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Key dates for Term 3

8th August – School Council Meeting

12th August – 60th birthday Open Night

20th August – Trivia Night

22nd August – Book week

22nd August - 3/4 Camp

26th August – Athletics Day

2nd Sept – Soccer Clinic

5th Sept – Curriculum Day (student-free)

7th Sept – “Specialist Spectacular” Evening

12th Sept – Swimming Program Commences

12th Sept – School Council Meeting

16th Sept – Last day Term 3 - 2.30pm finish

Key dates for Term 4

1st Nov – Melbourne Cup Day

2nd Nov – Curriculum Day (Student-free)

7th Nov – School Council Meeting

2nd Dec – Twilight Market

5th Dec – 5/6 Camp

13th Dec – Year 6 State-wide Transition Day

15th Dec – Year 6 Graduation

20th Dec – Last Day Term 4 – 1.30pm finish

From the Principal

Dear APPS Community,

It was a great opportunity for teachers to connect with our parents and students in our Parent/Student/Teacher conferences, held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this week. It is wonderful that, in collaboration with families, we are able to set student learning goals for Term 3. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher to make an alternative appointment.

Bunnings BBQ

We extend a huge thank you to those in our community who came along on Saturday and helped with our Bunnings BBQ fundraiser. Many thanks to:

- Tracy & Evan Coutts
- Julian Turewicz
- Querida Seip
- Dan Anders
- Hayley Bushell
- Ed Roszak
- Jaqueline Schliebs
- Tim Constable

- Jane Bennetts
- Sean Easey

Many thanks also to those in our community who came along and bought a sausage!

I would also like to extend our thanks to Laura and Hayley, who also gave up their time to help us out (particularly Hayley, who ended up doing a double shift when we were a bit short). The Community Engagement team did an amazing job raising approximately \$2000 for our school. Thank you!!



Writing Competition

APPS Writing Competition

The Student Voice Team is organising a Writing Competition. Students may write and enter a **narrative** (or a narrative that they have written in the last 12 months). Entries may be typed or hand written.

Participants must submit one completed narrative on or before **Monday August 15th** and winners will be announced on **Friday August 19th** after being judged by a panel made of staff and students. Students may give their entries to their teachers.

There will be participation certificates, as well as prizes for first, second, and third places. We ask that students attach a cover letter to their completed narrative with their name, home group, and their narrative's title.

There will be two age categories:

Year 5-6 with a word limit of 500 words.

Year 3-4 with a word limit of 300 words.

Students from younger year levels may enter in this category if they would like to.

Happy writing!

60th Anniversary Celebration

Save the date!

We are coming closer to our 60th anniversary celebration on **Friday 12th August**. Our Open Afternoon/Evening will run from 2pm – 7pm, with the Opening of our new playground scheduled at the beginning of festivities (fingers crossed!).

Many past students have been in touch with the school to share their memories and photos. Come along and join in the celebration!

Specialist Spectacular – Open Night at APPS

Save the date!

Students will take to the stage on the evening of **7th September** for a “Specialist Specular” concert, featuring **music** numbers, amazing **Auslan** and awesome **art** works. We hope all students will be able to attend on the night!

Foundation Enrolments 2023

Our enrolments for Foundation 2023 are growing, so if you or anyone you know would like to enrol, please hand in your enrolment form at the office at your earliest convenience.

For any families that have a three- or four-year-old, who would like to attend our **Minikids** sessions, remaining sessions for this term are:

- Tuesday 9th August
- Tuesday 23rd August
- Tuesday 6th September

Sessions run from 2.30-3.30pm in the school library. Please contact the office to register your attendance.

Rapid Antigen Tests

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) will continue to be available from school. The ongoing supply of RATs to families in our school will ensure that parents and carers will have them should they need them if their child is a household contact or has symptoms. **Should you require more RATs, please do not hesitate to contact the office.**

Face Masks

The Victorian Department of Health **strongly recommends** that face masks are worn in indoor settings. As a result, the Department of Education is **asking all students, aged eight and over, and all staff in schools across**

Victoria to wear masks in class from now until the end of winter. We all appreciate how important it is for students to be back at school. This action will help make sure as many students and staff as possible are protected from COVID and other winter illnesses.

Reporting Cases

Family members are asked to continue reporting positive COVID-19 cases to both the Department of Health and to Ainslie Parklands Primary School.

You must also let the school know if your child is a close contact. Students who are close contacts and want to attend school should still return 5 negative RATs (school days) over 7 days and wear a face mask whilst indoors if they are aged 8 years or over.

