



Ainslie Parklands Primary School

The Newsletter

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Key dates for Term 4

21st November – Common PPD (**Student free**)
23rd Nov – Foundation 2023 Information Evening
25th Nov – Assembly at 3pm
26th Nov – Election voting and “democracy sausages” at APPS
1st Dec – 9.15am Foundation 2023 third transition session
2nd Dec – Twilight Market
3rd Dec – Maroondah Carols (Choir and Music Performance)
5th–7th Dec – Year 5/6 Camp
5th Dec – School Council
9th Dec – Assembly
12th Dec – Year 6 Fun Day
13th Dec – Year 6 State-wide Transition Day
13th Dec – 9.15am Foundation 2023 transition session 4
15th Dec – Year 6 Graduation
16th Dec – Final assembly for the year
16th Dec – 5-7pm - Family picnic and End of Year concert (performance starts at 5.30pm)
20th Dec – Last Day Term 4 –1.30pm finish

From the Principal

Dear APPS Community,

Monday 21st November – student free day

On Monday, our staff will be having a common Professional Practice Day (PPD). This is a day that all Victorian teachers are entitled to have to complete schoolwork. Therefore, *no students will be required at school.*

Maroondah Festival

We had stunning weather for the Maroondah Festival on Sunday 6th November. We would love to thank the parents who came along to man our stall and talk to the community about our fantastic school. Our heartfelt thanks go to our wonderful parents: Querida, Natalia, Asha & Jason, Sandra, and Mel. I would also like to thank our staff who also gave up part of their weekend to support our school – Wendy, Emma and Samar for manning our stall, and to Jane H and Carlyne, who not only helped on Sunday, but also on Saturday during the set up. A shout-out to our wonderful Laura, who wasn't able to attend on the day, but did so much work behind the scenes! Thank you to Simon O'Halloran for

his help in printing our brochures in time for the day – a LOT were handed out! A big thank you to Bec for organising the choir performance, and a big thank you to our families for bringing students to the festival, who gave an outstanding choir performance!



Somers Camp for Years 5 & 6 2023

Our school has been offered a very limited number of places at the Department of Education and Training's Somers School Camp. Our allotted time is from 21/02/2023 until the 01/03/2023, making it a nine-day commitment.

Children who gain selection from our school will join with 160 Grade 5 and 6 children from our school district in this very special Outdoor Education and Personal Development program.

The activities are mainly physical and outdoor and include High and Low Ropes Courses, Boating, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Challenge Swing and Initiative Activities which require a reasonable level of physical fitness. All children are also required to take part in the following activities: Archery, Art, Drama, Environmental Studies, Bush Cooking, Orienteering, Bike Education, Flying Fox, Bush Dancing, Disco Night, Singing and Diary Writing. Separate boys and girls living arrangements are provided but all activities are done in mixed groups.

The fee for the camp is \$260.00 and must be paid in full before children can attend. The fee includes transport, accommodation, meals and pocket money.

This is a great camp and provides children with the opportunity to accept challenges, improve their self-esteem, meet and mix with others from our local area, have fun and learn at the same time.

If interested, please contact the office for more information.

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 **Foundation Information session for parents will be held next Wednesday 23rd November from 7pm**. All parents with students in Foundation next year are welcome and encouraged to attend. Our third transition session for our 2023 Foundation students will be the following **Thursday 1st December at 9.15am**. If you have not yet done so, please hand in your enrolment form at the office at your earliest convenience.

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 2nd December. The work that has gone into the organisation and advertising is phenomenal. We are so grateful for your hard work and thoughtful preparation!



Gravel Car Park

Please be advised that from (approximately) 21st November, 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.

Election Day BBQ

We will once again be holding an Election Day BBQ at APPS. If you are able to help cook and sell some democracy sausages, that would be greatly appreciated!! Please contact the office if you are able to help.

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](#)

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](#)

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 \(ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au\)](#)

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.**

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.

