



## DIARY DATES

### MAY 2023

**World of Maths**  
– Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> & Fri 12<sup>th</sup> May

**Grade 1/2s to Science Works** – Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> May

**Prep Mini-beast Incursion** – Wed 17<sup>th</sup> May

**Grade 4-6 Werribee Zoo Excursion** – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS @ APPS**

## DUE BEFORE DATES:

May 12<sup>th</sup> G4/6 Werribee Zoo Exc.

May 19<sup>th</sup> G3/4 Camp – Final Payment

May 19<sup>th</sup> G5/6 Camp – Final Payment

**COPIES OF ALL NEWSLETTERS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.**

## From the Principal Team



### Education Week

This week we are celebrating Education Week at Amseigh Park PS. The theme for this year is 'Active Learners: Move, Make, Motivate', which celebrates physical activity, hands-on learning and student voice in education.

We are proud to say that we are a school of active learners, and our students love their sport, learning in STEM and using their voice in the Student Representative Council and Enviro-Stars.

Thanks to all the families who visited us on our Open Night session on Wednesday evening. It was terrific to host this event once again, so parents and carers had the opportunity to come and have a look at our learning spaces. The event was very successful, and everyone had a great time looking at all of our classrooms and displays of student work.

We are immensely proud of Amsleigh Park, and work with a fantastic teaching and support staff who show care and dedication towards their students to high levels. Collectively we are proud to be State school teachers and support staff and work to make a difference for every child, every day. With wonderful students and supportive parents, I truly believe we are a model of what a great public school should be.

### World Of Maths Incursion

As part of Education Week our students enjoyed a fantastic incursion with World of Maths. During the session students were introduced to a range of fun and engaging problem solving tasks and worked in small groups to undertake these challenges. WOM provided all the equipment to complete these tasks making it loads of fun and super interesting. I caught up with some of the groups and they were doing an excellent job of solving some of the challenges.



'Hands on' Maths Learning and the development of problem solving skills are vital components of a well balanced Mathematics program so this opportunity has been well worthwhile.

Many thanks to Miss Maley who organised this event on behalf of our Mathematics team, it was loads of fun and a great way to engage the Mathematical minds of our students.



### Student Leaders

I want to say a heartfelt thanks to our wonderful Grade 6 Student Leaders who provided school tours during Open Morning this week. It's an Amsleigh tradition to ask our leaders to do this in their role and we know from experience that students make great ambassadors for our school. The tours went exceptionally well and the feedback from the parents and carers was glowing in their praise. It's great to hear this from visitors to our school and our leaders should be very proud of their contribution. They are all great role models for everyone at Amsleigh Park PS and we are lucky to have them at our school.

## Mother's Day Stall

Big thank-you to the parents and friends who ran our Mother's Day stall on Wednesday. It's one of those great traditions of school life and helps our students to appreciate that special person in their lives. The event takes quite a lot of organising as it involves purchasing the goods and then organising them for sale. I think it's great that students get the chance to do this rather than it be organised by another adult in their lives, so it's a highly valued opportunity. A Happy Mothers Day to all!

## SWPBS

Our students enjoyed their school wide positive behaviour support casual clothes day this week as a reward for the good work they do at school. All throughout each week at school our teachers give out tokens to students based around our school values; respect, inclusion, integrity, motivation and resilience. For example, the teacher might notice that a student is showing a particular value and then reward them for demonstrating this value. Lots of tokens are given out each week which can then be placed in one of the token boxes. When a token box is filled up all students get the reward they are working towards. This reward system is just one aspect of positive behaviour support and it is a good incentive for students to strive for their best.

## Using our School Grounds After School

We are happy for families and students to use the Amsleigh Park PS grounds after school and on weekends. As highly valuable open green space it's a great place to enjoy some outdoor recreation. To access the school grounds on weekends you should enter via the front gates near after school care building as most of the other gates will be locked. Many schools lock their grounds up on weekends out of the fear that they will be vandalised, but we have opted to keep them open rather than waste this great space. If you do happen to notice anyone up to no good please let us know or call the police if it looks serious.

