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THE AINSLIE UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1 2025

- 28th March - Families to receive Individual Education Plans
- 3rd April - SWPBS reward Pyjama Day
- 3rd April - Double points "Shop for Schools" at Eastland 5-9pm
- 4th April - Assembly at 2pm
2.30pm dismissal
End of Term 1

Term 2 2025

- Dates TBC - Years 4-6 Interschool Sports
- 10th-22nd May - Education Week
- 20th May - District Cross Country
- 21st May - School Photos
- 6th Jun - **STUDENT FREE DAY**
- 9th Jun - **King's Birthday (STUDENT FREE)**
- 4th July - End of Term 2

Term 3 2025

- 21st July - **STUDENT FREE DAY**
- 27th Aug - Book Week begins
- 29th Aug - Book Parade and Special Person's Morning
- 9th Sep - District Athletics
- 19th Sep - End of Term 3

Term 4 2025

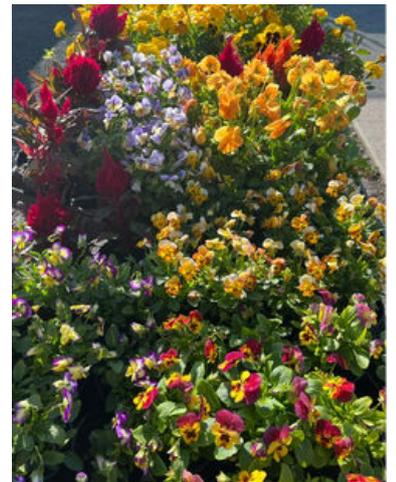
- 12th-14th Nov - 5/6 Camp
- 9th Dec - Statewide Transition Day
- 19th Dec - End of Term 4

TERM DATES FOR 2025

- Term 2 - 22 April - 4 July
- Term 3 - 21 July - 19 September
- Term 4 - 6 October - 19 December

Harmony Day

The 21st March was Harmony Day, where we celebrate and acknowledge the wonderful cultural diversity we have here at APPS. Students participated in Harmony Day activities, wore either cultural dress, flag colours or orange, the traditional colour of Harmony Day. Students worked on their special plant labels, taking their plants home. Thanks to Chantal for organising such beautiful flowering plants for our students!



We need YOU!

Parent/grandparent Reading Program

Last year, we had a hugely successful parent/grandparent reading program that we would love to bring back in 2025. If you are able to volunteer an hour or two once a week to listen to children read, we would love to have you on board! It is a great way to support our students with their learning. If you are interested, please email: Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au
Thank you! Our staff, students and their families really appreciate you!

School Council

We could not run our school without parents volunteering their time to be on school council. We thank the following parents, who make up the APPS 2025/2026 School Council:

Jo Van Den Broek (Vice President)

Matthew Weatherson (parent)

David Fawcett (parent)

Stephanie Someville (President)

Ash Khalilian (parent)

Wendy Phillips (staff)

Jane Humphrys (staff)

Laura Annakin (staff)

Jane Capon (Principal)

We still have two parent vacancies on school council. If you are looking for a way to support your child's school - particularly if you are not available during the day - being on school council is a great way to help! Please email

Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au or contact the office.

Approaching other children in the yard

Just a reminder that we ask parents not to approach other children in the yard, without express permission from their (custodial) parent. If you have any concerns, or would like further information, please contact the office.

Shop for Schools at Eastland has started!!

This year, Ainslie Parklands Primary School is in the running for cash prizes from Eastland in their "Shop for Schools" promotion. **At time of writing, we are seventh out of 15 schools.** Simply shop at one of the designated retailers, register yourself with the App and then upload the details of your receipt. Please see the flyer further down to see how you can support our school if you are shopping at participating Eastland shops between 11th March - 8th April 2025.



