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THE AINSLIE UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3 2025

- 2nd Aug - Snip & Sip Grown Ups fundraiser
- 6th Aug - Circus in PE
 - ONLINE AUCTION 8/8 TO 24/08
- 8th Aug - 3pm Assembly
- 12th & 13th Aug - 3 Way Conferences
- 14th Aug - Minikids
- 18th Aug - 6pm School Council
- 20th Aug - Whole School Athletics
- 22nd Aug - 3pm Assembly
- 27th Aug - Book Week begins
 - Minikids
- 29th Aug - Book Parade and Special Person's Morning
- 30th Aug - Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser
- 5th Sep - 3pm Assembly
 - Working Bee
- 9th Sep - District Athletics
- 11th Sept - Minikids
- 15th Sept - Swimming commences
 - 6pm School Council
- 19th Sep - End of Term 3
 - 2pm Assembly
 - 2.30pm dismissal

Term 4 2025

- 12th-14th Nov - 5/6 Camp
- 27th-28th Nov - 3/4Camp
- 1st Dec - STUDENT FREE DAY**
- 9th Dec - Statewide Transition Day
- 19th Dec - End of Term 4

Congratulations Jags!!

We have been thrilled to watch Jags progress through District, Division and Regional Cross Country competitions to make it all the way to the State Cross Country competition. Jags competed and came 5th in the state in his division. We send our thanks to Jane B, Sol and Arlo who organised and supported Jags to compete. Congratulations Jags - we are very proud of you!



We (still) need YOU!

Parent/grandparent Reading Program

We are still looking for more parents/grandparents to help with our student reading program. 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

Our staff, students and their families really appreciate you!

Climbing Trees

Just a reminder that due to health and safety requirements, students are no longer permitted to climb trees on school ground. We thank you for your cooperation.

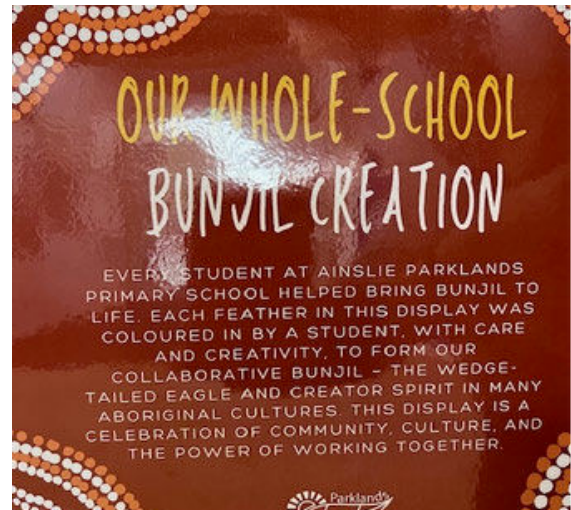
It's not OK to be away...

Of course, if you are sick, it is entirely appropriate to stay at home and rest. But we know that every day at school, students progress their learning, and being away means that they are missing out on learning, as well as making social connections – even on your birthday!

From now on, **those students coming to school on their birthday can automatically come in free dress** (with our usual safety requirements such as closed-toed shoes, covered shoulders, hats, etc.) We look forward to making sure student enjoy their birthday – even at school!

NAIDOC Week 2025

NAIDOC week was celebrated on the 6th–13th July. This year marks 50 years of celebrating indigenous voices.



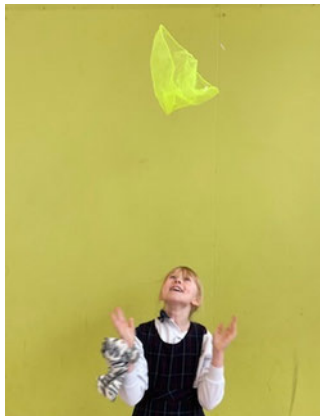
Second Hand Uniform Shop



A reminder that pricing is \$5.00 for branded uniform items and \$2.00 for unbranded items.

PE at APPS

It is great to see our students enjoying an active lifestyle, and it has been on show most recently during PE and sport sessions over the last two week. Last week, students worked on improving their netball skills, and this week, they had their first of two circus skills sessions.



