



DIARY DATES

OCTOBER

Fri 23 – AFL Grand Final Eve
Public Holiday – No school

NOVEMBER

Mon 2 – APPS CURRICULUM DAY
Student Free Day

Tues 3 – MELBOURNE CUP DAY
(Public Holiday – No School)

Wed 25 – 2021 Prep Transition Session 1

WEDNESDAYS ARE NUDE FOOD
DAYS

WEDNESDAY IS SCHOOL BANKING DAY
– ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

UNIFORM ORDERS
TO BE PLACED VIA EMAIL
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

DUE BY DATES:

FRI 30 OCTOBER

Book Club Issue 7 LOOP orders

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FORMS AND NOTICES ARE
AVAILABLE ON
OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.**

Principal's Report

Back to School

It never ceases to amaze me how kids can adapt so quickly, and across the past week I have marvelled at the way our students have just settled back into school. If you visited our classrooms you would see our students working on their learning tasks, and participating just as they were at the start of the school year. The only thing we have noticed is that they do not quite have the learning stamina yet, and I imagine they are pretty tired after school. Learning stamina is like physical fitness, so it takes time and effort to build it up. Most students are tracking well, and within the next week or so I would think we'll be back to the norm.



Reconnecting with friends has been the highlight for many students, and it shows the important place this has in school life. It's delightful to see kids at play again, and it brings a real joy to each day. I especially enjoy welcoming our students in the morning drop off, knowing they are so glad to be back at school. Wellbeing seems to be tracking well for most students, but if you do develop any concerns about your child please let us know. It is a clear priority this term, and we will continue to monitor this daily. Learning in Literacy and Numeracy is also a priority, and for the rest of 2020 we are spending extra time on consolidating these important curriculum areas.

Thank-you Parents and Carers

I want to sincerely thank all of our parents and carers for supporting us during the drop off and pick up routines. After school is the most challenging, as parents need to wait for children, but observing each day I can see everyone is making an effort to socially distance and not congregate in groups. The current routine is a temporary measure, and we will adjust it when advised to by the Department of Education. I cross my fingers that this will be soon. In terms of building independence it has been great for students to have to bring in their own bags etc. and this could be a long term routine, as it also leads to a very settled start to the school day.

Enrolment Census 2021

Many thanks to parents and carers for completing the enrolment census to date, so far we have 173 replies. It is vital information for us as we start planning for 2021. In particular it helps to make sure we have the right number of classes and that our class sizes are well managed. If you have not completed the census for your child/ren then please do so using the following Google Form. It's very quick and easy to complete.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqif-5Yz7gPxN45kgm6gUkaXqJSupwApnORafY-B6e1dUtEA/viewform>

We need a reply from every family, and need to account for every student. Each year we do have families who move house and if you are moving then please let us know, as this also has a big impact on our decisions. Many thanks for your support, it would be great to have this information by Wednesday 28th October.

Footy Colours Day

I want to thank the Student Representative Council (SRC) for organising our annual footy colours day.

Prep 2021 Information Session

We have 52 preps enrolled for 2021 so far, which is fantastic. We will be having 3 preps classes, and we look forward to supporting our new students to transition from pre-school to school. We have been in touch with families about the transition program, as we had to alter the dates due to COVID restrictions. Prep Transition will commence on Wednesday 25th November, and continue each week for our four sessions. We will be staying in touch and updating all families if there is a need to make any further changes.

Next Wednesday 28th October there will be an information session for prep parents for 2021. The session will run from 5.00pm – 6.00pm and will be presented by our Prep teachers, Miss Carr and Myself. The session will aim to answer questions about school for next year, and introduce new families to helpful information. The link for the session, which will be held via WebEx video conference is:

<https://eduvic.webex.com/eduvic/j.php?MTID=m3f880015fc6c4fae27941a36c0718465>

Student Placement 2021

In mid-November we will start to form classes for 2021. It's a highly complex and challenging process to get this balance right and takes many hours. Along with the process we will also consider any information that has been passed onto us by parents. It can be helpful and highly relevant to have this information, so if any parents or carers would like to take this opportunity please email us and mark it 'information about class placement 2021'. This information needs to come to me, as I keep track of it all through the process. We do take this information into consideration, and make sure that we are setting all of our students up for success.

Requests for teachers are not considered. It's also helpful to keep in mind that learning to get along with a range of children is an essential life skill, and actually builds resilience and coping skills. Please note that this information is disregarded after 2 years, and parents should contact us if they believe it is still relevant.

