

Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term 3. We hope you all had a wonderful break and can look forward to an exciting term ahead.

Newsletter Inserts:

Please check out the school calendar as we have some great events coming up this term including, Bookweek Celebrations, School Performing Arts Concert, Excursions, Incursions, School Choir and much, much more. Your child's classroom teacher has also sent home a copy of the Term 3 Curriculum Overview.

A warm welcome to our new families and students who have started at Alberton PS this term. We had 20 new Preschool children start in the Nest as part of the mid-year intake group, along with Preschool children commencing reception. I am sure our staff, students and community will make you feel welcome.

3 Three Way Conferences:

It has been wonderful to see so many parents/caregivers connecting with children and their teachers over the past week during 3 Way Conferences. **Approximately 200 conferences** with families and children were conducted. Some were also conducted over the phone. Thankyou to all our teaching staff who remain committed and dedicated to improving learning outcomes for Alberton children and for investing so much time and energy into this process. It's one of many ways we can work together in strong partnership to advance a child's learning journey.

2025 Enrolments:

If your child/ren will not be returning to Alberton Primary School in 2025, please advise **Erin Wilson** at the Front Office or email dl.0202.admin@schools.sa.edu.au with your child's name, current year level, reason why and destination school. Planning for 2025 is underway and gaining an accurate indication of student enrolment numbers will help determine our class structures. Our Preschool is expected to be at capacity again with a current waiting list and our projected 2025 school enrolment indicates an additional class across the school will be created.

NOT TO BE MISSED....THIS PERFORMANCE WILL BE BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!!

Our Performing Arts Showcase Concert is fast approaching and will be an amazing event. This will be held at APS in the Gym. We will be offering 3 sessions (a morning and evening session) on Thursday 26th September 2024 and morning session on Friday 27th September 2024 which is also open to all our playgroup and new enrolling families for 2025. The theme '**Around The World**' will showcase some of the most amazing bands and artists....with members of our community making special appearances. Please refer to the information about ticket sales and all the important things to know about to support your child in preparing for the Showcase. All information will be sent home in coming weeks. Watch This Space!!

Diary Dates

August

National Action Day Against Bullying and Violence
Fri 16/08

Mindful Mentors Presentation
Calvary Hospital
Wed 14/08

Choir Magic Millions Rehearsal
Tues 20/08
8:40am – 12pm

Lockdown Drill from class
Wed 21/08
10:50 am

Community Development MTG
Thurs 22/08
2pm -3pm

Book Week Parade
Friday 23/08
9am – 10am

Principal & Student Leader School Tour
Tues 26/08
9am – 10:30am

Fathers & Special Persons Stall
Thurs 29/08 & Fri 30/08
Library

Aboriginal Stem Conference
Turs 29/08 & Fri 30/08

September

Governing Council
Tues 10/09
Staff Room 6pm

2024 School Terms

TERM 3
22nd July – 27th September

TERM 4
14th Oct – 13th Dec



TEAL MAGPIE IMPORTANCE OF READING



Learning to read is a fundamental skill, a life changing opportunity and a matter of social justice. Unlike oral language our brains aren't 'wired to read'. Reading is not biologically natural and therefore it's essential that children are receive reading instruction at school. Some children acquire the 'code' of reading relatively easily but the vast majority require reading to be explicitly taught and practiced to enable them to become skilled readers.



In Teal Magpie we use evidence informed practices to guide our reading instruction. This year we have adopted a 'whole class guided reading' model. This approach involves all children participating in rich texts and instead of differing the texts that children are reading, we differ the amount of support that we give children to access the content and the thinking and learning that is needed. We specifically chose rigorous texts which are slightly more challenging than what children can access on their own in terms of language. When choosing texts for the term we strategically look for where we need to build content knowledge within other parts of the curriculum as we know prior knowledge is one of the biggest determinants of reading comprehension.



The goals of our program are to extend children's independent thinking skills, build their reading fluency, build their vocabulary and teach them how to comprehend texts through modelling think aloud strategies. We are able to achieve these goals by explicitly teaching of Tier 2 vocabulary, choral reading, echo reading, partner reading including feedback and paragraph shrinking (a strategy for teaching summarising).



Here is what the children in Teal Magpie had to say:

Henelora

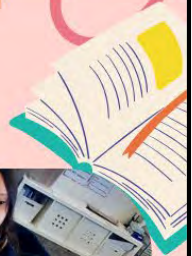
I enjoy the topics in the texts as it's related to our Investigation topic, the Olympics.

