



Views over Ainslie Park

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Key dates for Term 3

- **Goal Setting Conferences** – 28th and 29th July
- **Minikids** – Friday 30th July
- **Parent Cyber Safety Session** – Wednesday 4th August
- **Whole School Maths Incursion** – Friday 20th August
- **Minikids** – Friday 20th August
- **Parent Trivia Night** – Saturday 14th August
- **Year 3/4 Camp** – Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th August
- **Minikids** – Friday 10th September
- **Swimming Week** – Monday 13th – Friday 17th September

Learning from Home

Thank you to our entire school community for your support as we transition into and through the latest round of learning from home. The flexibility and resilience you have displayed has been a wonderful model for our children, who have once again made me very proud with the way they are engaging at home and at school.

Finally, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our highly committed and professional staff. We are very fortunate to have such an extraordinary group of people supporting our children through these challenging times.

Term 3 Goal Setting Conferences

As part of our reporting process at Ainslie Parklands Primary School, the school will be holding Goal Setting Conferences on **Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th July.**

The conferences will begin from 3.45 on each day and each will last for 15 minutes. The conferences will be held through WebEx, with the teachers sharing the closer to the date. The purpose of the Goal Setting Conferences is to allow the teacher to meet with the parents and students to reflect on the Semester 1 report and discuss progress and future learning goals.

You may book your conference through Compass from **Monday 19th July at 9.00 until Friday 23rd July at 4.00 pm.** Booking instructions are attached to this message, but if you have any questions or issues, please don't hesitate to contact the school office during regular hours on 9870 1566.

Parent/Carer/Guardian Opinion Survey

I am writing with a request for your support to participate in the **2021 Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey** (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey).

- The survey will be conducted **online** and should take **20 minutes** to complete.
- The survey can be completed on any internet enabled device (iPad, Desktop or Laptop, Smartphone) and is compatible with most browsers.
- The survey will be open from **Monday 19 July to Sunday 22 August 2021.**
- The survey is available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Greek, Turkish, Somali and Punjabi.

Please see the separate Compass message with the link and school password.

Year 5/6 Camp

I am writing to inform you that the Year 5/6 Camp schedule for next **Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd July** has been postponed, due to the impact of the latest round of COVID restrictions.

The new dates are booked for **Monday 6th September – Wednesday 8th September**.

2022 Enrolments

The school is already taking enrolments for the Foundation class on 2022. If you are a current APPS family with a Foundation student for next year, please ensure you submit your enrolment forms to the office by July 31.

If you know of any families who are thinking of joining our school next year I would ask that you encourage them to contact the school to organise a tour or to join one of our Minikids sessions.

Online Safety and Digital Wellbeing

This term the APPS Community and 2022 prospective families will have the opportunity to join a session focused on Online Safety and Digital Wellbeing. Presented by Martine Oglethorpe, the author of [The Modern Parent](#), the session is designed to help you navigate the digital world with your family for safety, productivity and wellbeing. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

Date: Wednesday 4th August 2021

Time: 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm

Cost: Free (cost covered by APPS Community Engagement and Fundraising)

The session will be held online with the link shared through a separate Compass message.

ONLINE SAFETY & DIGITAL WELLBEING PRESENTATION

Join us for this presentation to help you navigate the digital world with your family for safety, productivity and wellbeing

When: Wednesday 4th August
Time: 6pm
Where: Ainslie Parklands Primary School

Some of the topics to be discussed

- What apps are kids using and are they safe?
- Online drama and cyberbullying
- Social media and self esteem
- Accessing inappropriate content
- Managing video gaming
- Preserving a positive digital footprint
- Weaning the screens after a year online
- How parents can play a role in raising a great kid in the digital world

Martine is a Trained Provider with the Office of the eSafety Commissioner, has a background in secondary education, is a Master in Endorsement and is a mother of 3 boys. Through her personal and professional work with families she recognises the important role technology plays in the physical, cognitive and social and emotional wellbeing of young people. Martine is a keynote speaker and parenting and education conference presenter to parent groups, works regularly with teachers and provides professional development to teachers. She has a passion for helping families gain insight into the modern world of parenting in a way that offers understanding as well as practical and realistic strategies to empower parents to teach, guide and support their children.

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Raising a great kid in the digital world

the modern PARENT
MARTINE OGLETHORPE

Minikids

Minikids is a program we offer at Ainslie Parklands Primary School for children presently in 3 and 4 year old kindergarten.

