

SLEIGH PARK THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ



Term 4 Issue 1

Week 4

October 27, 2022

DIARY DATES 2022

NOVEMBER

Tue 1 – Melb Cup Day Holiday

M 14 - F 18 Book Fair

Thu 17 – Student Free Day

Sat 26 - State Election

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS

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DUE BY DATES:

Oct 20 - Book Club Issue 7 LOOP Orders close

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Principal Team Report

Day for Daniel

Each term our students undertake a special learning session from the Daniel Morcombe Curriculum focusing on personal safety. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation was established to promote child safety and support child education activities. As a non-profit organisation, they are reliant on donations,

and this year we are supporting Day for Daniel, which is officially Friday 28th October. The theme for 2022 is Brave Conversations Parents, carers, educators are encouraged to start α conversation children and young people about personal safety. If you would like to know more about the foundation, click on the following link to their website. https://danielmorcombe.com.au/



Thank You

https://danielmorcombe.com.a Child Safe Standards

In July 2022 the Child Safe Standards were revised in Victoria. In this instance the focus is on keeping children safe from any physical, emotional or sexual abuse. While most children in Australia grow up in families that provide them with environments where they are safe, happy and healthy, some children are the subject of maltreatment. Sadly the statistics show that 1:7 children in Australia experience child abuse. As a primary school we have a legal and moral responsibility to be a champion of child safety and make sure that we do everything we can to minimise the chance for this to occur.

Our school have developed a range of policies that outline the legal and moral obligations for our school. One very important requirement is to ensure we engage our community in understanding that child safety (keeping children safe from child abuse) needs the support and commitment of every adult. Coinciding with this newsletter we are sending out a digital copy of two important policies, the Child Safety Policy and the Child Safety Code of Conduct via XUNO. We encourage you to read the policies and be aware of this important issue.

World Teachers Day

Friday 28th October is World Teacher's Day and it presents as an opportunity to reflect and acknowledge the wonderful contribution our teachers make to our school. We are very fortunate to have a dedicated and caring staff who go the 'extra mile' for our students every day. I thank them sincerely!

School Disco

Our students put on heir boogie shoes on Thursday this week at our annual school disco. The entertainment was provided by Summer from 'Bop Til You Drop' who had all the kids up and dancing to their favourite songs. Huge thanks to the PFA and the many, many volunteers who assisted on the night to make this event another fun occasion. We really appreciate all the work and organisation to make this event such a success!

150 Years of Public Education

This year we are proudly celebrating 150 years of Public Education in Victoria. We have a great education system, and proudly educate 70% of all children in Victoria. Our system continues to evolve and improve through the dedication and commitment of many thousands of educators, and in many ways we lead the way in education in Australia. There's a great video on the Vic Gov website which gives provides an insight into the way schools have evolved. https://www.vic.gov.au/150-years-public-education-victoria



Why is the anniversary important?

- The Education Act of 1872 was the first of its kind in the world.
- The first in the Australian colonies.
- Education was free and compulsory, so the whole community would benefit.
- All children aged 6-15 years had to attend school unless they had a reasonable excuse.
- Education was secular. That meant there was no control by any church.
- In the last 150 years, a lot has changed. But public education remains a vital part of the Victorian community. This includes our schools, TAFES, kindergartens, libraries and archives.
- Victoria's oldest school which is still in operation today in Bacchus Marsh Primary School. It was built
 in the traditional Country of the Wada Wurrung people and opened in 1850. Europeans first arrived in
 the Country of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong peoples 15 years earlier in 1835. This area is
 now known as greater Melbourne.

A lot has changed since 1872, but the basic premise that children should be provided with a well-rounded education is still as relevant today as it was then. As you might expect it has evolved so that it continues to meet the needs of children in the ever changing world in which we live.