SHOP FOR YOUR SCHOOL LEADERBOARD	
1	Mullum Primary School
2	Marlborough Primary School
3	Great Ryrie Primary School
4	Ringwood North Primary School
5	Antonio Park Primary School
6	Eastwood Primary School & Deaf Facility
7	Ainslie Parklands Primary School
8	Croydon Hills Primary School
9	Kalinda Primary School
10	Warranwood Primary School
11	Holy Spirit Community School
12	Tinternvale Primary School
13	Wonga Park Primary School
14	Rolling Hills Primary School
15	Heathmont East Primary School

Student Spotlight!!

Congratulations to Amber in 3/4A who is a step closer to getting her black belt in karate. Amber moved from her brown belt to red. Karate involves discipline, concentration, and practice – but most of all it encompasses all the school's values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. What a great achievement Amber!



Thank you Crystal!!

We have been very lucky to have Crystal helping us in the Foundation/1 classroom this term. Crystal has been completing her certification to become an Education Support worker. She definitely will be missed. We hope to see you back at APPS!



Reading Superstars!!!

At our Harmony Day assembly last week, we congratulated another group of reading superstars, who have "hit the ground running" with their home reading homework off to a fantastic start! Well done to all!



Congratulations to the Student Voice Team members - Badge Presentation

Congratulations to our Student Voice Team members, who received their badges at our Harmony Day assembly. Special thanks to the Principal of Melba College, Matt Lee, who gave up his time to present our team with their badges.



Second Hand Uniform Shop

Our secondhand Uniform shop will be reopening on Wednesday 19th March from 3:15pm - 3:45pm.

Thank you to Stephanie and Martine for offering to look after our uniform shop. Stephanie will be onsite in the uniform shop every fortnight from the reopening date.

Uniform sales will range in price from \$5:00 for Logo (branded) items to \$2:00 for non Branded items. Stay tuned for the option of purchasing second hand uniform online!



The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Our Foundation and Year 1 students completed some literacy work around the book "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle. It seems we have some caterpillars who have metamorphosed into butterflies! Thank you to Elicia for the wonderful display!



Facelift for the basketball court!

Our basketball court received a correction today, as our key was out of date. It also received a "face-lift" and looks great! Here are before, during and after photos:



Please be sure to have your SunSmart hat named and at school every day! Thank you!

Working Bee

Thank you so much to our amazing families, who showed some community spirit at our Working Bee. There were lots of jobs to be done, and enormous progress was made - the school is looking amazing! Thanks to Jane H and Chantal for their hard work on making our school look great!



Thank you Mick! (and thank you to the council!!)

Yesterday, the council cut down a tree right next to the school, and asked us if we would like the wood? Jane H jumped at the chance (of course!) to have the logs cut into pieces for outdoor seating. We could tell that this was prime firewood for the neighbourhood, and that if we didn't get it into school grounds before dark, it would be gone tomorrow. Thank you to Jane H and Wendy, who forewent their gym sessions to pick up logs!! And thanks so much to former APPS parent Mick, who saw us struggling and went home to get his trolley to help! We have such a great community!



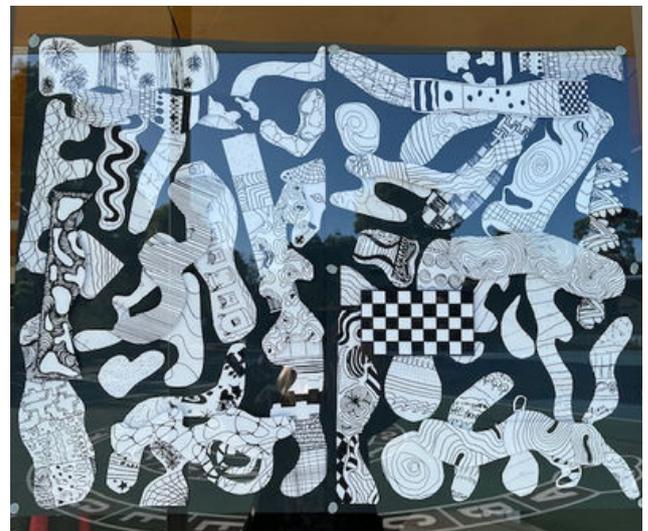
Teddy Bear's picnic

Our Foundation and Year 1 & 2 students have been looking forward to their Teddy Bear's picnic today. Students (and their teddies) had a lovely picnic!



