



DIARY DATES

AUGUST

Monday 20th - Thursday 23rd
Grade 5 Camp Sunnystones
Book Week

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

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AND NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE ON
OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.

Principal's Report

100 Days of Prep Celebration

Wednesday 8th August was a day of great significance for our preps, who celebrated their 100th day of school. It's a great milestone, and our preps enjoyed introducing themselves and sharing what they like about school so far. They also provided us with some beautiful singing and dancing to mark the occasion. As I was sitting there I reflected on how much our preps have learnt so far this year. Their confidence has grown, and seeing their smiles tells me there is an obvious enjoyment of school life. A big congratulations to our preps on achieving their first milestone of school life! Many thanks to the parents who attended this event, and big thanks to our Prep teachers, Miss Renwick and Miss Tapper, for organising the whole event, and getting their classes prepared. Special mention to the many other staff who also attended to help out, which is part of the Amsleigh way of doing things.



Parent Opinion Survey 2018

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. This year the Parent Opinion Survey is being conducted from **Monday 23rd July to Sunday 26th August**. **The survey is conducted online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete.

The Parent Opinion survey for 2018 was sent out to 104 school families a couple of weeks ago. So far we only have 17 responses, and we urgently need parents to complete the survey so we have a valid survey sample of families. Please help us to further improve our school by completing the survey in 2018.

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Curriculum Day Report

Our teaching staff were very productive on our curriculum day last Monday, focusing on three important professional learning priorities. We started our day learning more about positive behaviour support, and how we can further enhance learning in this area. Following this we workshopped a school instructional model, which describes the core teaching components of a highly effective lesson. Finally, we looked deeply into the theory behind High Impact Instructional Strategies and how they might impact on student learning outcomes. It was a very busy day of professional learning, and we appreciate the opportunity to undertake this important work.

Professional learning is a high priority for our school, and we are constantly building our knowledge and skills through a cycle of continuous improvement. It's vital that all teachers are reflecting on and refining their professional practice, keeping up with new teaching ideas.

Grade 5 Camp

Our Grade 5s head off to Camp Sunnystones on Monday next week. Mr French and the team have all the preparations done, and the group can look forward to an exciting camp experience. A visit to Sovereign Hill should be a highlight. I'm crossing my fingers for lots of sun shine!

House Athletics

Our House Athletics is an annual event for Grade 4-6 students, and it was held last Friday 10th August at Davies Reserve. Weather is always a bit tricky at this time of year, but we were fortunate that the rain held off. Mr Shallard reports that it was a fantastic day and our students were really cooperative and strived to achieve their best. Some of the highlights included the relays and field events such as discus and triple jump. The results will be announced at Monday assembly next week, so stay tuned. On behalf of the school, huge thanks to Mr Shallard, and the teaching staff for running this great event. Students are selected on the basis of these results to participate in the District Athletics team, which is held on Monday 27th August.

Building Project Update

During my daily walk in and around the school I'm watching the progress of the modernisation of our main building with increasing excitement, especially now we are getting closer to finishing. The modernisation of our main building is a very complex build, and is actually a lot more difficult and challenging than constructing a brand new building. I'm quite certain our whole community will be amazed by the transformation of the interior of this building. Whilst from the outside not a lot will have changed, on the inside the change is massive. At this stage the completion data and handover of the main building will occur at the end of October. It's later than expected, but this is not unusual in a building project which involves a renovation rather than new construction.

Main Building Q & A

What are some of exciting design elements?

Our main building is 89 years old and the original design has served our school well for many years, however just like a family home, there does come the time to modernise. The interior of the main building will be very contemporary, with a small hint of its heritage style preserved to remind us of our history. Upstairs, our Senior Learning Centre will consist of four large classrooms, two break out rooms (for small group activity), wet area, STEM learning space, teacher office and a very cool Multi-Media Hub. Natural ventilation will be improved through new windows and the overall look will be colourful and fresh.

Downstairs, our Administration Centre will have the same contemporary look, which compared to our previous offices, will be completely different. Our main entry will open onto a smart foyer, and general office. An interview room and conference room are also accessible from the foyer. The Admin also includes offices, staff lounge, toilets, staff work and resource spaces. Our Library, whilst not changing position, is now larger, and includes a reading room, library work area and a computer HUB.

Where are the toilets?

Safety is always a priority so the Administration Centre and Senior Learning Centre have indoor toilets. Our students will have direct access to them during class time. There will also be four external toilets for use during recess breaks and lunchtime.

Will it be comfortable for students?

Comfort is a high priority in architectural design, and this is complemented by the student furniture we will use in the spaces. We have already used some grant money to purchase new classroom furniture such as classroom chairs and tables, and we are looking at some coloured ottomans and collaborative tables to round out the spaces.

What kind of technology will be available for students and staff?

Technology is an important resource for learning, and our equipment includes i-Pads, notebook computers and desktop computers. Increasingly technology is becoming more portable, and wireless, so the networking we have planned for is 'state of the art' and will enable students and staff access to technology when they need it. The classrooms in our senior learning centre are also equipped with the latest 'Promethean' interactive whiteboard technology.

Do you have other questions? Send them to me at amsleigh.park.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au and I'll try to include them in future copies of the Amsleigh Buzz.