During the school week we ask that students do not return to school until after 4.00pm so there is no confusion for the yard duty teacher who will be looking for any students who have not been collected.

## Walk to School Day

Each year about this time, children are encouraged to walk to school so they can develop a healthy lifestyle that includes plenty of physical activity. Known as 'Walk to School Day' this event reminds us that it's great to be out in the fresh air and that walking to school can contribute towards being a healthy and active individual. Walk to School Day for 2023 is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, so even if it's not your normal routine, maybe choose to walk to school that day just to test it out. Even if you drive to school you can always park a little further away and walk part of the distance.

## Department of Health Alert

A health alert has been issued by the Victorian Department of Health Chief Health Officer on Wednesday 12 April 2023 about the danger of consuming potentially poisonous mushrooms, particularly death cap mushrooms and yellow staining mushrooms. These mushrooms commonly grow in both metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria. You can view images of the 2 poisonous mushrooms on the Better Health Channel's Mushroom poisoning webpage. <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/healthyliving/fungi-poisoning>

The toxin in death cap mushrooms remains even after cooking, peeling or drying. If ingested, poisoning can cause nausea, stomach cramps and/or long-term liver damage resulting in death.

Yellow staining mushrooms look like field mushrooms commonly found in supermarkets but can be harmful if consumed. Symptoms experienced after consumption include nausea, stomach cramps, vomiting and diarrhoea. The severity of symptoms varies with the amount eaten.

Please remind your children, as will we at school, to not pick or eat wild mushrooms. Please let them know about the dangers of these mushrooms and reinforce to them not to touch any mushrooms they find. If they do find any at school, they should inform a teacher as soon as possible.

## COVID-19 Alert

We are detecting increasing cases of COVID-19 at Amsleigh Park. Please be aware that of this increase in cases. If children have any symptoms of COVID-19 they need to stay home until they are well to avoid any mass spreading in their class. WE are also trying to avoid extended teacher absences from school as well. We still have some limited supplies of rapid tests if families require them at the General Office. You may also still be able to get them through the local Library.



# THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

*From Miss Carr...*

## Outdoor Education



This term, there are many wonderful learning experiences planned for our students. Among these experiences, school camp and outdoor education are some of the most important and memorable for our students.

Having planned for both our Years 5/6 and 3/4 camps this term, we believe that outdoor education plays a vital role in a child's overall development. Not only does it provide an opportunity for children to explore and appreciate the natural world around them, but it also helps to build self-confidence, resilience, teamwork, and leadership skills. Our Grade 1s and 2s will experience their introduction to school camp later this year, with our Grade 2 sleepover and the Grade 1 late stay.

During school camp, our students have the opportunity to step outside of their comfort zones and take part in a range of challenging activities such as hiking, canoeing, and bush cooking. These activities help to foster a sense of independence, resilience, and self-confidence, which can translate into improved academic performance and personal growth. In addition, school camp provide an opportunity for our students to connect with each other and develop strong relationships with their peers.

As a school, we take great pride in providing our students with opportunities to experience the benefits of outdoor education. We are committed to ensuring that all students have access to these valuable experiences, regardless of their background or financial situation; so please get in touch with Michael or Bec if you'd like to discuss further supports. We encourage parents and carers to support their children in participating in school camp and other outdoor education opportunities, as we believe that they play such an important role in our students' personal and academic growth.

Thank you for your ongoing support with our Outdoor Education programs.

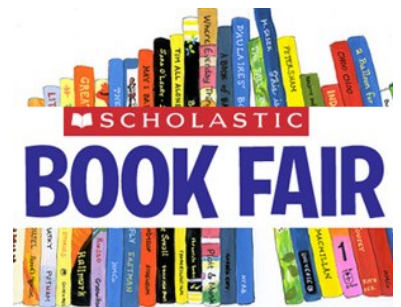
## Book Fair Competition

In the lead up to our annual Book Fair, Martin, our librarian is running a competition in which students can win a book voucher to spend at the book fair from 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> May.

It is a guess the teacher's favourite book competition, where students will try to identify which teacher is behind which book on the photo display outside the library.

