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Date: Friday 15th July 2022

#### Key dates for Term 3

18<sup>th</sup> July – 5/6 excursion to CERES
23<sup>rd</sup> July – Bunnings BBQ fundraiser
27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July – Parent/Teacher
conferences
8<sup>th</sup> August – School Council Meeting
12<sup>th</sup> August – 60<sup>th</sup> birthday Open Night
20<sup>th</sup> August – Trivia Night
22<sup>nd</sup> August – Book week, 3/4 Camp
26<sup>th</sup> August – Athletics Day
2<sup>nd</sup> Sept – Soccer Clinic
5<sup>th</sup> Sept – Curriculum Day (student-free)
7<sup>th</sup> Sept – Specialist Spectacular Evening
12<sup>th</sup> Sept – School Council Meeting
16<sup>th</sup> Sept – Last day Term 3 - 2.30pm finish

#### From the Principal

Dear APPS Community,

Welcome back! We hope that you have all had a wonderful holiday, or at least a chance to slow down. The children have already settled back into school quickly and we are looking forward to an action-packed Term 3!

#### **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.

#### Working Bee

Last term, we had a Saturday morning Working Bee. Work completed included distributing tanbark and river rocks in the courtyard area and digging out the long jump pit on the oval. There are so many things we are grateful to our amazing parent community for, and this is one of them. Many thanks to the families who helped out on the day:

- James C's family
- Isaac C's family
- Madison's family
- Hugo's family
- James, Rose & Patrick's family

Many thanks to Jane Humphrys for coordinating the morning and also to Wendy & Emma for coming along to help out! Issue No.10 2022











#### Netball Finals

We were all very excited to hear that our Year 6 girls made the interschool sport netball finals that were held today. Unfortunately, the girls lost to Our Ladies of Perpetual Help Primary School 17-8, however they played a great game and had an amazing support on the sidelines!!

Thank you to Laura, Laurie and Melissa, who transported the girls to the game and thank you to Nadia for scoring. A thank you also to the parents and grandparents who formed part of the cheer squad!!





#### **COVID Management**

As you would be aware, following advice from the Acting Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government recently announced changes to the pandemic orders.

#### Vaccination Requirements:

There will no longer be a mandated vaccination requirement for staff or visitors working in mainstream schools. This change will come in from the start of Term 3 2022.

#### 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 for collection.

#### 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.

#### Face Masks

The Victorian government's advice recommends people over 8 years of age wear a face mask in indoor settings, except for close contacts, who must wear a mask indoors unless an exception applies. If you wish your child to wear a mask at school, and/or they themselves wish to wear a mask, please let us know and we are happy to support them.

#### **Transportation**

Parents and carers who have COVID-19 can transport their non-COVID-19 children via private vehicle to their primary or secondary school when an alternative person is not available to assist. The parent or carer must travel directly to and from the school only. They must remain in the vehicle, and wear a face mask at all times.

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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 will be available on our website from next week for the community to access.

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

#### **Playground**

We did see some work on the playground over the school holidays, including further concreting of the path, more work on the slides and the installation of the rope pyramid. There have been delays, with the shade sail permit, some equipment coming from overseas, weather and staffing. We are still crossing our fingers for an August finish date.



#### 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. <u>Ainslie Parklands</u> <u>Primary School | Facebook</u>

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

In F-2 we have been thinking about Time.

We have drawn clocks to show what we know about clocks, and at the end of this maths unit we will draw them again to show what we have learnt! Some of us have explored the day, and we made circle days, showing different things we do each day. Others of us explored different units of time – like minutes, seconds, months and years. We are having a great TIME learning about TIME!











### FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

Our Year 3, 4 and 5 students took a look into NAIDOC week celebrations this week to gain a further understanding of the cultural histories of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders.





### FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

Our new Inquiry unit is underway. Year 3/4 students have begun to explore 'History - First Contacts' with a brainstorm to uncover what they KNOW and what they WONDER about this topic. The unit will work through First Australians, European settlers and they ways in which Australia changed over time. We look forward to sharing our learning along the way.





### FROM THE YEAR 5 /6 Studio

**SUSTAINABILITY** is our new inquiry topic in Term 3! We will learn where our energy comes from and what "renewable" energy means. We will explore the different ways we can be sustainable at home, at school and in our community. The different climates of Australia will also be investigated and our project will see the students build a sustainable house that is adapted to one of these climates.

Students completed a *KWL* chart to demonstrate what they already know and what they would like to learn. This student voice will also help to guide our planning and lessons for the term.

We started our inquiry unit by viewing the "2040" documentary and completing a *See, Think, Wonder* in response.

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#### **FROM THE OFFICE**



Volunteers needed https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4FA5AC23A7F94-apps4

## **Bunnings BBQ** Saturday 23rd July

We are looking for parents/carers/teachers to help with our Bunnings BBQ on Saturday 23rd July at Bunnings Chirnside Park. We would appreciate a small amount of your time to help us with the running of this event. If you have any guestions please email appscommunity1@gmail.com



We look forward to your continued support, The Community Engagement Committee.











#### July 16th 2022 9am-1pm

Travel around Croydon Main Street and solve all twelve riddles to collect a prize—everyone is a winner!

Starting Location: Croydon Town Square For ages up to 15 years





Register your interest



# PLUS+

6-Session Auskick Program for ages 6-12 Run by AFL Victoria coaches! Open to all abilities and experience levels

Dates: Every Wednesday from 6th July to 3rd of August + Auskick Super Clinic on Sunday 7th August Time: 4:30pm-5:30pm Location: HE Parker Reserve, 154 Heathmont Rd, Heathmont 3135 Price: \$55 - Includes Auskick Pack!

Follow the link below or scan the QR code to register

https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/e3f871

For more information contact Luke Rowe at luke.rowe@afl.com.au

play.afl/auskick







## **Talking Tweens**

A Parents Building Solutions Program For Parents of Children Aged 8 to 12 years

#### Do you want to:

- Improve communication?
- Deal with anger and anxiety?
- Establish boundaries with your child around screen use and other challenging behaviors?
- Understand tween development?

Come along to these 6 interactive sessions. Share strengths, challenges, and strategies to parent 8 to 12 year old.

anglicarevic.org.au

When: Monday evenings (6 sessions) Mon 1st August to Mon 5th September 2022 Time: 7.00 pm - 9:00 pm Where: Online via Zoom. Participants will need access to a device with video and audio in order to participate Cost: Free of charge Registrations: <u>Click here</u> Enquiries: sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au

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## **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: 4879-APPS60@schools.vic.edu.au Thank you for helping us grow the "History of our School" collection. We are looking forward to our year of celebration.