Works of Art

Thank you to Emma and our students for creating a beautiful artwork for the front of the school.



This collaborative piece was created by students from all year levels in response to the work of contemporary American artist **Charles McGee**. Students were invited to explore how bold patterns and high contrasts can be used to create striking art. The individuality of each student is reflected in their contributions, while the piece as a whole comes together to represent our student body collectively.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

We have had a full term of sport at Ainslie. Thanks to a Sporting Schools Grant our students participated in two Pickelball Workshops over the past two weeks. We were also fortunate to have a visit from Hockey Victoria where our students participated in a hockey workshop during their PE lessons. Our Grade 5 and 6 students participated in Interschool Sport Gala Day with the assistance of Melba College Sports and Recreation Students.

Next term the students will have the opportunity to participate in our Whole School Cross Country and we will start preparing for Athletics. With eligible students able to go along and participate in Divisional Cross Country. If time and opportunity present on the school holidays, it would be great for all APPS students to do some running in preparation for cross country.



From F1A & 12A

Ringwood Fire Station Visits

This fortnight, we had the opportunity to host two exciting and informative fire safety sessions from Ringwood Fire Station, offering both informative and hands-on experiences for the F-2 students.

First Visit: Fire Safety and Gear

The first visit focused on fire safety basics, with firefighters showing their full gear—jackets, helmets, and air tanks. They shared essential safety tips like checking smoke alarms, having an escape plan, never being near fire unsupervised. Students were able to *ask questions and learn key ways to stay safe.*

Second Visit: Firetruck and Hoses

The second visit brought the firetruck to our doorstep! Firefighters demonstrated how they use hoses to control water pressure and put out fires. Students explored the truck, see the equipment up close, and even sit inside for photos.

A big thank you to Ringwood Fire Station for these valuable, hands-on sessions! We're grateful for their time and expertise in keeping our community safe.

The visit also includes and complements many parts the Victorian Curriculum, including: STEM, English and Geography