Until next time,

Michael Cormick

Principal



PFA UPDATE

- **Marquees** - Don't the new Marquees look fantastic? They have been on display at assembly, at the last Coffee morning, and we are looking forward to giving them a run at District Athletics in a few week's time. Thanks to Sonya for making it happen!!
- **Comedy Night** - What a blast! Not only did those who went have a great night, we managed to raise almost \$800 for the school. Well done Nik for your organisation on this one.
- Well done to all the families who made an effort for Nude Food Week. This was a **Green Team** initiative, not PFA, but we just wanted to say well done, great to see so many people getting behind the effort.
- **Fathers' Day Stall** - is fast approaching, and lots of great goodies have been ordered ready to sell. It will be held Thursday, 30th August so don't forget to give the kids some money on the day. **GRADE ONE parents**, this is your gig! This is the only fundraiser you are responsible for this year, and so far the response for volunteers has been poor...if you can spare a few hours that morning please come along and help at the stall, it's lots of fun and you get to know more parents from Grade 1. Please let your Class Rep know if you can make it. Thanks.
- **Production** - That exciting time of year is here again and the response to the cry for help has been great. Production is one of those events that involves the whole APPS community. A Costume Working Bee is on Friday 31st August from 9am onward at 19 Daly Street, Oakleigh, at Caz's place (walking distance from the school). BYO sewing machine, glue gun, scissors and a snack - younger siblings welcome. Please RSVP to Caz at apps.parents@gmail.com if you can make it. It's a great opportunity to get to know other parents from a variety of year levels...in fact it's so much fun we even have some parents coming back to sew even though all their kids have left for high school! Thank you also to those parents who have also offered to help with costumes in their own time. There are plenty of other jobs to fill including set up, Parking, Canteen duties and pack up so please let us know if you haven't already at apps.parents@gmail.com if you are able to help!
- **Production Raffle** - **PREP Parents**....you are in charge of this one. The fabulous Daniella (Grade 1 Mum) has sorted some prizes, but if you work for or know of any associations/restaurant/shop who could donate some cool stuff or a voucher etc., that would be greatly appreciated. We need a team of PREP parents to sell raffle tickets on the nights of production at interval. Please talk to your class rep if you can do this. Cheers



Our Fathers' Day Stall

Will be held on

Thursday 30th August

From 9.00 – 11.00am

Come along and buy something special for
Dad, Grandpa or someone special

All items \$1.00 – 5.00

Please do not send large notes to school with your children.

BOOK WEEK

AUGUST 20TH - 24TH

- Monday 20th August-
 - Mr Cormick will start the celebrations by sharing his favourite picture story book at Assembly.
- Wednesday 22nd August –
 - Bed time stories 5:15- 6:00pm, to be held in the Junior Learning centre. Students come back to school in their pyjamas or with a cuddly toy to listen to the teachers share some of their favourite stories. Siblings very welcome and parents are required to stay.
- Thursday 23rd August-
 - Book Swap day- We are asking students to bring in a preloved book that they no longer want and they will be able to swap it for another book to bring home and enjoy.
- Friday 24th August-
 - Pjama day- Students wear their comfortable and cosy pyjamas to school. Please ensure they have appropriate footwear for outside play.
 - Students bring in their favourite book to share with another student from a different class. This will be conducted in afternoon.
- Competition- Design a new book cover or write a narrative based on the theme “Find your Treasure”.
Entries are due; Friday 24th August



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



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

Thursday 16th – 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

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.

PLAYGROUP

Do you have an energetic child, looking for something to do after school drop off? Feel free to pop in and have a cuppa while your child explores a variety of experiences with other children aged from newborn – 5 years old.

Playgroups sessions are available on the school site in the OSHC building on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:30am.

For more information please call or text Lucy knight (Prep mum) 0416145642.

Want to play basketball?



Then here is why you should join the Glen Eira Warriors this Summer

- We are an exciting club with an exciting plan for the future
- We have a terrific coaching & development program
- Our junior teams play in the Sandringham domestic competitions at Tulip Street Sandringham.
- We are looking to field teams for boys and girls from U9's through to U18's.
- We provide a great pathway for our juniors to follow.
- We have great people involved and we are a great community based club to be a part of.
- Form a team from your friends at school & we will do the rest!
- Our club's focus is on quality rather than quantity.
- We arrange independent coaching as well as training sessions.

The Warriors provide plenty of competitions & programs :

- **HOLIDAY CAMPS** every school holidays with our next on in September.
- Kids First introduction program for 5 to 12 year olds.
- Domestic competitions from U9's through to U18's.
- Terrific individual development programs
- Starter clinics/sessions for new players to trial our club.
- For more detailed information on joining our specific programs and competitions go to our Website at www.warriorsbasketball.org

Alternatively contact us on 1300 4 Warriors or send an e-mail to enquiries@warriorsbasketball.org



THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ



Oakleigh Little Athletics
Phone: Andrew 0417516956
Email: oakleigh@lavic.com.au



What are you going to do this Summer?
Tell Mum & Dad you don't want to stay home being bored.
Tell them you want to run for fun!

Little Athletics competition for 5 to 15 year olds is held from October to March.
Saturday mornings (8:30am to 11am), sometimes on Friday evenings (5pm to 7pm).

Season starts on Saturday 6th of October, 2018 at 8.30am-11am
Davies Reserve, Oakleigh South

Bring your running gear, sunscreen, hat & drink, family and friends. Tell everyone about it!
We have free training for under 6's to under 8's Thurs from 5-6pm, and under 9's to under 16's on Tues from 5-6pm.
We also participate in the Winter Cross Country for Bayside region on Saturday mornings, from 8.30-11.00am.

We look forward to seeing you there!
For more information please visit our website www.oakleighlac.com.au
or register online at www.lavic.com.au

Special offer for new members: Register online first, then pay after trialling the first session on 6/10/18

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

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 Mothers for Father' Day Australian Girls Choir Visit	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