Dear Parents,

We have completed the school photos for the year which is pleasing. I hope that they are well done and the experience for your child and class was a good one. If you have any feedback please pass onto the P&C either directly or via a letter to the front office. We'll let you know when the photos are going to return.

Assembly

Last week’s assembly was conducted enthusiastically by the Year 1s from Room 4. Thanks to all those who helped prepare the class. They gave us another story from Pete the Cat. These books are great value. Next week’s assembly will be conducted by Room 10 Year 4s. We look forward to having them entertain us.

Cyber Safety

Last week I mentioned cyber safety as a critical issue in modern society. Attached to the newsletter is a great article from the Australian Government that focuses on 10 ways to help set up a home environment that can assist to make your children cyber safe. I have included this document with the newsletter given to Year 5 and 6 students. If you would also like a copy, please pick one up from the front office.

The Wave

Unfortunately our tile wave crashed upon the shores of the Computer Lab causing widespread breakage of tiles and hearts. Undeterred we will try again and remedy the situation as we absolutely loved its look. I know Serena and Julie who did so much to put it together were extremely disappointed. We will get it back!!!

Book Fair

The response to the Book Fair was outstanding. Obviously we had lots of purchases and this has benefited the school considerably as the commission came to around $2000. This went straight into purchasing library material.

Library Books

While mentioning the library I do have to ask that parents really take the time to check their children’s school gear and their bedrooms for school library books. Each week we have many books overdue and a number that are never found. Each year this amounts to over a $1000 of lost books. That’s a big hole in the library budget spent on replacement material that is just so wasteful. Please assist by checking at home. We will be very appreciative.

“Walk To School” Day

We had a very solid response to the “Walk To School” Day. Delighted to see so many students and their parents walk with some staff from Strawberry Hill Farm and Dog Rock Shopping Centre. Thank you for all those who participated. Please encourage your children to walk to school. It has so many advantages.

Enjoy the forthcoming weekend. Sounds like the umbrella may be needed!

Brian Lee - Principal
It was very disheartening to see that our “Ride the Wave” mural had a bit of a landslide in the storm over the weekend. Most of the tiles were saved thanks to Phill Duff and our awesome Cleaning Team at APS. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Only 70 tiles were broken, which will be used in a mosaic art feature at a later date. We will be painting more tiles and reinstalling the mural in the very near future. We would love some expert advice/help installing the mural, if you have any skills in this area we would love to hear from you. Please contact us by email albanyprimarypandc@gmail.com or leave your contact details at the office.

The P&C along with the canteen staff (Kay & Tracey) are diligently working to make the canteen a viable business once again. In 2015 the canteen made a loss of $7,000 and in 2016 to date $2,500 has been transferred from the main P&C account into the canteen to cover costs. We have reviewed and made changes in our ordering, staff hours and canteen menu. In reviewing the menu pricing we have used the West Australian School Canteen Associations (WASCA) formula which recommends the RRP for our menu items, as a result there will be a few price increases beginning on 6 June 2016.

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We have capped the increase to 50c but many of the foods have only increased slightly. Please see increased items below. Thank you for your understanding in this matter and for continuing to support the canteen. On the upside for those of you that want to beat the morning lunch ordering rush, Term 3 will see us trialing an online ordering system, more info will follow closer to the date.

Do you feel passionate about the government cuts to education? Then here’s your chance to voice your opinion and in the process possibly win APS P&C $1,000. “Putting Our Kids First campaign” by State School Teachers Union Western Australia (SSTUWA) are running a competition by answering the following question in any format, What is your better picture for education? For further information, see the website www.puttingourkidsfirst.com.au

Julie Brooks
P&C President

I am very impressed with students who are putting in 100% effort to their Cross Country training. Many students are achieving their personal best, which is the goal. If however, your child is unable to participate fully in their PE lessons, please send in a note and they will be encouraged to walk it.

Jenny Jay
Physical Education

We’ve again had quite a few entries for our quiz. This week’s winner was Obaidullah from Room 9. Remember to get your quiz answers in by Wednesday following the newsletter.

Albany Primary School TravelSmart Quiz Questions

It often rains in Albany and splashing in puddles on the way to school can be lots of fun. Name 2 things you might use to keep you dry, warm and comfortable for a walk in the rain!

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Student Name: ___________________________________________________  Room: _________