

# ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Term 4 October

Dear ANPS Families,

### Welcome to Term 4!

#### Friday 11th

5/6 Lawn Bowls  
Program

I hope the term has started well for all of our families and everyone was able to have a relaxing break and an enjoyable time.

#### Monday 21st

School Council

This term we have introduced a revised yard duty process for the school yard in response to feedback we have received through the Student, Parent and Staff School Survey, as well as staff/student feedback sessions conducted last term regarding behaviours, play areas, safety and supervision in the yard. In response to the feedback we received, for example: increasing teachers' time spent following up on of inappropriate behaviours in the yard, increase of students needing to attend sickbay due to rough play, students and families often reporting that a staff member on duty could not be found or seen, and students feeling safer when they can see a staff member in their vicinity, we have now put the following in place:

#### Wednesday 30th

Prep 2025  
Transition 1

- Increased yard duty supervision coverage area from 2 zones to 3 zones with extra teachers at these times so that there is a minimum of 9 staff out in the yard during recessed and lunchtimes.
- High visibility vests for all staff while on yard supervision- teachers in yellow vests and education support staff in pink vests.
- New age appropriate playground equipment purchased for specific age groups to create and support a fair and equitable and safe learning environment inclusive of all children. This includes portable soccer nets for P-2 students, nets on permanent soccer goals, down balls and picnic rugs.

## November

Further information regarding supervision and a map of yard supervision can be found in our updated Yard Duty and Supervision Policy which is accessible on our school website.

#### Monday 4th

Student Free Day

**Hats:** We prioritise the health and safety of our students, especially when it comes to sun protection. In accordance with our SunSmart policy, students are required to wear school hats whilst outside. Students will be directed to shade areas for sun protection if they do not have a hat during recess and lunch. Please make sure your child has a school hat which can be you purchased at the office or at Noone, our uniform supplier.

#### Tuesday 5th

Melbourne Cup  
Public Holiday

**Basketball Finals:** A huge congratulations to our girls' basketball team for the fabulous efforts at the divisional finals on Wednesday. Reaching this stage is a huge achievement and we are so proud the effort and the team spirit they have shown. Even though they were up against some highly experienced teams, the team performed very well and should be proud of themselves. Thank you to Mr James, Siobhan and Alex supporting the team. Well done!

#### Monday 18th

School Council

#### Wednesday 20th

Teeth On Wheels

#### Thursday 21st

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#### Wednesday 27th

Prep 2025 Parent  
Information Session

## December

#### Thursday 5th

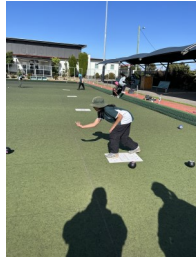
School Concert

#### Tuesday 10th

Grade 6 Transition



**5/6 Unit Lawn Bowls:** In term 4 the 5/6 students will be participating in the 'Lawn Bowls' program. As part of the program, students will have the opportunity to try the sport and be offered tips by an experienced coach courtesy of the Altona Sports Club.



**School Saving Bonus:** Parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support. In the coming months, the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools. By Friday 18 October 2024, please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and that your contact information is up to date. If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact our Office if needed. You can read more about the School Saving Bonus on the Department of Education website. Please contact our office if you have any questions.

**Prep 2025:** We are finalising our planning for next year, which includes staffing and classes, therefore it is important to hand in your child's enrolment form if you have a child beginning school next year, as soon as possible. Our transition program will commence on **Wednesday 30th October**.

**Sports X:** Sports X will be running a basketball program every Monday from 3:20 - 4:20pm commencing on next Monday. This is a privately run on-site program, if you would like to register your child please follow the link on our website.

**Breakfast Club:** Breakfast Club is running on Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:00am in our Hall Foyer, which children can access from the 7th Avenue gate which opens at 8:00am on these mornings.

**Lost Property:** We have an extremely large number of items in lost property. If you are looking for a lost item, please check the lost property area located near the old canteen at the end of Block A. Please ask at the office if you are unsure where to go. Please ensure you label all your child's clothing and items such as lunch boxes and drink bottles, so they can be returned to your child if they are found. Also thank you to those families who have returned items labelled with another child's name. Sometimes items are accidentally taken home by other children, so it's appreciated when these are returned to the rightful owners.

Have a great weekend  
**Lee Blunt**  
Acting Principal



# EXCITING NEWS

## Teeth on Wheels are coming back!



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## Congratulations

Congratulations to Eliza for winning the basketball grand final in her league.

