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Key Dates for Term 4

Assembly: Dec 20th at 1.00pm

Date: Friday 13th December, 2019

APPS Piano Concert - Monday 16th at 7pm, Parent Helper Morning Tea Tuesday 17th - 10.45

Last Day of Term: Friday 20th Dec – 1.30 finish **Term 1 begins**: Thursday 30th January, 2020

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As this will be the last newsletter for the school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the school community for your support throughout 2019.

We have faced many challenges, but also experienced many successes.

At this time of year, when energy levels are low and to do lists are long, it is very easy to forget how much has been achieved in the preceding 12 months.

I am very proud of what we have achieved as a community and look forward to a positive and productive 2020.

Twilight Market - Thank you

Last Friday evening the school held our first Twilight Market. The event was a tremendous success, both as a fundraising event and a significant community connector. There was a wonderful sense of positivity throughout. As there is so very many people to thank for their contributions this has been shared earlier this week in a separate compass message. Thank you APPS community for the tremendous amount of support you gave, and continue to give to our school.

End of School Year Arrangements

Please note that next **Friday 20th December** is the last day of the school year. There will be a **short assembly at 1.00** in the hall, with school to finish at **1.30**.

The first day of term I in 2020 for all students will be **Thursday 30**th **January.**

2020 School Captains and Leaders

In 2020 Ainslie Parklands Primary School will be taking a slightly different approach to how we support student representation and leadership. Next year students will fulfil specific roles as either School Captains, or leaders representing various curriculum areas.

School Captains

The school captains will work closely with Mr MacKenzie and other members of the school leadership team. We will work together in the early weeks of Term 1 to clearly define these new roles for the year ahead. I would like to take this opportunity to announce and congratulate our two school captains for 2020, Clover Scobie and Sebastian Humphrys.

Leaders

The additional leadership roles are strongly connected to the elective chosen by those specific students. The leaders will be supported by the teachers offering the elective, with the addition of the Library Leaders, who will be supported by Carolyne Chandler. It is with great pleasure that I announce and congratulate the following students for leadership roles in 2020.

Sport Leaders

- Cooper Allardice
- Paige Edwards

Garden Leaders

- Flynn McNamee
- Felix McCarthy

Art Leaders

- Lars Buchholtz- Bailey
- Chiara Geals

Music Leaders

- Coopa Holyoak-Crimmins
- Abby Newton

Library Leaders

- Mila Morgan
- Will Anders

Parent Helper Morning Tea

The school would like to take the opportunity to show our appreciation to all members of the community who have supported our school throughout the year. You should have received a written invitation with details of the morning tea to be held on Tuesday 17th December at 10.45 in the staff room. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible next Tuesday morning.

School Canteen in 2020

Please note that a detailed explanation of canteen provision for the coming year was shared through Compass earlier this week.

The school is extremely grateful to those parents who were able to give their time and effort to support the canteen this year. A very special mention must also go to Paula Thynne and Melissa Edwards for their tireless contribution to the canteen and to our school throughout the year.

Both Melissa and Paula have given an immeasurable amount of their time and effort, and have decided to take a small step back from the heavy lifting next year. We are also very grateful to Tracy Coutts, who has offered to take on the canteen coordination role in 2020.

2020 School Community Update

A detailed 2020 Community Update has already been shared, through Compass and hardcopy. Please take the time to read through this information carefully. Finalised details regarding homeroom teachers will be communicated next Wednesday 18th December, with end of year reports and portfolios

Working Bees in 2020

Working Bees are an important way for school community to come together and support the school in a positive way. In 2020 the school is planning to hold working bees on the middle weekend of each term, either on a Friday afternoon, Saturday or Sunday morning. The first working bee of the year is planned for **Friday 28**th **February from 4-6pm**, with further details to be shared early in the new year.

School Playground Supervision times

Please be reminded that the playground is supervised from **8.45 -9.00** before school and **3.30-3.45** after school each day

We presently have a number of students who are arriving at school from 8.15. This poses an issue for the school, as we are not able to provide supervision at this time. In addition, the school was required to cease provision of before school care due to insufficient interest. The current number of students arriving early to school would support the reinstating of before school care. The school council is presently reviewing the duty of care and supervision policies for the school. It is my intention that this be finalised by the end of the year and a clear process be established regarding early arrivals for the beginning for the 2020 school vear.

2019 APPS Students Piano Concert

On Monday 16th December at 7pm, students from Ainslie Parklands Primary School will be presenting a piano concert in our School Hall. Many students have been developing their skills throughout the year through private lessons at school. This concert is a wonderful opportunity for the students to perform and is open to all member of the school community. Special thanks to Polly, Jas T. and Jas H in 3/4 for creating advertising posters to promote the event.



