



DIARY DATES

AUGUST

Friday 3rd

Grades 3/4 Melbourne Zoo
Excursion

Monday 13th

CURRICULUM DAY – NO SCHOOL

Tuesday 14th

Grade 5 Excursion – Grease the
Musical

Sunday 26th

Parent Opinion Survey closes

Wednesday 29th

Mothers for Fathers' Day 3.45-5.30

Thursday 30th

Fathers' Day Stall

TUESDAYS ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS

**WEDNESDAY IS SCHOOL BANKING
DAY**

DUE BY DATES:

AUGUST

Friday 10th

Grade 5 Camp – **FINAL PAYMENT**

**COPIES OF ALL NEWSLETTERS, FORMS
AND NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE ON
OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.**

Principal's Report

Nude Food Week

This week we have our special focus on bringing 'nude food' to school thus, reducing the amount of waste and packing students throw away at school every day. Members of our Green Team reminded us all about the importance of this initiative, which also fits in with broader community focus on reducing the amount of plastic packaging waste going to land fill. From experience I can tell you once you start to think about this it's quite easy to adopt new habits that help. One such habit I developed many years ago was bringing my lunch in reusable containers, which is easy and convenient. Feedback from around out school this week is that our students are excited to be involved in this important initiative, and many of them feel proud to be doing something practical to help. A huge percentage of families are making the special effort, so many thanks, it's an important step forward in becoming a resource smart school.

Check out our New Marquees

Everyone got a bit of a surprise at Monday's Assembly because we had one of our new marquees set up out the front of the assembly. The school is now the proud owner of 3 new Marquees that will provide much needed shelter at school and community events. The Marquees have been generously provided by the Parents and Friends Association, who raised funds so we could purchase them. Our school name and logo is prominently printed on the roof. Many thanks to the PFA for the idea to buy these marquees and organising for the purchase, we all really appreciate your marvellous support of our school!

ICAS Science Competition

Certificates for this year's ICAS Science competition were given out on Monday. This optional competition for Grade 2-6 students is designed to test general scientific knowledge and skills. We had a number of students achieve Merit, Credit, Distinction and High Distinction certificates in 2018 and the group is pictured here standing under our new Marquee! Our congratulations to these students who have excelled in this academic challenge. Thanks to Miss Kirton who coordinates ICAS on behalf of the school. Across the year students also have the opportunity to test themselves in Mathematics, English and Writing, so keep an eye out for future announcements.

Amsleigh Park's Baby Boom



We are in the midst of a baby boom and I want to congratulate Mrs Jonga and Miss Jones who are both expecting a baby. Its great news and we are all very excited for them. As they say good things travel in threes, and this now brings our tally for 2018 to three.



Level Newsletters – Going Digital

All families should receive class newsletters this week, which provide a lot of detail regarding the learning program for our students Term 3. These newsletters are prepared to a very high standard, and our teaching staff put in a lot of effort to ensure they are highly informative. I would encourage families to read over this important communication so they keep up with what our students will be learning all across the term. We provide this information with the aim of helping parents to support their child at school, and enhancing the partnership each parent forms with their child's teacher. The class newsletters are now distributed digitally via email and/or Flexibuzz.

School Production

'A Test of Time' is the name of this year's school production and promises to be a great show. Our fantastically talented trio, Mrs Kennedy, Miss Hayes and Miss Carr, have spent many hours writing the script full of cheesy gags and fun dialogue. I thank them sincerely for the many hours spent on this across their weekends and school holidays; it is a very unique thing for a school to have such dedication.

The main cast, a staggering 45 keen Grade 6 students, have commenced their rehearsals after school, and things are moving along nicely. I am always amazed at how many students want to be involved, which presents a huge challenge for the school. However, no-one misses out, and it's a credit to our staff that it's such an inclusive event. I hope that everyone appreciates the extent that we go to in ensuring that this opportunity is fair and open to all students, especially our Grade 6s in their final year of school.

Class rehearsals have not started yet, and will be commencing with learning the words of their show song in Week 4. Dancing starts in week 6 and all classes have some short sharp rehearsals in each week to ensure they can participate in a quality performance. We have a finely tuned 'production' rehearsal program in place which does not interfere with the normal curriculum, and only takes up minimal time until the week before the show when it's all fine-tuned and put together. This approach has served the school very well in the past couple of productions, and ensures we maintain our focus on core learning at all times with minimal disruptions. Many thanks to those families who have offered to assist with this year's show, we really appreciate your help, and it always leads to a great outcome for our students. I know from experience that being part of the school production is a great highlight of the school year, and the benefits can help to develop confidence and self-esteem. It's also a lot of fun, and this is a really important aspect of school like too! Pencil in Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 September, it's going to be great!

