

THE AINSLIE UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2 2024

- 10th May - Walk Safely to School Day
- 13th May - Education Week
- 15th May - School Photos
- 16th May - 9.15am - Open Morning
9.30am - MiniKids
- 18th May - 10am - Weekend Information Morning
- 27th May - MiniKids
- 30th May - Smile Squad (dentist)
- 10th June - **King's Birthday Holiday**
- 13th June - MiniKids
- 28th June - Last day Term 2

Term 3 2024

- 15th July - First day Term 3
- 5th Aug - **STUDENT FREE DAY**
- 8th Aug - 9.15am Community Coffee
- 16-20 Sep - Swimming
- 20th Sep - Last day Term 3

Term 4 2024

- 7th Oct - First day Term 4
- 14-15 Oct - 3/4 Camp
- 22nd Oct - 9.15am Community Coffee
- 4th Nov - **STUDENT FREE DAY**
- 5th Nov - Melbourne Cup Day
- 18-20 Nov - 5/6 Camp
- 20th Dec - Last day Term 4

Assembly Entertainment!

We are really enjoying Jayne S ensuring that for most assemblies, our students have the opportunity to perform. The children love it – and so do the adults!



Mother's/Special Person's Day Stall

Our children love the experience of making cards and gifts, and also shopping for their special person in May and September each year. Yesterday, an amazing group of people from our school and broader community made sure that our students could shop for their special person to say "thank you" for all they do. Thank you to Lisa Kanto for coordinating this event. We really appreciate our community members, who provide goods to our students at well below cost, and go even further to ensure that no one misses out. Thank you!!!



Sandpit open!

Unfortunately, we had some weekend “guests” who broke clear glass bottles in the sandpit. As safety is our number one priority, we had to close the sandpit, have the sand dug out and replaced, as well as the surrounding tanbark. Students were delighted when this work was complete, and the sandpit was once again available. We appreciate the support of our community in keeping an eye on the school out of hours. Thank you!



Punctuality

While we do understand that sometimes it can't be helped, we ask that as much as possible, please ensure that your children arrive at school on time. We know that many of our children do not like to arrive late as they are much more noticeable to others when they arrive, and this increases their anxiety. They also miss out on the outline of the day's activities, and the explicit teaching that provides understanding for work tasks. Predictable school morning routine gives students a sense of calmness and safety, increasing positive wellbeing. We thank you for your help and understanding.

Signage

A big thank to to Querida Seip for organising some real estate signs & permits to promote our Open Mornings, MiniKids sessions and enrolments. Thank you to Simon O'Halloran for the artwork, and to the Professionals Real Estate agents for making and displaying our signs.



Community Engagement Team

We are incredibly lucky to have such an amazing Community Engagement Team. To express an interest in being part of the team, or to make some suggestions please email:

janebennettsbrown@gmail.com

2025 Enrolments are open, Open Mornings, and Minikids!

Enrolments for Foundation 2025 are now open. We also have Education Week beginning Monday 13th May, with our Open Morning on Thursday the 16th May and also on Saturday 18th May. We also have our MiniKids program starting up, to be run by the wonderful Jess Smith. Huge thanks to Laura A, who is posting this information on our Facebook and Instagram pages - we ask our community to please share this information far and wide!

Farewell Fiona!!

We are so very sad to say that after a long stint at APPS (and very long drive to and from APPS each day) Fiona will be leaving us. Her last day will be next Thursday 16th May. Fiona, thank you so much for your huge contribution to all at Ainslie Parklands Primary School - from embedding our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support program, our school value tokens and token shop, to helping our students explore their creativity in Art, and ensuring that we have additional funding and supports for our students and families who need it. Fiona, we wish you every success in your new role. There is no doubt you will be greatly missed and we hope that that you will come and visit us!!



Foundation enrolments 2025

Our school is using an online system for new Foundation (Prep) enrolments to Victorian government schools, called VicStudents.

To get started, visit:

<https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/> to create an account and complete the online application form by **Friday 26 July 2024**. If you would prefer to submit a paper application form, please contact us.

* We will then review the information submitted and be in contact with you by Friday 9 August 2024.