Reading Superstars

Once again, we could recognise a group of reading superstars at assembly - one even achieving Platinum status! We know how important reading is to overall success all of the way through a student's school life, and it is even better when students develop a love of reading. Congratulations to all!



Pumpkins!

Thank you to Jo for organising our pumpkin fundraiser last Friday afternoon. Thanks also to Natalia for her lovely pumpkin scones and pumpkin bread! Delicious!



Principal's Day

Once again, Wendy and I have been overwhelmed with cards and lots of love on Principal's Day. Thank you to all of our wonderful students – it is a privilege to lead this amazing school and outstanding community!!!



Foodbank is coming to APPS!

We are pleased to announce that APPS has been added to the number of schools on the Foodbank program. We will be starting with a delivery of fruit for the classrooms once per week. Over the next few weeks, we will be determining what other food needs our students and community have to ensure there are no "hangry" students at APPS!



Coming Soon: Production in Term 4!

Rehearsals for this year's production "Zoom" are underway, and excitement is building!! If any parents/carers are interested in helping, please contact Natalie on natalie.palmer@education.vic.gov.au
More details further down in this newsletter.

Welcome Jacqui!

We would like to welcome Jacqui to our school. Jacqui will be working in Education Support in various classes across the school. I am sure everyone will make you feel welcome!

"Hi, my name is Jacqui and I have been an aide for just over 12 years. I spent many of those years as part of the Birmingham Primary School team and have recently returned to Melbourne after a couple of years in Queensland. I am very excited to be back in Melbourne and the newest member of the fabulous team at Ainslie Parklands Primary School. I look forward to getting to know this lovely community"





♥ Father's & Special Persons' Day Stall – Volunteers & Creators Needed! ♥

Our wonderful Father's & Special Persons' Day Stall is happening on Thursday 4th September (Term 3) during school hours (9am–11:30am) – and we'd love your help to make it extra special!

This much-loved tradition is all about handmade gifts, lovingly crafted or baked by our amazing school community. Items are priced affordably between \$1 and \$10, giving every child the chance to choose something meaningful.

🛒 Want to get involved? There are two ways:

Be one of our 3 stallholders on the day

Contribute something homemade to our Family & Friends Stall – whether it's baked goods, crafts, or small handmade gifts!

To help your child take part in this special tradition, please make sure they come to school on the day with:

💰 Some money (in a named zip-lock bag or envelope)

👜 A small bag to carry their chosen gift home

If you have any questions or need more info, feel free to reach out to Stephanie Somerville (stephanie.somerville@gmail.com) or Lisa Kanto (play.learn@outlook.com).



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

HOT FOOD TUESDAY
DIM SIM LUNCH



AUGUST 12TH, 19TH AND 26TH

PRE-ORDERS WELCOME
\$2 EACH ON THE DAY



AINSLIE PARKLANDS

ONLINE AUCTION

LOCAL & FAMILY FRIENDLY GOODIES UP FOR GRABS
ITEMS TO BE PAID FOR PROMPTLY AT THE OFFICE

STARTS FRIDAY 08/08/25 AT 12PM

FINISHES SUNDAY 24/08/25 AT 12PM

WWW.32AUCTIONS.COM/APPS2025



BUNNINGS BBQ FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY AUGUST 30TH 2025

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

1 HOUR SHIFTS FROM 8AM - 4PM



SIGN UP
HERE



Physical Education

It's an exciting term for PE!

On Wednesday, our students took part in the first of two circus workshops with RUCCIS Circus. They had the opportunity to learn fun and challenging skills such as juggling, plate balancing, hula hooping, and using devil sticks.

Our Ainslie Whole School Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday, 20th August (weather permitting). We are seeking parent, grandparent, or carer helpers for the day. All volunteers must hold a current Working with Children Check (WWCC).

If you are able to assist, please email:

jane.bennetts2@education.vic.gov.au

Helper times:

Foundation–Grade 2 helpers: 11:30am–1:30pm

Grade 3–6 helpers: 9:00am–1:30pm

Foundation–Grade 2 students will participate in fun activities including relays, egg and spoon races, and mini hurdles. For Grade 3–6 students, Athletics Day is also an opportunity to trial for District Athletics.



Performing Arts

This new term marks the beginning of 9 weeks of creative energy dedicated to the perfecting of learning spoken lines, stage directions, and dance choreography all in the pursuit of the whole school Production for 2025- "ZOOM!"

