

Principal's Message

Diary Dates

June

Governing Council
Tues 21/06
6pm staff room

Yr 5/6 Camp
Wed 22/06 – Fri 24/06
Illawonga Camp

July

NAIDOC Week
Dion Drummond
School Performance
Wed 06/07

Nest Wheels Week
Mon 04/07 – Fri 08/07



2022 School Terms

TERM 2

2nd May – 8th July

TERM 3

25th July – 30th September

TERM 4

17th Oct – 16th Dec

Recently we held our school tour which was facilitated by our 2022 Prime Minister, Ella and Deputy Prime Minister, Jackson. Our tours are offered every term for our new and interested families considering enrolling at Alberton PS.

We cover information about our curriculum, class sizes, future plans, reading improvement, community engagement and student voice. We tour every part of the school which provides our new families a great insight into what APS offers. Families who attend the school tour complete a WWW (What Went Well) at the conclusion of the tour and its lovely to share this back with our students and community. Here are a handful of reflections from parents who attended the tour during the week.

“Thankyou to the PM, DPM and Principal for showing us your lovely school, you all spoke really well and with patience for all the young kids who came along”

“Presenters, Ella and Jackson were fantastic, well presented, polite and engaging. Thorough and informative tour and addressed every query I had. Such a warm and communal school feel. You all should and must be proud”

“What a wonderful garden space, thankyou for showing us your lovely school”

“Lovely to have met Dan and the student leaders. A beautiful campus, veggie garden. The student leaders were fantastic and even made sure we didn't leave the little kids behind”

“The students as we walked the school were so polite and respectful”

Strategic Plan:

Thankyou to all our families who responded with feedback about the Strategic Plan. A few last minute **typo's** identified and lots of reaffirming comments about our shared vision as a community and for our learners. We hope to launch the plan via our website and facebook page next week once Governing Council have formally endorsed the final version. We are really proud of this work and provides a clear vision to the future at Alberton PS.

Student Reports:

Friday of Week 10 (last week of this term) you will receive the mid-year report for your child / children. This report is a summary of where our learners are at, at this time of the year. Please take the time to go through this with your child, looking at areas of strength and improvement.

All children learn at different rates. Learning is a lifelong journey, so support and encourage your child but remind them learning can be hard and that you need to show grit when things get tough.

We will be offering Three Way Conferences in early Term 3 so keep an eye out for the booking information. Information regarding booking for these conferences will be included with the reports.

Principal Reappointment Letter : See insert inside newsletter

I am delighted during the week to have been reappointed to Alberton Primary School for the next 5 years. I hope this comes as welcomed news and a sign of stability and consistency for the community, our students and staff team. Alberton PS is a proud school that has united over recent years and the future looks very bright for our learners. We have created together a clear vision reflected in our Strategic Plan, have a supportive and active Governing Council, a community willing to be engaged and part of positive school life and as for our school grounds and surrounds...I say no more.

I even watched the Power versus Richmond match last week and found myself barracking for the Power...as a mad Crows person. I really enjoy leading this school community and look forward to the next 5 years at Alberton PS.

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The theme for Reconciliation Week this year was **'Be Brave, Make Change'**

RECONCILIATION IN THE WEST

On Thursday 2nd June Blue 11 attended Reconciliation in the West at Tauondi College in Port Adelaide. Students walked to Tauondi College from Alberton Primary and were greeted by community groups and organisations who had interactive stalls to interact and learn from.

Students participated in Cultural activities and used the opportunity to meet with stall holders and elders in the community. Students had the opportunity to learn how to weave during workshops and to participate in the Neon Zoo story tent.

It was a wonderful day and opportunity to participate in a local community event with other local schools in our partnership.



RECONCILIATION ROCK SWAP

Students at Alberton Primary School participated in a whole school 'Reconciliation Rock Swap' on Friday 10th June, this was an idea from the ATSI Nations **Children's** Parliament Ministry. Earlier in the term, students designed their own Reconciliation Rock during Art Lessons with Garth. Rock designs were based around what Reconciliation means to each individual child. Mentor texts were used in many classrooms to promote discussion and understanding about the themes of Reconciliation. Many children have shared their thinking through art using Aboriginal symbols to show their learning and share stories of Reconciliation.

