



## DIARY DATES

### APRIL

Fri 30 - 5/6 Interschool Sport-Away

### MAY

Mon 10 - 1/2 Scienceworks Excursion

Fri 14 - Prep Incursion  
5/6 Interschool Sport

**\*SATURDAY 15 - APPS OPEN DAY\***

Thurs 20 - Community Working Bee

Fri 21 - 5/6 Werribee Zoo Excursion

Mon 24-Wed 26 - G3/4 Camp

Fri 28 - 5/6 Interschool Sport

Mon 31 - Fri 4 June - G5/6 Camp

**TUESDAYS  
ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS @ APPS**

## DUE BY DATES:

### APRIL

Thurs 22 - Grade 3/4 camp payment

Wed 28 - Prep incursion

### MAY

Wed 5 - Grade 5/6 Camp

Wed 19 - Grade 5/6 Camp final payment

Thurs 6 - Grade 3/4 final payment

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AND NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE ON  
OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.**

## Principal's Report

### Welcome Back for Term 2

A warm welcome back to all for Term 2, I hope that you enjoyed a great school holiday, and the glorious weather we had in the first 10 days. I feel most fortunate that I was able to spend extended time with my family, and we enjoyed some time away on the mighty Murray River. Echuca is a lovely town to visit and has some great history to take in. I trust that our students enjoyed getting out in the fresh air and had plenty of time to recharge the batteries.

In Term 2 we can also look forward to many great school events such as: Education Week, Grade 3-4 Camp, Grade 5-6 Camp, Cross Country, the Mother's Day Stall, Winter Sport, School Aerobics competitions and with some luck, the School Disco. Most of our classes will also be attending and participating in some great incursions and excursions. I am greatly looking forward to a busy and productive term of learning!



### Easter Raffle

A very sincere thank-you to the whole Amsleigh Park PS school community for your support of our Easter Raffle in Term 1. We had over 30 prizes on offer, and this generated the regular amount of excitement for our students. I'm pleased to report that we made a handsome profit of about \$800.00 to add to our locally raised funds.

### Open Morning 2021

In 2021 we are holding an Open Morning on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May to promote the school to prospective parents. The target group are families for children in 3 or 4 year old kindergarten in 2021. On the day we will have student leaders doing some tours of our school, and lots of staff will be in attendance to answer questions and showcase our learning programs. It's really important that we continue to promote our school effectively, and make sure that everyone in our local community knows where we are located.

If you have friends who might be interested please encourage them to come along. There will be a jumping castle and FREE sausage sizzle for our little visitors. Existing families with children in pre-school are also welcome to come along, even if just to have some fun on the Jumping castle. As I have said before our best promotion is 'word of mouth' between parents, so we are ever reliant on our community to help out.

### School Garden Upgrade

Works are currently being completed the install artificial grass in our inclusion garden to fix up the mandala maze. The initial solution to paint the maze was not successful, and the contractor has been good to undertake these remediation works at their expense. Working around some wet weather this week, the contractor is hoping to finish ASAP. The artificial grass solution should provide a low maintenance space for years to come, and the bright colours look terrific.

### Swimming Program

Our swimming program is done for 2021. Many thanks to the parents who helped out during the program, your support of this vital program is really appreciated.

## Computer Upgrades

We follow an ongoing cycle of upgrades to our computer equipment, and recently added 20 new I-pads to the fleet. We are actually very well equipped across our whole school offering I-pads in Prep – Grade 2, Netbooks (mini laptops) in Grade 3/4 and Chrome Books in Grade 5/6. Our students get ample opportunity to use technology as a resource to support their learning, and are often very engaged in this aspect of the classroom program. To complement this our students also have subscriptions to Mathletics/Maths Seeds and Reading Eggs, which can be used both at home and school.

The use of technology as a key resource to support learning is important, as it can provide valuable opportunities to broaden understandings, consolidate learning from class and explore new skills and knowledge. It does not however take the place of effective instruction (teaching) in the classroom, and it is not intended as a tool for this purpose. It's an important distinction, and as a person who has always been very strong in advocating for technology, I also understand that it works best when it's used as a resource to support effective teaching. Our current fleet of nearly 200 iPads, laptops and PCs offers our students ample opportunities to access technology to support their learning.

