



Albert Park Primary School

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The **Albert Park News**



School Vision Statement:

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

Important dates:

Thursday 8 & Friday 9 August – STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Thursday 4.00pm – 7.00pm

Friday 8.00am – 12.30pm

Monday 12 August – Curriculum Day

NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

Friday 23 August – 6.30pm

PARENTS GALA!

Thursday 29 August – FATHER'S DAY STALL

Friday 30 August – 7.45am BLOKE'S BREAKFAST

Tuesday 3 Sept – Grades 1, 3 & 5 CONCERTS

Tuesday 10 Sept – Grade 6 ARTS FESTIVAL

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.

Welcome to the Albert Park News!

A showcase of events and news across the whole school community.

*We also have **Konnective** for day to day notifications, the **Parent Classroom Reps** emails for class specific and general social and fundraising news and you can follow your student's classroom activities via **Seesaw**! The **website calendar** is another way to keep up to date with up-coming events.*

If you are not receiving communications from any of these sources please contact the office for help.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to the new school term! We love the beginning of a new term – the excitement and anticipation of all the great learning and experiences to come.

Our term started with Kindness Project workshops on Thursday of the first week with Kate Oliver and Liv Dowling. In the session the children learned about:

- How being kind is our Superpower!
- To notice when they are in the Scared/Worried Zone VS. the Kindness Zone
- About the brain and specifically the amygdala and how our bodies produce serotonin when we are kind to others (it's a nice feeling)
- How to calm down when they feel overwhelmed

The songs from the Passing Clouds album that Kate performed and shared with the children were:

Passing Clouds; The Amygdala Song and The STOP Song.

Drama workshops for **Grade 1** and **Grade 4** commenced this week and we had lots of fun playing games and getting into character.

IN A
WORLD
WHERE
YOU CAN
BE
ANYTHING,
BE KIND

Be Kind and Fair

Act Safely

Respect Everyone's Rights

One Voice at a Time

Keep Trying

The kids loved the dress ups! We have added a few photos from Grade 1 for you to get a 'glimpse'.



Our **Preps** have lots to celebrate next week. They have their 100th day at school on Wednesday next week (the 31st). They celebrate the day by dressing up as 100 year olds and doing lots of literacy and numeracy activities around the number 100. We can't wait to see them!

In **Grade 1** this term have been super busy already. They have been learning about non-fiction texts and what the features are. They have then used this information to write information reports. They have written a report on Kangaroos and this week they have focused on writing a report on an animal of their own choice- dolphins, sharks, gorillas and cheetahs. Students have highlighted interesting facts and have written them in their own words to write their reports- very impressive! They have also included a labelled diagram of their animal.

In Maths, **Grade 1** have been learning about Fractions- students have been introduced to halves and quarters. They have explored a variety of ways to make halves and quarters. We have halved collections (counters and unifix) folded paper different ways, cut streamers and made pretend pizzas with our favourite toppings (1/2 of each)

Sovereign Hill has been the big one for **Grade 5** to start this term which was a great kick start to their history unit where students are going to be given a character from the goldfields and over the next 4 weeks will investigate this person.



They will put themselves into their shoes – writing snapshots and diary entries from their perspective of event on the goldfields including; their journey to Ballarat, struggles of life on the goldfields, miner unrest over licences and the Eureka Stockade.

UPCOMING EVENTS REMINDERS & INFORMATION

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Thursday 8 & Friday 9 August –
Thursday 4.00pm – 7.00pm –
students attend school as usual

Friday 8.00am – 12.30pm – **no students at school except for their appointment time if applicable.**

TO BOOK YOUR CONFERENCE
CLICK [HERE](#) – please read the instructions carefully

CURRICULUM DAY

Monday 12 August

Our final curriculum day for 2019

MUSIC/ARTS EVENTS:

GRADES 1, 3 and 5 CONCERTS

Tuesday 3 September

Concert 1: 5.30pm

Concert 2: 6.20pm

Concert 3: 7.10pm

Students will be in mixed year level groups.