Curriculum Day

We have a Curriculum Day on Monday 2nd November, which is the Melbourne Cup Weekend. There is no school on this day for students. Our staff will be working on this day and undertaking professional learning about our new administration system XUNO in preparation for the roll out in 2021. All day care will be available with Youth Leadership Victoria, so please contact them to make a booking. Tuesday 3rd November is Melbourne Cup Day, and is a public holiday.

Refunding Money for Excursions and Swimming

We are currently working on crediting all of our family accounts with the payments that were made in 2020 for Swimming, Excursions and Sports. As this money was not spent, it will be credited back to families, and can be used to off-set payments for 2021. It's quite a time consuming process, and Karen is working hard to get through this work ASAP.

It is possible to refund this money, however we are hoping that most families will choose to off-set costs in 2021, reducing the time it takes to undertake this kind of process. Of course, our Grade 6s will be refunded where the money cannot be used to off-set any family payments. Please be patient as we work through this process, and contact Karen if you have any questions.

Parent Payments for 2021

Our school council has approved parent payments for 2021, and families will shortly receive this information from the school. We have kept charges similar to 2020, taking into account that some families might have recently experienced financial hardship. We keep all of our requests to a reasonable level and only request payments in order to enhance the learning programs for our students, by providing them with quality learning materials.

Year 7 Transition

Many past students joined us recently to help support our transition program for this year's Grade 6s as they prepare to move onto High School at the end of 2020. One of them was our past school captain, Georgie Taylor. Georgie was featured in the Ashwood College Newsletter recently, giving a report on her experience. I can't help feeling super proud of all of our past students, and it's just wonderful to hear about their success. I have included Georgie's report on the next page.

Student Absence Notifications

All student absences should be communicated to the general office via email or phone, Admin staff are responsible for processing attendances and record keeping.

Please send absence notification emails to amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au, before 8am if possible and teachers will be notified of the student absence accordingly.

And finally...

We hope you are staying safe and enjoying the increasing easing of community restrictions. Let's continue to work together and make sure it's permanent.

Michael Cormick

PRINCIPAL

Article for newsletter: Amsleigh Park Transition



Year 6 at Amsleigh Park Primary School



Year 7 at Ashwood High School

Last term I was honoured to be invited to represent Ashwood High School at my primary school, Amsleigh Park Primary School. On the 18th of September I joined a WebEx call with the students that are starting Year 7 at Ashwood High School next year. I first gave a little introduction of how I felt when transitioning into high school, as well as the things that I struggled with and those I found easier than I had expected.

Next they began to ask questions such as “How much homework do you get?” “What kind of extra-curricular activities can you do?” “What kind of summer and winter sports do you have?” There were lots of different topics and most were questions that I had wanted the answers to when I was in Grade 6!

I remember how nerve-wracking it was to start high school as I was scared that I wouldn't be able to manage all of my homework or get to class on time. Last year we were visited at my primary school by students that were in Year 7 which helped me feel much better about the transition to high school. This year we were unable to visit in person due to COVID-19. The online transition session was the next best thing and I hope that the opportunity to ask questions from a familiar person really helped them feel less nervous about starting high school!

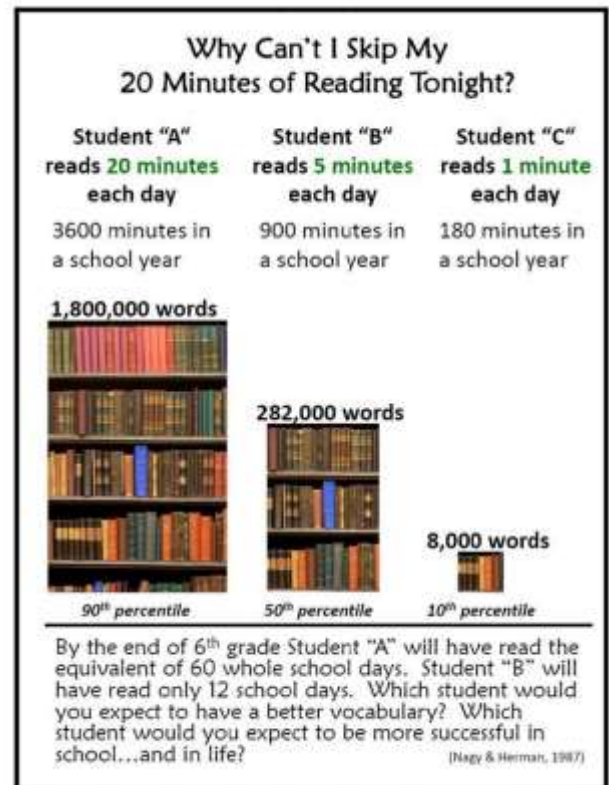
By Georgie Taylor (Year 7)

Bec's Bulletin...