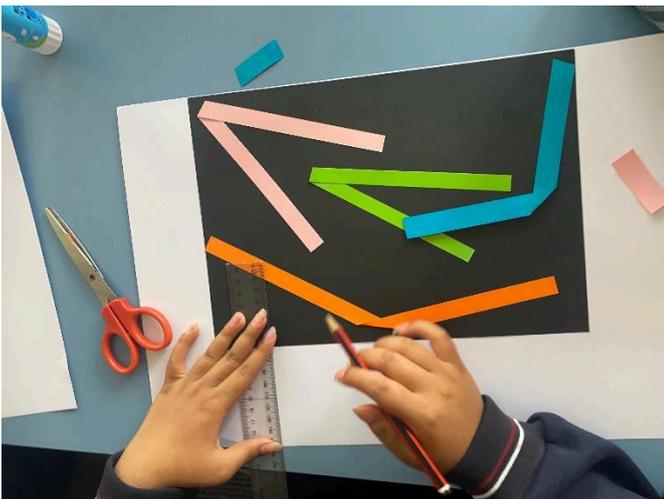
LEVEL F-2 STUDIO



In Maths, the Foundation and Year 1 children have been investigating ideas about sharing and fractions. During maths investigative sessions, students took part in a variety of learning experiences to develop their understandings about halves, equal groups and parts. Some students even challenged themselves and practised working with quarters. They connected their understandings to real life situations and enjoyed reading a variety of literature such as “When the Doorbell Rang” and “The Little Mouse, The Red Ripe Strawberry and The Big Hungry Bear”.

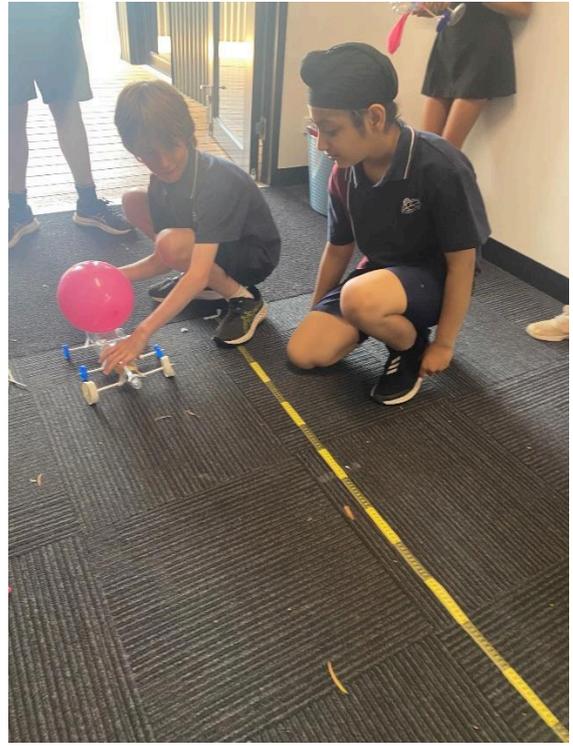
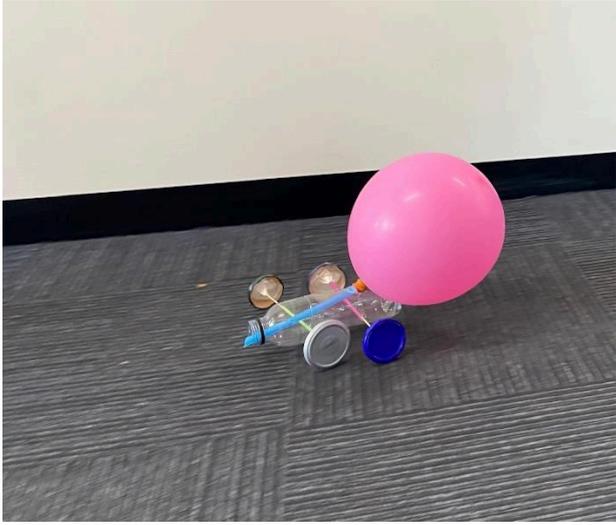
LEVEL 3/4/5 STUDIO

Students in the 345 Studio have just completed a Maths unit on Angles. Across a variety of activities students investigated, compared and ordered angles greater than and smaller than a right angle. They really enjoyed this hands on 'Angle Art' activity too!



