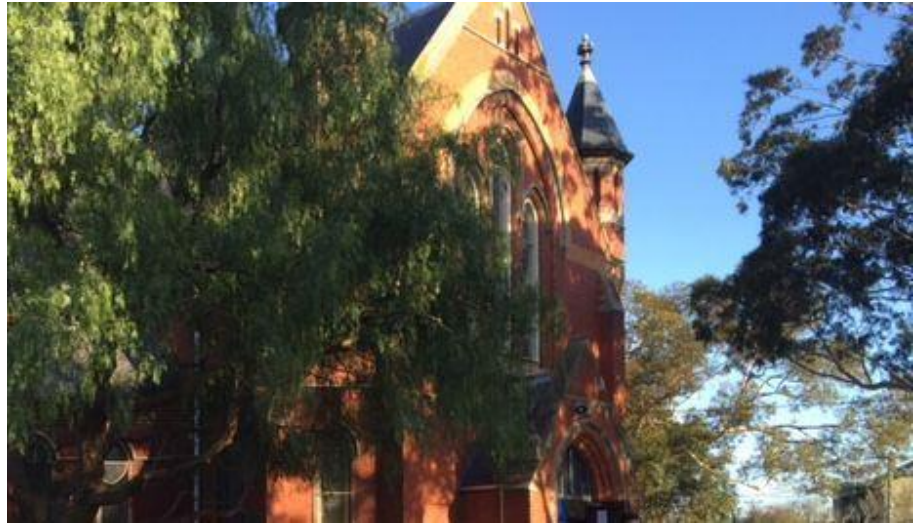




**Albert
Park
Primary
School**

Bridport Street Albert Park Vic 3206
www.albertparkps.vic.edu.au
Telephone (03) 9699 9090



17 February 2017

The Albert Park Way

Principal's Report

School Council met this week and it is timely to remind our community about insurance. Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage. This includes mobile phones, bikes, scooters, toys and sporting equipment. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property, students and staff are discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

At our School Council this week a decision was reached that Smart watches are not to be brought to school. If they are brought to school, they will be treated as phones and will be collected by teachers to be stored at the office during school times. This is in keeping with our Child Safe standards accountability and developing resilience in our students. We remind all parents that all phones brought to school will be stored in the General Office during school time. Students collect these from the office after school.

The Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs.

It is the responsibility of parents or guardians to look into their preferred options as regards insurance. The Department cannot provide advice to parents or guardians on the purchase of individual student accident policy or ambulance cover.

School Vision Statement:

*We are a unique village community,
becoming life-long learners with
high expectations.*

Important dates:

20-22 February 2017

Grade 5 Camp – Phillip Island

Friday 24 February 2017

Open Classrooms 8.30 – 9.30am

Parents as Helpers Session 9.30 –
10.30am

Saturday 4 March 2017

School Fete

KONNECTIVE: All parents wishing to receive notification of school events and alerts should now be signed up to Konnective via the smartphone App. Remember to answer yes to push notifications.

Be Kind and Fair

Act Safely

One Voice at
a Time

Respect Everyone's
Rights

Keep Trying

Principal's Reportcont'd

One of our very important school document is our Statement of Values which can be found on our website via the following link:

http://albertparkps.vic.edu.au/index.php/more-info/documents/doc_download/556-statement-of-values-2016

This document contains the responsibilities of myself, school leaders, the teachers, non-teaching staff, parents, students, community members and the education department. The consequences for failing to uphold our statement of values are listed on the document. The purpose of this document is to ensure that APPS is a safe and orderly learning and meeting place for us all.

The School Council has three parent places available this year. Please consider joining our council. Jedda will send all information to you about the School Council or you can collect information from the front office. An election will be held if more than three people stand for the council. The next council meeting will be on March 20th when the Annual Report 2015 will be discussed. This meeting is open to all.

Elaine.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

This is notice of school council elections and call for nominations for **3** parent positions.

[WHY BECOME A SCHOOL COUNCILLOR](#)

[Albert Park Primary school sub-committees](#)

Nominations forms will be available from the school office from Monday 20th February 2017.

Nominations will close on Friday 24th February 2017.

A list of candidates will be posted on the notice board in the school foyer on Monday 27 and ballot papers will be distributed to families on Tuesday 28 February 2017.

The result of the ballot will be declared on Tuesday 7 March 2017.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Camp, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

If you hold a valid concession card or health care card you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual amount per primary school student is \$125. Please contact the school office for an application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Closing date: February 28 2017.