Soft Plastics

Our Enviro-Stars are a student group dedicated to helping Amsleigh Park to look after our physical environment and contributing to sustainability locally. The idea behind this group is to give our students a 'real voice' in their school community and empower them to propose and make change. Children in our school are concerned about the broader issues impacting the environment, especially the older students who can understand the complexities of matters such as climate change and waste management. One of the big issues identified by the Enviro-Stars is the amount of plastic and other waste that we produce. Rarely a week goes by when our 3m3 bin is not full of waste and this is staggering. Our yard



is often littered with packaging from daily snacks given to children. Recently our ES have started on an effort to help to address this matter and we commend them highly for this. Their initiative is to send home all soft plastic and packing so that families can take advantage of recycling in the community. From now on you might notice that your child has started to bring home this packaging in their lunch box or bag. In case you did not know, soft plastics can be recycled at supermarkets, so it could be a good opportunity to develop a new family habit. All you need to do is collect them in a plastic bag, then drop them off at the REDcycle bins at participating Coles or Woolworths supermarkets. Soft Plastics include bread, cereal and frozen food bags, plastic shopping bags, chip packets and other "scrunchable" plastic packaging. Want to learn more about what happens to this waste? Go to: https://redcycle.net.au/

Kiss and Go Parking

We ask that all parents observe the Kiss and Go parking out front of the school in State Street. Parents should not leave cars parked in this 2-minute zone at any time. The zone is used to drop children off at school who will then walk into school independently. If you need to walk your child into school please park in the other parking areas around our school.

Also, on the topic of Kiss and Go is the concern about cars idling in the parking bays at the end of the school day. It's an easy thing not to notice, but cars idling in this way are contributing to increased pollution both around our school and all across Melbourne. I would think that collectively this idling contributes more than we can imagine to air quality. Each of these vehicles is releasing a mix of carbon monoxide (CO), hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides (NO and NO₂) and other toxins that affect health and wellbeing.

The Book Fair is Coming Back in 2022

It's been a while, but we can once again look forward to the book fair which will be held from Monday 14th to Wednesday 16^{th} November in our school library. The Fair will be open daily between 8.15am -8.45am and 3.30pm -4.00pm.

Managing Distressing Student Events

From time to time our students can get involved in disagreements with friends and classmates which causes them distress. No-one likes conflict with others so it's common for children to go home feeling emotional after an event such as this. We understand that this does cause concern for parents and carers, who can also become emotional in seeing their child distressed. Every family will make decisions about how they handle these situations at home, and there is no 'one size fits all' model in what they do to support their child. However, when it comes to school there are some aspects that parents should follow no matter how upsetting a situation might be.

Here's what you should do:

- Contact your child's teacher to report what has happened. Sometimes children choose not to share this information prior to going home.
- Remember, you have only heard one side of the story. We are not suggesting it's not distressing for them, only that they will have their own memory about what has happened. Memory can be clouded be emotions.
- Try and remain calm, it rarely helps when adults show strong emotions in front of children and can even further increase a child's distress.
- Be patient while the matter is being resolved. Sometimes these situations are complex and need quite a bit of untangling.
- Trust us to manage the matter using our experience and knowledge of children. We will always seek to ensure a fair outcome emphasising safety and security for all.

We strongly encourage that you do not:

- Contact the parents of the other child to tell them of the distress they have caused your child or discuss. If it happened at school them let us handle it and trust that we will do what we think is best.

Never approach any child in our school who you believe has hurt or caused distress to your child. This is not acceptable and often it will cause further issues, and possibly increase conflict between adults. If you have concerns, please contact us before the school day and we will provide the child with support when they arrive at school.

What happens if I disagree with the schools decision or outcome?

Sometimes in working out the facts of any disagreement, there can be differing views on what happened and who was responsible. As a school we will exercise an independent view of the facts and then work out the best solution. The focus will be on ensuring children feel safe, knowing they will be supported and the matter will be addressed appropriately. We don't take sides and if we think a child needs to improve their behaviour this will be addressed. We hope in all these moments that you can trust us to act in the best interests of all of our students. Remember, it's also not appropriate for us to share the details of any disciplinary action towards another child, who is entitled to their privacy, just so this is understood. If you are still unhappy then you can follow the complaints policy.