The focus of the session is on giving prospective students and families an opportunity to experience our school before committing to enrolment. If you are a current family with a 3 or 4 year old child, or you know some families who may be interested in joining us, please contact the office on 98701566 to register your attendance. There is no cost involved.

The next session will be held on **Friday 30th July from 2.00-3.15**.

Further sessions will be held on:

- **Friday 20th August**
- **Friday 10th September**

Times and booking details will be shared early next term. This time should be spent further discussing and clarifying the report, as well as setting future goals for your child's learning.

Save the Date – APPS Trivia Night



From the Office

Instrumental Music at APPS



Instrumental Music Lessons

Drums - Guitar - Piano - Singing - Ukulele - Bass

To book your free trial lesson, or for more information, contact:

Jordan Scotney - 0408 881 395 - groovefoundations@gmail.com



Just Brass will be starting up again on Monday afternoons at Ainslie Parklands.

If your child has always wanted to learn to play an instrument, this is a fantastic opportunity as all lessons are free and include the loan of an instrument.

This opportunity is available for students in Year 3 – 6.

For those that are interested, please fill out the expressions of interest form located at the office.





Trivia Night

**SATURDAY
14TH AUGUST**

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

COME
&
TRY!



Programs run by



PROGRAM 1

Softball Batter Up 6 week program for kids aged 4-8

Includes a range of activities each week focusing on having fun while learning basic throwing, catching and striking skills. Every participant receives a Foam Bat, ball & backpack!



\$60
Per child

TO REGISTER GO TO-
www.softballbatterup.com.au/SBU-host-info/ejays-softball-batter-up-2021/

PROGRAM 2

FULLY LOADED T-BALL FOR KIDS AGED 8-12 YRS 8 WEEK PROGRAM

LEARN T-BALL SKILLS FROM FULLY QUALIFIED COACHES. Every participant receives a glove & ball!



\$80
Per child

TO REGISTER GO TO-
www.softballbatterup.com.au/SBU-host-info/ejays-fully-loaded-t-ball-2021/

STARTS MONDAY JULY 26TH 2021 FOR 6 & 8 WEEKS
4.30PM-5.30PM

PINKS RESERVE -KILSYTH
FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO -
WWW.SOFTBALLBATTERUP.COM.AU
OR CALL ANNETTE-0408 332 871

*program will adhere to all return to sport COVID 19 safety guidelines

TEAMSPTS4ALL

HOW WE STARTED...

Team Sports 4 All (TS4A) was started in 2011 by two Dads who, while at their sons' footy training, noticed two boys who would attend training but never join in. They asked the boys why they didn't play and discovered their parents couldn't afford to pay the team fees. The Dads paid for the boys to play and watched them join in and thrive in the team environment.

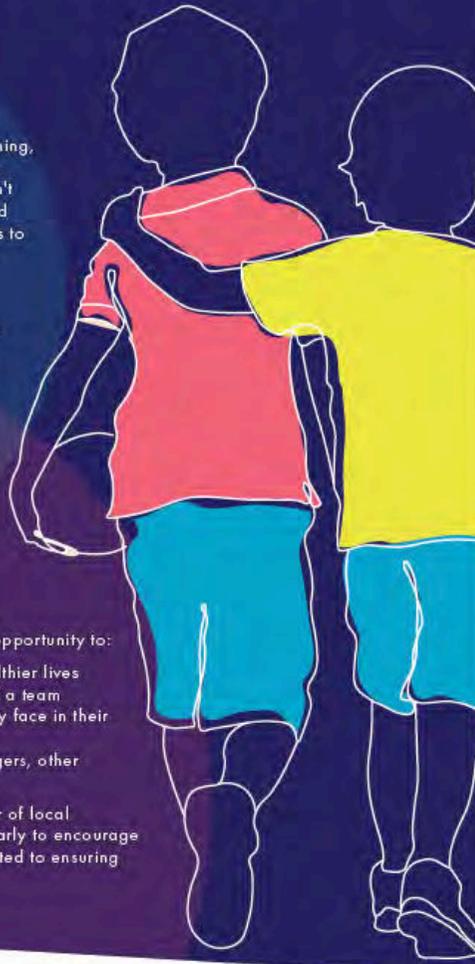
In 2018, TS4A started taking on volunteers to enable us to grow and ensure all children could benefit from skills learnt by playing sport and being part of a local club.