Students will have a chance to enter the competition in the week prior to the book fair, as they visit the library with their class. All entries need to be submitted by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. The two winners will be the first correct entry drawn from Grades P-2 and then Grades 3-6.

Please encourage your child to have a go and put themselves forward for a chance to win a great prize!



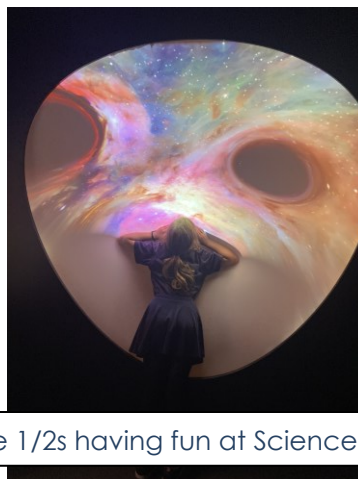
*Until next time...*

*Michael Cormick*

**PRINCIPAL**

*Bec Carr*

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**



Grade 1/2s having fun at Science Works.





## FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ADMIN TEAM.....

### Family Account Information

Thanks to the families that have paid 2023 Parent Contributions.

Please ensure that a **completed Payment Advice Form is sent to the office** so invoices can be processed, and payments allocated correctly.

Copies of the 2023 Parent Contributions letter and Payment Advice forms were sent out by email and are also available from the school office or on our website. [www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au](http://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.

Thank you,

Karen Hogan  
Business Manager



## APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

**OPERATING HOURS – TERM 1 2023**  
**Tuesday afternoons 3:00pm – 3:45pm**

**Pay by Credit/Debit Card at the Uniform Shop**

**Orders for new Uniform items can be emailed to the general office if unable to attend in person on Tuesday afternoons. – credit/debit card payments 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](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 the original packing slip 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

## UNIFORM SHOP – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 child's belongings are clearly named and regularly check the Lost Property area if you are missing any items.**

Thank you  
Admin Team

# THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

## AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL - UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Pricing Effective Term 1, 2023 (Mar 7 2023)

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 DELIVER ORDER TO CLASSROOM ☐ OR COLLECT FROM OFFICE ☐

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	SIZE 18 QTY	TOTAL COST \$ (INC GST)	Office Use ✓ & Date Supplied
Short Sleeve Polo <u>SSP</u> Size M-XL also avail POA	Navy/ Emerald	\$25.00										
Long Sleeve Polo <u>LSP</u> Size M-XL also avail POA	Navy/ Emerald	\$27.00										
Surf T-shirt <u>STS</u> (No Collar) Size M-XL also avail POA	Navy	\$15.00										
Windcheater <u>WC</u> Size 6 -14 Size Small (16)	Navy	\$24.00 \$28.00										
Bomber Jacket <u>BJ</u> Size 4-14 Size Small (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	\$23.00										
Girls Skort Gab <u>SKTG</u> (Gabardine Fabric)	Navy	\$17.50										
Girls Skort Cotton <u>SKTC</u> Size 4-14 Size 16-20	Navy	\$19.50 \$24.00										
Summer Dress <u>SD</u>	Navy & White	\$23.00										
** Bike Shorts Cotton/Lycra <u>BS</u>	Navy	\$12.00										
Art Smock <u>AS</u>	Navy	\$15.00	Small			Medium			Large			
* * Bike Shorts can only be worn UNDER a school dress. Not suitable as shorts			Total From Over Page								\$	
SECOND HAND ITEMS \$			TOTAL ORDER								\$	
Office Use Only Receipt #												Office Use
Credit Card / EFT \$												

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT Student Name & Grade \_\_\_\_\_

MasterCard or Visa only - Submit to General Office prior to collecting Uniform Order

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 1, 2023

ITEM	COLOUR	PRICE INC GST	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL \$ (INC GST)	Office Use ✓ Date Supplied	
School Bag <u>SBAG</u>	Navy	\$36.00	N/A				
Book Bag <u>BB</u> <i>Not required for Preps</i>	Navy	\$8.00	N/A				
Slouch Hat <u>HAT</u>	Navy	\$10.00	SMALL 55cm	MED 57cm	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 4-6 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				
All Uniform items have been approved by the Amsleigh Park Primary School Council – see Uniform Policy for further information.							
Please ensure you are using a current version of this order form – prices are subject to change without notice, previous versions may have incorrect pricing.				TOTAL THIS PAGE \$ _____			

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

### UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS - TERM 1 2023

**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. "Tap" payments now available.

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 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.



