



Term 2

Issue 4

Week 7

May 30, 2024

DIARY DATES

MAY 2024

Fri 31 – G1-2 Melbourne Zoo
Fri 31 – Interschool Sport Rd 3

JUNE 2024

Mon 10 – Kings Birthday
Public Holiday

Fri 14 – 5/6 Winter Gala Day

Thu 20 – PFA School Disco

Fri 21 – Foundation Cultural
Explosion Dance Incursion

Fri 28 – Last Day Term 2
Early finish at 2.30pm

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS
@ APPS

DUE BEFORE DATES:

Fri 14 June – Book Club Iss 4
Orders close

COPIES OF ALL NEWSLETTERS ARE
AVAILABLE ON
OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Principal Team Report

Our Fantastic Camping Program

Our grade 3-6 students have now attended their annual school camp as part of our Outdoor Education Program for 2024. Having the opportunity to attend a camp in a highly supported environment is an excellent learning experience, building independence, self-reliance and self-care routines. Having attended the recent Grade 3-4 camp, I observed that our students generally thrive in this experience, even though it can be a challenge to be away from the security of home.

At Lady Northcote, our students enjoyed activities that included the giant swing, canoeing, bush cooking, orienteering, initiatives (teamwork) and bike riding. All are 'challenge by choice,' meaning that students are not forced to participate, but most did challenge themselves. The giant swing is a good example of this where you can go up a short way or right to the very top at 21m.

The 3-4s for 2024 were an outstanding camp group and we hope they all had a great experience. I personally enjoyed spending some quality time with them and helping to support their individual growth and development. I want to say well done to our campers and congratulate them on their participation and efforts.

Many thanks to the teaching staff who attended which included: Mr Darlow, Miss Colacitti, Miss Brown, Miss Maley, Miss Hayes; our education support staff Louise, Vicky and Josef; and finally, Pat McGlenchy, who generously gave up his time to come along and assist as a volunteer parent. I sincerely appreciate your dedication to our students but providing this experience. It's a lot to give up time from your personal lives and I thank you all sincerely. Later this year our Grade 2s will have the chance to do the sleepover at school for 2024, and our Grade 1s will do a late stay. Both are valuable preparation for the camping program.



Get ready to Boogie!

The annual school disco will be held on Thursday 20th June so please save the date for this annual school event. Our Parents and Friends Association have organised a night of fun and we hope that our students come along. Many thanks to the PFA who get this kind of event organised, I know from experience that it is a very popular night.

The Annual Report for 2023

We completed the annual general meeting on Monday 27th May to present the Annual Report for 2023. It is now posted on our school website for anyone who would like to read it. There is a lot to celebrate in our annual report as shown by the range of data published. The annual report format is set by the Department of Education and all schools report on the same data sets. As you will see we compare favourably.

Website Link: https://amsleigh.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/arc_2023_5428-1.pdf

Beating the Winter Chills

Unfortunately, we have experienced a lot of illness across our school in the past few weeks, with COVID-19 on the rise again and other nasty colds and tummy bugs going around. Schools always go through these times, so it is not unexpected. Given our staff work directly with students every day, they are highly susceptible to catching these illnesses too and (just like students) must be away from school when they are ill. We understand that it can be disruptive when the teacher is absent but it's not something we can avoid. Wherever possible we get relief teachers, but there is a nationwide shortage of teachers, so they are not always available. We hope you can understand this situation and we appreciate your patience.

One thing parents and carers can do to help is to make sure children are not sent to school when they are sick as this is the main reason that we get these illnesses spreading. Children typically need a few days off with a cold to get over the highly infectious stage, and at least five days for COVID. If children have a tummy issue, then they should not return until after 24 hours since last being sick or having diarrhoea. I say this as we are currently sending children home every day who are miserable and not feeling well due to illness. All we can do is work together as a community to try and keep it to a minimum. Hopefully the current surge will soon be over.

Excursions and Bus Costs

We would like to inform parents and carers that the cost of hiring buses for excursions and sports continues to be a challenge. It does concern us to see these increases and we always shop around for good value across the range of companies we normally use. Rest assured there is no compromise on the quality of the buses we hire which are all seat belted coaches. When we organise sport or excursions, we only charge what it costs our school which is normally the bus fare, the price of the event or venue being visited. If a child did not attend an excursion or event due to illness and where we have not incurred costs, we will refund that money. This is decided on a case-by-case basis as detailed in our refunds policy. We do hope that you can understand that providers will often not change the prearranged costings and we are obliged to pay even if a student did not attend. It's much the same as if you purchased a ticket to a sporting match and could not attend at the last minute, where you will not get a refund if you don't attend. Details of our refund policy can be found on our website: <https://amsleigh.vic.edu.au/governance/>

Book Fair



Two weeks ago, Amsleigh Park was lucky enough to have a Book Fair! Many students and families enjoyed the opportunity to come to the library and browse through a range of books and posters. It was lovely to note the excitement from the students at new books and the desire to read. A huge thank you to Martin, our librarian, and the parent, carer and staff volunteers who helped to process sales and make the fair a success. A benefit of hosting the fair, is that based on the book sales we had, we will receive approximately \$1500 of books for our school library. We are happy to take any feedback you might have about the book fair, please send it through to amsleigh.park@education.vic.gov.au and mark it 'book fair feedback.'