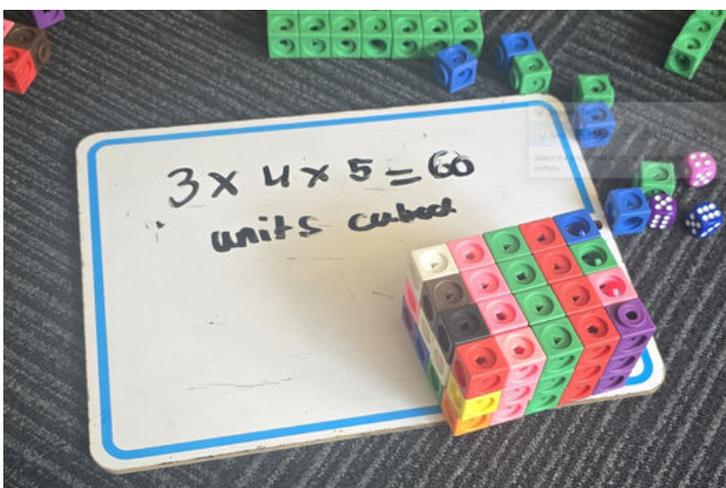
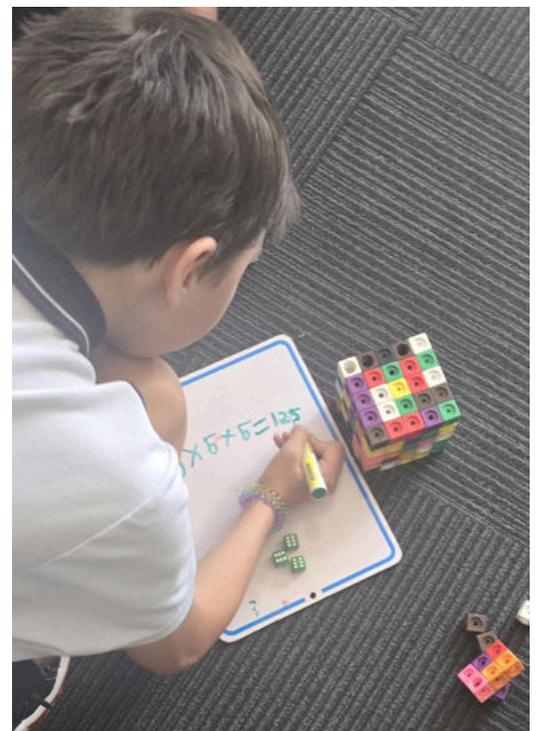
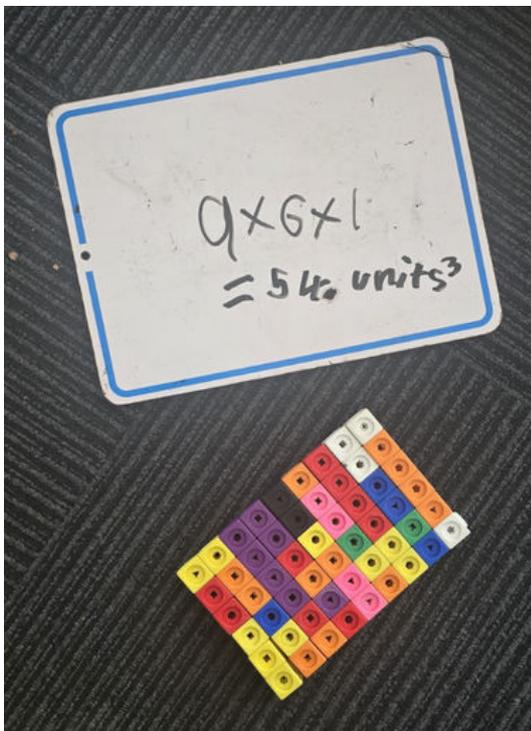
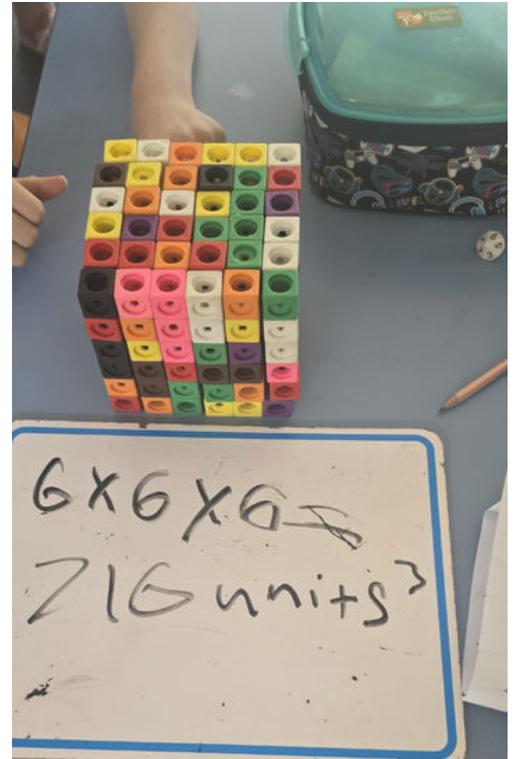
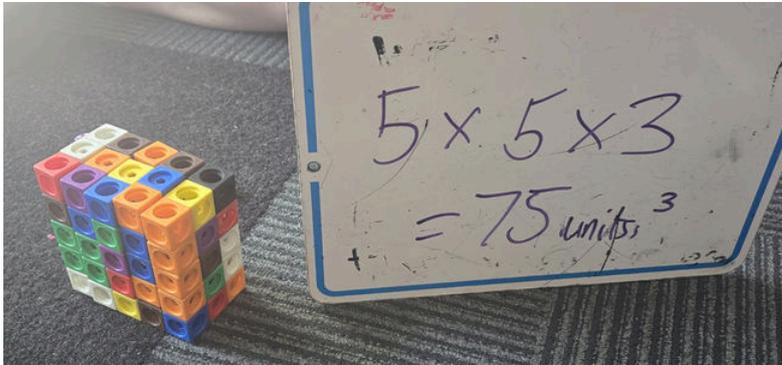
From 3/4A

Harmony Week was an exciting time in 3/4A. We have been looking at different flags of the world, and what makes us all uniquely 'Australian'. Our class has discovered that many of our families migrated to Australia from all around the world. It was a wonderful week to celebrate our First Nations people and all the places we come from and how we can share our traditional clothing, languages, and food with one another!