Reading Nights

It has been terrific to see how many Reading Nights our students have accumulated over the year, even with the strange year we've had! We love celebrating these milestones at assembly each week and it is great to see the sense of pride students display as they reach each milestone. At last week's virtual assembly, it was great to be able to celebrate so many milestones our students have earned during remote learning.

We encourage all students to keep going with their nightly reading each evening, right up until the end of the year. As you can see in the infographic on the right, it has a hugely positive impact on students reading ability and vocabulary over time, if they keep up their nightly reading.



Victorian High Ability Program

As mentioned in the last newsletter, a number of our Grade 5/6 students are currently participating in the Victorian High Ability Program, run by Virtual School Victoria. The students have now participated in two of their sessions and we have been very proud of their efforts. Our students confidently conversed with their virtual classmates and teachers and were able to justify their thinking and reasoning. The program is designed to challenge the students' thinking and our students have admirably risen to the challenge. It is great to see the students engage in this opportunity with such enthusiasm!

Student Traffic Safety – Pick up and Drop Off at Oakleigh Street

Thank you to our families for following the Covid Safe drop off and pick up arrangements, it is greatly appreciated. However, it is important that students entering or exiting at Oakleigh Street, use only the pedestrian gate. It is very concerning to note that some students have been entering via the double vehicle gates. This could be extremely dangerous if a vehicle unexpectedly enters or exits the school, and we ask for parent support in ensuring students use the correct path to ensure their safety. Thank you for your help in keeping all our student safe.



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE

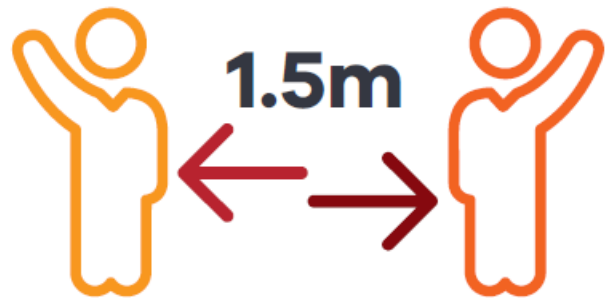
If you are unwell, please stay at home.

The greatest risk of transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19) is between adults. Please follow these physical distancing measures:

- avoid gathering in a group inside or around the school



- keep 1.5m between yourself and other adults



- avoid handshakes and hugs



- wash your hands regularly.





Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) –Important changes for 2020 only

- The final eligibility date for CSEF in 2020 has been extended from 14 April until 5 October 2020.
- Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply.

Parents who became eligible from April 15 to October 5 can now apply for 50 per cent of the standard per student rates. Parents who claimed the 2020 CSEF in Term 1 or 2 should not apply again.

If you now have an eligible Centrelink pension or Health Care Card and would like to apply for CSEF, please contact the general office for an application form. A copy of your eligible card will be required together with the completed claim form. Please submit any applications before October 30, 2020.

If you have any queries, please contact the general office.

Thank you

Admin Team

FAMILY ACCOUNT INFORMATION

We are currently processing credit notes to family accounts for the unspent portion of this year's cancelled events. These include the paid invoices for Swimming, Excursions/Incursions, Grade 3/4 Camp, Aerobics, State Schools Spectacular and 5/6 Sports. Unpaid invoices will be reversed from family accounts and do not require a credit note.

Family account statements will be issued shortly, you may notice two different types of credit notes listed. Regular credit notes can be applied to any outstanding invoices including 2020 Essential Education Item fees. CSEF credit notes can only be allocated to invoices relating to camps, sports, excursions etc.

If you have any queries, please get in touch by email or phone.

Thank you,

Karen Hogan
Business Manager



APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

OPERATING HOURS - TERM 4 2020

On site counter sales NOT available until further notice

Orders for new Uniform items can be emailed to the school. Please download & complete a copy of our uniform shop order form. Note that the only payment method available is credit/debit card.

