



## DIARY DATES

### JULY 2023

### AUGUST 2023

**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> – 100 Days of Prep  
Presentation Night  
4.30 – 5.30**

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

### DUE BEFORE DATES:

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

## **From the Principal Team**

### **Welcome Back for Term 3**

A warm welcome back to all members of the Amsleigh Park Primary School community for Term 3. I trust that everyone enjoyed a great break away from the rigours of school life.

In Term 3 I always talk about it as the 'hardworking term.' It's a term of consolidation in which our students can make increased gains in their learning and use the improvement areas from their mid-year report to set challenging learning goals. Our students should start to accelerate in their learning by focusing their efforts every day at school. Parents can support this endeavour by checking in with their child/ren as the term progresses and reinforcing the need to do their best every day and persevere when challenged.

### **Mid-Year Reports**

Student Reports were distributed in Term 2 and offer parents and carers a great chance to celebrate the achievements and progress their child/ren made at school so far in 2023. I enjoyed reading the wonderful general comments from class teachers, and I appreciate how personalised our reports are. It is important to celebrate each child's progress at school, which helps to build their self-esteem and learning confidence.

### **The school production 2023**

There is a lot to look forward to across Term 3 with our annual School Production high on our list of exciting learning opportunities. The production for 2023 is 'Legend of the Living Library' will be performed on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August at Salesian College. All classes will once again participate in the production through a dancing/singing performance. Costumes, lights and a vibrant soundtrack will also be part of the fun. As in past years we run a very tight production schedule so that this event does not interfere with other learning programs. Students start learning songs in Week 3 and progress from there. Thank-you to the many parents, carers and grandparents who have volunteered to assist with the production, we really appreciate it.



### **Somers Campers**

I want to say a hearty congratulations to our Somers Campers for 2023. Sixteen students from our Grade 5-6 classes took part in this very special experience offered every two years by the Department of Education. Somers Camp is a Department of Education primary school focusing on outdoor education and every two weeks they take on a group of 160 students from different networks across Victoria. The camp runs for 8 nights – 9 days so participants get the opportunity to build their skills over an extended period. Speaking with the students I'm so pleased to hear about their experiences and how much they enjoyed the opportunity.



## 200 Nights of Reading

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

## The Grade 3-4 Camp

In the last week of Term 2 our Grade 3s and 4s had a great experience at Camp Manyung in Mount Eliza. The weather was reasonable, and our students enjoyed two fun days of outdoor education challenges including the Giant Swing, Tree Rolling, Tree Climb and Bike Riding. One thing that I noticed was the way our students accepted the principle of 'challenge by choice' and many of them gave things a go, even if they were feeling nervous. The giant swing was one such activity and I was proud to see the way they tackled this challenge. It is these moments that help to build a depth of resilience and courage. Being on camp is a great opportunity to build self-confidence and self-reliance in a supportive environment.

Having a great camping program is a big plus for our school and we are indebted to the staff and parents who helped out. The 3-4 team included Mrs Jonga, Miss Colacitti, Ms Brown, Miss Vella, Mrs Kwong, Vicki and Mr Cormick, with great support from parents, Michael Meyborg and Pat McGlenchy. Sincere thanks to this great team who all worked hard to make it a safe, enjoyable and memorable experience for our students.

## NAPLAN 2023

The results of NAPLAN testing for 2023 came out this week and we are pleased to see that our students in Grade 3 & 5 were successful. Our whole school results for 2023 were excellent and we were above 'Similar schools' in 5 of 6 areas. (Similar schools = schools with similar demographic as our school. It's a key measure of success for NAPLAN testing and a chance to compare our results)

In 2023 the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) have released a new set of proficiency standards for NAPLAN.

These are:

- **Exceeding:** the student's result exceeds expectations at the time of testing.
- **Strong:** the student's result meets challenging but reasonable expectations at the time of testing.
- **Developing:** the student's result indicates that they are working towards expectations at the time of testing.
- **Needs additional support:** the student's result indicates that they are not achieving the learning outcomes expected at the time of testing. They are likely to need additional support to progress satisfactorily. It will be the clear responsibility of schools to ensure these students are provided with the additional support needed to progress satisfactorily, informed by NAPLAN results, other school-based assessment data and teachers' knowledge of these students.