* You should **accept one enrolment** offer by Friday 23 August 2024. When accepting an offer, you will be required to provide additional personal and health information that will be shared with the school.

Is VicStudents secure?

VicStudents has been assessed by the Department of Education to a high degree of security in line with the Victorian Protective Data Security Standards and is compliant with ISO 27001, the leading international standard for information security.

More information

The Department of Education has created a Quick Reference Guide to help you get started.

We have already had families enrol their child for Foundation 2025 via the new online system. If you have any further queries about the process, or would like to book a tour, please contact the office.

Reading at APPS

Last year, we introduced a new Reading homework policy. We now focus on Reading homework from Foundation through to Year 6, with some very pleasing results. Last year, we saw that many students who follow the home Reading tasks achieved 12 months Reading growth in six months.

To encourage our students to complete their home Reading (which we know really improves learning outcomes), we have introduced a Reading acknowledgment system. For completing and recording home Reading 25 times, students will receive a certificate, with further acknowledgements as a student's Home Reading increases. We presented our first batch of Reading certificates at our last assembly, with some students already achieving two levels - and therefore two certificates! Well done!



Congratulations Wendy!!

APPS has very recently been in the fortunate position of being able to appoint a part-time Assistant Principal. It is with great pleasure that we announce Wendy Phillips will take on this role. Wendy has occupied various roles at APPS, starting as an Education Support staff member, progressing to teaching and team leader positions, and currently occupies our Learning Specialist role. Wendy will still be teaching our 4/5 class, but this means we will now see her on a Thursday, taking on additional duties as Assistant Principal. Congratulations!



Student Voice Team: Health Leaders

As previously announced, we have a sub-group in our Student Voice Team, who is working with E.A.C.H. to promote healthy eating at our school. E.A.C.H. has kindly provided the team with badges, which were presented at our last assembly.



From Levels Foundation, 1 & 2

Our F-2 students enjoyed their first incursion as part of the 'Go, Grow and Glow' program run by EACH. F-2's identified foods that they would enjoy in their lunch boxes and then created their own. Classes discussed why having a great selection of delicious fresh foods help them learn and have energy every day. Many thanks to EACH for bringing these sessions to school free of charge. We can't wait for our next tasting session.

Autumn is a beautiful time in our Orchard and grounds. With wonderful mature trees there are plenty of leaves to play in and collect for our compost. Nothing ever goes to waste and the F-2 students had a wonderful time working and playing in the Autumn sunshine on Thursday.



From Year 3

Grade 3's have enjoyed another fun filled week at APPS!

In Reading, we've been reviewing the different long vowel sounds and learning the different ways of spelling them. We've enjoyed learning more about the difference between fiction and non-fiction text types and learning how to read for meaning while analysing information reports.

This week in Writing, we were lucky enough to have Joel McKerrow come and present to us about his new book and teach how he has come up with ideas for his stories and graphic novels. We felt inspired hearing his tips and tricks and loved having the opportunity to begin planning some seeds of creativity in our writers notebook after this!

In Maths, we've finished our unit on data collection and presentation and have enjoyed diving into the world of addition! Looking forward to exploring this more next week!

We hope all our mothers and special friends have a lovely Mother's Day this weekend too!



From Year 4/5

The 4/5 students have been trying to work outside as much as possible while the Autumn weather allows it.

We have had outdoor maths, collecting data on a topic of choice. For example, car makes, tree types, types of flowers and birds. The data was collated and transferred into graphs for analysis.