Orders placed before 11am on Tuesdays will be filled that afternoon (for in stock items) and distributed to students. Orders placed after this time will be filled the following Tuesday. Back orders will be filled as soon as stock is available

In the event of incorrect sizing, please return unworn items/s with tags intact, together with a note that includes the child's name, grade and the correct size required.

A copy of the current approved uniform list/order form is available on our website www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

Libby Jumas
Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator



SUMMER ITEMS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SIZES</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Summer Dress	4 - 16	\$23.00 each
*Cotton/Lycra Bike Shorts	4 - 16	\$12.00 pair
*Boy Leg Briefs	4 - 6, 8 - 10, 12 - 14	\$ 8.00 pair
Girls Skort - Cotton or Gab	4 - 16	\$17.50 each
Short Sleeve Panelled Polo	4 - 16	\$26.00 each
Surf T-Shirt	4 - 16	\$15.00 each
Shorts - Cotton Rugby (unisex)	4 - 16	\$15.00 pair
Shorts - Gabardine Zip Pocket	4 - 16	\$17.00 pair
Slouch Hat	Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large	\$10.00 each
* Worn UNDER school dress only		

THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL - UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Effective Term 4, 2020 – (Updated Oct 15)

STUDENT NAME: _____ CLASS: _____ DATE: _____

APPROVED ITEM	COLOUR	\$ PRICE INC. GST	SIZE 4 QTY	SIZE 6 QTY	SIZE 8 QTY	SIZE 10 QTY	SIZE 12 QTY	SIZE 14 QTY	SIZE 16 QTY	TOTAL COST \$ (INC GST)	Office Use ✓ Date Supplied
Short Sleeve <u>SSP</u> Panelled Polo (New)	Navy/ Emerald	\$26.00									
Long Sleeve <u>LSP</u> Panelled Polo	Navy/ Emerald	\$28.00									
Surf T-shirt <u>STS</u> (No Collar)	Navy Size M-XL also avail	\$15.00									
Windcheater <u>WC</u> Size 6 -14 Size 16	Navy	\$24.00 \$28.00									
Bomber Jacket <u>BJ</u> Size 4-14 Size 16	Navy/ Emerald	\$37.00 \$42.00									
Shorts -Cotton <u>CRS</u> Rugby (Unisex)	Navy	\$15.00									
Shorts- Gabardine Zip Pocket <u>GS</u>	Navy	\$17.00									
Track Pants <u>TPDK</u> Double Knee-Unisex Size 4-14 Size 16	Navy	\$23.50 \$27.00									
Track Pants <u>TPSL</u> Straight Leg 4-14 Size 16 DISCONTINUED	Navy Limited Stock Avail	\$22.00				N/A					
Girls Pants <u>SLP</u> Straight Leg <i>Viscose/Nylon/Elastine</i>	Navy	\$22.00									
Girls Skort Gab <u>SKT</u> <i>Circle/Highlight choice</i>	Navy	\$17.50									
Girls Skort Cotton	Navy	\$17.50									
Summer Dress <u>SD</u>	Navy & White	\$23.00									
* Bike Shorts Cotton/Lycra <u>BS</u>	Navy	\$12.00									
* BoyLeg Briefs <u>BLB</u> Twin Pack	Navy	\$8.00	Size 4 - 6		Size 8 - 10		Size 12 - 14				
* Bike Shorts & Boy Leg briefs are to be worn UNDER a school dress only			Total From Over Page							\$	
			TOTAL ORDER							\$	
Office Use Only											
Receipt #			Cash / Cheque / Credit Card / EFT							\$	Office Use

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT Student Name & Grade _____
MasterCard or Visa only DO NOT COMPLETE FOR A DEBIT / EFTPOS CARD – TAKE CARD TO GENERAL OFFICE FIRST FOR PROCESSING

Cardholders Name: _____ Card Expiry Date: ____/____/____

TOTAL \$ _____ Cardholder Signature: _____ FOR: UNIFORM PURCHASE

Cardholder Contact Phone Number: _____

Card No:

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THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

APPS UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Effective Term 4, 2020 – (Updated Oct 15)