Like it or not, most children will experience some kind of distressing event during their school life. Matters such as bullying, are more serious, whilst minor disagreements can quickly be resolved. Some children will shake it off quickly whilst others may not. In our view the best approach is to work in partnership with your teacher so that your child is supported.

Christmas Card Competition

Each year our local federal member of parliament, Mrs Clare O'Neil, sponsors a special Christmas Card design competition in her electorate. One design is chosen annually to be printed up as special Xmas cards and sent to everyone in the Hotham Electorate. The winning design and runner up also receive a small prize. We are inviting any Amsleigh Park PS students from our school to submit an entry. Please ensure your designs are scanned and submitted to: clare.oneil.mp@aph.gov.au. Alternatively, please mail them to PO Box 5295, Clayton, 3168. Please make sure designs are labelled clearly with the name of the student, their age, and school.

Michael Cormick

Bec Carr

PRINCIPAL

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ADMIN TEAM.....

2022 Parent Contributions - Family Account Information

Thank you to the families that have paid 2022 Parent Contributions. We greatly appreciate your financial support of our school. Please ensure <u>a completed Payment Advice Form is sent to the office</u> so invoices can be processed, and payments allocated correctly.

If you would like to contribute, please request a copy of the 2022 Parent Contributions paperwork from the office or download a copy from our website www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

Student Medications

A reminder that a Medical Action Plan, completed by a doctor, must be provided for any student medication (eg. Ventolin, Epi Pens, severe allergy medication) stored at the school office. We cannot store or administer any medication without an Action Plan containing instructions from a doctor. Parents are required to provide up to date Action Plans and inform the school office of any changes to a student's medical condition / action plan.

This does not however, include occasional antibiotics. Wherever possible, parents should request antibiotic prescriptions that can be taken at home, ie Antibiotics that are required 3 times per day can be taken at home in the morning, on return from school and again at bedtime. For students that do require antibiotics at school, a parent must complete a medication authority form when handing medication into the office. All medication must be stored securely at the office for the safety of all students.

It is recommended that students with hayfever etc. take their medication at home before school.

Absences / Late Arrivals

A reminder that all absences should be reported via Xuno. This ensures that Admin staff, who process all attendance data, including late arrivals and early exits are receiving the information in the first instance. Teachers are notified of the absence/late arrival during this process. If you wish to pass on any further information to teachers, please send them an additional email. If unable to report via Xuno, absences can be advised by emailing the General Office or phoning the school and selecting "1" when prompted to leave an absence message. Students arriving late to school must be first signed in at the office by a parent before going to class. Parents should complete the sign in register, fill out a "Late Slip" and hand this to their child who will proceed on their own to their classroom and give the late slip to the teacher.

School Emails – Check the email address you are sending / replying to

When contacting classroom teachers, or responding to their emails via Xuno, remember to double check the 'To' address.

Many emails meant for classroom teachers are arriving in the Amsleigh Park PS inbox, along with a huge number of other daily external emails. Replying to the school inbox may delay your communication being received by the classroom teacher in a timely manner and creates extra work for Admin staff.

When responding to a teacher's email, please refer to their email address that appears within their message and copy & paste that address into the address field.

Karen Hogan Business Manager



PS. We have a new eftPos terminal in the General Office, "Tap" payments now accepted, yay! 🕲



Xuno Information for families

Amsleigh Park PS uses Xuno as our main communication tool with families, including newsletter distribution, absence notifications, student reports, communication with your child's teacher, messages and reminders; and coming soon, permission forms and online payments.

Xuno is a web-based school management software that has a website portal for use in a browser and an App, 'Xuno Family" for use on smart phones or tablets.

It is easy to use and is a vital tool to keep our parents informed about their child/ren's school life and all things happening at Amsleigh Park.

Parents should use Xuno to notify the school of any absences, late arrivals etc. Bookings for "Get to Know You" & Parent Teacher interviews are also managed through Xuno.

Parents can also check and update their family contact details, student medical conditions and emergency contacts. It is critical that we have up to date medical & contact details for all students, so please check your details carefully and update if necessary.