## Library Helpers

Our Library Technician retired in 2020 and we have recently readvertised this part time position, and hope to appoint someone to the role very soon. In the past we have also been fortunate to have some volunteer parents helping out in the library, covering new books, and helping to keep it in shape. If anyone has some time to assist please let us know, we can always use some extra help.

## Front Garden Improvements

We have recently embarked on some improvements to our front garden areas, cleaning off the existing paved areas, and removing some old wooden seating. It's already looking better, and we'll continue to get this area back into shape over the coming months. At our next community working bee on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May we will focus on this area, removing some old foliage from the garden beds.

## OLD PCs for Free

After a recent upgrade in our STEM lab we have about 15 old desktop computers that are destined for the recyclers. If anyone would like one please come to school. They are still working and have a Windows 7 license. Contact the office and they will pass the message onto myself.

## School Uniform Reminders

Sun Smart ends at the start of May, but please be aware of the weather, which can be variable at this time of year. Hopefully we will still get some sunny days, and if so then a sun smart hat is a wise choice. The UV rays can still be just as strong as in summer.

As we head into the colder months lost property becomes a big challenge, with students often misplacing their jackets or windcheaters. Having these items of clothing clearly labelled is vital, as they can quickly be returned to their owner. We are sometimes surprised to see near new jackets in the lost property box without being labelled.

For girls who prefer to wear a school dress they must wear navy leggings rather than track pants under the dress. Wet weather jackets are OK, but they are not a replacement for a bomber jacket or windcheater.

Thanks in advance for assisting us to meet our uniform policy. We believe it's a fair and practical policy that offer lots of choices, without having unrealistic expectations. This policy is well supported by our non-profit uniform shop that is run for the benefit of everyone in our school community. Many schools no longer offer a uniform shop on-site and we are grateful to Libby Jumas who generously gives her time to provide this community service. It also means that our uniforms are a good deal cheaper, as we sell them at the wholesale price we pay for them.

## Annual General Meeting

Our AGM for 2021 is next Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm at school. If anyone is interested in attending please contact me and I can provide details. The Annual Report for 2020 is presented at the AGM, and will also be available to the community once it's been presented and approved by School Council.

That's all for this week, until next time.

*Michael Cormick*

Principal



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## Bec's Bulletin...

### Year 6-7 Transition 2021-2022

The state wide Victorian Government School Year 6-7 Transition process has commenced, with all year 6 students receiving their Transition Information Packs earlier this week. This pack included the 'Application for Year 7 Placement 2022' form, which all students, including those attending an independent school in 2022, must **return by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May**. Please ensure you have returned this form by the due date so your child's form may be sent off to the relevant secondary school in a timely manner.



If you would like your child to attend an Independent Secondary School, please contact them directly about the application and enrolment process, as they work with a different process than Government Secondary Schools.

If you are yet to decide on the secondary school you wish your child to attend, we encourage families to attend the Open Days and/or Nights of many secondary schools in the area to see the broad array of educational opportunities they may offer your child. Some of our local Secondary Schools have already had their open night for this year, however we encourage you to contact any schools you are interest in for a tour.

If Year 6 families have any queries about this process, please contact me at school and I'll be happy to answer your questions.



### Working Bee Save the Date– 20<sup>th</sup> May

Our Whole School Community Working Bee for the term is coming up next month on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> May at 3:30pm. It would be great to have lots of families come along to help out around the grounds, to keep our school looking great! We will have a complimentary sausage sizzle to reward our helpers. We hope to see you there.

### Resilience Project @ Home - Practicing empathy and kindness

The Resilience Project has given some ideas of how you can practice empathy and kindness at home with your family:

*With Anzac day approaching, what better time to practice empathy and kindness?*

*Check out this amazing video that tracks an act of kindness throughout a single day Kindness Boomerang - "One Day".* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwAYpLVyeFU>

*After watching the video, pick three people from your contact list on your phone and send them a message or call them. Ask them how they are going and thank them for something they have done for you. If you have some time, complete a random act of kindness for someone.*

*Here are some ideas to get you started:*

- Offer your seat to someone else on a train/tram
- Let someone in, in a traffic jam
- Compliment someone genuinely
- Hold the door open for someone
- Smile at someone you don't know
- Thank someone for helping you in the last few weeks

*Interested in delving deeper into the research behind being kind? See:*

[https://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/kindness\\_makes\\_you\\_happy\\_and\\_happiness\\_makes\\_you\\_kind](https://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/kindness_makes_you_happy_and_happiness_makes_you_kind)

## FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE...

### Family Account Information

Each time a new fee is processed to family accounts, (swimming, camp, etc) a statement will be sent home via email. You may notice two different types of credit notes listed on your statement. Regular credit notes can be applied to any outstanding invoices, including outstanding 2021 Essential Education Item fees. CSEF credit notes can only be allocated to invoices relating to camps, sports, excursions etc. All credit notes are shown with a negative symbol, -\$10.00. There may also be an unallocated receipt amount, this is also shown as a negative. These unallocated receipts are a result of a payment being made without the relevant paperwork handed in to notify us of what is being paid for.