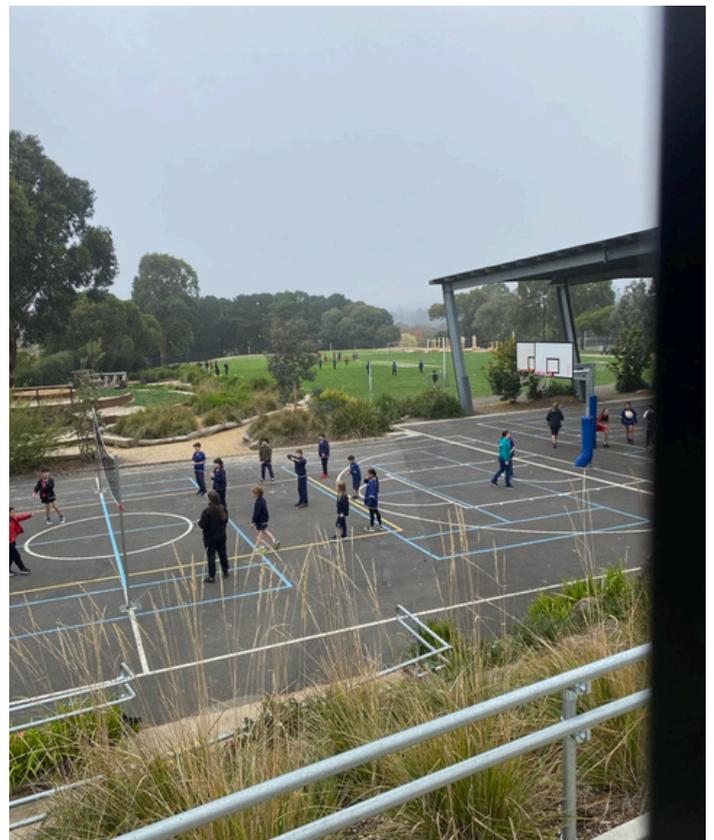
We also had an 'escape room' experience during Inquiry. Students worked in small groups to answer questions and decode clues about our Science topic. The students loved racing around the playground finding the secret clues.



From Year 5/6

Interschool Sport

This term the year 4-6 students are participating in Interschool Sports. For the last two Fridays, our sports teams have travelled to other schools to play. Students are either playing hotshots (tennis), volleybounce (volleyball), soccer, and netball. It's a great opportunity for students to try sports, compete against different people, and learn new skills. We have a couple of weeks off now, our next game will be at home on Friday May 31st.



Apple Fundraiser



The APPS Community Engagement team are working with a local orchard to have an apple fundraiser. The apples are picked fresh this season.

Please invite family and friends to order apples too.
 Extra order forms are available at the school office.
 Fill out the form below if you would like to participate.
The form must be returned by Monday, June 3rd.

DATE



NAME	
PHONE NUMBER	
APPS FAMILY**	

ITEMS	NUMBER OF BAGS (BAGS APPROX 5KG)	PRICE PER 5 KG	SUBTOTAL
Scilate Apples (crunchy and sweet (Like Envy))		\$20	
Granny Smith Apples (cooking apples)		\$20	
Pink Lady Apples (Crunchy and bit tangy)		\$20	
Jazz (crisp apple with an sweet-sharp flavour)		\$20	
Green Pears		\$15	
Total money enclosed:			

Please include cash with your order or electronic payment can be made via the office. Apples need to be paid for at the time of ordering.

Collection of apples will be from the office on Thursday 6th of June - at the end of the school day.

The apples come from an orchard in Launching Place and are wax free. The farmer uses minimal sprays. Any spray used is natural.

These apples are fresher than supermarket apples. They store well in fridge in plastic tubs or the crisper.



Ainslie Parklands Primary School.

Hinkley Ave, Croydon.



Enrolments Open for 2025

Call and book a
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MiniKids

Free fun school
readiness session
for 3 - 5yr olds.

1st session - 29th April
9.30 am - 10.30am

Open Mornings

Thursday 16th May

9.15am - 11.00am

Saturday 18th May

10.00am - 11.30am

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The 2024 Australian Early Development Census

Every school counts

The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a national census that builds a picture of how children have developed by the time they start their first year of full-time school.

Every school has a vital role to play in helping our nation collect the information it needs to better understand and respond to the needs of children and their families.

Since 2009, communities, schools and governments across Australia have used AEDC results to help provide services, resources and supports that give our kids the best start in life.

From May 2024, teachers will complete the census for children in their first year of full-time school.

AEDC results for individual children are not reported and individual children cannot be identified.

With the support of parents/carers and schools, we can build a more complete picture of early childhood development in Australia. If parents/carers consent to the collection of their child's information they do not need to do anything. Parents/carers only need to contact the school if they do not consent to the collection of their child's information.

To find out more about the AEDC and how schools, communities and governments are using the data to help children and families, visit www.aedc.gov.au.