Each class from Prep to Year 5 will have opportunities to creatively influence their costumes and roles on stage as part of the modern retelling of the folk story of the Tortoise and the Hare.

Alongside the rehearsals and meetings, I invite parents and guardians to get involved with the Production process and get in touch with me to see where we can collaborate for the benefit of our students' experience of putting on this performance.

Email: natalie.palmer@education.vic.gov.au

Subject: 2025 Production Assistance for ZOOM

From F1A & 1/2A

This week, the F-2 students celebrated reaching 100 days of school! We marked this academic milestone with a range of fun activities and themed dress-ups. A highlight of the day was our scavenger hunt, where students searched for numbers 1 to 100 hidden around the schoolyard—managing to find all (or almost all!) of them. They then worked together to create a number line. It was a fantastic day of celebration and a meaningful way to acknowledge the learning our students have achieved so far this year.



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



It's been a busy start to Term 3!

Looking forward to an exciting term as we have a great deal of exciting things to look forward to, such as our excursion to Myuna Farm, Book Week and Dress Up Day, and swimming!

3/4A Poetry

For the past fortnight 3/4A students have been working on poetry. We have studied two famous Australian Poems: The Ant Explorer by CJ Dennis, and Mulga Bill's Bicycle by AB Banjo Patterson. Here are some student lines to go with the intro sentence ...



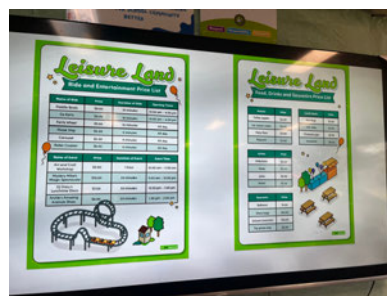
T'was Mulga Bill from Eaglehawk who learnt a lesson there...

He climbed out of Dead Man's Creek and straightened out his wet hair (Charlotte)

His horse buckled and whinnied as he thought it wasn't fair (Melody, Havanna and Evelyn)

Visiting Leisureland

Due to popular demand, we have revisited the concept of money. As a small project, students had a go at planning a trip to 'Leisureland' where they had to plan out a day at this fictitious theme park. Students had a set budget to work within and had to include purchasing food and drinks, rides and other activities.



New classroom pet

You may have heard that our class now has a new pet. She is a juvenile Spiny Leaf Insect and we are yet to choose a name (its been quite the process). This will help the students practice the value of Responsibility by looking after and caring for a living creature.



From 4/5A

In Literacy, students in 4/5 have been learning about the Latin base 'tract' and exploring how it helps them understand the meaning of unfamiliar words. They have also been practicing their inferring skills, which involve using clues from the text and their own knowledge to work out deeper meanings.

In Maths, students have explored a range of multiplication strategies that extend beyond the standard times tables, helping them solve more complex problems.

In Writing, students have continued learning about different types of poems and how they are structured, focusing on features such as rhyme, rhythm, and stanza formation.

DOGS
FUR SO ROUGH LIKE ROCKS
That are sneaky like a mouse
They like to take your socks
They leave their fur all over your house
By Savannah

Spring
Yellow buzzing bee's
Colourful bright flower's
Blooming light petals
By Jay

Hard tough rugby game.
Bending rules number seven.
Referee calls scrum.
By Dawson

CATS
Lazy kittens on mats
The cats are leaping
Felines getting their pats
Cats peeping through the cracks
By Marshall

Colourful flowers
Glowing in bright sunshine
Happily growing
By Sophie

Droplets all around
thunder booming in my ears
electrical storm
By Tait

There was once a dog named Lilly
She was all a bit silly
Her owner threw a ball
Then she hit a wall
And thought her name was Milly
By Miles

Welcome back Aiden

In Term 2, the Year 6 class were joined by Aiden, a 4th-year preservice teacher from Deakin University, for a four-week placement. Aiden is joining us again for his final placement from Week 2 – 5.

As it's his final placement, he will plan and teach most of the Year 6 sessions as well as some of the 3/4 and 4/5 STEM sessions under Scott's supervision.

This week, students have been focusing on Money and Financial Maths, Poetry, and the Latin morpheme 'form'.