From 4/5A

This past week in Maths, the 4/5 students have been learning about measurement using a hands-on approach. They measured their height in metres, measured various classroom objects in millimetres and centimetres, and explored volume by constructing different shaped rectangular prisms with the same volume. Additionally, they also discovered the formula to calculate the volume of rectangular prisms.



From 6A

Laptops!

By Eamon and Lucas

On Wednesday the year 6s got new laptops and said goodbye to the old ones. We use laptops for writing, assessments, and research. The laptops have many new features such as a stylus that you can draw on the screen with, a touch screen, and the screen can fold all the way backwards.

Before we got the new laptops, every student in year 6 had to agree to use the laptops responsibly and use them when we are told to.

The new laptops are faster than the old ones and we're looking forward to using them more. The best thing is that we don't have to log out of them because we have enough for everyone to have one each.



WELLBEING

Welcome to APPS Wellbeing news!

Each edition we will bring you an update from the Wellbeing team, including School Wide Positive Behaviour information, updates from the Student Voice team, as well as a range of wellbeing links and resources from in and around our community.

Community Links & Resources



[Maroondah Council Parenting Information Sessions](#)

[Maroondah Children's Activities and Programs](#)

[Maroondah Youth Support Sessions](#)

SWPBS Snapshot

What is SWPBS?

SWPBS (School-wide Positive Behaviour Support) is an evidence-based framework designed to help schools create positive, safe, and fair settings where students and teachers can thrive. It focuses on teaching and encouraging positive behaviour, supporting all students, and providing extra help to those who need it. By doing this, SWPBS helps improve behaviour, wellbeing, and academic success.

It also supports teachers by giving them strategies to manage classrooms effectively, reduce disruptions, and spend more time on teaching and learning.

** Students will have the opportunity to 'cash in' their individual reward tokens at our Token Shop on Thursday 3rd April, during school time.

[UR Strong Parent Information and Resources](#)



Student Voice Snapshot

Introducing our Student Voice Team:

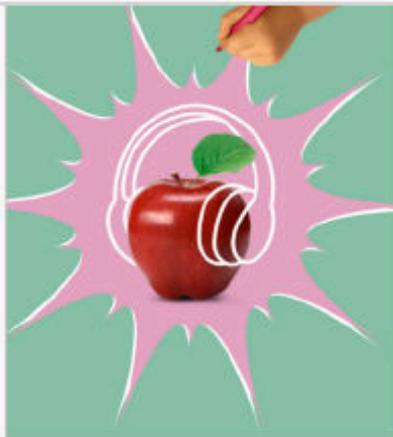
Aaron, Siena L, Billie, Jay, Ben, Savannah, Arlo, Melody, Tilly, LeLe, Anna, Rose, Lumi, Siena C, Izzy, Sophie, Xavier, Eamon

The team have been working very hard throughout Term 1. They meet each week to contribute new ideas and work on their current projects.

Current projects include:

- Healthy Eating partnership with Each
- Laps for APPS - Mon/Wed/Fri
- Creating House Groups for the whole school

We are very proud of the work they are doing and look forward to seeing the finished results.



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Dear Families,

We are very excited to be on of 15 local primary schools participating in Shop For Your School at Eastland which is providing us a chance to **WIN a guaranteed CASH prize;**

- 1ST PRIZE : \$8,000
- 2ND PRIZE: \$4,000
- 3RD PRIZE: \$2,000
- 4TH - 10TH PRIZE: \$500 per school
- 11TH - 15TH PRIZE: \$250 per school

Simply shop at Eastland's participating fresh food retailers between **March 11 - April 8**, upload your receipts to your profile and every dollar you spend converts into points for our school.