## Information for families

Since the beginning of 2021, Amsleigh Park commenced using Xuno as our main communication tool with families, including newsletter distribution, absence notifications, student reports, communication with your child's teacher, messages and reminders, permission forms and online payments.

Xuno is a web-based school management program 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.

Bookings for "Get to Know You" & Parent Teacher interviews are also managed through Xuno. Parents can use Xuno to notify the school of any address/contact detail changes, absences, late arrivals, upcoming family holidays etc.

For new families - 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 school information and events.**

Please contact the office if you require a Xuno welcome email to be resent.

Thank you,

Amsleigh Admin Team





# RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY



**Our school\* is taking part in the  
Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.**



Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points  
to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty  
bread bags and send them to school\* with your kids!  
We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection  
box and post them off to be recycled. The more we  
collect the more points our school\* earns!

**Collections close 7th July.**

**Tip for collecting:**

Use one empty bread bag  
to collect a bunch of other bags.

**Did you know?**

Last year, schools collected over  
**10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the  
weight of an elephant!

**LET'S GET COLLECTING!**

\* Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.



Tag **@wonder.australia** **#wonderrecyclingrewards**  
to share all your recycling champion stories!





## BREAKING THE CYCLE



### DO YOU FEEL

**Threatened, frightened or even controlled by your son or daughter?**

**Are family members and younger siblings feeling scared?**

**Feeling anxious, isolated, ashamed, resentful...?**

Breaking The Cycle is a six-week program developed by Anglicare Victoria that supports mothers, fathers, stepparents and carers of adolescents aged 10-17 that are abusive or violent in the home.

**When** 13 July – 31 August  
10am-12pm

**Where** Wellington Child & Family Hub  
55 Shaftsbury Drive  
Mulgrave

### **Cost**

Free (Bookings Essential)

### **For enquiries or to book:**

Monash Family Services

0427 208 367

[FamilyServices@monash.vic.gov.au](mailto:FamilyServices@monash.vic.gov.au)

### **Feedback from participants**

They report the violence stopped or significantly reduced and the group has provided them with ideas for change or ways of handling their situation differently.

The program is open to families that reside in or are connected to the Inner East (Monash, Boroondara, Whitehorse and Manningham).



## AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# 2

Starting in Term 2, Soccer X will be running an **8-week Soccer program** at Amsleigh Park Primary School every **Monday** from **3:30pm - 4:30pm** beginning **May 1st 2023**.

The program is available to students from **Prep - Year 6**

On arrival children will be split into groups according to age.

All sessions will be run by **qualified coaches** who hold WWCC.

The sessions will be **fully inclusive & fun-based**, catering for all abilities.

Cost: \$135 / 8-weeks.

For more information and online registrations please visit [www.soccer-x.com](http://www.soccer-x.com) and select **School programs**

Please contact us via email for further enquiries: 0469879200/ [dabr@soccer-x.com](mailto:dabr@soccer-x.com)





## Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card AND an eligible Centrelink payment\*
- ✓ Be studying yourself OR have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)\*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

\*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



laptops & tablets



uniforms & shoes



books & supplies



sports fees & gear



lessons & activities



camps & excursion

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:



Jade or Sharon



[enquiriessp@berrystreet.org.au](mailto:enquiriessp@berrystreet.org.au)



1300 610 355

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**BERRY STREET**

Find out more  
at [saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.





THE COPTIC COMMUNITY OF OAKLEIGH  
INVITES YOU TO OUR ANNUAL

# COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

**3 & 4 JUNE, 2023**

**11AM - 5PM**

**136 DRUMMOND ST, OAKLEIGH**

**RIDES PRIZES**  
**PETTING ZOO**  
**FACE PAINTING**  
**COFFEE DESSERT**  
**STAGE PERFORMANCES**  
**CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP**  
**MARKET STALLS**  
**PLUS MORE!**