**2021 Fees & Charges – Please carefully check if you have a credit /unallocated receipt amount on your family account that could be used to offset any outstanding fees. Please adjust your payment accordingly to avoid further overpayments.**

BPay is the preferred method of payment, followed by credit/debit card.

If you have any queries regarding your family account, please contact the office.

A reminder to please settle any outstanding fees as soon as possible. Let us know when you have made a BPay payment by sending an email to [amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au) to advise us which fees are being paid so the correct receipt allocations can be made.

**2021 Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)** – Eligible families can now claim the 2021 CSEF allowance. New families to the school who hold an eligible Centrelink pension or health care card should collect an application form from the office. We are required to sight and make a copy of your eligible card. Existing families who did not claim last year and have recently become eligible should also collect an application form from the school office. Families who claimed last year through our school do not need to complete another application form, the CSEF system uploads details from last year and will advise us if families are no longer eligible.

### Absences / Late Arrivals

A reminder that all absences should be reported first to the General Office. Admin staff process all attendance data, teachers are notified during this process. Absences can be notified by Xuno, email or phoning the school and selecting 1 when prompted to leave an absence message. Students arriving late to school must be signed in at the office by a parent. Please complete the sign in register, fill out a "Late Slip", hand this to your child so they can then proceed to their classroom and parents can then depart from the general office.

Thank you,

Karen Hogan  
Business Manager



### 2021 Term Dates

**Term 2** – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June

**Term 3** – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September

**Term 4** – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December



## ENVIRO STARS NEWS

### **Our Biodiversity audit on March 1st** by Gemma and Eloise

On March 1st the Enviro Stars had an amazing visit from one of the workers at CERES. We learnt all about Biodiversity from our incursion leader, Mairead. Mairead is our Resource Smart School Coordinator who is helping us to become a more sustainable school.

We were put in to little groups and counted different biodiversity features at our school. We counted understorey and shrubs (trees under 6 metres), canopy (trees over 6 metres), ground cover (what you find on the ground) and native animals.



At the end of our incursion, we brainstormed many different ideas of how we can increase our biodiversity at school.

We thought of bird/animal houses, frog ponds, more trees and shade.



### **Getting ready for Nude Food Days in Term 2** by Eloise and Gemma

Starting in Term 2 Week 2 (Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April), Amsleigh Park is going to have a Nude Food Day every Tuesday.

Nude Food is food without any sort of wrapper. It is food that is put in a container that can be reused. It means, **NO** cling film, aluminium or soft plastic eg. chip packets, wrappers etc. Soft plastic can be something that you can scrunch into a little ball.

On Tuesdays, during lunch and recess eating time, the Enviro Captains will be visiting each class to count how many students have brought Nude Foods to school.

In actual fact, we recommend you bring Nude Food to school everyday, as it is better for our environment and keeps Amsleigh Park clean and safe.

Nude food prevents our school yards from being filled with litter, little chip packets and paper everywhere on the ground because we'd use reusable containers, instead of creating more landfill.

Here are some ways to bring nude food to school and not to produce any waste:



## APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

### OPERATING HOURS - TERM 2 2021

Monday morning - 8:45am - 9:30am  
Tuesday afternoon - 3:00pm - 3:45pm

For counter sales, please pay first at the general office - credit card / eftpos payments preferred. Note that we do not offer "Tap" payments.

