

# Newsletter

School Website: [www.albanvaleps.vic.edu.au](http://www.albanvaleps.vic.edu.au)



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school to students, staff and parents. Everyone looks refreshed and ready to start a new term. Term two promises to be another busy term with Education Week, NAPLAN Assessment, Curriculum Days, Excursions, Reports and of course, teaching & learning.

## **Staffing**

This term we welcome Ayse Alanci to the full time position of grade3/4 teacher as Anna Ricci takes on the role of Italian teacher. We also see the return of Catherine Lunn, who has been appointed the role of the newly created Prep/1 class teacher. This class was established due to the growing number of students we have had enrol at our school since the beginning of the year.

## **ANZAC Day**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April is the ANZAC day public holiday and students and staff are not required at school. This special day commemorates and acknowledges the ANZACs and all service men and women who have served our country in the armed forces.

## **Curriculum Day Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> April will be our school Curriculum Day and students are not required at school on this day. Teachers will be engaged in professional learning relating to Grammar and Vocabulary, presented by Linda McIntyre. Professional Learning enables staff to develop the skills and knowledge that they need to improve their practice and is central to improving student learning.

## **Mother's Day Stall**

Our fundraising subcommittee will be holding a Mother's Day stall on **Friday 11th of May** so that students can make purchases for their mother, grandmother, or special person in preparation for Mother's Day. Please send money to school with your child on that day.

## **Prep Enrolment 2019**

We are beginning to take prep enrolments for 2019 so that we may begin to plan the prep transition program. If you have any children who will be attending Albanvale in 2019, please call or visit the school to arrange a tour and receive enrolment information as soon as possible.

## **NAPLAN**

**What is Naplan** - The National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9. All students in these year levels participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2016 tests for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on **Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th of May 2018**. All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. Should your child be unable to participate in the assessment, please see your child's teacher. We encourage all our students to strive to achieve their personal best in preparation and during these tests.

## **Glasses for Kids**

Albanvale Primary School have been fortunate to be chosen as a school to be involved in the 'Glasses for Kids' program for all grade Prep- Grade 3 students. Screening will be held at the school on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April** and it is a **free** service. All families are eligible for a **free** pair of glasses should your child require them. Please ensure all consent forms are returned to the school as soon as possible so that so that you can take advantage of this program.

## **Fun Run**

The Fun Run last term was a huge success and I thank everyone for being involved. Please return all fund-raising money to school by the end of the week so that students are eligible for a prize.

## **Uniform**

School uniform promotes a sense of identity, pride, cohesion and good order in a school. It allows students to feel equal and enhances individual student safety and group security, as well as enhancing the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community. The School Council Policy of Albanvale PS states that uniform is compulsory for the students of Albanvale. It is important that parents are vigilant in ensuring students' appearance reflects the expectations of the school community. We would appreciate your assistance in ensuring that a high standard of uniform is maintained. **Please note: Socks must be worn with closed shoes, jeans or leggings under dresses are not allowed.** Please refer to the Uniform Policy available on our website. Students who consistently present out of uniform will be asked to change.

PRINCIPAL

Sue Vermezovic

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### **Term 2**

## **Dance Classes**

**P-2 Monday 23rd**

## **Anzac Day**

**Wednesday 25th April**

## **Glasses For Kids**

**P-3 April 27th**

## **Responsible Pet**

## **Ownership**

**P-2**

**Friday April 27th**

## **Curriculum Day**

**Monday 30th April**



## **SUNSMART POLICY**

**No Hat!**

**No Play!**

Hats must be worn at all times when playing outside.

**Term 2 Our Values this Term : Respect**

**Respect : valuing and accepting others' differences and respecting the right to learn**

## TERM 2 2018

Welcome back to all families of 3-6 students. We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are all rested and ready for an exciting, and busy new term!

This term, 3-4 students will be working on an Integrated Topic called "Survival of the Fittest." During this topic, we will be exploring the life cycles of living, non-living and once living things and how they depend on each other, and the environment to survive. They will also be investigating the effects of weather and human acts on our Earth. The 5-6 students will be focussing on the topic "Climate Changes and Adaptations." Throughout this unit, we will be considering how living things adapt and what impacts their survival, and how humans respond to natural disasters. The students will also be inquiring, "Earth's Place in Space." These topics will be further enhanced with an Excursion to the Werribee Zoo, where students will consolidate on their understandings of 'Predator and Prey Relationships and Survival'.

In Reading, we will be looking at the comprehension strategies of searching for and using information and Question and Answer Relationship (QAR), in preparation for NAPLAN. As part of searching for and using information and QAR, students will be learning how to locate key information within differing texts and use this information to answer questions about that text. We will also be revisiting the comprehension strategy of inferring, to deepen our understanding of the hidden themes and symbolism authors incorporate to add meaning to their texts.

In Writing, 3-6's will be learning the structure and text features of a persuasive text. We will look at some of the devices an author uses to convince, change or confirm a reader's point of view. Students will also learn how an author's arguments are strengthened by including persuasive techniques such as, fact & opinion, rhetorical questions, repetition, etc.

In Mathematics, students will apply learnt strategies and skills when investigating and solving problems within the mathematical areas of, Addition & Subtraction, Decimals & Percentages and Data. Students will be given a range of opportunities to practise these skills through purposeful learning tasks such as, open ended questions and rich mathematical investigation, relevant to students' lives.