If you see Aiden around, please make him feel welcome!





GLASSES FOR KIDS SIGN UP TODAY!

The Glasses for Kids program will be visiting this school to provide Foundation (Prep) to Year 3 students with **FREE** vision screening, then testing and glasses (as required)

Visit Date/s **19th + 20th NOV**
School Contact _____
Consent Form Due **3rd SEPT.**



Scan this QR code to find out more on the GFK website



A Victorian State Government and State School Relief Initiative
Questions? Please contact the GFK team via info@glassesforkids.com.au

Our Reference: 25/174298 TFD
File Location: SF16/42



17 July 2025

Ainslie Park Ave
CROYDON VIC 3136

Dear Owner / Occupier

**Ainslie Park Avenue, Croydon - Road Rehabilitation
Works Notification**

I refer to Council's previous correspondence dated 26 May 2025 regarding forthcoming road rehabilitation works for Ainslie Park Avenue in Croydon. As advised, Ainslie Park Avenue has been identified as requiring road rehabilitation due to the significant deterioration of the kerb & channel and road pavement.

I can advise that Council has appointed civil contractor CDN Constructors to undertake the works, which are scheduled to commence during the week of **Monday 4 August 2025**. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by the end of November 2025, with normal working hours of Monday to Friday from 7am to 5pm.

To facilitate a safe working environment for the public and the contractors, it is necessary to implement appropriate traffic controls as works progress. CDN Constructors have programmed works to be completed in segments to reduce overall impact to residents and manage traffic flow. The first road segment to be completed is between Anthony Street and the Council Carpark adjacent to the Ainslie Parklands Primary School.

It is anticipated that minor delays will occur throughout the works, however, the contractor will endeavour to minimise these delays as much as possible. CDN Constructors will also provide advanced notice to residents of any potential impact to property access.

Council thanks you for your patience as these critical infrastructure works are completed. For further information regarding the works, please see the attached Project Information document.

If you wish to discuss the project further, please contact Council's Coordinator Engineering Projects & Drainage, Thomas Dobson on telephone (03) 9298 4276 or during the works, contact Council's contractor's representative, Dushy Siva on 0411 598 504.