<u>For new families</u> - On enrolment, you should have received a welcome email from Xuno (please check your junk folder if not received in your inbox), with information on how to create your Xuno account. Please follow the instructions and links in the email to create a Xuno account and password in your browser.

As Xuno is our main communication tool, it is important that all families are signed up so they are aware of our school information and events. Please contact the office if you require a Xuno welcome email to be resent.





Wondering what to do for your child's class to help celebrate their birthday?

Order a BIRTHDAY BUCKET and have a festive bucket delivered to your child's classroom just prior to lunch filled with either Zooper Doopers or Killer Pythons to ensure your child's birthday does not go by unnoticed.

Cost: \$15

Just fill out the below form and return it to the front office at least 1 week prior to the date you would like your birthday bucket delivered. We will take care of the rest!

Please contact the PFA with any questions: apps.parents@gmail.com

APPS - PFA BIRTHDAY BUCKET - ORDER / PAYMENT FORM
Please complete ALL details and return to the school office
Student name & grade name
Select One Zooper Doopers \$15.00 OR Killer Pythons \$15.00
Date Birthday Bucket to be delivered to classroom Payment by Credit/Debit card only-complete below or phone the office with your card details
Cardholders Name: Flease print clearly
Cardholders Contact Ph No: Date:
Signature: Amount:
Card number Card Expiry Date:/

APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

OPERATING HOURS – TERM 4 2022

Tuesday afternoons 3:00pm – 3:45pm

Over the Counter Sales Now Available - Masks strongly encouraged

Pay by Credit/Debit Card at the General Office prior to collecting items from the uniform shop

* Orders for new Uniform items can be emailed/dropped off to the general office

Payment by credit/debit card only

Please download & complete a copy of our uniform shop order form and send as a PDF to 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 also available on our website www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

Libby Jumas Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator

UNIFORM SHOP - 2nd HAND UNIFORMS & LOST PROPERTY

Thank you to the families that donate quality used uniform items back to the school. Please ensure that items are clean and have had any name labels/naming removed prior to dropping off the items. Second hand uniform items are only available to purchase during the Uniform Shop opening hours. We cannot take orders for second hand items, however requests for items to assist families experiencing financial hardship should be made at the General Office.

As stock relies on donations from parents, and changes regularly, there is no guarantee on availability of items. Stock of second hand items is currently very low, if you have any items that you are happy to donate back to the school, please drop them into the general office. Thank you

LOST PROPERTY - Sadly, there are many items in our lost property area in the canteen foyer. Named items are returned to class rooms by our wonderful volunteer helpers. Un-named items will be disposed of at the end of each term if not collected. Please ensure all of your childs belongings are clearly named and regularly check the Lost Property area if you are missing any items.

Thank you, Admin Team

AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL - UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Effective Term 3, 2022														
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Long Sleeve Panelled Polo	LSP	Navy/ Emerald	\$28.00											
Surf T-shirt (No Collar)	STS	Navy Size M-XL also avail	\$15.00											
Windcheater Size 6 -14 Size Small (16)	<u>WC</u>	Navy	\$24.00 \$28.00											
Bomber Jacket Size 4-14 Size Small (16)		Navy/ Emerald	\$37.00 \$42.00											
Shorts –Cotton Rugby (Unisex)	CRS	Navy	\$15.00											
Shorts- Gabardii Zip Pocket	ne <u>GS</u>	Navy	\$17.00											
Track Pants Double Knee-Unis Size 4-14 Size 16	<u>TPDK</u> ex	Navy	\$23.50 \$27.00											
Girls Pants Straight Leg Viscose/Nylon/Elastin	<u>SLP</u>	Navy	\$22.00											
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APPS UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM

