executive Director, Hobsons Bay Senior Education Leader, and our School Council President Jes Oxley. We also had the media attend Minister Carroll's launch of the government's 'Glasses for kids' initiative. During this time I had the privilege of talking to Minister Carroll about our great school and I also had the opportunity to take him on a tour through our new Learning and Teaching Hub (Block B). Minister Carroll spent time with some of the students who were getting their eyes tested and he was able to see the 'Glasses for Kids' program in action. It was a very proud moment for our school as so many of the visitors made very positive comments about the atmosphere of ANPS, the appearance of the school and how well the students spoke to our visitors. This was a special opportunity for others to see just what a great school we are. A big thank you to Mary our School Captain and Aiden our Cresser House Captain, for the great job they did welcoming Minister Carroll to our school.



Have a fabulous weekend.



Lee Blunt
Acting Principal