GRADE 6 ARTS FESTIVAL

Tuesday 10 September

6.00pm – school hall

CoPP CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Tuesday 17 September

6.20-8pm St Kilda Town Hall.

APPS performance at the ceremony

PSW SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE INCREASE – effective October 1

PSW will be implementing a minor price rise on selected products. This is the first price increase since 2015.

APPS Has Got Talent

Our School leaders – Millie, Stella, Lachlan and Julian have run another successful 'Albert Park Has Got Talent' this year. Congratulations to this year's competition winners...

Prep to Grade 2:

1st – Adeline & Lucinda



2nd Mia – 1H



3rd Neon Diamonds



It was an exciting time in **Grade 6** on Wednesday afternoon when all students began work on the fractured fairy tales scripts for the Arts Festival. Small groups have begun to collaboratively plan the dramatic and comedic scripts, and work on the dances is well under way, too, for the performance in early September.

Congratulations to our Junior School Council for their fundraising event last week to support farming families in crisis with the drought. Supporting a national charity such as Drought Angels means that children have an opportunity to understand and learn about how children just like them can be affected by events beyond their control and how we can support others in difficult times. Thank you all for your donations – we are a generous and kind community!

Staffing update

Melody (2MJ) and Cassie (2C) have taken Family Leave from this term. I'm sure you will join us in wishing them all the very best in welcoming their new additions to the family.

We warmly welcome Jacqui Halpin (2MJ), Catherine Shepherd (2C) and Anna Dalaveris (3S - Fridays) to the school.

The students and teachers are very busy preparing for the Student Led conferences – we hope you are looking forward to them as much as we are.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Katrina, Principal

A CALM AND POSITIVE START TO THE DAY!!

Did you know:

Lateness has a negative impact

Being late can -

- Disrupt lessons
- Affect achievement
- Embarrass/upset your child

Being late adds up to loss of learning:

5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost each year

10 minutes adds up to 6 days lost each year

15 minutes adds up to 10 days lost each year

20 minutes adds up to 13 days lost each year

30 minutes adds up to 19 days lost each year

Being on time means not missing out!



LOST PROPERTY – SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Even though we are only in week 2 of term 3 the lost property bin is once again overflowing. At the end of each month we empty the bin and have the items laundered and put in the second hand uniform shop.

The second hand shop is run by parent volunteers, Inge and Jodie, who do a wonderful job of helping parents with uniforms each Tuesday morning from 8.50 to 9.10am – Thank you!

Also thank you to the group of parents who collect the lost property and take it to/pick up from the laundry – Louisa, Alyssa and Elaine.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDRAISER FOR DROUGHT ANGELS

On Friday 19th July, the JSC students ran a fundraiser to support Drought Angels. Drought Angels help people in Australia who are struggling due to major droughts. The JSC chose to raise money for this charity as we wanted to support families (particularly children) who are doing it tough in rural Australia. Drought Angels provide food hampers, care packs for families to help support their kids who go to school, and store vouchers to help them buy food.



Students came dressed up as farmers, farm animals and we even had some scarecrows! We are thrilled to announce that we raised \$728.40 to support this great charity. Thank you to everyone who supported us in raising money for Drought Angels.

Jack C., Ryan C., Gabby P., Ava H. and Tom S.
Grade 6 JSC leaders

DET NEW PARENT COMPLAINT POLICY

The Department of Education and Training (DET) is committed to ensuring the best educational and wellbeing outcomes for all students at government schools. Trusting and cooperative relationships between families, schools and the community provide better outcomes for students, and can help address issues more quickly if they arise.

PARENT COMPLAINT POLICY 2019

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behavior and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 22 July to Sunday 11 August.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September.