**Emailed orders for new Uniform items are still accepted and encouraged.**

Please download & complete a copy of our uniform shop order form and send to

[amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Any 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](http://www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au)

Libby Jumas  
Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator

## SALE - WINTER ITEMS



<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SIZES</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Discontinued Girls Bootleg Pants (Brand New)  Approximately 55 pairs in various sizes  Only available from the Uniform Shop whilst stocks last No exchange or refunds available on these items  Please see order form below for all other uniform shop items.	4 - 16	\$5.00

# THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

## AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL - UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Effective Term 2, 2021

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 Panelled Polo <u>SSP</u>	Navy/ Emerald	\$26.00													
Long Sleeve Panelled Polo <u>LSP</u>	Navy/ Emerald	\$28.00													
Surf T-shirt (No Collar) <u>STS</u>	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													
Girls Pants <u>SLP</u> Straight Leg Viscose/Nylon/Elastine	Navy	\$22.00													
Girls Skort Gab <u>SKTG</u> (Gabardine Fabric)	Navy	\$17.50													
<u>SKTC</u> 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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## APPS UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM

Effective Term 2, 2021

ITEM	COLOUR	PRICE INC GST	SIZE		QUANTITY		TOTAL \$ (INC GST)	Office Use ✓ Date Supplied
School Bag <b>SBAG</b>	Navy	\$35.00						
Art Smock <b>AS</b> Small Medium Large X-Large	Navy OR Emerald	\$15.00			Navy	Emerald		
Book Bag <b>BB</b> <i>Not required for Preps</i>	Navy	\$8.00						
Slouch Hat <b>HAT</b> (Tick size req'd)	Navy	\$10.00	SMALL 55cm	MED 57cm	LGE 59cm	XL 61cm		
Gloves – <b>G</b> Small or Medium	Navy	\$5.00	SMALL or MEDIUM		SMALL	MEDIUM		
Winter Tights <b>WT</b> Sizes 3-5, 7-9, 10-12	Navy	\$7.00						
Beanie <b>B</b> Child / Adult	Navy	\$5.00 ea	Child / Adult		CHILD	ADULT		
Scarf - one size <b>S</b>	Navy	\$5.00 ea	One size					
All items have been approved by Amsleigh Park Primary School Council – see Uniform Policy for further information.								
					TOTAL THIS PAGE \$ _____			

The uniform shop is located in the foyer of the Thelma Bailey Learning & Sporting Centre (Gym)

### UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS – Term 2 2021

Monday morning – 8:45am – 9:30am

Tuesday afternoon – 3:00pm – 3:45pm

Credit /Eftpos/Debit card payments must be made at the General Office  
prior to collecting uniform items.

ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

[www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au](http://www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au)

**IF YOU DON'T NEED TO ATTEND THE UNIFORM SHOP IN PERSON DURING OPERATING HOURS,  
PLEASE PLACE AN ORDER AS PER THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Write child's name, grade and date of order at top of order form.
2. Indicate quantity of items required per size and total cost for each item.
3. Scan (PDF) and email this completed form to [amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto: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. Completed forms can also be dropped in to the General Office.
4. Order will be processed and 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 and provided as soon as possible.



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Kind regards,  
**Rachael Mathews**

1st Floor, 191 Coleman Parade, Glen Waverley

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## VIRTUAL OPEN DAY

**Thursday 29 April — 7.00pm to 8.30pm**

### Virtual Tours

From 21 April, please visit our college website [www.mwsc.vic.edu.au](http://www.mwsc.vic.edu.au) to view our *virtual tours* of the Junior Campus and a range of college activities and programs.

### Online Open Night

Please join us on **Thursday 29 April at 7.00pm** for our streamed Principal's address and musical performances. These will be followed by an opportunity to meet some of our staff, who will be online to answer your questions about our school.



## Online Tutoring English & Mathematics

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Sub-Juniors (8-10 years)  
Wednesday 4.30 - 6.15pm

Juniors (11-13 years)  
Thursday 4.30 - 6.30pm

Intermediates (13-17 years)  
Tuesday 6 - 8.30pm

Seniors (16 years & over)  
Wednesdays 6.45 - 9.45pm



# Learn Drums !

here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play Drums here at Amsleigh Park Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from \$17.50 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 2.

Interested parents should contact Melissa during office hours on 9818 2333 or via email: [melissa@creativemusic.com.au](mailto:melissa@creativemusic.com.au)



Creative Music

[www.creativemusic.com.au](http://www.creativemusic.com.au)





# NetSetGo!

## Term 2

OAKLEIGH RECREATION CENTRE  
2A PARK RD, OAKLEIGH

### WEDNESDAY

4:30pm to 5:30pm

21st April - 23rd June

(10 weeks)

Cost \$132

+\$68 NV Membership  
(once a year)

REGISTER NOW



Girls & Boys  
5-10 yo