During Inquiry, Year 3 and 4 students further developed their 'Balloon Powered Cars' – testing, modifying and refining their designs to travel between 1 and 5 metres. Students have really been engaged in the building and testing phases of the experiment.





MUSIC STUDIO

Information for the three musical performances this term:

Event: Twilight Market (4-8pm)

Where: At school

When: Dec 2nd

Time: 4:30-5:00 pm

Who: Choir and F-2 students

What to wear: Casual clothes

Event: Maroondah Carols by Candlelight

Where: Croydon Park, Hewish Road Croydon

When: Dec 3rd

Time: 6:00-6:20 pm (please arrive at 5:30 pm)

Who: Choir, and 3,4,5 students

What to wear: School uniform

Event: End of Year Concert (Picnic 5-7pm)

Where: At school

When: Dec 16th

Time: 5:30 pm performance starts

Who: All grades

What to wear: Casual / Christmas clothes

“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.

Transition from Primary to Secondary

Free information session for parents, carers and young people



Presented by Kate Wilde from the human development Workshop

Transitioning from primary to secondary school is a significant change for all students. Learn how to help your child prepare for secondary school and make a positive and smooth transition.

Details

Tuesday 6 December 2022
7pm – 8.30pm
Online via Zoom

Bookings are essential
[Register here](#)

For more information contact:
Michelle Pascoe, Community Youth
Worker,
Knox Youth Services
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The webinar includes:

- Getting ready for secondary school: The 'easy' stuff - routines, public transport, homework and more.
- Getting ready for secondary school: The 'tricky' stuff - friends, bullying, anxiety and more.
- A Parent/Carer only session will be available for the last 30 minutes on managing technology, anxiety and supporting your child's resilience.

FROM THE OFFICE

Groove Foundations

Music School



Have you ever wanted to learn a musical instrument or singing? Ainslie Parkland's instrumental teachers engage with the music you love, new musical styles, the foundations of music reading, and theory.



Drums	Singing
Piano	Guitar
Ukulele	Bass

To book your free trial lesson, contact Jordan at Groove Foundations.

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

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ALL AMERICAN 2 & 4 DOOR CARS & RODS WELCOME

GATES OPEN: 8am - DISPLAY CARS. 9am - GENERAL PUBLIC.
Trophies awarded for Best Ford GM Mopar & Hot Rod at 1.00pm

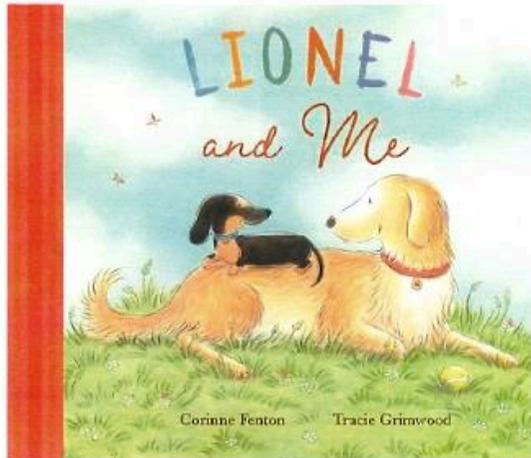


More details: sixties.amcc@hotmail.com www.60samcc.org

Please note: Consumption of alcohol in the car park is not permitted.

BOOK LAUNCH - DOG-FRIENDLY! - at COLLINS CROYDON

with thanks to New Frontier Publishing



Come along to a Book Launch at Collins Booksellers Croydon

Saturday 26 November 11am

with Author **Corinne Fenton** and Illustrator **Tracie Grimwood**

Dog-Friendly event hosted by

Harry the Westie, Maverick the Golden Retriever

and **Lionel the Miniature Dachshund**

free event - but bookings appreciated

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and following the launch, Santa will arrive in Main Street

to kick off Croydon's 2022 festive celebrations!