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**Key dates for Term 4**

6<sup>th</sup> November – Maroondah Festival (Choir Performance & School Stall)

7<sup>th</sup> Nov – SSG meetings commence (selected students)

7<sup>th</sup> Nov – School Council Meeting

9<sup>th</sup> Nov – 2.30pm Foundation 2023 second transition session

10<sup>th</sup> Nov – Whole school & graduation photos

18<sup>th</sup> November – Community Coffee with Jane C

18<sup>th</sup> November – Free dress day for chocolate!

21<sup>st</sup> November – Common PPD (**Student free**)

23<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Foundation 2023 Information Evening

1<sup>st</sup> Dec – 9.15am Foundation 2023 third transition session

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Twilight Market

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – Maroondah Carols (Choir and Music Performance)

5<sup>th</sup>–7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 5/6 Camp

5<sup>th</sup> Dec – School Council

13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 6 State-wide Transition Day

13<sup>th</sup> Dec – 9.15am Foundation 2023 transition session 4

15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 6 Graduation

16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Final assembly and End of Year concert

20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last Day Term 4 –1.30pm finish

**From the Principal**

Dear APPS Community,

**Twilight Market**

Our Community Engagement Team are doing a brilliant job in preparing for the best Twilight Market, to be held at APPS on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. The work that has gone into the organisation and advertising is phenomenal. We are so grateful for your hard work and thoughtful preparation!

**Maroondah Festival**

On Sunday, we look forward to the Maroondah Festival. We will be having a stall to promote our wonderful school to the community, as well as an opportunity for our children to perform. We thank our parents for their support in assisting with the day, and we look forward to seeing you at the festival!

**Planning for 2023**

To assist with our planning for 2023, we would like to hear from families who are moving. If you have children who are not returning to APPS in 2023, please let the office know as soon as possible.

**Foundation Enrolments 2023**

Our second transition session for our 2023 Foundation students will be next **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm**. If you have not yet done so, please hand in your enrolment form at the office at your earliest convenience.

### **Gravel Car Park**

Please be advised that in two weeks, the gravel carpark between Melba College and APPS will be closed for asphaltting and landscaping. It is understood that this carpark will not be re-opened until February 2023.

### **Please put hats in school bags**

The new SunSmart Policy indicates that hats should be worn on days where the UV rating is 3 or above. We have already had some days in August where this is the case. So please make sure that your **child has their hat in their bag every day.**

### **Missing...**

Hand painted multicolour umbrella with wooden handle.

Last seen at the big playground at school pick up Friday 14th October.

If you find this umbrella, could you please take to the office. Thank you!



### **We can't do it without you!**

At APPS, we are so lucky to have a wonderful parent community to support our children. If you have always wanted to be involved, but not quite sure where to start, please contact the office. There are lots of ways to help our school – even if you have limited time.

### **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](#)

### **Maroondah Youth Resource Officer**

Earlier in the year, we had a visit from Acting Sergeant Peter Williams, who came to talk to students about cyber and personal safety. Today he dropped in again to reinforce this message with our students.



### **Have you thought about being on School Council?**

School Councils are vital in any school and are responsible for particular aspects of the running of the school. Every school in Victoria holds school council elections at the March School Council meeting, through a prescribed process. Next March, due to their children finishing at APPS this year, there will be some positions vacant. If you are interested in being on school council, or would like some further information about the roles and responsibilities of the School Council in the running of the school, please see [School Council — Powers and Functions: Policy | education.vic.gov.au](#)

### **This week in P.E..**

Students have been working on their cricket skills!



### **Mobile Phones – reminder – Repeat**

As per the current Ministerial Order, students are NOT permitted to have a mobile phone at school. If phones are deemed necessary by parents for travel to and from school, they must be stored at the office on arrival and can be collected from the office at the end of the school day. Students will have privileges removed if they refused to surrender their phone. For more information, please see our Mobile Phone policy at: [Mobile-Phones-Student-Use-Policy-.pdf \(ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au\)](https://ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au)

### **Rapid Antigen Tests - Repeat**

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 - Repeat**

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.

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](mailto:Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au)

Regards, Jane.

## MUSIC STUDIO



### **MAROONDAH FESTIVAL THIS SUNDAY**

APPS students will be performing on the Kid's Stage from 2- 2:30 please arrive at 1:40.  
Choir students and some from 3,4 and 6 will be on stage!

Due to recent wet weather and the resulting ground conditions at Town Park, Croydon, the Maroondah Festival site for 2022 will be relocated to Civic Square, Croydon, utilising the surrounding carpark areas including the Aquahub carpark.