Parent Opinion Survey

The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school. It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. The survey will be conducted **online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period until **Sunday 26th August**. Approximately 30 per cent of parents have been invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. A letter was distributed last week to a random sample of 100 families inviting them to participate in this year's survey. We thank you in advance for taking the time to provide us with your feedback.

100 Days of Prep

Next Wednesday we are holding a special celebration to mark the 100 days of school for our Preps. It's a marvellous celebration of their first year at school, and it's one of my favourite events. The Preps are preparing for their special ceremony, which will be held at school early on Wednesday evening. There will be a special introduction for each child and some singing to mark the occasion.

Curriculum Day – Student Free Day

A reminder that Monday 13th August is a Curriculum Day. All Day care is available with youth leadership Victoria. Please see Sharma or Alex to book in.

Until next time,

Michael Cormick

Principal



Bec's Bulletin...

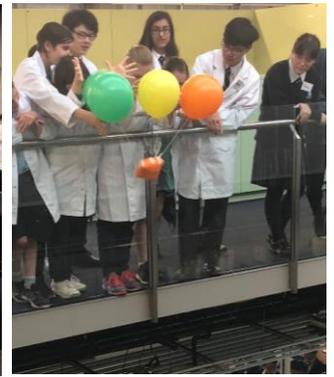
Year 6-7 Transition

A reminder to parents of Year 6 students about the next step in the Year 6-7 Transition process. On Wednesday 8th August, all Year 6 parents will receive a letter from Amsleigh Park with an offer of Year 7 placement at a secondary school for their child. After this time, further information will be sent to you directly from the secondary school that has offered your child placement. Please look out for this information and ensure you follow the instructions of the secondary school to accept your child's place and complete their enrolment. Please feel free to contact me with any queries regarding transition, however be aware that we are unable to disclose year 7 placements until the day the letters are sent home, as per the state wide transition policy.



Big Science, Little Scientists

This week saw the beginning of the 2018 'Big Science, Little Scientist' Program for Amsleigh Park. This fantastic opportunity for students drew much interest from our Year 5 and 6 students which is pleasing to note, though unfortunately, each primary school is only allocated four places.



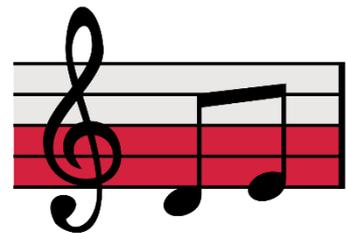
The program involves a fortnightly visit to John Monash Science School, the first State Government science specialist secondary school, where our students are lead through a sequence of science sessions by Year 10 and VCE students. They work in a laboratory environment and participate in science and technology experiments and learning. On Wednesday, I was thrilled to accompany Alyssa, Isabella, Sophie and Georgie to the first session where the focus was Physics. The girls explored what made things fly and the forces of gravity, thrust, lift and drag.

School Production

6 cast has begun rehearsals with great excitement and is already looking forward to our 2018 school production on **Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th September** at Salesian College. Please pop these dates in your diary.

Thank you to the many families who have already returned the 'production parent helper' notice to school. As I mentioned at assembly, the whole school event just wouldn't be possible without the school community getting behind it and helping out in so many ways. It's greatly appreciated!

The Grade



Coffee Morning

It was great to see so many parents along at our coffee morning on Wednesday. It is lovely for our staff to have the chance to have a chat with parents and catch up with the news of our families, as well as parents meeting other parents. Thank you to Lisa Jonga and the Wellbeing Team for their organisation of the community event.

Asthma

If your child has been diagnosed with asthma since enrolling at Amsleigh Park, or this information wasn't included in your enrolment, please notify the office and provide a copy of their asthma management plan. This will ensure our information is up to date and allow for efficient care for our asthmatic students, should they need medical attention while at school. We thank you for your help with this important matter.

MOTHERS FOR FATHERS DAY

WHEN: WEDNESDAY THE 29TH OF
AUGUST 3.45PM UNTIL 5.30PM

WHERE: APPS ART ROOM

WHAT: CREATE A COOL GIFT JUST FOR
DAD! MUMS AND CHILDREN ARE
WELCOME TO COME AND CREATE A GIFT
AT ANY TIME BETWEEN 3.45PM AND
5.30PM



NOTE - THE GIFT WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY 20
MINUTES TO MAKE



Amsleigh Park Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Curriculum Day
13th August 2018

7:00am – Pancakes for breakfast

8:00am – Meditation & Yoga (With Sharma)

9:00am – Art & Craft: Curtain puppet theatre

10:00am – Morning tea

11:00am – Outdoor Play (Variety of ball games, tennis & big kids playground)

12:00pm – Lunch

1:00pm – Gardening (Planting vegies in our vegie patch)

2:00pm – Making slime

3:00pm – Outdoor Play (Making cubby houses on the oval)

4:00pm – Movie & popcorn

5-6:30pm – Quiet activities



Care, Share, and Be Fair!

