



ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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20/12/2024

Term 4

December

Friday 20th
Last Day of Term 4
(2:30pm finish)

Term 1, 2025

January

Wednesday 29th
Student Free Day
(Teacher planning)

Thursday 30th
First day of
Term 1

February

Wednesday 5th
No Preps

Wednesday 12th
No Preps

Friday 14th
House Sports Day

Tuesday 18th
Prep Picnic

Wednesday 19th
No Preps

Friday 21st
5/6 Big Camp Day In

Monday 24th
Grandparent's Day

Wednesday 26th
No Preps

Friday 28th
Multicultural Day

March

Monday 3rd
Young Leader's Day
&
Morning Mingle

Dear ANPS Families,

As we come to the end of another school year here at ANPS, it's the perfect time to reflect on all the wonderful memories we've made together. From exciting excursions and inspiring incursions to the exciting moment Preps had their first day of primary school, it's been a year full of growth and achievement. Highlights like Grade 3-6 camp, Grade 6 Graduation, Olympics, Grandparent's Day, Harmony Day, school concert, Young Leader's Day, and various school events have brought us together as a community, showcasing the incredible spirit and talent of our students, staff and families.

To our incredible Grade 6 students, we are so proud of the amazing young role models you've become and we know you're ready to take on the exciting challenges of high school. Best of luck for all that the future hold—you've got bright and inspiring journeys ahead of you!

We would like to welcome our new staff for 2025, Mr Mountford (1/2M), Mr Patterson (3/4P), and Ms Willowwhite (1/2B), who will be joining us next year. We're excited to have them joining our teaching staff and look forward to the contributions they'll make to our school community.

Of course, like every year, we must also say some heartfelt goodbyes to staff who are moving on. A big thank you and farewell to Mr Withoos and Mr Beatty, we wish you all the very best with your future endeavours. We say goodbye to Mr James, who has been a significant part of ANPS. We wish Mr James all the success in his teaching journey ahead, you will be dearly missed. We say farewell to Mrs Mamo, who has been our amazing Performing Arts teacher over the years. Your dedication to the school concert, the Visual Arts, choir, drama, and dance group has enriched the school in so many ways. Finally, we say goodbye to Mr Jaggard who will be taking long service leave. Mr Jaggard has been a vital part of our school community over the years, his knowledge, kindness, and commitment to ANPS has left an impact on everyone. Thank you for everything Mr Jaggard, we wish you all the best with your long service leave. To all our departing staff, thank you for everything you've brought to ANPS. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

I want to thank all the amazing staff here at ANPS for your hard work and dedication throughout 2024. A special thank you to Mr Raghdo and Ms Shiels for providing invaluable support, your leadership and teamwork has meant so much.

I'd like to express my gratitude to our amazing students and families, your support and enthusiasm is deeply appreciated by everyone here at ANPS and makes a meaningful impact on our school community.

See you in the new year, ready to start fresh on **Thursday 30th January**.

Grade 6 Graduation: On Tuesday, we had the Grade 6 Graduation, a truly special occasion that marked an important milestone for our students as they prepare for the next chapter of their journey. It was wonderful to see our students being recognised for their achievements and growth throughout their primary school years. Families, friends, students, and staff came together to celebrate this milestone. It was a memorable afternoon for all involved, and we are so proud of our graduating students.

End of Year Christmas Raffle: Yesterday we announced the winners of this year's End of Year Christmas Raffle, and we would like to congratulate all the lucky winners! A special thank you to all the families and community members who generously donated prizes. Thank you to all our wonderful families that participated in the raffle, we raised a whopping **\$2060**, which will go towards upgrading our school playground. Thank you again for everyone's involvement. A big congratulations to Nate who won the signed Geelong poster, and Cooper M who won the signed Carlton guernsey.

Class Parties: Yesterday, we had our end of year class parties, which are always a highlight of the end of year celebrations. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to come together, celebrate their achievements, and enjoy some well-deserved fun as a class after a fantastic year.

2025 Class Allocations: Today, your child found out who their classroom teacher and classmates will

be for next year. They have also been given a letter to bring home, outlining this information for parents and carers. This is a great opportunity for students to get to know their teacher and classmates, helping them feel prepared and excited for the new school year ahead.

For those celebrating Christmas, I wish you a very Merry Christmas filled with joy and plenty of Christmas cheer.
To all our families, I wish you a happy New Year and a safe, and happy holiday season.

Thank you for an amazing year,



Lee Blunt
Acting Principal