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Effective 1/5/24 - 28/2/25



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Summer Dress	RHDRS04TCG	Maroon/Navy/ White	Child	\$ 49.95
			Adult	
Winter Tunic	1749.TUNIC	Ink Navy/ Wine/White	Child 4 & 6	\$ 60.00
			Child 8 & 10	\$ 62.00
Winter Skirt	1749.SKIRT	Ink Navy/ Wine/White	Child 12,14,16	\$ 52.00
S/Sleeve Polo with Side Panel	1749.POL05TCS	White/Navy/Mar	Child	\$ 36.00
			Adult	
S/Sleeve Polo with Side Panel	1749.POL05TCS	Navy/Mar/White	Child	\$ 36.00
			Adult	
L/Sleeve Polo with Side Panel	1749.POL06TCS	White/Ink Navy/ White Piping	Child	\$ 40.00
L/Sleeve Polo with Side Panel	1749.POL06TCS	Ink Navy/Wine/ White Piping	Child	\$ 40.00
Crew Neck Windcheater	1749.WCH01TCP	Navy	Child	\$ 31.00
			Adult	\$ 33.00
Bomber Jacket	1749.JKT02TCS	Navy/Mar/White	Child	\$ 50.00
			Adult	
Jersey Short	RHSOR01TCP	Navy	Child	\$ 22.00
			Adult	\$ 24.00
Skort	RHSOR07TRP	Navy	Child	\$ 25.00
Active Stretch Pant	RHACTPANT	Navy	Child	\$ 31.00
Track Pant Straight Leg Reinforced Knee	RHTRP04TCP	Navy	Child	\$ 29.00
Track Pant Cuff Leg Reinforced Knee	RHTRP02TCP	Navy	Child	\$ 29.00
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Art Smocks	RHARTSMOCK	Red or Royal	S, M, L	\$ 21.00
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What is Smile Squad?

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This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

How to access free dental care

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad:



<https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

Let us know if you need a paper form to complete. We look forward to seeing you soon!



Be ahead of the game: talking to young people about gaming

For parents
and carers

Tuesday
14 May

7.30pm to 8.45pm
Online event



Join this free information session to understand how the blurred line between gambling and gaming is placing young people at risk of harm.

Discover the gambling-like tactics and features used by the designers of many popular online games played by young people and discover how parents and carers can help to keep them safe.

This is an important presentation for parents and carers of primary and secondary school aged children.

Free
Bookings
essential

How to book



Scan the QR code or visit www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/AheadOfTheGame

For more information contact Cathie Wills, Children's Services Project Officer. Phone 9294 5740 or email childrens.services.events@maroondah.vic.gov.au

This session is hosted by Maroondah Council in partnership with Whitehorse, Knox and Yarra Ranges Councils.



ParentZone Eastern Term 2 Parenting Workshops



Managing Challenging Behaviour

An online forum for parents of 5 to 12 year olds

Children's behaviour can be challenging!

This can come in many forms - talking back, complying with expectations, fighting with siblings and more.

Parents and carers need a range of skills to understand and manage challenging behaviour and guide their children towards positive cooperation.

This session will explore what might underlie children's challenging behaviour and how parents and carers can develop effective and proactive approaches to family discipline

When: Tuesday 11th June 2024

Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Where: Online - Via Zoom

Cost: Free (Bookings are essential)

Register: [Click here](#)

Enquiries:

parentzone.eastern@anglicarevic.org.au

Please note:

A Zoom link will be sent to registered participants prior to the session.

A recording will be made available to parents who attend.

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Objectives

The Carpe Astra program aims to:

- foster a growth mindset
- develop 21st century skills
- encourage higher-order thinking skills
- develop critical thinking and problem solving skills

Registering interest:

Applications for 2025 will open after letters of offer are received in July, through our website.

You will need to provide:

- Year 5 NAPLAN results
- A 1-page student letter on why you want to join Carpe Astra
- Any relevant awards and certificates

Please note the reading and numeracy testing will occur in September for all applicants.

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Playgroup

When: Friday 9.15am-10.45am
during the school term

Where: 24-36 Hinkley Ave,
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playground)

Contact: 98701566

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