ITEM	COLOUR	PRICE INC GST	SIZE		QUANTITY		TOTAL \$ (INC GST)	Office Use ✓ Date Supplied
School Bag <u>SBAG</u>	Navy	\$35.00						
Art Smock <u>AS</u> Small Medium Large X-Large	Navy OR Emerald	\$15.00			Navy	Emerald		
Book Bag <u>BB</u>	Navy	\$8.00						
Slouch Hat <u>HAT</u> (Tick size req'd)	Navy	\$10.00	SMALL	MED	LGE	XL		
Gloves – <u>G</u> Small or Medium	Navy	\$5.00	SMALL or MEDIUM		SMALL	MEDIUM		
Winter Tights <u>WT</u> Sizes 3-5, 7-9, 10-12	Navy	\$7.00						
Beanie <u>B</u> Child / Adult	Navy _____	\$5.00 ea _____	Child / Adult _____		CHILD _____	ADULT _____		
Scarf - one size <u>S</u>	Navy	\$5.00 ea	One size					
** Raincoat <u>RC</u> Sizes available: 4/6, 8/10, 12/14, S/M = 16/18 Adult	Navy	\$34.00						
- ** RAINCOATS NOT CARRIED IN REGULAR STOCK BUT ARE AVAILABLE BY SPECIAL ORDER								
					TOTAL THIS PAGE \$ _____			

DUE TO COVID 19 – THE UNIFORM SHOP IS NOT CURRENTLY OPEN FOR COUNTER SALES

Please email all orders to amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au

**ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE
www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au**

Payment by credit/debit card only

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS ORDER FORM AS PER THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write child's name, grade and date of order at top of page.
2. Indicate quantity of items required per size and total cost for each item.
3. Scan and email this completed form (PDF) to the general office – amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au OR send an email directly to the school with your details, student name and grade, the items required and credit card details.
4. Uniform items and will be sent home with your child, orders are usually completed within one week (excepting unavoidable delays from the supplier). Any items not available at time of order will be placed on back order provided as soon as possible.

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Or email: marywalkerartsed@outlook.com

Priority given to City of Monash residents
and new participants. Places are limited.

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Talking Teens

A Parents Building Solutions Program

Do you want to:

- Improve your relationship with your teenager?
- Improve communication with your teen and resolve family disputes?
- Understand why young people behave the way they do?
- Learn effective ways to deal with anger and anxiety - both yours and theirs

Join us online to learn strategies and take some time out for you.

13, 20, 27 Oct & 10, 17, 24 Nov 2020

Program runs across 6 sessions

Time:

7.00 pm - 8.30 pm

Where:

Online via Zoom

Cost:

Free of charge for parents and carers in Melbourne's Eastern Region.

Bookings:

Laurie on 0488 501 204 or
laurie.arrowsmith@anglicarevic.org.au

PARENTZONE



Health
and Human
Services



Emotion Focused Parenting

A Parents Building Solutions Program

Would you like tips and strategies to:

- Better understand and talk with your child?
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions and deal with conflict?
- Manage challenging behaviours?
- Parent anxious children?

Children with emotional intelligence:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- Show improved concentration at school
- Have fewer illnesses

When:

Wednesdays (6 evening sessions)
Oct 21st to Nov 25th 2020
7.00pm - 9.00pm

Where:

Online - Via Zoom

Cost:

Free of charge for parents in the Eastern Suburbs of Melbourne
(Bookings essential)

Bookings:

Julia at ParentZone on 9721 3629
or 0400 866 495

PARENTZONE



Calm Parents Happy Kids

**A Parents Building Solutions Program for
Parents of Children aged 2 to 12 years**

Do you want to:

- Learn ways to deal with anger and anxiety in your children and in yourself?
- Improve communication and relationships with your children?
- Discover strategies to manage challenging behaviour?
- Take care of your own emotional wellbeing and resilience?

Join us for 6 online sessions, learn valuable strategies, whilst taking some time out for you!

When: Thursday evenings (6 weekly sessions) 15th Oct to 19th Nov 2020

Time: 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Where: Online via Zoom

Cost: Free of charge for parents and carers in Melbourne's Eastern Region.

Bookings: Contact Sharon 0438 683 049
sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au

PARENTZONE



Dads Matter

Dad's at their best - helping children to thrive

Are you a dad who would like to:

- Better understand your importance in your child's life?
- Have agreements that work?
- Further develop your relationship with your young people?
- Get your head around what they need from you?

Come along to these 6 online sessions. Share strategies, strengths and stories. Take some time out for you and celebrate the importance of being a Dad!

When:

Tuesdays (6 evening sessions)
27th October to 1st December 2020

Time:

7.00 pm to 9.00 pm

Where:

Online - Via Zoom

Cost:

Free of charge. Bookings are essential.

Bookings:

Julia on 0400 866 495 or 9721 3629

PARENTZONE

This is a Parents Building Solutions Program

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