This term the whole school value is "Responsibility." Students show responsibility on a daily basis through making good choices by always having a go, challenging themselves and listening and following all instructions. There are many ways people can demonstrate responsibility within their learning such as, making sure they have all the materials and resources they need prior to starting a learning task, as well as taking the time to revise and edit their work before they give it to a peer or teacher to look at for feedback.

Education Week is held this term, commencing on the 21<sup>st</sup> of May. This year's theme is "Celebrating the Arts". Students will have the opportunity to showcase and celebrate their learning of dance, drama, music, visual arts and media arts through open days, exhibitions and special events.

If you have questions about this or any other information, please make a time to see your child's teacher.

Regards, Ayse 3/4A, Rebecca 3/4C, Levent 3/4I, Nicole 5/6K, Jane 5/6L, & Daniel 5/6T.



# Payments using BPay or Direct Deposit

You can now make all your payments via internet banking for Camps, excursion, incursions and education costs.

To assist you with this the office can print out your statement, which will have you unique BPay Refence and Biller Code as well as the school banking details for direct deposit purposes.

**After making payments online**, it is important to let the office know what you have paid for by returning your statement or payment envelope **with the following details**:

- BPay/Direct Deposit made on (date) \_\_\_\_\_
- Receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_
- Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_
- Class: \_\_\_\_\_
- Payment for: \_\_\_\_\_
- Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Keilor Downs College

# Open Day & Night

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2018**

Open Day tours from **9:00am**.

Open Night tours commence at **6:00pm**,  
followed by presentations & discussions at **7:00pm**

To register your interest or arrange a tour  
please contact the College on (03) 9365 8000



Make an  
**informed** choice,  
make the **right** choice.



# Creekside College



## 2019 Info Nights

Yr 7 Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Time: **6:30pm**



Prep Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May

Time: **6:00pm**

Venue: **Auditorium**

Honesty

Acceptance



Responsibility

Respect



St Albans Sweet Sounds  
Early Learning Centre

**Enquire about our Before  
& After School Care!**

☎ 9310 8955  
🏠 27-29 Elizabeth Street, St Albans



### **Attendance-Every Day Counts**

Getting to school every day  
and on time every day means:

*You are demonstrating high  
expectations and striving to  
achieve beyond your personal  
best.*

## **Attendance**

Getting to school every day and  
on time every day means:

***You are being 'Responsible' for  
your learning.***

***If your child is not at school by  
9.30am a text message will be  
sent ,***

***requesting you to  
contact the school.***

***On 9367 2197***

## **Lost Property**

We have many items in 'Lost Property'  
without names, therefore we are unable to  
return these to the rightful owners. Please  
clearly label clothing and hats with your  
child's name, to enable us to return them  
as soon as possible.

Please check at 'Lost Property' or the  
office for any other lost items such as  
jewellery.

## ***School Day***

**8.45 - 9.00 students in  
classroom**

**11.00 - 11.30 Recess**

**1.30 - 2.15 Lunch**

**3.15 School Finishes**

---

**Term 2 Finishes**

**Friday 29th June**

## Camps/Sports/Excursion Fund

### CSEF

Dear Parents/Carers .

If you are a current Health Care Card Holder your child is

entitled to funding for excursions and sport events Please see office staff for the form and for assistance if you require any more

## VALUES



Having high expectations and striving to achieve beyond your personal best



Valuing and respecting others' differences and respecting the right to learn



Being responsible for your thoughts, words and actions and the consequences that follow



Working together to achieve agreed goals

## CANTEEN NEWS

**\$2 Hot Chocolates**

**Now Available**

## Attendance

Getting to school every day and on time every day means:

***You are being 'Responsible' for your learning.***

## Uniform

It is fantastic to see students wearing our school uniform with pride. Please assist us in maintaining a high standard of uniform throughout the year. Throughout winter, it is important that students wear warm clothing to school.

Undergarments in school colours are permissible; as are navy blue school stockings under dresses. Just a reminder that leggings (of any description) are not permitted as per Uniform Guide determined by School Council.



# Albanvale

## Attendance News

**Welcome to the newest addition of our school newsletter.**

**Each week we will provide you with ways that you can help increase our whole school attendance and improve our students' education.**

Did you know?



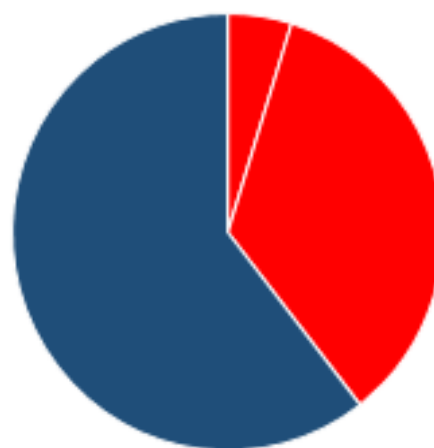
This month the Young Leaders Group are promoting attendance at Albanvale Primary School by giving certificates and mystery prizes to students who attend school every day. Winners will be announced at assembly. Improve your attendance to be in the draw next month!!



*Missing 3 weeks of school per year = missing half a year of school by the end of year 6*  
Family holidays should be planned for school holiday times.

**'Day off'**  
Think twice before letting your child have a 'Day Off' as they could fall behind their classmates- Every Day Counts!

Student Attendance Chart 22/3/2018- 29/3/2018



■ Late ■ Absent ■ Total Student