Effective Term 3, 2022

ITEM	COLOUR	PRICE INC GST	SIZE		QUANTITY			TOTAL \$ (INC GST)	Office Use ✓ Date Supplied		
School Bag SBAG	Navy	\$35.00	N/A								
Book Bag <u>BB</u> Not required for Preps	Navy	\$8.00	N/A								
Slouch Hat <u>HAT</u>	Navy	\$10.00	SMALL M 55cm 57		_	LGE 59cm	XL 61cm				
Gloves <u>G</u>	Navy	\$5.00	4-6		7-10		12-16				
Winter Tights <u>wt</u> Sizes 3-5, 7-9, 10-12	Navy	\$7.00				'					
Beanie B Child / Adult	Navy	\$5.00 ea	Child / Adult		CHILD		ADULT				
Scarf - one size <u>s</u>	Navy	\$5.00 ea	One size								
All Uniform items have to Policy for further information		ed by Amslei	gh Park Pr	imar	y Sc	hool Co	uncil – see	e Uniform	•		
						TOTAL THIS PAGE \$					

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

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS - TERM 3 2022

Tuesday afternoons 3:00pm - 3:45pm

Second hand Uniform items only available during this time

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

> ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE 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

- Write child's name, grade and date of order at top of order form.
- Indicate quantity of items required per size and total cost for each item.
- Scan (PDF) and email this completed form to <u>amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> 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 into the General Office.
- 4. Order will be processed and uniform items and will be either sent home with your child or collected from the office if requested. 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.





APPS Wine Fundraiser 2022

Amsleigh Park Primary School has joined with Prospect Wines to offer a selection of 8 different wines to help raise funds for our school community.

The wines are sold under the "Prospect" label. They come from all major wine regions of Australia including but not limited to Adelaide Hills, Barossa Valley, Coonawarra, Clare Valley, Langhorne Creek, Limestone Coast, McLaren Vale Geelong, Heathcote, King Valley, Mornington Peninsula, Rutherglen, Yarra Valley, Margaret River, Griffith & Hunter Valley, plus the Marlborough region of New Zealand. Prospect Wines guarantee the quality of their wines and offer a money back service if you are not happy.

Perfect for Christmas Parties, corporate functions, Gifts or just to stock your personal wine cellar

Online Orders only. Minimum order is 6 bottles (can be all 1 wine, or any mix of different wines). Orders are delivered directly to your door and can be delivered Australia wide to most metro areas (standard delivery fee starts at \$9).

Click here for our online order page:

https://prospectwines.com.au/product/amsleigh-park-primary-school/

This link can be shares with family, friends and colleagues all around Australia





TERM 4NOTICES

MONDAY TOURS

Our weekly Monday tours of the College continue in Term 4. Guided by our approachable Principal, welcoming Registrar and informative Tour Guides, Monday Tours provide families an opportunity to learn about our facilities, curriculum, programs, and the brand new College Masterplan that's designing our future.



INFORMATION EVENING FOR FUTURE FAMILIES

We invite all prospective families, regardless of where you are on your enrolment journey, to our in-person November Information Evening for Future Families event. This night provides key educational material that unpacks the identity of the College. Register your attendance for Thursday, 10 November at:

salesian.vic.edu.au /book-a-tour

OUR NEW STRATEGIC PLAN

Our Strategic Plan outlines the direction of Salesian College to 2026. Working in collaboration with the community, including students, parents, staff, past pupils, Board Directors and the Salesians of Don Bosco, we have formulated our strategic intentions for our College community.

Watch the video and read about our future at:

salesian.vic.edu.au



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO APPLY

We're mindful of how the last two years have impacted families in our community. If you're still considering your Year 7 options, approach our Registrar Michelle Collins, mcollins@salesian.vic.edu to chat about your son's place at Salesian.



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MEET OUR NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – STUDENTS

Richard Bourbon joined us as the new Assistant Principal – Students in the beginning of Term 3, 2022. In the weeks that have followed, Richard has established himself as a core part of our school's Salesian fabric. His teaching and parenting styles are built from a foundation of respect and wellbeing, skills which have developed from working and living internationally. Richard shares the experiences he brings to Salesian College Chadstone in his interview on our College Blog.

Read the article at:

salesian.vic.edu. au/2022/09/qa-withrichard-bourbon/

Please chat to our friendly Registrar Michelle Collins via 9807 2644 if you have any queries.

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