Students and visitors should continue to stay home if they are unwell, even if they test negative on a RAT.

New & Updated Policies on our Website

From 1st July 2022, a new set of Child Safe Standards came into force across Australia. These standards have been adjusted to mostly reflect a national standard (rather than individual state standards) and are designed to ensure that we are all doing everything we can to keep our young people safe from harm. These standards impact the way we do many things at school (for example, requirements for visitors on site, requirements around camps and excursions, etc.), and consequently, many of our policies have been adjusted.

These new policies are available on our website for the community to access.

[Publications and Policies - Ainslie Parklands Primary School](#)
(ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au)

Have you visited our Facebook Page?

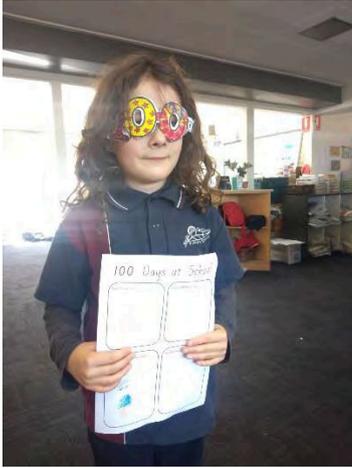
The Ainslie Parklands Primary School Facebook page has regular updates and information about events and celebrations occurring across the school. Along with Compass, it is a great way to see what is happening. [Ainslie Parklands Primary School | Facebook](#)

As always, if you would like to contact me directly, please catch me in the yard or email me directly on Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au

Regards, Jane.

FROM THE F-2 STUDIO

We had lots of fun last Friday celebrating being at school for over 100 days! We wrote 100 words, and counted to 100 in lots of different ways. We made 100 glasses and hats and created and built using 100 things!