Yours sincerely

ANDREW TAYLOR
MANAGER ENGINEERING & BUILDING SERVICES

Copy to: Cr. Nate Henderson - McAlpin Ward

Enc: Ainslie Park Avenue, Croydon - Road Rehabilitation - Project Information

Contact us

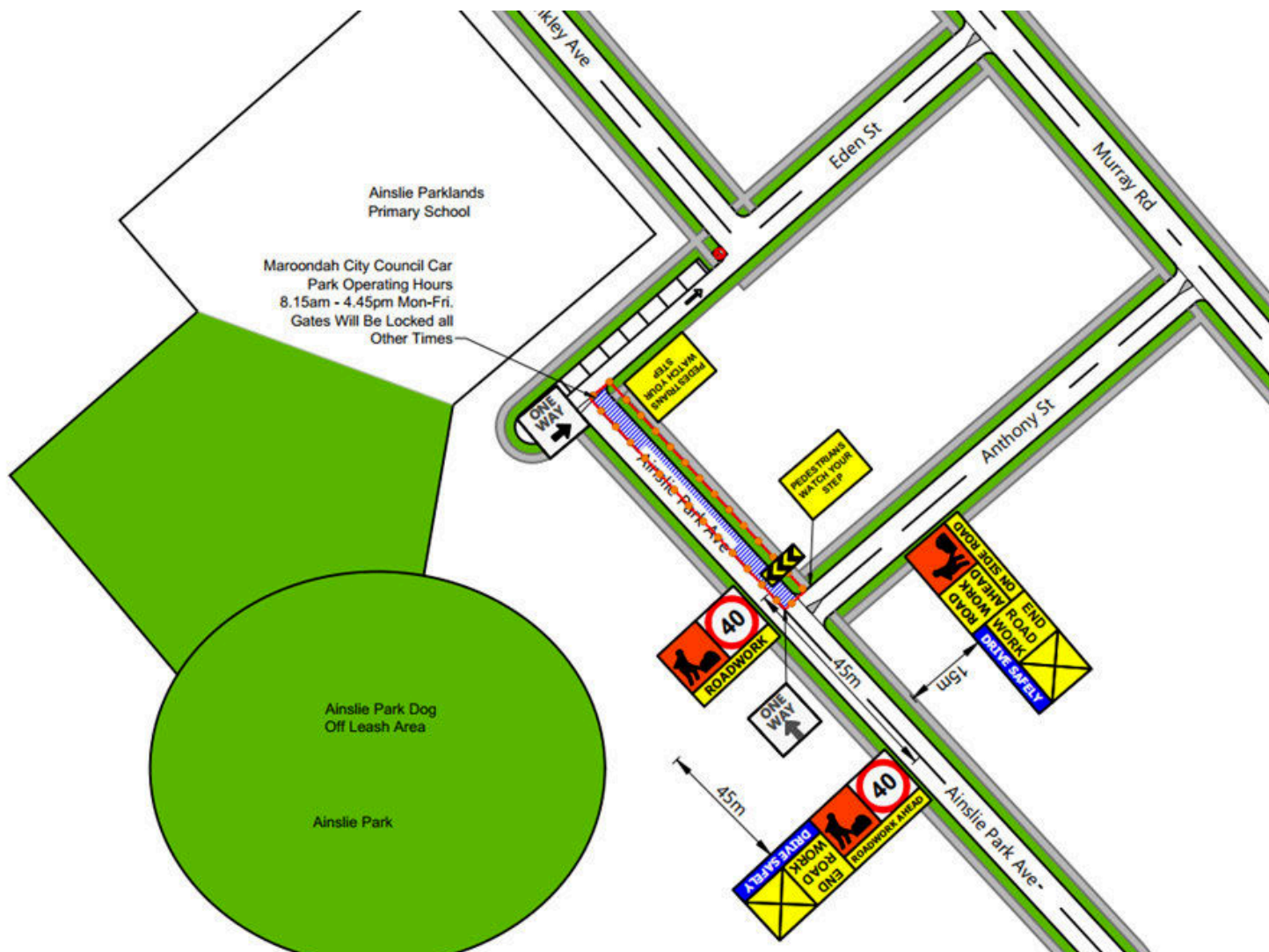
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EJAYS T-BALL PROGRAM



When: Every Wednesday, from
30 July – 3 September 2025

Where: Pink Reserve, 123 Liverpool
Rd, Kilsyth

Time: 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Who: All genders, ages 7-10

What is T-Ball? Bat and ball sport,
similar to Softball, Baseball &
Rounders, played on a diamond
shaped field, ball is hit off a
batting tee, fielders field ball with
a glove.

Equipment: All equipment
provided

Cost: \$60.00



SCAN CODE
TO REGISTER



<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/lilydaleejays/events/300273>

EJAYS JUNIOR SOFTBALL PROGRAM



When: Every Wednesday, from
30 July – 3 September 2025

Where: Pink Reserve, 123 Liverpool
Rd, Kilsyth

Time: 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Who: All genders, ages 10-12

What: Fun introduction to softball
Throwing, catching, hitting a
moving ball

Experienced Coaches

Focus is on having fun!

Equipment: All equipment
provided

Cost: \$60.00



SCAN CODE
TO REGISTER



<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/lilydaleejays/events/300487>