WHAT WE DO...

TS4A is a registered charity doing much more than just getting a child involved in a team; we really help change the lives of children and their families. By helping kids get involved in sports and sporting teams, we give them the opportunity to:

- increase fitness and learn about leading healthier lives
- feel part of a group and a valued member of a team
- have a focus outside of any barriers they may face in their daily lives
- gain valued mentors in coaches, team managers, other parents and team members

Our volunteer sport mentors look after a number of local community families, checking in with them regularly to encourage long term participation in sport, and are committed to ensuring sport is available for all children.



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VOLUNTEER



teamsports4all.com.au

Vacation Care Program

28 June to 9 July 2021



**Bookings close:
Monday 14 June**

Bookings made on the BookMe section of the HubHello parent portal

A school holiday program for children in Prep to Grade 6

Centre-based care: \$61 per day
Excursion days: \$72 per day

Opening hours 8am to 6pm

Belmont Park – Olympus Drive, Croydon South

**please note: There will not be a program at Springfield Pavilion for these school holidays*

For further information please contact our Vacation Care team on 9294 5723.



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Important information

Bookings

Bookings for the Vacation Care program are made through the BookMe section of the HubHello parent portal. Families must have an online enrolment at Belmont Vacation Care to access BookMe. Payment is required at time of booking. Please contact the Vacation Care team on 9294 5723 if you need assistance accessing your HubHello parent portal.

Late pick up fee

The Vacation Care program finishes each day at 6pm. If a child is not picked up by this time a late fee will be charged, according to the following scale- \$10 for every 10 minutes or part thereof per family.

Cancellations

No refunds or credits given for days that families have booked and no longer require. Payment is required for all booked days whether children attend the program or not.

Children's belongings

Strictly no money or children's toys (including smart watches, iPads, phones, DS consoles, cameras) are to be brought to the program.

Please clearly label all your child's clothing and belongings.

Priority of access

The Australian Government regards children at risk of abuse or neglect as a priority group for access to quality childcare. Families in crisis should also have support and assistance from child care services to the maximum extent possible. The Australian Government resources child care with a major purpose of meeting the child care needs of families with recognised work or work related commitments. Where demand for care exceeds supply, it is important for services to allocate available places to those families with the greatest need for childcare support.

Clothing

Children must be dressed in:

- > SunSmart clothing, including covered shoulders.
- > Appropriate shoes for playing. No thongs or flip flops.

Please ensure children are dressed in clothing appropriate for the weather.

On wetter days please bring a waterproof coat, beanie, umbrella and gum boots.

Label clothing and personal belongings with your child's name so that it can be easily identified.

Food and drinks

- > Parents are required to provide nutritious lunches and snacks, such as sandwiches, fruit, cheese sticks, and water. Please send plenty of food for your child to eat.
- > Please send a refillable drink bottle with water every day.
- > Please no cans/bottles of soft drink.
- > Please note that we cannot heat or cook children's snacks or lunches.
- > We strongly encourage families to re-think your child's lunch box and send nude food each day to the program.

Excursions

Children must arrive at the program at least 30 minutes before the stated departure time – this will help us to avoid being late for booked activities. The bus will not wait for those who are late.

If your child will not be attending on an excursion day, please contact the Educators at the program before 8.30am to prevent delays in departure.

Please dress appropriately as excursions will run during all weather conditions.

Children are not to bring money on excursions.

When travelling by bus we use Ventura bus lines. All buses are fitted with seat belts.

Educator/child ratio is: 1 educator to every 8 children and for a swimming excursion 1 educator to every 5 children.

Please make sure your child brings a refillable water bottle and plenty of food to eat with no wrappers.

Medication

- > If a child is to receive medication during the day, parents must complete the Medication Instruction Sheet, and sign the medication in and out with an educator each day.
- > Medication must be in the original containers with the original labels and the child's name and specific dosage must be clearly visible on the containers. This also applies to any over the counter medication.

Additional needs children

All children are welcome to participate in our Vacation Care Program. If your child has any additional needs, please contact Council's Vacation Care Coordinator on 9294 5723 at least six weeks before the program is due to start to discuss the best ways to support your child.