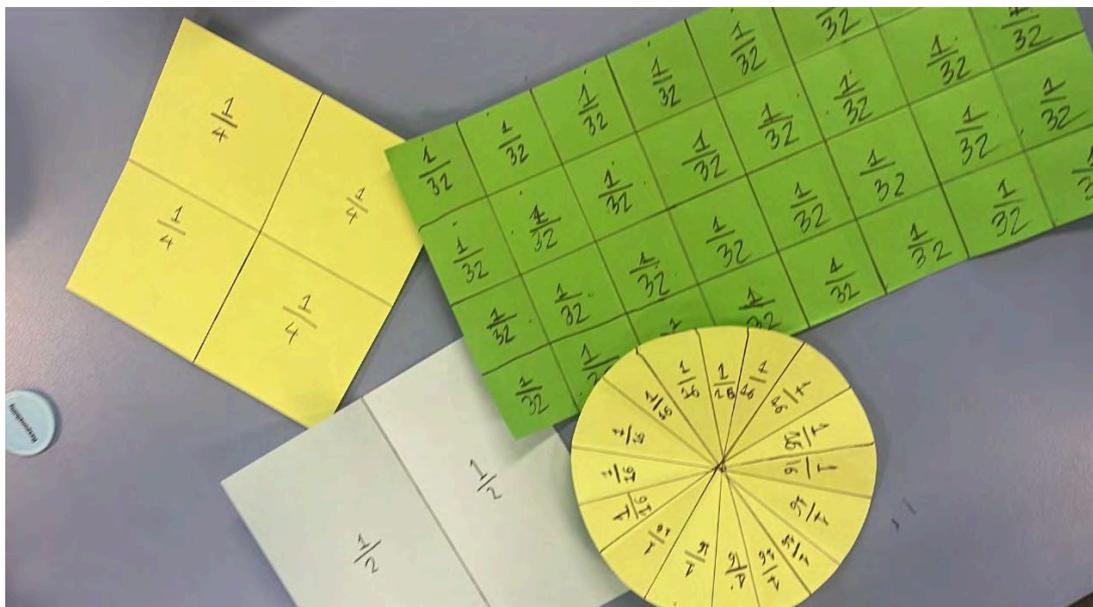
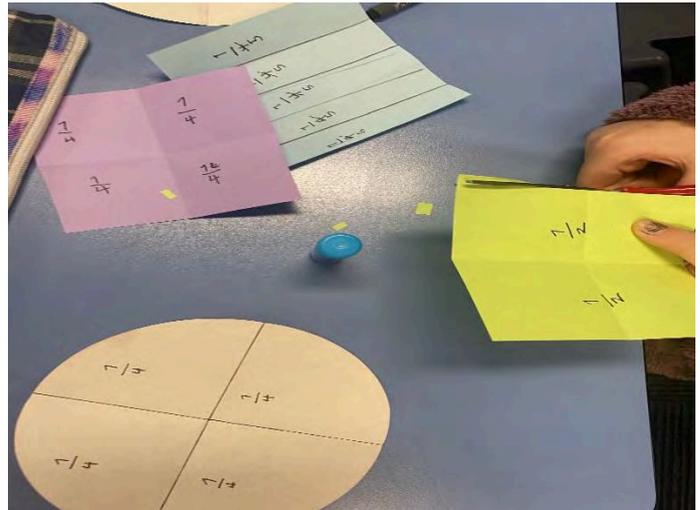
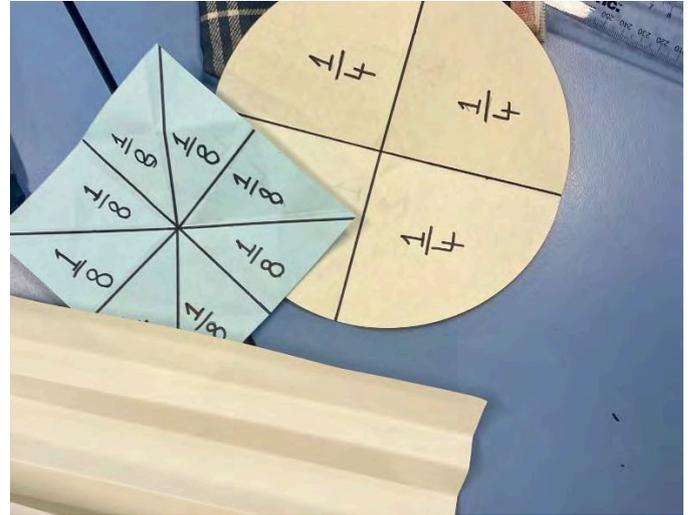
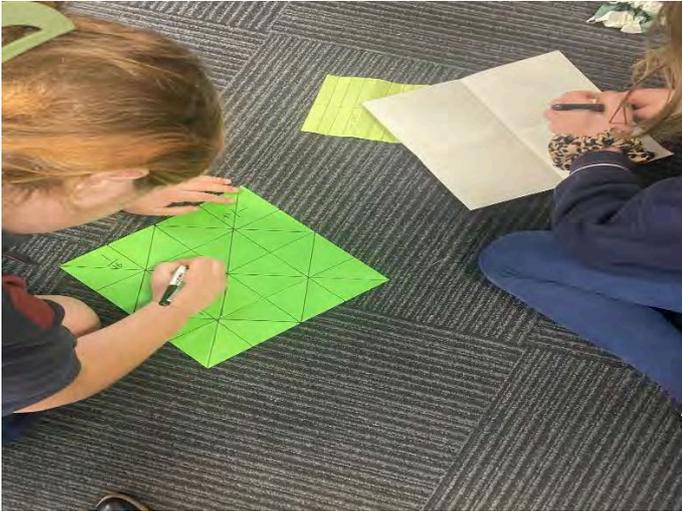
FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

Our students have been working hard to tidy and prepare our Frog Bog area for new indigenous plants. It will look amazing!



FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

We have begun working on fractions during maths. Students have been sharing their own understanding of fractions by creating a variety of representations, including illustrations, collections of items and folded fractions.



FROM THE YEAR 5 /6 Studio

Today the big and little buddies planted native seedlings in our “Frog Bog” to regenerate the area. Thank you to Tegan Crimmins for the donation of plants and Jacqui Schliebs and Alissa Roszaks for helping to prepare our garden for the planting. The event took place to celebrate National School Tree Day.





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Ainslie Parklands is celebrating it's 60th Anniversary



It all began on 12th June 1962

60th Anniversary Celebration Events

60th Birthday Party

14th June Celebration with the students

Party games, Birthday cake, Dress up day, fun activities to celebrate our 60th Anniversary year.

Open Afternoon/Evening

12th August – 2.00pm to 7.00pm

An opportunity for past students, parents, staff and our local community to visit our amazing school and see the changes that have occurred over the past 60 years.

If you are a past student, parent, staff member or have a connection to our school and you have a tale to tell, photographs, or a memory to share of your time at Ainslie Parklands formerly Croydon West, we would love to hear your stories, see your pictures and share your experiences.

Please contact us at:

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Thank you for helping us grow the
"History of our School" collection.

We are looking forward to our year of celebration.