Hazel

I like partner reading because I receive feedback on my fluency and then I can improve it.

Ella

I like how we're learning new techniques like paragraph shrinking to summarise texts.





SCHOOL SOCCER

TERM 3 REMINDERS

Term 3 is a busy term with a lot going on, so here is a small reminder of how the second half of the school soccer season plays out. Please make note of the dates below, information can continue to be accessed through the NWJSA app.

Monday 9th September Final Delegate's Meeting and AGM
Thursday 12th September Final school practice after school
Saturday 14th September 2024 Soccer Carnival - all teams will play 2 games, with an end of season chance to celebrate / handing out of trophies. Times and opposition to be posted on the app later in the season.

Regards,
Michael Gill - school soccer delegate

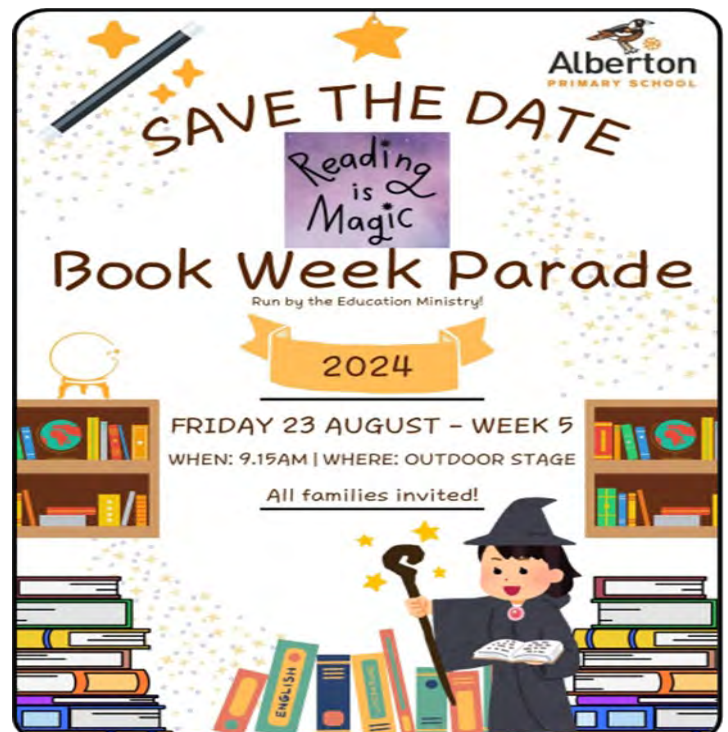


THANK YOU SO MUCH

A big thankyou to all the families and children that came along to the first book fair at Alberton. I hope you have enjoyed reading your books. All the money made will go back to purchasing books in the library and children will get to make suggestions.

The raffle is still yet to be drawn so keep an ear out for the winners.

Book Fair will be back again for 2025, we hope to see you then



Alberton
PRIMARY SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE

Reading is Magic

Book Week Parade

Run by the Education Ministry!

2024

FRIDAY 23 AUGUST - WEEK 5
WHEN: 9.15AM | WHERE: OUTDOOR STAGE

All families invited!

ENGLISH

Community Promotions

**Do you want to Run faster,
Throw further or Jump
Higher?**



Come and give Athletics a go!

Sprints Training 12 and up - Mondays 5:30pm
Sprints Training ages 9-12 - Wednesday 5pm
Throws Training - Tuesday 4:30pm

Trainings held at the club located on Iversen
Athletics Reserve, Langham Place, Port Adelaide



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WED - TRAINING
& SKILLS - 5:00PM

AGES:
7-16 YEARS

FRI - LITTLE
ATHLETICS - 5:45PM

**Run, Jump
& Throw!**
Starts Wed 14th
August

CONTACT: Kathy Nelson 0400 653 777 | Lele Sanderson 0434 161 421
Iversen Athletic Reserve - Langham Place, Port Adelaide



AUSCYCLING
AusBike
AGES 5-12



A new national program, designed by Australia's
peak cycling body, AusCycling, is running
at Adelaide Super-Drome, Gepps Cross.

AusBike gives kids the essential skills to experience the
freedom, fun and adventure
of life on a bike.

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competence and confidence on two wheels...and
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Commission.