Additional days of care

During the holidays you must contact Council's Vacation Care team on 9294 5723 if you wish to book your child in for additional days of care.

Child Care Subsidy

Child Care Subsidy is available to families who have linked their myGov account. If you are unable to link our Vacation Care program to your account, please contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.

Enrolments

Enrolments for the Vacation Care program must be completed online at: www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/Community-support-services/Children-and-families/School-holiday-programs-primary-school

For more information, please call Council's Youth and Children's Services team on 9294 5723 .

Vacation Care Program

28 June to 9 July 2021

A school holiday program for children in Prep to Grade 6

Monday 28 June

INCURSION - 11am to 1pm

Unbelieva-BUBBLE

Today is all about BUBBLES! Science experiments, craft activities, and lots more bubbly fun!

We are also having a bubbleologist come from Smart Party Entertainment to teach us how to make bubbles of all shapes and sizes - even a bubble that can cover an entire person! Make sure you are here by 11am to get the most out of today's Incursion!



Tuesday 29 June

EXCURSION - Ninja Parc

**Departure time: 9am
Return time: 4.30pm**

Today we are going to Melbourne's first Ninja Parc indoor obstacle course, in Bayswater! Experience a new way of moving with rope climbs, bouldering challenges, vertical and horizontal doors, a sea of poles, and everyone's favourite: the warped wall. If the weather permits, we will also stop to explore Glen Park Community Play Space in Bayswater North.



Wednesday 30 June

IN-HOUSE - Dress up

Pyjama fun!

The weather outside might be frightful, but the mood at Vacation Care will be oh so delightful. Come in your pyjamas today for lots of warm and cosy fun, including stuffing our own fluffy animal hats to keep our heads warm!



Thursday 1 July

EXCURSION - Ice HQ

**Departure time: 8.30am sharp
Return time: 4.30pm**

Winter is here, so let's celebrate! At Vacation Care today we are heading out to Melbourne's newest ice-skating facility - Ice HQ! If the weather permits, we will also stop to explore CH Sullivan Memorial Park in Reservoir.



Friday 2 July

INCURSION 10am to 11am

Hip hop - don't stop!

Get down with the latest moves as you express yourself through Hip Hop! Today is all about the crazy fun environment created through dress up and dance, all the while learning some cool hip hop moves! Make sure you are here by 10am to get the most out of today's incursion!



Monday 5 July

EXCURSION - Ruccis Circus

**Departure time: 9am
Return time: 4pm**

Step right up! Come one, come all. We are off to Ruccis Circus and going to have a ball! We're going to learn lots of circus skills and tricks - this is an excursion you won't want to miss! If the weather permits, we will also stop to explore Marie Wallace Park in Bayswater.



Tuesday 6 July

INCURSION 10am to 4pm

Melbourne Caricatures

You are guaranteed to laugh today, when Phil from Melbourne Caricatures comes and shows us how he creates his funny drawings! You will also get to take home your very own caricature that Phil is going to draw of YOU! Make sure you are here by 10am to get the most out of today's incursion!



Wednesday 7 July

EXCURSION - Zone Bowling

**Departure time: 8.30am
Return time: 4pm**

Lace up your shoes and get in the zone! We are off to Zone Bowling in Clayton for bowling and laser tag, so get ready to bowl, shoot and run - today is going to be so much fun! If the weather permits, we will also stop to explore the awesome playground at Ringwood Lake.



Thursday 8 July

EXCURSION - To the movies!

**Departure time: 9am
Return time: 5pm**

Today we are off to Village Cinemas Knox to see the latest kid's movie. Please note that the movie may be rated PG. If the weather permits, we will also stop to explore Tim Neville Arboretum in Ferntree Gully.



Friday 9 July

IN-HOUSE - Dress up

Once Upon A Time

Oh my goodness we are so excited! It's a costume party and you're invited! Come dressed as your favourite movie star or book character and get ready for lots of fun and party games!



REMINDERS

- Please remember to bring your drink bottle every day.
- Please ensure your child dresses appropriately every day. There will be lots of time spent outdoors, so please remember to bring your sunhat and to wear sunsmart clothing such as tops with sleeves that cover the shoulders. On wetter days please bring a waterproof coat, beanie, umbrella and gum boots.
- **NO NUT PRODUCTS** - we have children in the program with anaphylaxis, so please refrain from bringing nuts (including peanut butter and Nutella) to the program.