APPS Has Got Talent

Grade 3 to 6:

1st – Ben L



2nd- Fashionistas – Claudia, Suriya, Alex R & Ava H



**Equal 3rd –
 Alfie Funky 10 – Alfie H
 Loudhouse Drums – Cameron G**



GREG HOCKING HOLDSWORTH

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Planning to sell or lease your home in 2019?

As proud sponsors of Albert Park Primary School, Greg Hocking Holdsworth donates 10% of every sale fee & \$500 of the leasing fee, back to the school in support of our community.

Call Albert Park office 8644 5500



AT MELBOURNE SPORTS & AQUATIC CENTRE
Introducing FAMFIT! A new program offering two family friendly group fitness classes each week during the school term. We aim to create an environment where parents and children alike can engage in physical activity together.

Join us every Tuesday during term three for Yoga and every Thursday for HIIT between 4:30pm and 5:15pm.
Each class is \$25 for 1 child and 1 adult (\$5 for an additional child). No need to book in advance, just see the team at reception and pay for your entry before the class commences.

For more information 9926 1618 or programs@ssct.com.au



Throughout Term 3, MSAC Programs is going to be launching new and exciting programs that focus on promoting active lifestyles in families. The first program launching will be Fam Fit program, which offers two different fitness classes each week for children and their parents. Tuesdays will be modified Yoga and modified High-Intensity Interval Training circuits (HIIT) on Thursdays. Classes run between 4:30pm - 5.15pm and are \$25 per class for 1 adult and 1 child (\$5 per additional child). Classes began on the 16th of July.

FURTHER DETAILS: 9926 1618 or programs@ssct.com.au



HOOPSTERS & HOOPSTERS PLUS 2019

Development Program 3 Term 3 - 2019

Hoopsters is an introduction to the ball-handling skills and team awareness required to participate in the game of basketball. Suitable for individuals at a beginning level Prep and Year 1. Participants will be assessed at the first session.

Hoopsters Plus is a program extending ball-handling skills and team awareness required to participate in the game of basketball. Suitable for individuals in Year 2 or beginners in Year 3 and older. **Game experience in a team will also be a component of the Term 3 Program.**

[PROGRAM INFO AND REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Value	Nurture	Thrive
		
Victoria Avenue Wellbeing 59 Victoria Avenue, Albert Park		
Rita Maggio		0412 661 071

Sometimes life does not turn out the way we expected. Life presents many challenges - grief, loss, conflict, mental health concerns.

At Victoria Avenue Wellbeing, I work collaboratively with individuals, couples and families.

My aim is to support you in nurturing your wellbeing and reconnect you to your values.

Valuing yourself has a positive ripple effect in all areas of your life. You will thrive!

For an appointment or more information please call or text me.



*Family Youth and Children
2019 Parenting Information
Sessions*

Positive Parenting

This session focuses on guiding away from negativity and criticism, and using positive psychology to cultivate children's inherent strengths.

Lea Waters, PhD is a professor, published author, psychologist, internationally-celebrated speaker and one of the world's leading experts on Positive Education, Positive Organisations and Strength- Based Parenting and Teaching.

The first 100 ticket bookers will receive a free copy of Lea's book
The Strength Switch, valued at \$34.95.

- Location:** Albert Park College
83 Danks Street, Albert Park
- Date:** Monday 19 August, 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm
- Cost:** \$10, or free with a concession card
- Bookings:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BALEN>
- Enquiries:** FYCParentInfoSessions@portphillip.vic.gov.au

Please note that child minding facilities are not available.



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The Meditation Australia Masterclass Series Melbourne Sunday 28 July



Join us at this exclusive professional development event, featuring four eminent Australian meditation teachers.

Our unique Masterclass program offers you an exciting opportunity to listen, learn and engage.

A morning of inspiring and educative addresses will be followed by an afternoon immersion session.

Featuring:

Dr Craig Hassed
Lisa Forde

Janet ETTY-Leal
Leigh Blashki

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