**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**Wow, What a Term!**

Another great term has just gone by in a flash and the old saying that ‘time goes fast when you are having fun’ comes to mind. It truly has been a wonderful term of learning at Amsleigh Park PS and we are really happy with the high levels of achievement, engagement and self-regulation shown by our wonderful students. In terms of highlights, there were plenty, but I can’t go past: Education Week; two fantastic school camps for Grade 6 and Grade 3/4; Schoolaerobics State Championships; Grade 1/2 excursion to Healesville; the Mother’s Day stall; Grade 3/4 excursion to Ceres; Grade 5/6 excursion to Scienceworks; the House & District Cross Country events and in anticipation, the annual school disco! Wow, it’s quite a list and I’d like to thank our terrific staff and parents for making it all possible.

**Thanks Miss Carr**

I want to sincerely acknowledge the fantastic work undertaken by Miss Bec Carr, who was our acting Assistant Principal for Term 2. Miss Carr has been outstanding, very competently and confidently fulfilled this vital role. Providing high levels of support to staff, students and myself, Miss Carr showed her dedication to Amsleigh Park working tirelessly to oversee our student reporting process, Year 7 Transition, Program for Students with Disabilities, student management and wellbeing, whilst also maintaining her normal leadership roles as well. On behalf of everyone at Amsleigh Park I would like to thank and congratulate her for her work. Miss Carr returns to her Leading Teacher role in Term 3 and will be back teaching Grade 4B.

**Parent-Teacher Interviews**

I hope that each and every parent has a much clearer picture of their child’s strengths and areas in need of improvement as a result of receiving student reports this week. It was great to see the number of parents who were able to attend the Parent-Teacher Interviews on Wednesday. Hopefully you took the time to clarify any questions arising from the reports and enjoyed sharing in the successes outlined in the report. The children have worked so very hard this semester and have a great deal to feel proud about. The home/school partnership is strengthened by your attendance and is significant in the educational success experienced by your child. The interviews are an important part of the reporting process, as not all information can be conveyed in a written report. The process of discussing the achievements, the areas of future focus and the path to achieve future goals, is one that is best achieved through parents and teachers working together. Remember that communication is a two-way street so please contact your child’s teacher if you have any queries or concerns.

**Farewell Miss Allwright**

On Friday we farewell Miss Stephanie Allwright who has been teaching Grade 4B during Term 2. Miss Allwright has worked diligently to maintain the learning programs for 4B, and immersed herself in school life at Amsleigh Park. Taking over a class at any time can be tricky, and I would like to acknowledge Miss Allwright’s efforts to quickly get to know her class and ensure that she catered for their needs. On behalf of everyone at Amsleigh Park PS I would like to sincerely thank Miss Allwright, and we wish her well as she is moving to Canada in Term 3 for an extended time.
Welcome Back Miss Cox

Miss Cox has now completed her stint as Acting Principal at Mount Waverley North Primary School, and will be returning to Amsleigh Park PS from Monday 11th July. Her role as Acting Principal is no longer required as the school’s substantive principal is also returning back to her school. From all accounts Miss Cox did a great job of caretaking for Mount Waverley North during this time. Miss Cox is looking forward to catching up with everyone at Amsleigh Park.

Election Day BBQ – Help Needed Urgently!

Our Parents Association are currently planning for the July 2nd Election Day BBQ. The school will be selling sausages in bread throughout the day. Notices asking for helpers went out last week, and we urgently need assistance. If you can spare an hour or two on this day it’s a great chance for our school to raise money outside of our community. Please let us know by Friday so your name can be added to the list. I urge as many parents as possible to help out on the day. Please drop past on the morning, say hi to our very kind parent helpers and support our school by buying a sausage.

Raising Funds for Amsleigh Park

Our School Council has set a target to raise $20,000 as a community contribution towards providing Air Conditioning in our new learning centre which will be constructed in 2017. Our students and staff have enjoyed the comfort of air conditioned classrooms for many years, which has been solely funded by the school. There is currently no government funding for AC for newly constructed schools or buildings. We have committed to providing air conditioning in our new classrooms and the school has set aside $80,000 for this purpose. Fortunately we had already allocated this money for school improvement prior to the announcement of our Capital Works program, so we have a great head start. However, there is a shortfall of 20K and we hope that the community see this as a worthy investment in current and future generations of APPS students, and therefore get behind our fundraising efforts. In the summer months, the provision of air conditioning makes a significant difference to classroom comfort and student engagement.