Bec Russell

Music and classroom teacher

Ainslie Parklands Primary

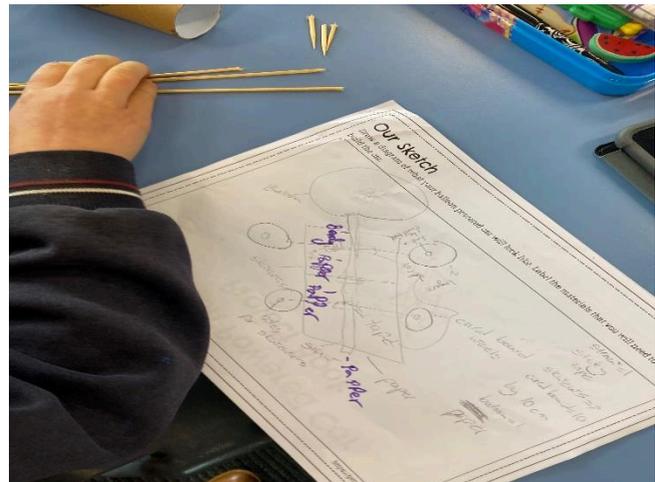
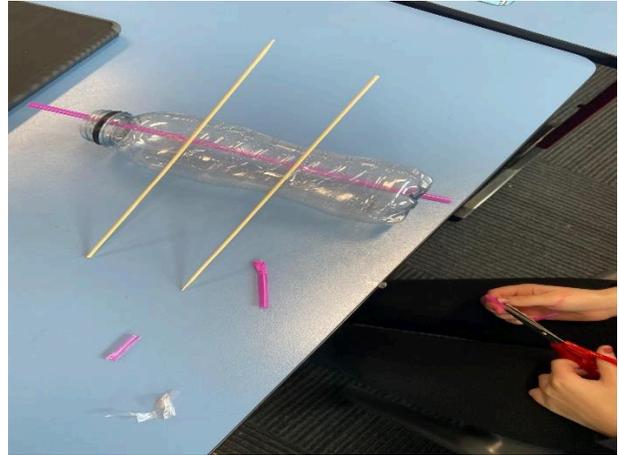
## LEVEL F-2 STUDIO

Last week, the F-2 Studio went on an excursion to Scienceworks. We enjoyed learning about light and colour, and we were amazed by the lighting and weather show. It was lots of fun exploring the interesting displays and activities. Thank you to the fabulous parent helpers who joined us for the day!



## LEVEL 3/4/5 STUDIO

Our Year 3 and 4 students have been planning, designing and have begun building their 'Balloon Powered Cars' as a part of our Science Inquiry unit. Students are working with partners to create their own balloon powered car that can travel at least 5m in distance. Our testing and refining will happen next week. So far, students have loved the opportunity to use their own ideas, work with a partner and can't wait to test their designs!



## YEAR 6 STUDIO

Our Year 6 students enjoyed the sunshine today with their buddies, doing some health & PE activities.



# Ainslie Parklands Primary School FOUNDATION TRANSITION FOR 2023



## Transition Sessions Term 4 2022

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 9:15–10:30 am

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2:30–3:30 pm

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December 9:15–10:30 am

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 9:15–12:00 pm *State Transition Day*

The last session on the 13<sup>th</sup> December will be followed by a “welcome to APPS BBQ” – all welcome! *(further information closer to the date)*

For each session, please make your way to the front office to sign in and one of the Early Years teachers will meet you there.

During these transition session, Foundation 2023 children will have the opportunity to become familiar with their new learning spaces, tour the school grounds, take part in a variety of exploratory learning experiences and get to know their teachers.

Please bring a bag for your child to each session with a *hat, water bottle and small snack* inside.

We also invite you to the **Parent Information Evening** for parents/carers on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** at 7.00pm–8.00pm.

Details for the session will be provided closer to the date



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## “Friendology” at APPS

URSTRONG’s whole-school friendship strategy has improved the social climate in schools around the world, connecting over a million kids, parents, and teachers with a common language of friendship. We are in week two of introducing URSTRONG and Friendology to our students at APPS and are committed to empowering your children with friendship skills.

You are invited to take advantage of a [FREE Parent Membership](#) to access hundreds of resources – including an 8 session video series. This will allow you to learn the same language & strategies being taught in the classroom through the Friendology 101 curriculum. We hope that, as a URSTRONG Family, you will reinforce the important messages of empowerment, self-compassion, & kindness at home.

As a next step, we would recommend:

- [Click here](#) to view an overview of URSTRONG.
- Activate your [FREE Parent Membership](#) and explore all the resources available to your family.
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We believe that empowering our students with these skills will create a culture of kindness at our school and we hope that, together, we can support your children to have healthy, feel-good friendships.



If you have any queries about the Friendology program at APPS, please contact Fiona.

## FROM THE OFFICE



## CROYDON NORTH CRICKET CLUB INC

S.A.A.E - Sportsmanship Above All Else

### JUNIOR BLASTERS - SUMMER 2022/23



1. Go to [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au)
2. Search "CROYDON NORTH CRICKET CLUB"
3. Select "Junior Blasters" cricket program

JUNIOR BLASTERS (5 – 8 year olds) – Sunday mornings  
10 – 11am from 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022

\$99 for a 10-week program covering all the basic skills, including a Blaster Pack!



JOIN THE FUN TODAY!

BOYS & GIRLS ALL WELCOME

If you need more information, call us...  
Ryan Sleeman – 0437 408 887 (Club President)  
Kati Wilkins – 0409 411 889 (Junior Co-ordinator)

Croydon North Cricket Club – Hughes Park – 435 Maroondah Highway, Croydon North  
Website: [http://cnc.vic.cricket.com.au](http://http://cnc.vic.cricket.com.au)

# Work with us!

State election November 2022

Position will be conveniently located at the school!



Victorian Electoral Commission

## BENEFITS

We value diversity and strive to create an environment where our people can thrive. We work together to make a positive contribution to the Victorian community.

- Competitive pay rates
- Learn new skills
- On the job training provided
- No experience needed



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