

EIGH PARK THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ 🕮



Term 3

Week 1

Thursday July 18 2019

### **DIARY DATES**

#### <u>AUGUST</u>

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Prep Brickworks Incursion

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Prep Science Incursion

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – G1/2 Legoland Exc.

#### **TUESDAYS ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS**

WEDNESDAY IS SCHOOL BANKING DAY

### **DUE BY DATES:**

<u>JULY</u>

Friday 26th - Prep Brickworks Incursion

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

#### Principal's Report Welcome Back for Term 3

Issue 1

A warm welcome back to all members of the Amsleigh Park Primary School community for Term 3. I trust that everyone enjoyed a great break away from the rigours of school life. We had a very nice break in the winter weather in the first week so I hope everyone got outside at that time.

I had a quiet, relaxing holiday with my family and the big highlight was seeing 'Harry Potter and the Cursed Child' on stage. Needless to say it's a fantastic show, and as we are sworn to secrecy, I cannot give away any of the marvellous details. 'Magical' is the best way to describe it, pardon the pun!

### It's the Hard working Term!

Everyone knows that I love a good catch phrase and in Term 3 I always talk about it as the 'hardworking term.' Traditionally it is during this term that students can make real gains in their learning, and use the improvement areas from their mid-year report to set challenging learning goals. Having now consolidated themselves in their current Grade level for 2019 our students should really start to accelerate in their learning by focusing their efforts every day at school. Parents can support this endeavour by checking in with their child/ren as the term progresses and reinforcing the need to really try hard every day and persevere when challenged.

#### **Divisional Soccer Finals**

This week our girls soccer team participated in the Divisional soccer finals, and on behalf of school I want the to congratulate them on reaching this stage of the competition after winning the District Championship. Many thanks to Mrs Arvanitis and the parents who accompanied the teams, it's a great help to have you along. Our girls competed well and finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place on the day. It's a



great group and they deserved their success. Their attitude, team work and effort all excellent. Well done girls!

### The school production

There is a lot to look forward to across Term 3 with our annual School Production high on our list of exciting learning opportunities. The production will be performed on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September during the last week of Term 3 at Salesian College. All classes will once again participate in the production through a dancing/singing performance. Costumes, lights and

a vibrant sound track will also be part of the fun. As in past years we run a very tight production schedule so that this event does not interfere with other learning programs. Students start learning songs in Week 5 and progress from there. In due course we will be looking for volunteers to assist with the production, as it's a whole community event. Stay tuned for more information.



### 100 Days of Prep

Our Preps are looking forward to celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> day of prep on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August. This is a big milestone for our Preps, and a marvellous celebration of their first year at school. I visit our Prep classes nearly every day and I am constantly amazed at their progress and learning development. Many of them have been able to learn their letters and the corresponding sounds (phonics), and are now moving on to using this understanding as they learn to read.



### 200 Nights of Reading

At the start of this year I set a goal for all Amsleigh Park students to reach at least 200 Reading nights for 2019. The idea behind setting this goal was to really highlight the importance of completing reading practice at home. There is no doubt that children who read regularly improve their literacy skills, including reading, spelling and writing. In the early years of schooling parents will normally have to support and assist their child with this reading practice, however as their fluency increases many children are able to read independently. As a general rule a fluent reader (Grade 2-4) should be able to read for at least 15 to 20 minutes without losing concentration. Older students (Grade 5 - 6) should be able to build up their reading stamina around 25 to 30 minutes.

We have been very pleased to see how many of our students have taken up this challenge and it is our hope that the vast majority of children all read for a minimum of 200 nights this year. On Monday at assembly I reminded all students about this target and let them know they should be at the halfway point. (100 nights) It's also very pleasing to see that some of our students have already completed 150 reading nights. Anyone who completes 300 reading nights should come and see me for a special acknowledgement. **Yard Improvements** 

# During our recent school holidays an area of artificial grass was installed adjacent to the junior Learning Centre. This area has been a problem for some time and despite our best efforts we were unable to grow a decent grass surface. The new artificial grass surface looks fantastic and we have had many compliments this week on how it improves the look and also usability of this space.

In our new friendship garden the contractor was able to paint the walking labyrinth during the school holidays using a very vibrant colour. This area is now complete and it certainly is a very attractive addition to our schoolyard.





### **Keeping in Touch**

Each week I do yard duty before and/or after school and this is a time I really enjoy, as I get to touch base informally with parents and students. Often I am approached for a quick question, and I welcome these moments, as it's great to stay in touch. If you see me around please come and say hello.

Until next time,

Michael Cormick

Principal

# APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sports Centre

## OPENING HOURS - TERM 2 2019

### MONDAY: Afternoons 3:00pm - 3:45pm WEDNESDAY: Mornings 8:45am - 9:30am

A copy of the approved uniform list is available at the Uniform Shop, the General Office and on our website <u>www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au</u>

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

Thank you to the families who donate second hand uniforms to the school. It is greatly appreciated and enables us to supply good quality items for sale at reduced prices.

Jo Devlin Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator

# WINTER ITEMS

<u>ITEMS</u>	<u>SIZES</u>	PRICE
Rain Coats	4-6, 8-10, 12-14, S-M (16-18)	\$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



# **Student Banking**

# **Every Wednesday**

Remember to place your deposit book into the classroom banking satchel

### DEAR PARENT

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Kind regards, Rachael Mathews

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The Cerebral Palsy Education Centre Combined Rotary and Mayor of Monash Charity Golf Day will once again be held at the picturesque Riversdale Golf Course on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019, (corner of Huntingdale and High Street Roads, Mt Waverley).

All funds raised are distributed to the Cerebral Palsy Education Centre (CPEC). Described by our families as a place of hope, CPEC delivers world leading programs to help children living with CP and their families learn essential life skills many of us take for granted.

Registration on the morning opens at 11:30am with a shot gun start at 12:30pm. The day includes a light lunch Pre-dinner drinks and Canapes Awards dinner with special guest concluding at 8pm

We would love to see many friends from our local community come along and be a part of this fabulous day by registering at <u>www.trybooking.com/488651</u>





# www.positivepsychology.net.au



# SACRED HEART GIRLS' COLLEGE

## Applications for Year 7, 2021 closing date:

# Friday, August 23, 2019

## Open Mornings - remaining dates for 2019:

# • Thursday 1 August

Tuesday 29 October

Prospective parents and their daughters are very welcome to attend an Open Morning where they will gain a greater insight into the wonderful learning environment we have at Sacred Heart Girls' College. Open Mornings commence at 9:30am with an address by the Principal, Mr. Christopher Dalton. Parents then tour of the College with our Year 9 Tour Leaders and return for morning tea where further questions may be asked of staff members. The session concludes at approximately 11.00am.

Bookings for these dates can be made through the College General Office on 9568 5488.

Further information about enrolments at Sacred Heart Girls' College is available from the College Registrar, Ms Anne Wilks, on 9568 5488 or by email: registrar@shgc.vic.edu.au