Preparing for Term 3

Sometimes after school holiday breaks, play dates, outings with friends and relaxing routines a little, it can be challenging for some students to come back to school. Holidays are fun, but at ‘back to school time’, children may feel stressed, anxious, sad or upset that holidays are now over. Students of all ages occasionally have different experiences of going back to school and we should all tune in to work out how they are coping and what they are feeling. Building your child’s sense of resilience can be one way to help them tackle any back to school challenges. Alex Brooks, Executive Editor at Kidspot.com.au, offers his ‘best tips’ for an easy back to school morning routine.

- Start getting kids off to bed early. You can’t force them to sleep, but you can see they’re snuggled in bed looking at books early enough to get a decent night’s sleep.
- Get yourself up and ready first. All goes more smoothly those first days when you’re available to guide your children each step of the way.
- Give reminders. To avoid endless nagging, don’t forget to reward the good behaviours and timely organisation when you see it.
- State the obvious. “Your uniform is on, now put on your shoes.” Later, give one word directives. Just say “shoes,” or ask, “What are you supposed to do next?” so kids can get the hang of getting ready independently.

All of these tips help our students to prepare for the day ahead, prepare for learning and importantly, have fun whilst learning!

Lock Down Procedure

There was a police incident on Huntingdale Road on Tuesday morning this week and as a result we locked down the school for a short time as a precaution. After police were contacted and we understood the situation was safe, the lockdown was lifted.

School Disco

I hope everyone is looking forward to the school disco tonight with our very own resident DJ, Peppi. It should be a great way to see off Term 2, hope to see you there!

Happy Holidays!

My best wishes to all staff and students for a safe and happy holiday. I look forward to seeing you refreshed and ready for another great term of learning at Amsleigh Park PS on Monday 11th July. Don’t forget your ABC, which is ‘always be careful’ on your school holidays!

Michael Cormick
PRINCIPAL
YEAR 3/4 CAMP LADY NORTHCOTE
Recently, I was lucky enough to attend the Grade 3/4 Camp at Lady Northcote. It was a fantastic three days, with students, teachers and volunteers having an amazing time! The activities were fun and challenging and I was proud to see how our students really chose to push themselves out of their comfort zone by trying something new.
All groups had the opportunity to complete a number of adventure activities, problem solving tasks and have some fit, healthy fun with games! Our students particularly challenged themselves when they got harnessed up and went on the giant swing. Some adventurers completed the feat of going all the way to the top, 21 meters above the ground!
Other favourite activities included canoeing, flying fox, playing Ga Ga, hut building and more!
I would like to thank all of the teachers, student teachers and parent helpers for their hard work throughout the camp. I’d like to especially thank Miss Danielle Renwick for all her leadership and organisation throughout the camp. I was also very proud of all the Year 3/4 students for the resilience that they showed at camp as well as the respect they showed towards all staff at Camp Lady Northcote.

LOST PROPERTY
A final reminder that there is a large amount of unclaimed lost property at Amsleigh Park. As mentioned in previous newsletters, all unclaimed items will either be donated to the second hand uniform shop, or disposed of if unclaimed by the end of term. Please pop in and have a look this week.

TIQBIZ
The TIQBIZ App is our school’s main form of ‘real time’ communication. We encourage all families to download the app, select your child/ren’s grade and the whole school inboxes. An example of notifications include updates when students are on camp and when students are on excursions we are able to communicate quickly if they are running late back to school. Please see the ‘How to download Notes’ in this newsletter or see the office if you have any questions or require assistance to download the app

Have a great break,

Bec Carr
Acting Assistant Principal
HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE TiqBiz APP?

** IF YOU ALREADY HAVE THE APP DOWNLOADED FROM LAST YEAR YOU WILL NEED TO LOG IN AND SELECT YOUR CHILD/REN’S YEAR LEVEL FOR THIS YEAR**

So what is it and what do I need to know?

- Tiqbiz is an easy to use ‘app’ designed so that we can communicate directly with parents via their phones, tablets and computer.
- Tiqbiz can be downloaded for free and used to access newsletters, notices, calendar events and the latest news from around the school.
- Tiqbiz is not social media although it’s based on similar technology.
- Tiqbiz provides the option to receive push notifications when a new posting has been made.

To ensure that the content posted to Tiqbiz is kept within our school community we have put a password on all of our grade inboxes. This ‘single’ password will be commonly known and shared within our school community and will be required when you set up the app.

The password for our grade level inboxes is: APTB15 (it’s case sensitive!)

We recommend that all new families subscribe to three inboxes including; whole school, future preps and preps. This way you can be assured to receive all the relevant communications.

When you first download tiqbiz, you should choose any inboxes you want to subscribe to by clicking on the ticks. You will then be prompted to enter the password, which is only required once. Following this you are ready to start receiving messages from the school.

Instructions for accessing TiqBiz and finding mailboxes

**Step 1**

- You’ll be notified of our news, messages, events and other communications.
- Simply download the tiqbiz app to your phone or tablet.
- To download, search tiqbiz in your app store.