6-7 Transition Update

Thank you to all year 6 families for returning the Year 6-7 transition forms by the due date. All forms have now been forwarded to the relevant secondary schools, applying for enrolment. As per the state-wide timeline, families will be notified on Wednesday 17th July of their placement offer for Government Schools. Please contact Trish Jones patricia.jones@education.vic.gov.au if you have any queries about the process.

Until next time,

Michael Cormick
Principal



Bec Carr
Assistant Principal



FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ADMIN TEAM.....

Family Account Information

Thank you to the families that have paid 2024 Parent Contributions. We appreciate your support of our school.

A copy of the 2024 Parent Contributions Information letter is available on 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 attendance 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 also 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 2 2024
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 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 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 2, 2024 (April 2024)

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 2, 2024

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 2 2024

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**

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 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

May 2024 – We have a number of families with incomplete or incorrect contact details - PLEASE CHECK YOUR FAMILY CONTACT DETAILS & UPDATE IF NECESSARY. Thank you 😊

Amsleigh Park 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, 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.

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 and can easily inform the school of their child's absences and contact detail changes.

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

Thank you,

Amsleigh Admin Team



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ

ZOOPER
DOOPERS



KILLER PYTHONS*



*Contain gluten

THE BIRTHDAY BUCKET!

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 a minimum of 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 – BIRTHDAY BUCKET ORDER SLIP

Please complete all details and return to the school office (*min 1 week prior to delivery date*)

STUDENT NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

Select one ☐ Zooper Doopers \$15.00 OR ☐ Killer Pythons \$15.00

Date Birthday Bucket to be delivered to classroom _____

Payment to be made over the counter at the School Office by Credit/Debit Card only

Thankyou.

IMPORTANT

Orders must be placed a minimum of 1 week prior to your requested delivery date



AMSLEIGH PARK 2024 *Premiers' Reading Challenge*

**START LOGGING YOUR BOOKS
22ND APRIL UNTIL 5TH SEPTEMBER!**

Foundation to Grade 2

- Read 20 Challenge Books
- Read 10 Choice Books
- Log your books on the challenge website

Grades 3 to 6

- Read 10 Challenge Books
- Read 5 Choice Books
- Log your books on the challenge website



Log In Details provided
Monday 22nd April



Certificates and Prizes

Certificate of Participation signed by current and former Premiers.
First student in each class to complete will receive a badge.
**Class with the highest percentage complete in F - 2, 3 - 4 and 5
- 6 will have a donut day celebration!**

SEE MISS BARKER FOR QUESTIONS OR QUERIES



Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge 2024

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Amsleigh Park Primary School is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved
- the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by Friday 6th September. Many of these books are available at our school library or can be found at local libraries and online.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers. In addition, the class with the highest percentage of students completed in F – 2, 3 – 4 and 5 – 6 will have a donut day celebration

All students have been activated to participate within the PRC. If you wish to participate with your child, please find your log in details below:

Name: «Name»

Class: «ClassName»

Username: «UserName»

Password: «Password»

If you have any questions, please contact the Amsleigh Park Primary School Premiers' Reading Challenge Coordinators, Prep – 2: Khalia Barker (FC) or 3 to 6: Lisa Jonga (6A).



The Social Domain
Skills For Life

SOCIAL SKILLS HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Run by Speech Pathologists



Group 1

5-7 years

Group 2

8-11 years

Dates: Monday 8th and
Wednesday 10th of July

Other dates may also be available

 **64 Glenferrie Road, Malvern**

Topics Covered

- ✓ Conversation Skills
- ✓ Perspective Taking
- ✓ Forming and Maintaining Friendships
- ✓ Handling Teasing and Bullying
- ✓ Problem Solving and Reasoning
- ✓ Resilience and Managing Feelings



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the
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find your
awesome

AMSLEIGH PARK PS

AUSKICK CENTRE

5 Week Program

Wednesdays 3:40-4:40pm

Starting May 29th



play.afl/auskick





We are officially part of School Rewards 2024!

Earn points for our school with every dollar spent at The Pancake Parlour
to help us win up to \$6,000!

Simply scan QR code to download the app and join our school!



1.

Download app
& select School
Rewards



2.

Click 'Join
Your School'



3.

Select our
school from
the list



4.

Scan barcode to
earn points for
our school



For more info head to: www.schoolrewards.com.au



**234.50 for 3
days! Offer
ends June 9!**

PROGRAM INCLUDES

- 01** 9-3pm each day
- 02** AFL, Soccer, Netball, and Basketball on offer
- 03** Suitable for all ages and skill levels
- 04** Guest appearances at selected programs



It was overall very positive and the kids made great connections with coaching staff and other participants



THREE DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS!



LOCATIONS

- Brighton Grammar School, Brighton - 1, 2, 3 and 8, 9, 10 July 2024
- Sandringham College, Sandringham - 3, 4, 5 and 10, 11, 12 July 2024

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