Rocks were collected and sorted for sharing. Classes met in locations around the school for a shared picnic lunch in mixed grouping. During the picnic students participated in conversations using 'Yarning Cards' in small groups, these conversation cards supported children with sharing their ideas and using their voice while also listening to others. Students were supportive of their peers and some wonderful ideas about Reconciliation were shared. Year 5/6 learners shared a presentation to each group about their research about an influential Aboriginal Australian and how they have demonstrated how they were brave and made change in the community.





Literacy in the Nest



Developing strong foundational literacy skills is an important part of Early Years education. In the Nest children have the opportunity to develop their literacy skills each day through whole class experiences, small group activities and self directed play.

In the Nest this year we have been focusing on reading and talking about stories, developing oral language skills, strengthening phonological awareness skills and learning phonics.

The students in Coral have been playing games to learn about rhyming words and identifying syllables in words. This week they are reading the story 'Handa's Surprise'. In Yellow and Ochre this week the children have met 'Hannah Hippo', are learning to read heart words (e.g. the, my) and are reading the story 'Thunderstorm Dancing'



2023 Enrolments

We are currently taking registrations of interest for children to begin Preschool and Reception in the Nest in 2023. Registration of interest (ROI) forms can be obtained from Lauren Black (Enrolment Officer) in the school front office. To ensure your child's application can be given full consideration please ensure ROI forms are returned by the end of Term 2, as the offer of placement process begins early in Term 3.

Our current preschool children in the Nest, who will be reception children in 2023, will receive further information in Term 3 about the school enrolment process. A registration of interest form is not required for continuing students.

If you have any further questions regarding 2023 enrolments please do not hesitate to contact Lauren Black or Briony Murdoch (Director of Learning Improvement – Early Years).

Canteen Specials for Tuesdays

Week 8

Chicken strips and chips



Week 9

Fish and chips

Volunteers Needed!!!

Do you have some spare time to help in the Canteen?

If you are interested Call Lauren at the front office on 8447 1924 to find out more

Community Promotions



Languages Alive!

Experience the delights of other languages and cultures



Languages Alive! is a program of engaging and interactive language and cultural experiences for R-6 students

Delivered by highly proficient speakers of the relevant language, the program will run during the July school holidays in metropolitan and country locations.

Workshops will explore a range of languages including Auslan, French and Indonesian.

- **Who**
Reception to Year 6
- **When**
19 July 2022
- **Where**
Alberton Primary School
- **Cost**
\$10 per day
School card/Healthcare card holders
FREE

Register online by 17 July
www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive



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WE WANT YOU

AUSKICK COORDINATOR WANTED

Alberton PS (T3) Auskick Centre

Tuesday afternoons 3:20pm – 4:20pm | Alberton PS Oval
2nd of August – 20th of September

ROLE

To coordinate and coach participants (children aged between 5-10) enrolled in the Auskick program and ensure that all participants have fun and make new friends whilst developing fundamental footy skills. The Auskick Coordinator is integral to creating an awesome Auskick experience for all participants, volunteers and parent/guardians and is crucial to positively contributing to the wider community.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Planning and delivery of weekly Auskick coaching sessions (8 weeks).
- Engage parent helpers to assist with the delivery of sessions.
- Administrative tasks related to the operation of the Auskick Centre.
- Provide transition information on 'where-to-from here' at the completion of program.
- Maintain relationships with SANFL and Football club staff.
- Liaise with parents and volunteer helpers.

QUESTIONS OR QUERIES:

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KICKS OFF SOON!



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER NOW

For more information visit play.afl/auskick

FREE with the ORSR Sports Voucher

Alberton PS (T3) Auskick Centre

August 2nd - September 20th
Tuesday afternoons (3:20- 4:20pm)
@ 14 Broad St, Queenstown