**Step 2**

- Log-in: Open tiqbiz and register/log-in.
- Find: Inside the menu, click on ‘Find & Tick’. Type our name into the search bar. Select us from the results.
- Tick: Click the grey tick on the boxes that apply to you. When the tick turns green, you’re connected.
- Inbox: Click on the Inbox icon. This is where you will receive our instant messages, newsletters, notices and calendar events.

We hope you find this new communication tool a convenient and effective way of receiving communications from the school.

If you require any assistance in accessing TiqBiz please contact the office.
AMSLEIGH PARK VACATION CARE PROGRAM—JUNE/JULY 2016
19 State St Oakleigh East, 3166
For more information & bookings please contact Co-ordinator on 0403 127 838
Please provide your child with a Packed Lunch and snacks for morning/afternoon tea and a refillable water bottle

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<td><strong>Fri 8th July</strong>&lt;br&gt;PARTY DAY&lt;br&gt;Let’s end the holidays with a party! So put on your dancing shoes &amp; come for a fun filled day, packed with lots of games, dancing &amp; yummy party food!</td>
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JUNE/JULY 2016- VACATION CARE PROGRAM BOOKING FORM

Children are not to bring money on Excursions

Please provide your child with a PACKED LUNCH and snacks for morning and afternoon tea and a refillable water bottle

VENUES WHERE PROGRAMS WILL BE HELD:
AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL: 19 STATE ST OAKLEIGH EAST PH: 0403 127 838

PLEASE PRINT:
NAME OF SERVICE CHILD IS ATTENDING:
Every person has a unique CRN therefore your child has different CRN to the parents. The Parents name and CRN must be the same as your FAO letter.

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Parents Contact number: ____________________________________________

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“Drawing With the Masters”

_Amsleigh Park Primary School_

Learn the techniques used by famous Australian artists. How do you make things look round, or shiny. What’s negative space? Which famous art works have you seen in the gallery? How did those artists achieve the effects they wanted? You can achieve some of these too in just 8 easy and fun lessons. YOU DON’T HAVE TO BE AN EXPERT AT PAINTING AND DRAWING, JUST COME WITH YOUR IMAGINATION.

_WiseOnes Application for 3rd Term 2016_

This program is available for all Grade 1 - Grade 6 children who have qualified for WiseOnes. _The unit for third term commences week beginning Monday, 18th July, 2016._

The unit will run for 8 weeks commencing: **Wed 20th July, 2016**

_WiseOnes Teacher: Rowena Beaumont 0417 388 847_ 

Yes, I wish to enrol my child in the unit "drawing with the masters" starting week beginning Monday, 18th July, 2016. I give permission for a copy of this slip to be handed to the WiseOnes teacher. Please send this slip and payment of $238.00 to the school office by Wednesday 13th July, 2016

The only Payment Methods accepted are CASH, CHEQUE (Payable to Amsleigh Park) OR CREDIT CARD.

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Cardholders Name: ________________________________________________ (Please print clearly)

Signature: ___________________________________________ Date: __________________________________

_Don’t complete for a Debit / EFTPOS card – take card in person to General Office for processing_
The Canteen is open each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

**The Canteen is closed on Tuesdays**

Lunch orders are NOT available on Tuesdays

Current Menu/Pricelist is available on the school website

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School Student Banking day is WEDNESDAY

APPS UNIFORM SHOP
Located under the stairwell near the library

OPENING HOURS FOR 2016

MONDAY AFTERNOON’S 3:30pm – 4:00pm
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS 8:45am – 9:30am

For any other queries, or to source second hand items, please visit the Uniform Shop during the above opening hours

Order form & Price list is available at the uniform shop, the general office or online at our website, www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

A huge thank you to the families who donate second hand uniforms back to the school. We really appreciate the supply of good quality items to offer for sale at reduced prices.

Joanne & Kath

Place your winter orders now to avoid the rush!

WINTER ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE…..

Winter Tights – Sizes 4-6, 7-9, 10-12 - $7.00 pair

Beanies – Child or Adult Sizes - $5.00 each

Gloves – Sizes 4-6, 7-10, 12-16, Adult - $5.00 pair

Scarves – One Size fits all - $5.00
STUDENT ABSENCE NOTIFICATION

Student Name: ___________________________ Grade: ______

Was absent / Will Be absent (please circle) from school on the following date/s

___ / ___ / ___  ___ / ___ / ___  ___ / ___ / ___

The absence was / is due to

☐ Illness
☐ Family Bereavement
☐ Parent Choice
☐ Family Holiday

☐ Other ____________________________

Signed: ____________________________ Parent/Guardian  Date: ___ / ___ / ___