



Ainslie Parklands Primary School  
**The Newsletter**

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### Key dates for Term 2

- 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> May – Education Week
- 24<sup>th</sup> May – F-2 excursion to Museum
- 24<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 6s to Donwood Aged Care
- 25<sup>th</sup> May – Cross Country (Selected students)
- 25<sup>th</sup> May – **Education Week Open night (5.30 – 7pm)**
- 27<sup>th</sup> May – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 - away)
- 27<sup>th</sup> May – Assembly
- 30<sup>th</sup> May – AFL clinic
- 1<sup>st</sup> June – School Photos
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Jump Rope for Heart (TBC)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 – home)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June – F-2 Science excursion
- 6<sup>th</sup> June – AFL Clinic
- 9<sup>th</sup> June – **Community Coffee with Graham for our school review**
- 10<sup>th</sup> June – **Curriculum Day – no students at school**
- 13<sup>th</sup> June – **Queen’s Birthday – no students at school**
- 14<sup>th</sup> June – APPS 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party!
- 17<sup>th</sup> June – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 – away)
- 20<sup>th</sup> June – **School Council Meeting**
- 24<sup>th</sup> June – Last day of Term 2

### From the Principal

Dear APPS Community,



This year, Education Week runs from 22–28 May. The theme, ‘150 Years of Public Education’ commemorates the past, celebrates the present and imagines the future of education in Victoria.

Education Week is an opportunity for our primary/secondary school/higher education/early childhood service to highlight our education journey.

This year, Ainslie Parklands Primary School is 60 years old.

We will be celebrating Education Week by holding an **Open Night on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 5.30-7pm**. We encourage our school community, and any other families who are interested in our school, to come and let our students show you their classroom, their work, participate in some fun activities and watch our

choir perform.

For more information and to access the calendar of free activities, visit [Education Week 2022](#).



Huge thanks to Simon O’Halloran for his work on our signage and brochures. They would not look nearly as professional without his expertise!

## Foundation Enrolments 2023

We have already had many family tours go through our school this term and have already received our first enrolments for Foundation 2023! If your child or someone you know is planning to enrol, please contact the office to organise a tour or to collect an enrolment pack.

## Bullying Prevention Day

On Monday, all year levels worked on Bullying Prevention strategies. Students learnt about the definition of bullying, the school wide approach we are implementing - supporting students to deal with unpleasant situations. Thank you, Fiona, Laura, Carlyne & the team!



## National Volunteer Week



It goes without saying that our school could not run as it does, and our students would not have the opportunities that they do, without our wonderful volunteers. We express our deepest gratitude for all that you do for our school and our children. Thank you so much to:

Our Community Engagement Team:

- Tracy Coutts
- Jane Bennetts
- Jodie Taylor

Our School Council parents

- Evan Coutts
- Simon O'Halloran
- Katherine Szymanski
- Catherine Litchfield
- Jo Van Den Broek
- Querida Seip
- Jess Edwards

Also helping us is Michele White, Jason Mullenger, Jacquie Schliebs, Laurie Swiss, Nadia O'Halloran, Asha Manoharan, Emma Matthews, Elissa Roszak, Brent Battle, Emma Morgan, Alison Turner, Fiona W and **so many more**. Thank you to all of our fabulous families who support us in a number of ways. We could not do it without you!!



If you would like to contribute to our wonderful school community and be part of either the Community Engagement Team or the School Council, please contact the office.

## Strategic Review – Meet the Reviewer

As previously mentioned, we will be undertaking our Strategic Review this term. All public schools are required to undertake a Strategic Review once every four years. We have been allocated a reviewer and have two challenge partners (principals from other schools) to celebrate our successes, look for areas of growth and set our goals for the next four years.

The job of the review panel is to understand the school from all perspectives. The Reviewer, Graham Wood, is making himself available to talk to parents on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 9am in the staffroom**. All parents welcome to come along and have a voice in our school review. If you are unable to come along at this time, but would like to talk to Graham, please let me know, and I may be able to organise an alternative time.

## Mobile Phones

There are times when parents would like their primary school child to have a mobile phone (for example, if children are travelling on public transport to get to and from school.) However, once at school, all phones **MUST** be brought to the office before school and collected at the end of the day. The school will provide secure storage for student phones. Consistent with all primary schools, students are not able to keep their phones on their person or in their bag. For further information, please see the Mobile Phone policy on our website [Mobile-Phones-Student-Use-Policy-.pdf \(ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au\)](https://ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au)

### **Playground Update**

You may have noticed there is not much progress happening with the playground. We had encountered an issue, which I am pleased to say, has now been resolved. Works should recommence soon.

