



DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER 2023

Wed 22 – Prep 2024 Transition Session 2 9:15am-10:30am

Wed 29 – Prep 2024 Transition Session 3 9:15am-10:30am

DECEMBER 2023

Tue 5 – Grade 6 Luna Park

Wed 6 – Prep 2024 Transition Session 4 9:15am-10:30am

Thu 7 – Grade 6 Graduation

Mon 18 – Christmas Carols

Wed 20 – Last Day of Term 4

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

DUE BEFORE DATES:

Monday 27th Nov-Grade 6 Hoodies

Tuesday 28th Nov- Grade 6 Luna Park

Fri 1 Dec –G5-6 2024 Camp Deposit

COPIES OF ALL NEWSLETTERS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.

Principal Team Report

Foundation Transition 2024

It was a great pleasure to welcome our new Foundation students and their families to Amsleigh Park PS on Wednesday 15th November. It's always lovely to see the excited faces of our pre-schoolers as they arrive with great anticipation of going to 'big school.' As you will have noticed Prep has been renamed as Foundation which brings us into line with the Department of Education. It does not roll off the tongue as easy so our Foundation students will be known by their short form 'Foundies.'

This is the first of five transition sessions for our new Foundies starting in 2024. The first week includes activities in the classroom and a specialist session all designed to familiarise children with our school environment. During this week's transition session, parents and carers attended an information session about our school. We were pleased to outline lots of information about Amsleigh Park PS as the journey starts for each family. We have another four sessions to come so there is a lot more for our Foundies to experience in preparation for their school life.

Performance Assembly

We had a huge performance assembly on Thursday this week with many classes involved in showcasing their musical, singing, dancing and Aerobics Skills. The performances included some fun traditional dances, the Hokey Pokey & Chicken Dance by our Preps, recorder and instrumental ensembles from Grade 4-6, a special Tongan work song by Grade 2s, all capped off nicely with the Leigh Club singing Levitating by Dua Lipa.

Our aerobics teams also showcased their routines from 2023 with one team winning the State Championship in their division and the other winning the Spring Challenge.

It was a great morning of entertainment all performed in front of a full house of parents and carers. Congratulations to our students for their fantastic performances and many, many thanks to the wonderful Mrs Kennedy for organising the assembly. We look forward to having more regular performance assemblies in 2024 and they will be more spread out.



Class Structure 2024

Planning a fair and equitable class structure for 2024 is underway. Through this process we must decide on the number of classes required at each level, so we can provide an optimal learning environment for all. There are several considerations we must make when planning our class structure which include:

- Government funding – All schools are funded for the number of students enrolled and we need to have staff for classroom, specialist and support programs
- The number of students in each year level
- Class size and equity for all
- Organisation of the Curriculum

Of course, the key factor in all schools will always be quality teaching, so whilst the grade structure is important, we know that it is not as important as the work our teachers do every day.

From Miss Carr...

Whole School Transition

As our students progress from one Year level to the next, it is important that they feel prepared for what lays ahead. Our Whole School Transition Program supports our students with their level-to-level transition, through multiple sessions, over late November and through December. During these visits, students go as a cohort to spend time in the next year level's learning spaces, with the current teachers of those levels. Here the students get to know other teachers and the key differences between their current year level and the one ahead. Students have a chance to ask questions and get to know students they may not have been in a class with before. The program culminates with our Smart Start session on Tuesday 12th December, where students will meet with their 2024 grades and teachers where possible. The program begins with our first session on Thursday 30th November.



Student Late arrivals / early exits



A reminder to families that when a student arrives late to school, they must come via the office and be signed in by a parent. It is important we have an accurate record of who is on site at school at all times, to ensure we can keep all of our students safe. Similarly, if a student needs to leave early as happens from time to time, parents must sign their children out at the office and Admin staff will call for the student to come to the office. Thanks for your help with this procedure.

No 'nuts' at Amsleigh park PS

Amsleigh Park PS has several students who have serious nut allergies requiring the use of an epi-pen if experiencing a reaction. For this reason, we would like to remind everyone not to pack nuts or nut-based products for students to eat at school. This includes peanut butter and Muesli bars that contain nuts. Students can look forward to enjoying these foods at home. We greatly appreciate if families can support us to maintain a safe environment by ensuring they do not send such foods to school.

PLEASE



**NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS**

Celebrating Our Specialist Programs

In my very humble opinion specialist programs can be underrated in primary school, but this would not be what our students say. In fact, when you ask the students about their favourite parts of school life they often mention one of these programs. At Amsleigh Park PS we are fortunate to run a fantastic range of specialist programs that include Physical Education, Art, German Language, Performing Arts and STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Maths). We are proud to offer a range of specialist learning programs which broaden the educational experience for each child. It is also an important confidence builder and enables students to shine in an area in which they have special talents. In 2024 our specialist programs will be broadened as the Department of Education has increased the amount of time teachers have to undertake preparation and planning. As a result, all students will now participate in a full year of STEM rather than one semester as it has been for the past few years.

Our specialist programs are also complemented by lots of extra-curricular programs such as; Inter-school Sport, Camps, Aerobics, Bike Education, Mathematics Extension, School Production, Leigh Club, State Schools Spectacular and so on.

I'm inviting everyone in our community to join me in celebrating our wonderful specialist learning and extra-curricular programs, and hope that you can see the value of this important learning for children. I also want to acknowledge our dedicated specialist teachers who make it all possible, we are most fortunate to have your expertise and skills in our school community.



Until Next time...

Michael Cormick
PRINCIPAL

Bec Carr
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

OPERATING HOURS - TERM 4 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

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

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 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

AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL - UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM

Pricing Effective Term 4, 2023 (October 2 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 #			Credit Card / EFT \$								Office Use	

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 4, 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> <u>Not required for Preps</u>	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 4 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 or Uniform Shop **prior to collecting/receiving uniform items. "Tap" payments now available.**

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 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.
- 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, event approvals 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



Registrations now open!
Kids Fun Run with Puffing Billy
26 November 2023
@ Gembrook Station
All funds raised support the
Monash Children's Hospital
Childhood Cancer Research Teams



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for registration details
<https://www.emeraldrotary.org.au/page/kfrwpb>



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8-11 years

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-  **Perspective Taking**
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