This change will give schools, parents and carers clearer information that details student achievement against new proficiency levels.

Students' NAPLAN reports will continue to show how they are tracking in comparison to their peers and provide an indication of their skill levels against national averages and where we would expect them to be in order to get the most out of schooling. This provides valuable information to teachers about how we can continue to support your child.

Each set of NAPLAN results is an important milestone but it's also important that students know that one result does not define them – these results are about making sure every student gets the support they need so they can continue to get the best from their learning.

## Bogan Bingo Night

Big thanks to our Parents and Friends for organising our latest social event for 2023. By all accounts the Bogan Bingo night was a lot of fun and took many folk back to the gold ole days of the 80s and 90s. It's not only kids who love a good dress up and it was great to hear about the wild and wacky costumes worn on the night.

Until next time...

*Michael Cormick*

PRINCIPAL

*Bec Carr*

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

## UNIFORM SHOP IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please note, during Term 3 the Uniform Shop will be  
**closed for counter sales**  
from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July and will re-open on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August.

During this time, online orders will be accepted.  
**Once per week,**  
orders will be completed and sent to your child's classroom.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

## 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





Happy  
Birthdays!

to all students  
with birthdays in July



## APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

**OPERATING HOURS – TERM 2 2023** **CLOSED FOR COUNTER SALES UNTIL AUG 15th**  
**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 you regularly check the Lost Property area if you are missing any items.**

Thank you,  
Admin Team



# THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

## APPS UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Effective Term 3, 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> <small>Not required for Preps</small>	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 3 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

## Learn to play the Guitar at School in 2023.

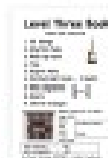
Classes available during  
class time

\* Lesson day - Wednesday

For students  
in Gr 3 to 6.

### *Innovative and Modern Guitar Program.*

- Guitar Lessons are held at the school.
- For students in Gr 3 to 6.
- Modern, classic and fun songs taught in guitar lessons.
- Learn songs from Taylor Swift, AC/DC, Ed Sheeran etc.,
- Structured Program written by Paul Varone.



Hard copy version

E-book version (iPad)

If you would like more information, please call/sms Paul Varone on  
0411 123 655 or email [pvarone1@bigpond.com](mailto:pvarone1@bigpond.com)



## **GUITAR TUITION** **ENROLMENT FORM**



### **Guitar Teacher - Paul Varone** **Guitar Lessons held at** **the School.**

Guitar lessons are available at the School.

Innovative and Modern Guitar Program. (Students in Gr 3 and higher)

- Over 25 years experience.
- Modern, classic and fun songs taught in guitar lessons.
- Guitar lessons are easy to follow, modern and affordable.
- Structured program.

If you would like your child to participate in the program, please complete the slip below and send photo to 0411 123 655 or email and scan form to [\*\*pvaronel@bigpond.com\*\*](mailto:pvaronel@bigpond.com)

Instructor's Name: Paul Varone

Telephone: 0411 123 655

Email address: [\*\*pvaronel@bigpond.com\*\*](mailto:pvaronel@bigpond.com)

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: (M) \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the guitar program.

For more details regarding current tuition fees, please contact Paul Varone on 0411 123 655.





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## BOOK A WEEKLY MONDAY MORNING SCHOOL TOUR



### WEEKLY MONDAY MORNING SCHOOL TOURS

Guided by our approachable Principal, welcoming Registrar and informative Tour Guides, our weekly Monday Tours provide families with the opportunity to learn more about our outstanding 2022 Results, College facilities and our broad curriculum and program offerings.