Contact Us!

Our staff can be contacted on 0403 127 838, during the hours of 7am – 6:30pm Monday to Friday.

Let's all get together and make OSHC and vacation care at Amsleigh Park a happy, enjoyable, and interesting program!



APPS CANTEEN



The Canteen is open each
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

▶ The Canteen is **CLOSED** on Tuesdays ◀

Lunch orders are **NOT** available on Tuesdays

Current Menu/Pricelist is available on the school website – www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

CANTEEN HELPERS ROSTER

AUGUST

	Friday 3 rd – Wendy & Patrice
Thursday 9 th – Maria	Friday 10 th – Catherine & Jane
Thursday 16 th – Sharon	Friday 17 th – Patrice & Kath
Thursday 23 rd – Maria	Friday 24 th – Jess & Jac
Thursday 30 th – Kath	Friday 31 st – Catherine & Jane

We're always happy to have new people join our team of Canteen Helpers.

If you would like to volunteer on Thursdays or Fridays, please contact Dia on 0418 536 154.

(Volunteers must hold a current Working With Children card)

Thank you.



SCHOOL BANKING

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Bring your Bank Deposit Books
to Classroom Teachers

THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

No School!



Monday 13th August
is
CURRICULUM DAY

Students
DO NOT
Come to school

APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located next to the general office

OPENING HOURS FOR 2018

TUESDAY & THURSDAY AFTERNOON: 3:30pm – 4:00pm

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS: 8:45am – 9:30am

(Copy of the approved uniform list is available at the uniform shop, the General Office and on our website www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au)

For any other queries, or to source second hand items, please visit the Uniform Shop during the above opening hours.

A huge thank you to the families who donate second hand uniforms back to the school. We really appreciate the supply of good quality items to offer for sale at reduced prices. Joanne & Kath

WINTER ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE



<u>CLOTHING ITEM</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Rain Coats - great for school camp!	4 – 6, 8 – 10, 12 – 14, S/M = 18	\$34.00 each
Winter Tights	4 – 6, 7 – 9, 10 – 12	\$7.00 pair
Beanies	Child or Adult sizes	\$5.00 each
Gloves	Small or Medium	\$5.00 pair
Scarves	One Size Fits All	\$5.00 each

FlexiBuzz



If you don't yet have the free **FlexiBuzz** App, we strongly recommend that you install it, as it is the **quickest** and **easiest** way to notify the school of an absence, to send messages to the office or classroom teachers as well as receiving newsletters and other important information.

DEAR PARENT

NumberWorks'nWords can help your child reach greater heights with our expert after-school Maths and English tuition.

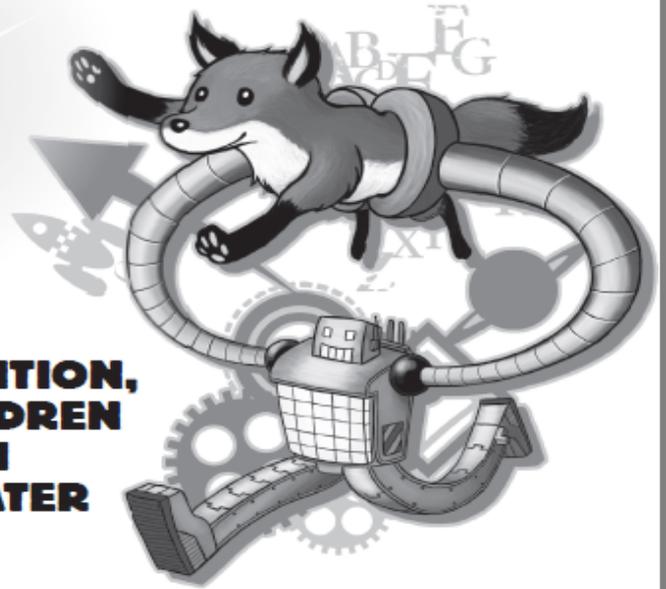
From Prep to Year 10, no matter whether they're struggling to keep up, or bursting to race ahead, NumberWorks'nWords promises to give your child's education – and confidence – a real boost.

