



ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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February

Friday 16th
House Sports
Young Leaders
Day

Tuesday 20th
Prep Picnic

Friday 23rd
5/6 Round 1
interschool sport

Monday 26th
Grandparents
Day

March

Wednesday 6th
Parent Teacher
share time

Monday 11th
Labour Day Public
Holiday
(No School)

Friday 15th
Harmony DAY

Friday 22nd
School Photos

Thursday 28th
Last day of
Term 1

REMINDER: House Sports Day Next Friday

08/02/2024
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Dear ANPS Families,

Thank-you to all families for being so supportive of your children and ensuring they are in the correct uniform. The new uniform is looking fantastic and the grade 6s are proudly wearing their special polos.

Even though this a shorter term, we still have lots of events happening to support student learning,

Health and Well being and a sense of Community. Some of the events include, House Sport Day, the Prep Family Picnic, Hockey Clinics, Battery Rescue Performance, Grandparents/Special Friend Morning, Parent/Teacher Share Time and Harmony/Jump Rope for Heart Day. It's certainly never a dull moment at ANPS. Hopefully you will be available to attend some of our community events. I know students always have a big smile on their face when they have special person joining them at school.

Prep Picnic: Our Prep Picnic is on Tuesday 20th February between 5:00pm–6:30pm. The Prep Picnic is always a wonderful opportunity for our families to come together and make connections with other families. We encourage families to bring a plate of food to share that represent their culture, or a meal that is a family favourite. I'm looking forward to catching up with our Preps and their families.

House Sports Day: House Sports day will be next Friday 16th February. Students are strongly encouraged to wear their House Colours and clothes that are suitable for sporting activities. Hopefully you are available to come along and support our school community event from 12:00pm until 1:30 pm. The family picnic will start around 1 pm. Let's hope the weather is magnificent for this day.

School Council and Elections: Monday nominations are open for parent representatives and staff representatives on our School Council. If you are an enthusiastic parent interested in getting more involved and having a say in what our school is doing, or know someone who is, we would love to hear from you. We are looking for people who are committed to improving the educational outcomes for all of our students. Nominations close on Monday 4th March and forms are available from the office. A letter will be going home tomorrow outlining the nomination process.

Student Medical and Action Plans: Asthma, anaphylaxis and other medical details are essential for student safety and well being. Please ensure that we have all the important information and/or medication at school regarding your children's medical needs. If you require an asthma or anaphylaxis action plan, please notify our office via phone or email.

Parent Teacher Share Time: Our Parent/Teacher Share Time will be held on Wednesday 6th March. This is a great opportunity for parents/guardians to meet their child's classroom teacher and share information that is valuable to their child's growth and learning. Please pencil this date into your diary.

Parents & Friends: Thankyou to those parents, grandparents and carers who have offered to volunteer around the school, it's very exciting to have families back onsite and now is a good time to begin our Parents and Friends once again.

Camp Australia: Altona North Primary School has a 'Before and After School Care' program which is run onsite by **Camp Australia**. The program runs between 6:45am - 8:30am and 3:15 - 6:15pm Monday - Friday during school terms. For more information head to our school Website.

Hockey Clinic: Hockey Victoria are visiting ANPS next Thursday 15th February to run a hockey incursion for Grades 3/4 and 5/6 classes. Each 45 minute session will have a focus on basic skills and small team activities that emphasise cooperation and fun. Can you please ensure that if your child is in grade 3-6 that they are dressed on the day with appropriate footwear, have their hat and water bottle.

Sunshine Taekwondo: Our resident Grade 3/4 teacher and fourth dan martial arts instructor, Mr Leech, is running taekwondo lessons at the ANPS basketball hall. Grade 3-6 students are invited to a two-week free trial to get a feel for taekwondo training and start 2024 on a positive and healthy note. If you are interested in your child attending please feel free to approach Mr Leech, before or after school, for further details.

Murray to Moyne: In 2024 we will again be participating in the Murray 2 Moyne Cycle Relay. We are so lucky to have so many community bike riders who volunteer their time and energy to valuable funds for our students. Last year the team raise approximately \$18, 500.00 which used to support student health and well-being. Information regarding how you can support our major school fundraising event will be available shortly.

ANPS Battery Recycling Champs: How amazing are we! ANPS was awarded 2nd place for the large amount of batteries that were recycled by our community. We were awarded \$1,300 for our wonderful recycling efforts. The money will be added to the funds we are raising for new playground equipment. Thank-you to everyone for supporting our Battery recycling program. This will continue again this year and we would appreciate your ongoing support by sending your old batteries to school.



Have a fantastic weekend!
Thanks,
Lee Blunt
Acting Principal