Book an in-person Monday tour via [www.salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/](http://www.salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/)



### GUYS & DOLLS COLLEGE PRODUCTION SAVE THE DATE!

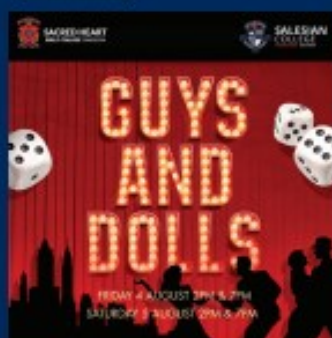
You don't want to miss Sacred Heart Girls' College and Salesian College Chadstone's 2023 co-production of "Guys and Dolls".

Performance Times:

4-5 August 2023, 2pm & 7pm

Alexander Theatre, Monash University, Clayton

Book now via [www.monash.edu/performing-arts-centres/event/guys-and-dolls/](http://www.monash.edu/performing-arts-centres/event/guys-and-dolls/)



### IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO APPLY FOR YEAR 7, 2024

We are mindful that deciding on a high school is a big decision. If you're still considering your Year 7 options, approach our Registrar Michelle Collins, [mcollins@salesian.vic.edu.au](mailto:mcollins@salesian.vic.edu.au) to chat about your son's enrolment at Salesian College.



### INFORMATION EVENING FOR FUTURE FAMILIES

The evening offers prospective parents a valuable opportunity to gain a deep understanding of Salesian's core values and 'specialised boys' only balanced approach. Meet our College Principal Mr Mark Ashmore, students and Assistant Principals across all College areas and learn more about how we guide our boys to achieve their full potential in a safe and inclusive learning environment.

Register your attendance for our upcoming 2023 Information Evening on Monday 31 July via [www.salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/](http://www.salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/)

### KICK LIKE A PRO & MAKE NEW FRIENDS AT OUR LIVERPOOL FC AFTER SCHOOL SOCCER CLINICS!

Our weekly on-field sessions under LFC Academy accredited coaches are designed to complement club football commitments.

Ages: 6-16 years  
Boys & Girls

Day: Monday

Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Location: Salesian College  
10 Bosco St  
Chadstone

Don't miss out and book your spot today via [www.salesian.vic.edu.au/about-us/community-partnership/](http://www.salesian.vic.edu.au/about-us/community-partnership/)



View our full 2022 Highlights and Results via [salesian.vic.edu.au](http://salesian.vic.edu.au)



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## 'Find out why I'm good at maths and love reading!'

Your child can strengthen essential maths and English skills with Kumon.

Contact your local Kumon Centre to hear how we can support your child's learning.

**FREE TRIAL AUGUST 2023**  
**KUMON OAKLEIGH EDUCATION CENTRE**

142-144 Drummond St, Oakleigh

Instructor: Priya Shetty

Mobile: 0439 774 927

<http://au.kumonglobal.com>





## Dads Matter

### Dads 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:** Mondays (6 evening sessions)  
31 July - 4 September 2023

**Time:** 7.00pm to 9.00pm

**Where:** Online - Via Zoom

**Who:** Dads

**Cost:** Free (Bookings are essential)

**Bookings:** [Click here to book](#)

**Questions:**  
Deborah at Parentzone 9721 3629 or  
[deborah.trengove@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:deborah.trengove@anglicarevic.org.au)

## PARENTZONE



## Parenting Anxious Children

**A Parents Building Solutions Program  
for Parents of 4 to 12 year olds**

**Are you a parent who wants to:**

- Discover how anxiety develops throughout childhood?
- Learn parenting strategies to help your child cope with anxious feelings?
- Teach your child the skills of resilience so they can bounce back from adversities?
- Communicate better with your child?

Join this interactive 6 week program to learn strategies, share stories and take some time out for you

**When:** Tuesdays (6 afternoon sessions)

**Dates:** August 1st to September 5th 2023

**Time:** 1:00 to 2:30pm

**Where:** Online via Zoom.

**Cost:** Free for parents and carers living in Melbourne's Eastern Region.

**Registration:** [Click here](#)

**Enquires:** sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au

**Please Note:** we have limited places so please only register if you can attend all 6 sessions. You will also need to log in on a device with video and audio in order to participate.

## PARENTZONE

## 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).