Over the past 30 years, NumberWorks'nWords has achieved amazing results with thousands of children just like yours, by:

- tailoring lessons according to your child's individual needs
- setting achievable goals and keeping you updated on your child's progress
- engaging your child with technology and resources developed by our own qualified experts
- using specialist, trained tutors who teach to the Australian Curriculum.

Right now NumberWorks'nWords is offering **FREE ASSESSMENTS** in Maths and English. These assessments provide a great opportunity for you to discover how your child is doing, collaborate on a plan to help them achieve their potential, and to see for yourself how effective – and enjoyable – NumberWorks'nWords specialist Maths tuition and English tuition really is.

**WITH OUR
EXPERT TUITION,
YOUR CHILDREN
CAN REACH
EVEN GREATER
HEIGHTS.**



Call today to book your free assessment, or to discuss any concerns you may have about your child's progress.

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Kind regards,
Rachael Mathews

1st Floor, 191 Coleman Parade, Glen Waverley

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St Pauls Cricket Club

Season 2018/19

St Pauls Cricket Club is looking for junior players aged 5-12 to join our cricket program for season 2018/19. Whether you have played before or want to give it a try we'd love to have you along for the upcoming season.

JUNIOR BLASTERS

- Ages 5 to 8
- Introductory cricket program
- Focus on teamwork, hand-eye co-ordinator and introduction to sport

UNDER 10s

- Ages 8 to 10
- Cricket Victoria preferred format
- Two hour games (one hour batting, one hour bowling)
- Every child gets an equal go

UNDER 12s

- Ages 11 to 12
- Transition to hard-ball cricket
- One-day games

For those interested in finding out more you can reach us via:

Website – <http://www.stpaulscc.com.au>

Email – stpaulscricketclub@gmail.com

Facebook – <http://www.facebook.com/stpaulscricketclub>

Phone – Jacob on 0425 180 782

KUMON



AUGUST FREE TRIAL

Trial the Kumon English or Maths Programme over two weeks during August.

Find out how we can develop in your child:

- calculation and reading ability
- concentration
- a daily study and reading habit
- the confidence to learn independently.

Just follow these four easy steps to register:

1. Call your Kumon Instructor to register for an information session.
2. Have your child assessed for the Kumon English or Maths Programme and discuss a study plan.
3. Arrange for your child to attend four consecutive class sessions during August.
4. Meet with your Instructor to discuss your child's Kumon experience.

Limited spaces available. Contact your local Kumon Centre now to register your child.

**KUMON OAKLEIGH
EDUCATION CENTRE**

Instructor: KAMY DE MEL

tel: 0418 585 300

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Places are limited and acceptance for the Free Trial is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- The registration deadline for the Free Trial varies across Kumon Centres.
- Attendance at an information session is mandatory prior to your child participating in the Kumon Free Trial.
- The Free Trial consists of four consecutive sessions at a Kumon Education Centre over two weeks during August.
- Worksheets are provided for non-centre days during the two weeks.
- Late registration may result in fewer study sessions.
- Class days, operating hours and available sessions vary across Kumon Centres.
- The Free Trial is available for one subject only (either English or Maths).
- There is no obligation to enrol after the Free Trial.

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THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

Amsleigh Park PS - Term 3 2018 Planner

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 Monday 16 th July	16 School Resumes for Term 3	17 LIFE EDUCATION →	18 Divisional Soccer final - boys	19 Divisional Soccer final - Girls	20
WEEK 2 Monday 23 rd July	23 LIFE EDUCATION →	24	25 Divisional Netball School Council Dinner	26	27 Grade 1/2 Walking Excursion to Reg Harris Reserve
WEEK 3 Monday 30 th July	30 NUDE FOOD Week	31 ICAS English Competition	1 Prep Teddy Bears Hospital Incursion	2	3 Grade 3/4 Melbourne Zoo Excursion
WEEK 4 Monday 6 th Aug	6	7 German Poetry Competition	8 100 Days of Prep Celebration	9	10 House Athletics
WEEK 5 Monday 13 th Aug	13 Curriculum Day Student Free Day	14 ICA Maths Competition	15	16 House Athletics (Alternate)	17
WEEK 6 Monday 20 th Aug	20 School Council Grade 5 camp →	21	22	23	24
WEEK 7 Monday 27 th Aug	27 District Athletics	28	29	30 Fathers' Day Stall	31
WEEK 8 Monday 3 rd Sep	3	4	5 5/6 Incursion - Economics	6	7
WEEK 9 Monday 10 th Sep	10	11 School Production	12 School Production	13	14
WEEK 10 Monday 17 Sep	17 School Council	18	19	20	21 Last Day – Term 3 2.30pm finish