### **Uniforms**

As the weather cools, we are reminding students (and parents) to ensure that students are coming to school in full school uniform. We do have some second-hand uniforms, so if there is an item you need, please contact the office and we may be able to help.

### **Curriculum Days - Repeat**

Please note that the Friday before the Queen's Birthday long weekend, **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June**, will be a curriculum (student free) day. Other curriculum days approved by the School Council for 2022 are:

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

### **Change in RAT requirements**

RATs will continue to be distributed to you as they have been throughout this school year for the remainder of this term.

However, students will no longer be recommended to undertake twice weekly RATs in mainstream schools.

RATs however will continue to be required by students who are household contacts to attend school (5 negative tests over a 7 day period) or who have symptoms.

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.

### **Change in COVID requirements**

Face masks, while recommended, are no longer mandatory in any school setting. This means students in grades 3 to 6, staff and visitors in primary schools are no longer required to wear face masks. Any student or staff member who wishes to wear a mask may do so, including those who are medically at-risk.

Parents, carers and other adult visitors (not performing work) are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine. Please note that if you are working with children at school, you are required to be triple vaxxed.

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation. This was previously 8 weeks.

As we approach winter and flu season, the vaccination of children aged 5 to 11 and booster shots for students 16+ remains the best way to ensure protection for students and staff. The Easter break is a good opportunity to get your child vaccinated ahead of this, with many options across GPs, pharmacies and the state run vaccination clinics.

If you have any concerns or worries about getting your child vaccinated, please get in contact with your GP or another health professional who can answer your concerns.

### **What to do if your child tests positive**

You must also report your child's positive test to the Department of Health via the COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form [COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form](#) · [Department of Health Portal \(powerappsportals.com\)](#) or call centre on 1800 675 398.

Further information for languages other than English:

\* For school information in languages other than English, call TIS National on 131 450.

\* Please ask them to call the DET COVID-19 hotline on 1800 338 663 and they will help interpret.

\* For translated written information about COVID-19, please visit: [Translated information about COVID-19 | Coronavirus Victoria](#).

\* For health advice in languages other than English, visit [Translated information about COVID-19 | Coronavirus Victoria](#)

### **Hats**

A reminder that all students are required to wear a hat outdoors when the UV rating is 3 or above (which is usually every day in Terms 1 & 4, with days sometimes occurring in Term 2). Please leave hats in school bags – just in case!

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)

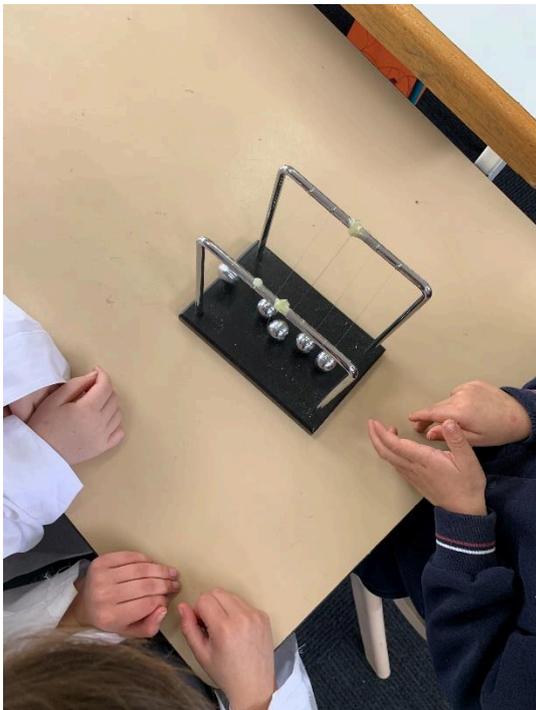
Regards,

Jane.

## FROM THE F-2 STUDIO

### Science Day

Last Friday, the F-2 Studio had a science day as a part of our Things That Move unit of inquiry for this term. Students enjoyed dressing up as scientists and bringing toys that move to share and explore. Throughout the day students participated in different science activities and explored how different things move. We are looking forward to furthering our investigations when we go on our excursion to Melbourne Museum next Tuesday.



