

Principal's Message

Diary Dates

April

Last day of Term 1

Fri 14/04

2pm Dismissal

May

First day of Term 2

Mon 01/05

Future events

Swimming Week

Mon 22/05 – Fri 26/05

Pupil Free Day

Maths

PD/Preschool PD

Fri 02/06



2021 School Terms

TERM 1

30th January – 14th April

TERM 2

1st May – 7th July

TERM 3

24th July – 29th September

TERM 4

16th Oct – 15th Dec

It's hard to believe we have reached the end of Term 1! **Alberton PS is a wonderful school with plenty happening...** high school transition visits, SAPSASA Athletics, Pizza Night and Outdoor Cinema and Semaphore Dunes excursions.

A big **thankyou** to our staff and students for making this all possible and for the ongoing support from families. It's been a brilliant start to 2023. Please travel safely over the holiday period.

We recently hosted our Pizza Oven and Outdoor Cinema night for the community and had a great turnout. Our Ministry students did a wonderful job of planning the night and it was great to see so many families connecting and relaxing. Many thanks to Nico and Mick, our pizza oven legends who help out each event, as well as all our parent helpers who supported prior to and on the night. Many hands make light work! Thankyou to the Governing Council's Community Development committee which continue to lead these initiatives.

Goodluck Lauren!

Lauren Black has won a 12 month position with the Education Management System team in the Department. Lauren has made a significant contribution to APS and runs an outstanding front office with terrific support from Angela and the team.

This has been a few years in the making for Lauren and reflects commitment to building her knowledge, skills, taking on challenges and achieving professional learning goals. We are really proud of Lauren's achievement with her new promotional role.

A seamless handover process has been established with Erin Wilson and Nicole Czubak who will commence their roles in Term 2. Both team members look forward to the challenge of stepping into Lauren's shoes and making you all feel as welcome as she does every time you visit our front office.

We say goodluck but not farewell.



BLUE MAGPIE'S LOVE OF READING

SOCRATIC CIRCLES

Socratic discussions are based on the ancient Greek philosopher, Socrates, and his use of dialogue to help his pupils think deeper for themselves. This teaching approach is “a pedagogy which exploits the power of talk to shape children’s thinking and to secure their engagement, learning and understanding”. In a Socratic Seminar activity, students help one another understand the ideas, issues, and values reflected in a text through a group discussion format. Students are responsible for facilitating their group discussion around the ideas in the text; students use the discussion to assert their reflections, opinions or prove an argument. Through this type of discussion, students practice how to listen to one another, make meaning, and find common ground while participating in a conversation.



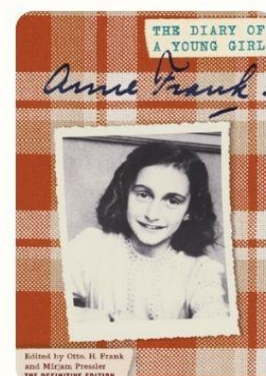
GUIDED READ

This term students in Blue Magpie have been reading Anne Frank and Yoko’s Diary. Both books are read in the context of our term topic ‘Who has the Power?’. In each text, students explore what being disempowered might mean in relation to rights and responsibilities. While reading the true accounts of two young girls caught up in extraordinary circumstances students focused on practicing asking questions before, during and after reading their texts and discussing this with others.



Kaylee - “This book is good because its telling a story of how Yoko a young girl died after a bomb was dropped in the town she was living in”

Lylah - “The Diary of Anne Frank makes me more curious about WW2. So I want to find out more about this war”



Wildlife box DISCOVERY in the April school holidays!

Are you keen to learn about the value of wildlife boxes and how they can help improve our biodiversity?

On Thursday 27th April 2023 from 2 – 4pm at Pittman Park, River Torrens Windsor Gardens our PAE team in partnership with Green Adelaide and FauNature is hosting a Wildlife Box Outdoor session to provide an opportunity to learn more about the value of wildlife boxes, what lives in them and how you can monitor box activity. There will also be an opportunity for children and parents to get involved in a Nature Treasure hunt for a bit of fun!

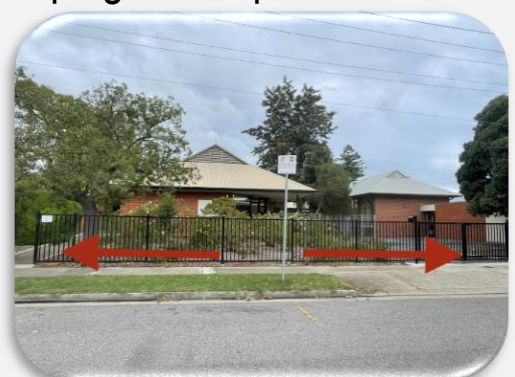
The event is FREE and will be targeted towards younger families/parents with school aged children – more information to come!



After a fantastic week 6 in the garden with Rebecca from Greenhill Living, we are looking for donations of children's gumboots to fit students from year 1-6! If you can help out, please drop any gumboots to Lauren in the office. Thank you in advance!



A Friendly reminder that the area in front of our front office (Broad Street) is a 'kiss & drop' zone! Our student's safety is important to us. There is strictly no parking in this space. Thank you for helping us keep our children safe.



News from The Nest

Investigation this term has been connected to our Nest values:

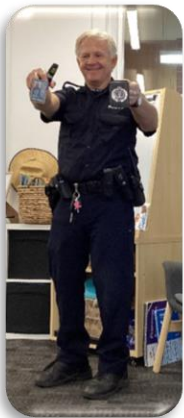
Care for ourselves,

Care for each other,

Care for this place.

In Coral the children have shared some of their daily routines to care for their bodies. They have drawn pictures of what makes them feel happy and how their 'buckets' can be filled by others. Children have also noticed that we all have similarities as well as differences.

Yellow and Ochre children have been unpacking what each of these values looks and feels like. Children have learnt about how to care for our environment by reducing landfill. Yellow and Ochre were also lucky to have visits from the Metropolitan Fire Service and a Police Officer from SAPOL. Children learnt some very important safety messages, explored the fire truck and even had a turn spraying water from the fire hoses.



Community Promotions

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

ages 5-14 | most activities \$10.00

WEEK 1

Tue 18 April Mighty Adventure Day 9:00am-4:00pm

Wed 19 April Learn to Skate* 9:00am-10:30am
Skate Pyjama Party* 10:30am-12:00pm

Thur 20 April Mighty Games Day 9:00am-4:00pm

Fri 21 April Nerf Wars*
Session 1: 9:00am-10:30am
Session 2: 10:30am-12:00pm

WEEK 2

Wed 26 April Mighty Adventure Day 9am-4pm

Thur 27 April Mighty Excursion Day 9am-4pm

Fri 28 April Aqua Inflatable*
Session 1: 9:00am-10:30am
Session 2: 10:30am-12:00pm

*Want double the fun? Book back to back sessions on the same day for \$18

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