



ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

WEEK 6

Monday 22 August
Book week

Tuesday 23 August
Eagles Cup - Semi Final

Wednesday 24 August
House Spelling
Competition—1:00

Thursday 25 August
School Banking

Friday 26 August
Assembly: PPI/PP2

Year 6 Orientation -
NASHS bound students
only

WEEK 7

Tuesday 30 August
Kindy - Year Disco
4:30 – 6:00

Year 3 – 4 Disco
6:30 8:00

Eagles Cup - Final
(Division A&B)

Wednesday 31 August
Munda Biddi Excursion -
Year 6

Friday 2 September
Dockers Cup

Dear Parents,

Greetings everyone!

It's a bit of relief that swimming is over for the year but, at the same time, we recognise just how important these lessons are for the students. They are an integral part of the physical education curriculum. I am very pleased to see so many students successfully passing stages or, at least, improving. Don't forget VacSwim is conducted in October and Christmas holidays.

Professional Learning Day

Albany Primary School will be hosting a professional learning day at the school on Friday 19 August. It is anticipated that we will have approximately 200 teachers in attendance. The focus of the day is enhancing teacher understanding of the new technologies Curriculum and how to integrate technology into their classroom.

Please remember that tomorrow the students are not to come to school because we are hosting this professional learning opportunity.

While I understand it may affect childcare arrangements etc for parents it is a good chance for the students to recover from the "mid term blues"!

School Uniforms

We are always very appreciative of the support that parents give us with regard to the students wearing school uniform. Please maintain this support throughout this term as the weather remains cold and wet. We understand that some students need to wear protective clothing on the way to and from school but these should be removed once they are at school.

Girls are reminded that tights are to be grey or green and that all students should have a sunsafe hat all year round. Please continue to support us in the wearing of the uniform.

Athletics Training

We will be commencing athletics training very soon. Please expect your child to participate! Unfortunately children will use their parents as a means to not participate in certain physical education activities through complaint of illness and injury. Even if slightly ill or injured students can participate in a modified manner. Expect your child to be resilient and maximise participation.

NAPLAN Results

We are expecting to receive all our NAPLAN results this week and should have them out to parents by the end of next week. We will also get our overall school results which enable us to analyse how we are tracking in years 3 and 5 with regard to some areas of Literacy and Numeracy. We'll keep you informed!

Assembly

A thankyou to Room 16, year 3s for conducting last week's assembly and entertaining us with information about the Olympics from ancient Greece. It was very informative. Our next assembly will be conducted by Mrs Perrella and Mrs Amson's Pre Primary students on Friday 26 August. I hope to see you there.

Discos

Don't forget these are coming up next! More details will be forthcoming. They will be conducted in week 7.

Brian Lee,
Principal

‘STEINS Semester 2 2016

There have been many applications for the Steins for Semester 2 2016. Sadly more miss out than get in but this situation ensures a high quality of applicants.

There are three criteria used to select STEIN projects:

1. Is the idea useful for people?
2. Is the idea doable in the school setting?

Is the idea original?

In addition students doing a ScienceSTEIN question have to know:

4. What they are changing in their investigation; and
What they are measuring in their investigation.

All applications were interesting and worthy of doing. However it is only possible to work thoroughly with 5 different projects. Some of the ideas not selected could be explored at home and I have encouraged students to work with a parent on these ideas.

Finally, if a student was not successful this time there will be another opportunity in Semester 1 2017.

The following students have been successful in applying for the ScienceSTEINS or InventionSTEINS or EnviroSTEINS for Semester 2 2016.

ScienceSTEINS

Leilah – Rm 6

Mia – Rm 6

What is the best formula of sherbet that people like to eat?

Rebekah – Rm 9

Gavin – Rm 8

Which brand of jelly wobbles the most?

Charlie – Rm 12

Daniel – Rm 12

Raff – R12

What paper/cloth will burn for the longest: cloth, paper, flannel, tissue, or paper towel?

InventionSTEINS

Lila – Rm 14

Eva – Rm 14

Mabel – Rm 14

A hat that keeps you hot and cold.

EnviroSTEINS

Lincoln – Rm 16

Alex – Rm 11

Lily – Rm 12

We want to make nesting boxes for native birds and possums.

Congratulations to all and thank you to all applicants. As I said, all applications were worthwhile. Remember “if at first you don’t succeed try try again”.

Steins will meet from 12.20pm to 1.10pm every Monday.

If you want to help out in any way please contact me at the school.

Stephen Murray

Teacher, Science

P&C News

Thanks to Lindsay for coordinating the upcoming discos. If you are able to help in the canteen during the discos, please fill in the tear off slip at the bottom of the disco note and return to the front office by 24 August. Please note that pop tops are being replaced by juice boxes at the K- Year4 discos.

The next P&C is being held at 2pm Friday 27 August in the staff room. We would love to see some new faces, everyone is welcome.

Canteen News

Canteen volunteers we thank you for your time. If you are unable to attend a rostered shift, please be aware that Kay & Tracey are in the canteen from 7:30 am. The earlier they are made aware that you are unable to help the better likelihood they are able to find another volunteer. Thanks

Online ordering for the canteen will continue until the end of term.

If you have packed a lunch from home that requires a fork or a spoon, please remember to pack a fork or spoon. As always, thank you to our lovely volunteers . We appreciate you.
Kay and Trace

Parent Support Group

The next Parent Support Group will be meeting together on Thursday 25 at 2pm. Please come along and join us for a discussion around how best to support our children with learning difficulties (diagnosed and undiagnosed) to help reach their full potential. The group is very informal and relaxed. Everyone welcome. Please email parent-group@albanyprimary16@gmail.com with any questions.

Community News

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 23 May

Tam Robertson

Wednesday 25 May

Suze Leverington

Friday 27 May

Marnie Breuker

UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday

2.45pm—3:30pm

Thursday

8.15am—9:00am

*(Located in the Undercover
Assembly Area)*

Basketball Season 2016/17 Season

Registration dates are Sunday the 11th from 10-2pm at ALAC (This is a combined Winter sports registration day which is held by ALAC. There will be someone available on this day to sign off any Kid sport vouchers on behalf of the ALAC.) There will also be 2 registration nights on Tuesday the 13th of September and Thursday the 15th of September from 5.30-7.30 at the meeting room at ALAC.

Fees for the season will be \$110 for juniors and \$140 for seniors. Court fees will be forwarded as soon as season dates are finalised.

If you would like more information please visit the website. <http://www.albanybasketball.net/>

Expression of Interest

If any year 4 boys keen to play basketball this upcoming season please contact Leesa Savage 0438426464.

Any year 5 boys keen to play this basketball season please contact Naomi Boccamazzo 0429232766