## FROM THE F-2 STUDIO

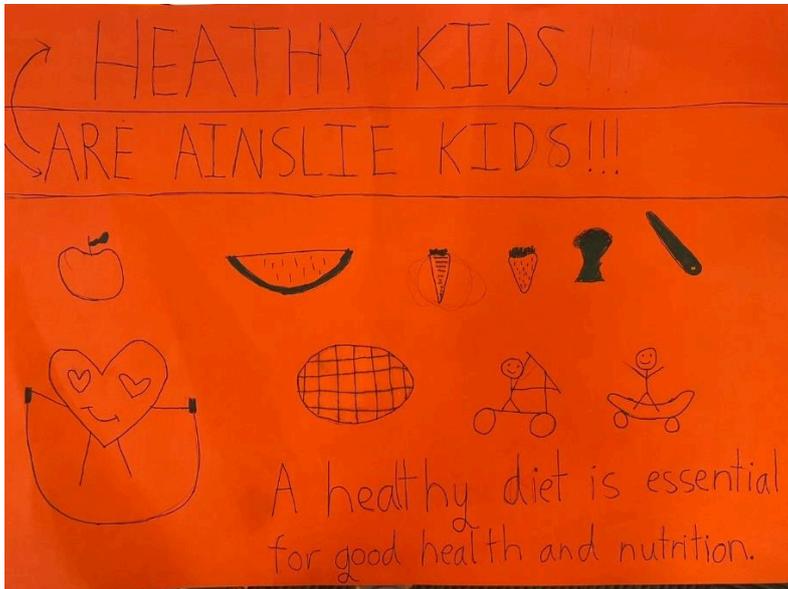
### Teddy Bears' Picnic

On Thursday we joined with the Year 6 Studio for a Teddy Bears' Picnic afternoon. We brought our teddies, made teddy bear ears, read teddy books and ate teddy snacks! We are enjoying spending regular time with our year 6 buddies.

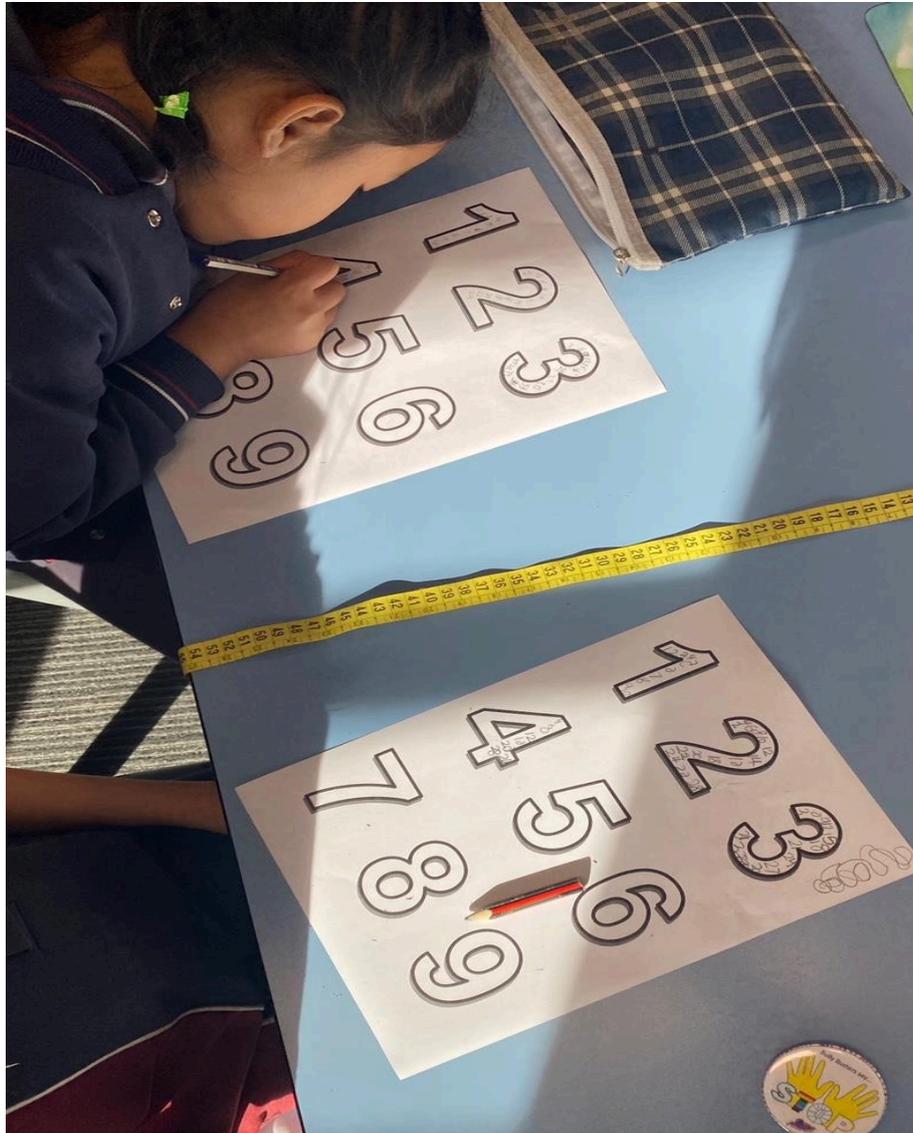


## FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

During our Inquiry unit, the Year 3/4 students have been creating their own healthy living poster to display in our school community to promote healthy eating and keeping active. They have done a fantastic job. Look out for them around the school!