School bags in stock

The school bag is back in stock and available at the school office – the cost is \$40.00

Assembly dates for term 1

Due to school camps and various activities by the Grade 5 and 6 students, we **will** be holding assembly at 3.00 on the following Fridays only in Term 1:
February 24
March 10
March 17
March 31 @ 2.00pm (last day of term)

Open Classrooms – Friday 24 February 8.30 to 9.30am

Families are invited to visit the classrooms on this morning to see how the new rooms are working and to visit their child's classroom.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Parents as Helpers course for parents - Friday 24 February 9.30 to 10.30am

Following open classrooms morning the 'Parents as Helpers' course will be run by Mel McLennan, our leading teacher in literacy. This course is essential for any parent who wishes to help in the classroom. If you have already done the course you do not have to attend. A Working With Children Check is also necessary if you want to work in the classroom or attend excursions. You can apply online: <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

Lost Property

We are introducing a new system of dealing with lost property. At the end of each month the bin will be emptied and all items of school uniform will be taken to be laundered and sent to the second hand uniform shop, whether it has a name or not. Parents will get a notice via Konnective that at the end of the week the bin will be emptied, this means that they have 4 days to check the bin before it is cleared. Please assist us by talking to you child/children about taking responsibility for their belongings. The zip up hoodies cost between \$45 and \$50. Children should be made aware of the value of looking after their clothes.

Parent Teacher Meetings – Wednesday 22 March from 2.00pm

Parent Teacher meetings will be held on **Wednesday 22 March** from **2.00pm** for grades 1 to 6.

CLASS PARENT REPS FOR 2017

As you can see by the list below we still have some grades without a rep. If you can help please let the office or your teacher know and we will add you to the list and give you your class emails. We will have a short meeting soon when have all the classes covered just to let you know what's what!

Please contact the school office or email reidy.jedda.m@edumail.vic.gov.au if you would like to be your class rep for this year.

The role is not an onerous one and often two people share, so feel free to grab a buddy and get involved.

Class Parent Reps role:

- Organise class social events (parent get-togethers)
- Pass on messages from their teacher/s
- Send communications from the fundraising committee of school council and generally keep their class informed/reminded of upcoming events

1BS	Bre Drew/Shelley Marthick	Brendan Stafford Natasha Kratzer
1L	Michael Logan	Bis Resovac Loes Westerbeek
1M	Masa Music	
1P	Prue Smith	
2C	Cassie Staer	Jenny Carmuciano
2J	Julie-Anne Bouras	Laryssa Johnston Fiona Windsor
2H	Heidi Higgins	Alison Hamilton
2Z	Zeke Pottage	
3A	Ayse Ozturk	
3B	Bron Fawcett	Melinda Jacobsen
3E	Emma Rule	
3I	Imogen Hobbs	
4J	Jeremy Cadusch	
4K	Karly Kallinikos	Claire Jones Natasha Kratzer
4L	Leah Morgan	Sarah Psomotragos Kath Davis
5C	Jane Coker	
5K	Clare Kearney	
5S	Cameron Smith	
6A	Andrea Eales	Talya Samuelli
6B	Alison Bettanin	
6N	Nick Slater	

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR EMAIL:

reidy.jedda.m@edumail.vic.gov.au if you would like to be a Class Rep.

Summer

FOOD AND MUSIC

FESTIVAL

MIDDLE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
Saturday 25th February 3-10pm

Live music, food and activities all day. Kids Movie 6pm. Fireworks 9pm.
www.middleparkps.vic.edu.au

Just Announced - Chocolate Starfish Lead Singer Adam Thompson Performing Live!!!

VICFLICK YOUTH ULTIMATE

**8-14 year-olds
Learn & Play
Ultimate Frisbee!**

**Saturdays
11.30am-12.30pm
Ron Barassi
Snr Park, Docklands
Dve, Docklands**



**Free
sessions!
Sign up on
the day**

www.ultimatevictoria.com.au/news/vicflick-2017-begins/

VICFLICK YOUTH ULTIMATE

Beginning on Saturday 18th February, VicFlick will run for 7 weeks ending at the end of term 1 on April 1st. Created in 2016, VicFlick is Ultimate Victoria's new Youth Ultimate program and offers young people the opportunity to learn and develop their skills in the sport of Ultimate Frisbee in an accessible, fun and social environment. Ultimate's unique delivery teaches participants leadership skills such as conflict resolution, resilience and self-belief that benefits them both on and off the field.

For more information you can visit the website www.ultimatevictoria.com.au or contact Ultimate Victoria's Development Officer: jack@ultimatevictoria.com.au

Junior Hockey!

Boys & Girls

Under 10 Starts this Weekend!

5-9 Boys and Girls. First week free hockey trial with all equipment provided!

When: Sunday 19th Feb
Time: 9:30-10:30am
Where: Powerhouse St Kilda Hockey Club, Hockey Drive, Albert Park

Contact Natalie on 0438 438857 or at juniors@phskhockey.org.au

**Powerhouse
St Kilda
Hockey Club**

Home Ground: Hockey Drive, Albert Park

Powerhouse St Kilda Hockey Club

Pre-season junior hockey starts this weekend!
All ages catered for, but under 10s especially wanted.
First week free hockey trial with all equipment provided!

6-7 year old boys and girls play Hookin2Hockey
8-9 year old boys and girls play competition hockey

When: Sunday 19th February 9:30-10:30am
Where: Powerhouse St Kilda Hockey Club, Hockey Drive, Albert Park.

Contact Natalie on 0438438857, or juniors@phskhockey.org.au

Congratulations!



Congratulations to

Bo Browne

Albert Park Primary

Junior Division Round 1 Winner of Spellmasters Competition

Bo has earned a place in the Spellmasters competition finals.