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*

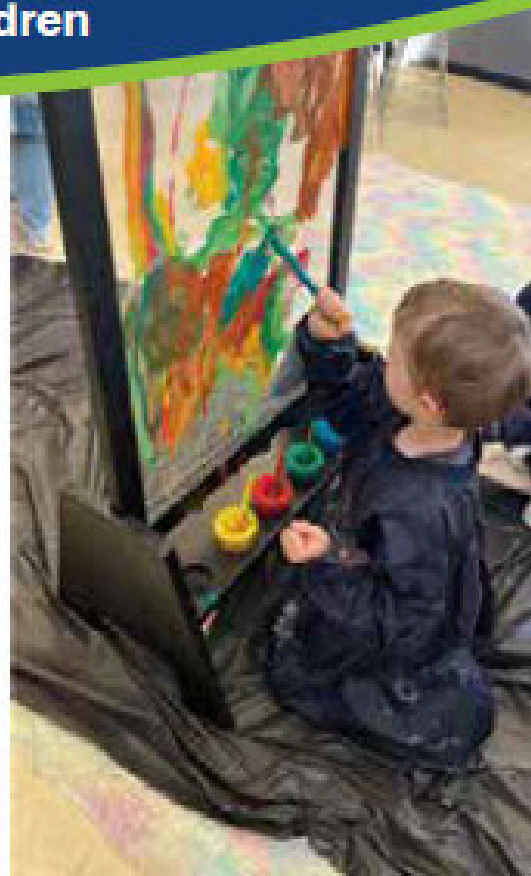
Term 3

Wednesday 30th July *Play and story time*

Thursday 14th August *Gym play*

Wednesday 27th August *Literacy*

Thursday 11th September *Numeracy*



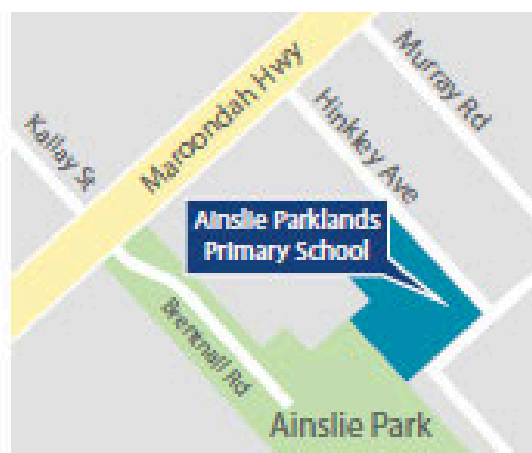
MiniKids is open to all 3 and 4 year
old kinder-aged children, regardless
of which school they will attend.

**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



www.ainslieparklandsp.vic.edu.au

ONE STEP AT A TIME PROGRAM: PARENT SUPPORT FOR CHILDHOOD ANXIETY

Swinburne Psychology Clinic

Parents / guardians:

Do you have a primary school-aged child experiencing symptoms of anxiety?

Clinicians at Swinburne University have developed a program to help parents manage childhood anxiety in children aged 6-11 years.

Does your child experience any of the following?

- Difficulties sleeping at night due to worries
- Fears and phobias
- Difficulty separating from you or worrying about parental safety
- Trouble sleeping alone in their bed
- Fear of the dark
- Scared of lifts, trains, and people
- Fear of dogs and other animals
- Excessive worry and constant reassurance seeking
- Fear of germs and other health problems

The One Step at a Time Program involves:

- Comprehensive psychological assessment of your child's anxiety
- Seven sessions of online counselling through video conferencing
- Parent-focused cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) skills to help you manage and support your child's anxiety
- Two combined parent-child sessions
- Reflective parenting strategies
- Access to a website with self-help materials to supplement therapy.

Cost

\$20 per session/assessment.

Treatment consists of seven therapy sessions plus one assessment session.

Contact us

Referrals and enquiries can be made by contacting the Swinburne Psychology Clinic at:

Telephone: 03 9214 8653

Email: psychprojects@swin.edu.au

OR, by accessing the online registration form by using the QR Code or the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/kxjje5YcM>



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Woolworths 

NET SET GO!

**SOUTH CROYDON
FLAMES
NETBALL CLUB**

TERM 3 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

- **Where:** Cheong Park Netball Court, Sth Croydon
- **When:** Thursdays 4 - 4.45pm Starting 24th July
- **Cost:** \$120 for new players. Fee includes Netball Vic Annual Fee & NetSetGo Merchandise pack.
- 9 Week program across term 3.

**Are you
ready? Let's
NET SET GO!**



Join Woolworths NetSetGo, Australia's leading netball program for kids aged 5 to 10. It's where netball begins but the fun never ends!

Why join?

- ★ Learn new skills in a fun, supportive environment
- ★ Make friends and build confidence
- ★ Smaller groups means more learning and more laughing
- ★ Aged-based stages, which are welcoming of all experience levels - everyone can join!



SIGNUP NOW

For registrations & enquiries for the Term 3 NetSetGo Program email:

sthcroydonflamesnetsetgo@gmail.com



AINSLIE PARKLANDS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Playgroup

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

Where: 24-36 Hinkley Ave,
Croydon (in the hall & new
playground)

Contact: 98701566

ainslie.parklands.ps@education.vic.gov.au