Facebook - Community Connection

I would like to bring to your attention the existence of a Facebook page that works to connect the wider Ainslie Parklands Primary School community. Although this is not the official Facebook page for the school, it does provide a wonderful opportunity for our school community to connect and support each other. Please see the information below for more details:

Invitation to parents and friends
Join our Happy folk Facebook Group to
connect with others in the school
community.

You can use this group to:

- meet and connect with other Happy folk
- ask and answer questions
- buy, sell or give away second-hand uniforms and other useful items
- participate in positive discussions
- plan events and meetups with other school families
- provide references, recommendations, event news and reviews.

This page is not formally affiliated with our school and does not represent official communications or advice from the school. It's just an opportunity for you to connect with our lovely school community.

Join us at:

<u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/happypeoplecroydon/</u>

Merry Christmas



Brett MacKenzie Principal

FROM THE OFFICE

Canteen News

Pop-Up Stalls After School (Re-Usable Lunch Order Bags & Eco Cups)

Look out for Compass messages for details on when pop-up stalls will be. Not only are these great products for you and the environment, they also make it easy to clearly label lunch orders, making the Canteen job easier. You can also find order forms at the Office.

BPA Free



APPS Canteen Says "No!" To Plastic Packaging

We have now eliminated virtually all oil-based plastics from Canteen packaging, including freezer bags and cling wrap. Even our pizza and burger boxes are made from sugarcane and are 100% biodegradable in home compost, while our disposable gloves are 100% biodegradable in landfill. We also use unbleached paper napkins and bags, wooden cutlery, recyclable foil bags, and BioCups which are made from paperboard paper and lined with plant-based bioplastics, not oil-based. These cups can be commercially composted making them carbon-neutral, however, Maroondah is yet to offer this service.

*If you're interested in joining the Canteen team, please see Melissa Edwards or leave a message at the Office. Thanks very much from the Canteen Coordinators, Melissa and Paula.



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Construction & Manipulative Play
Outdoor Play Time
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At Camp Australia we have been Making Kids Smile for over 30 years. Each day before or after school, we provide safe, meaningful and affordable care that help families balance life and work responsibilities. Our Outside School Hours Care program is tailored to the individual needs and interests of children who attend, so we can further their experiences and interests, and ensure they feel at home with us.

Registration is FREE!

To attend our care, families must register their child. Why? Registering your child means we have all the information we need to safely care for them.

So, we recommend all families to register an account with us. That way, if you ever need us, you just have to book a session, as we already have all the documentation we need from you.

How to Register an Account:

Head to pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login. We will need the following information:

- Your details and emergency contacts.
- Details about your child, and if any allergies or medication conditions.
- Your CRN (Customer Reference Number) from the Family Assistance Office. *
- Child Immunisation Certificates
- · Payment method and any other details.

Program Details

For more information visit us in service and chat with our qualified Educators. Alternatively, you may visit our website www.campaustralia.com.au or contact our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 who are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except National Public Holidays.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon! From the Team at Camp Australia

^{*} If eligible, to help you with the cost of child care, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy.



Registrations for the Autumn 2020 netball season are

NOW OPEN!

The Autumn season runs from February - June 2020.

However, for fixtures to be ready for the first week back in February, our teams need to be submitted to MENA (Melbourne East Netball association) in December, so the time to decide is NOW!

All games are held at Maroondah Nets (HE Parker Reserve, Heathmont)

Net Set Go competition (U9's) will run on Friday afternoon/early evenings.

All other age groups (U11's, U13's, U15's, U17's & opens) will run on Saturdays, starting with the U11's in the early time slots, & progressing through each age group over the course of the day.

[*exact game times will not be available until fixtures have been confirmed]

Registrations are all conducted online, through the MyNetball portal. You will need to create your profile & will be issued with a MyNetball ID number for future reference & log-in.

Autumn registrations include compulsory MyNetball membership, an annual subscription charged once only at the start of the year.

So, please jump online & register today!

For players in U9's, you need to register for NetSetGo

at: https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?type=6&id=84927&entity id=45505

For players in U11's, U13's, U15's, U17's & Opens, you need to register for Junior or Senior membership.

at: https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?type=1&id=46768&entityid =45505

**Please note: Our registration form still has us as Norwood Heights Netball club, but as soon as we've held our AGM at the end of November, this will formally be changed to the "East Ringwood Netball Club!"

Early bird discount is available to everyone who registers by the end of November, so take advantage of the savings!!

Also, as advertised, all new players affiliated with ERFC/ERCC who sign up for Autumn season will receive a FREE uniform.