DOUBLE POINTS - Shop at participating retailers between 5pm - 9pm EVERY THURSDAY.

PARTICIPATING RETAILERS

1. Baker's Delight
2. Big W
3. BreadTop
4. Coles
5. Crown Asian Supermarket
6. Earth Espice
7. Elite Supplements
8. Fish Pier
9. Go Vita
10. Harris Scarfe
11. Kmart
12. Natures Green Farm
13. Poultry Creations
14. Target
15. The Chopping Block Butchery
16. Woolworths

HOW TO REGISTER

Register your profile and select our school as your nominated school by heading to eastland.com.au
You only need to register once and upon registration you will receive a BONUS 250 points!

HOW TO UPLOAD POINTS FOR OUR SCHOOL

1. Shop at Eastland's participating retailers listed above during the campaign and keep your receipts.
2. Log into your account using you email that you registered with.
3. Upload your receipt and proof of purchase to your profile every time you shop (you can upload multiple receipts at once)

Your purchase amount will be converted into points for our school, and you automatically go into the draw to win weekly prizes for yourself!! The top three schools with the most points at the end of the campaign will WIN a cash prize.

WE'RE GOING ON AN
EGG HUNT!

FRIDAY APRIL 4TH

WHOLE SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT

AFTER ASSEMBLY





Ainslie Parklands Primary School

MiniKids 2025

Free and fun school preparation sessions
for 3-5 year old children

2025 MiniKids Sessions

All sessions from 9.30-10:30am

Term 2

Wednesday 30th April *Play and story time*

Thursday 15th May *Art and craft*

Wednesday 4th June *Fun with music*

Thursday 26th June *Messy play*

Term 3

Wednesday 30th July *Play and story time*

Thursday 14th August *Gym play*

Wednesday 27th August *Literacy*

Thursday 11th September *Numeracy*



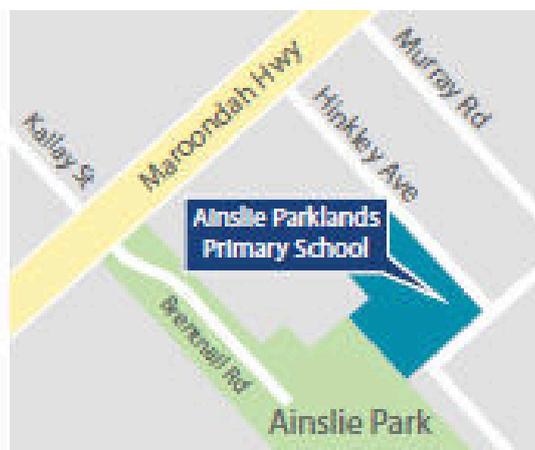
MiniKids is open to all 3 and 4 year old kinder-aged children, regardless of which school they will attend.

Call 9870 1566 to secure a place for your child.

Hinkley Ave, Croydon Vic 3136

Phone: 03 9870 1566

E-mail: ainslie.parklands.ps@education.vic.gov.au



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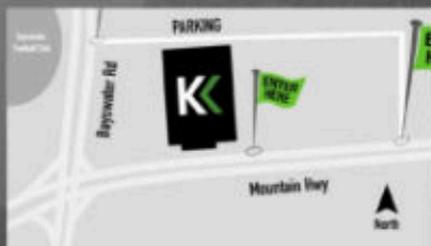
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

PLAY

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TUE 15 APR Eldon Park Rowville	THUR 17 APR Heatherdale Reserve Mitcham



In partnership with AFL Victoria, join us in the April school holidays from 9am-3pm, for our Hawks Academy School Holiday Program.







SCHOOL HOLIDAY CRICKET CAMP



- Batch 1: Mon 7th - Wed 9th April | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Batch 2: Mon 14th - Wed 16th April | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
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TERM 2 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Grow skills, make friends, love netball.