The 345 Studio have been working on Multiplication in our Maths sessions. Students have been using a variety of strategies to solve number sentences and worded problems. Strategies have included number sequences, arrays, repeated addition, number lines and groups of.



## FROM THE YEAR 6 STUDIO

Grade 6's enjoyed our Police visit this week. It was great to learn more about cyberbullying and safe ways to be online. They had lots of questions for our visitor!



## Bullying prevention day.



## From the Art Studio...

In Art this week the students in F-2 have been looking at the usual textile art works of artist Judith Scott. She is known for her cocooning of found objects with a large variety of textiles. Students took inspiration from Judith Scott's work to try and create their own!



## FROM THE OFFICE

Ainslie Parklands Primary School, CROYDON

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Wednesday 1st June

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Early Bird orders with free delivery to your school close on  
Wednesday 8th June

A postage fee will apply for orders placed after this date.

Sibling orders must be placed prior to 8am on photo day.

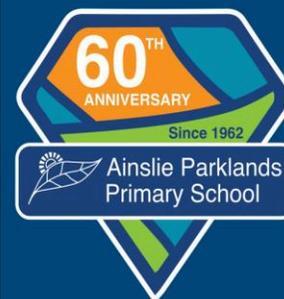
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*Ainslie Parklands is celebrating  
it's 60th Anniversary this year.  
- 12th June 1962*

## *60th Anniversary Celebration Events*

*It all began in 1962.....*

### *\* 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 – It will be 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*

*(even just a short paragraph)*

*of your time at Ainslie Parklands  
formerly Croydon West. We would love to hear it.*

*If you could forward this to  
[APPS60@schools.vic.edu.au](mailto:APPS60@schools.vic.edu.au)*

*and we will add it to our  
"History of our School" collection.*

*Thank you.*

*We are looking forward to our year of celebration*



## ELECTION DAY BBQ and BAKE SALE

APPS is a voting centre for the federal election on Saturday 21st May.

Community Engagement will be organising a Democracy sausage sizzle and bake sale on the day. We would love some volunteers for the day and to donate baked goods to sell.

From the Community Engagement Committee



# Ainslie Parklands Primary School

Celebrating creativity, fostering independence and striving for excellence.



# OPEN NIGHT

Current and prospective families welcome

**Wednesday 25th May, from 5:30 – 7:00 pm**

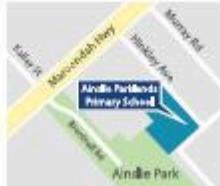
Ainslie Parklands Primary School would like to invite all current and prospective families to visit our learning community.

Meet the staff and students, explore our learning spaces, learn about our educational programs.

**Come and see the difference at Ainslie Parklands!**

Tours with our principal, Jane Capon, will also be available during this time.

Please contact the school office on 98701566 if you have any questions regarding this event or if you wish to arrange a tour.



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# 2022 OPEN DAY



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In the spirit of reconciliation St. John's Kindergarten acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



## **EAST RINGWOOD JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB** **NEW PLAYERS WELCOME**

It is not too late to register for the following age groups:

### **AUSKICK**

Saturday 9:00-10:30am at East Ringwood Reserve  
For any enquiries, please contact our  
Auskick Coordinator - Peter - M: 0409 942 533

### **Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10**

Come along to training and find out more!  
For all enquiries including training times and locations,  
please contact our Registrar - Kim - M: 0407 700 077

Under 8's Register Free and all new players to the  
junior club will receive a New Player Kit.



<https://erjfc.com.au>



# JOIN US IN THE SPOTLIGHT

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### **Australian Youth Theatre (Acting & Drama)**

for 8+ years.

### **Young Australian Broadway Chorus (Musical Theatre)**

for 8+ years.

### **Australian Boys Dance Academy (Jazz, Tap, Classical & Hip Hop)**

for 6+ years.

### **COURSE ADMISSION**

Auditions are held before students are offered a place in classes to determine that students have a willingness and aptitude to develop these skills. Various short activities will be conducted by the teacher during which performance and participation levels will be assessed. Successful applicants will be offered a place after the audition.

These sessions are fun, relaxed and complimentary. Sessions are designed to give prospective students and parents an insight into who we are and how we run our classes.

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