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For registrations & enquiries for the Term 2 NetSetGo Program email: sthcroydonflamesnetsetgo@gmail.com

Flames Family Fun Day

Sth Croydon Flames are hosting a family fun day for all current and new members.

Where: Cheong Park Netball Court
When: 30th March 3.00pm – 5.30pm

There will be loads of fun activities:

- Free NetSetGo session – open to all kids aged 5-9 to come & try Netball. Bring along a friend.
- Free Sausage Sizzle
- Drinks & lollies for sale
- Face Painting, Raffles, Chocolate Toss Games & much more

To book your place simply email: sthcroydonflamesnetsetgo@gmail.com



COME AND PLAY

EAST RINGWOOD AUSKICK

Starts 4th/5th April

FRIDAY NIGHTS 5:00-6:30PM
Ainslie Park - 20 Brentnall Rd, Croydon

SATURDAYS 9:00-10:30AM
East Ringwood Reserve - Lower Oval
Cnr Mt Dandenong Road and Dublin Road, Ringwood East

For all enquiries, please contact our Coordinator
Peter Baker E: pbaker33@bigpond.com or M: 0409 942 533

Home of the Mighty Roos - www.erjfc.com.au



Scan the QR code for more information on East Ringwood Auskick






OPEN DAY 2025

Mooroolbark Campus
Friday 2 May
9.30am-11am

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Ainslie Parklands Primary School Menu Term 1 2025

- Please ensure their lunch orders are written on a paper bag with the exact money enclosed (if paying for multiple siblings then please indicate clearly)
- Please note: a charge of 10c will be added to your lunch order if no paper bag supplied
- Whilst every endeavour will be made to provide exactly what is ordered there maybe occasions where this is not possible- the closest possible alternative will be provided.
- We will make every effort to cater for dietary requirements. Please ring Larissa on 0437005554 or Brad 0414257524 if you have any questions.

Sandwiches & Salads

Salad	\$2.50
Ham or chicken & Salad	\$3.50
Ham or Chicken & Cheese	\$3.00
Sweet Chilli Sub (w lettuce, chicken tender)	\$3.00
Salad Tray (meat \$1 extra)	\$4.00
Fruit Salad (term 1 & 4)	\$3.50
Ham/Cheese Croissant	\$4.00
Extras:	
50c bread roll/wrap or extras: egg, avocado	
20c Toasted	

Burgers

Cheeseburger	\$4.00
Chickenburger	\$4.60
Parma burger	\$5.20
Egg & Bacon	\$4.00

Snacks

Crunch Pack (Carrot, apple, cheese, Biscuits)	\$2.00
Popcorn	80c
Hot Jam Donut	\$1.50
Homemade Slice of the week	\$2.20
Jelly Tub	\$1.20
Choc Balls (3)	\$1.20
Giant Choc Chip/M&M Cookie	\$2.50

Hot Food (20c extra for sauce)

4n20 Pie	\$3.50
Chicken Snitzel Wrap	\$3.20
Party pies	\$1.20
Sausage Roll - Jumbo	\$3.50
- Regular	\$2.00
Pizza - Ham & Pineapple	\$2.60
- Margherita	\$2.60
Dim Sim (Steamed)	\$1.20
Corn on the cob	\$1.30
Hot dog (cheese extra 20c)	\$3.20
Puppy dog (cheese extra 10c)	\$1.80
Garlic Bread (cheese extra 20c)	\$2.00
Nachos	\$3.50
Chicken nuggets (4)	\$2.40
Vegetarian spring roll	\$1.20
Bolognaise Pasta (w/cheese) small	\$3.00
Large	\$4.00

*owned sealed container 20c discount. Where possible we use sustainable and recycled packaging

Drinks (Inc state recycling tax 10c)

Bottled Water	\$1.10
100% Juice (Apple, Blackcurrant, Orange)	\$2.00
Oak Milk (Chocolate, Strawberry)	
Small	\$3.50
Large	\$4.50

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AINSLIE PARKLANDS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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