



ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 4

MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER

School Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER

Year 4 & 5 Student council Speeches and voting

Room 14: pet day

THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER

2017 Albany Community Kindy Parent Information Meeting

FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER

Assembly: Room 12

Orientation Day for NASHS and ASHS students

UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday

2.45pm—3:30pm

Thursday

8.15am—9:00am

(Located in the Undercover Assembly Area)

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24 November 2016

This week representatives from our school have been participating in the Interschool Athletics Carnival. On Tuesday the students were involved in the jumps, 800m and Throws. Today the actual Carnival is being conducted. I will let you know the results in the next newsletter. I'm sure our students will try their best and represent our school with pride.

Bremer Canyon Excursion Opportunity

On Wednesday Kirsty Alexander, Stephen Murray and I interviewed student who had nominated for this very prestigious opportunity next year. For those of you who may not recall, we have been given the opportunity to have 6 of our current year 4/5s go on the boat out to the Bremer Canyon in 2017 and look for killer whales. They will be able to assist with the research that is going on and help record data. To apply the students had to ensure parents understood what was involved, get their permission, nominate and then complete a presentation that demonstrated their passion for the killer whales and the environment.

The presentations were held yesterday and the students did a superb job of presenting. They presented with passion, intelligence and enthusiasm. It is going to be a difficult task selecting the final six students. All up we had 26 students put in an application. I came away from the interviews feeling very proud of our students.

We are going to place some of the presentations onto our webpage as soon as possible.

Using the Attended Crosswalks

It is very important that our students use the attended crosswalks that are on Campbell Road. Much was done by Michelle Gust to get these attendants in place so that our students are safe crossing the road at such busy times during the day. Parent modelling and expectations are very important and helpful in encouraging students to use the crosswalk. Your assistance in this matter would be appreciated. The safety of our students is paramount.

Assembly

Our last week's assembly was conducted by the year 1s from Room 1 and year 5s from Room 11. Both classes did a great job of their items and keeping the assembly running smoothly. Thankyou to both classes. Our next assembly will be conducted by the year 5s from Room 12.

Staffing News

It has been confirmed that Chelsey Norman and Jenny Jay have been appointed to the school next year. It will be great to have them on-board again. We also have Michael Gardiner, currently at Denmark, also coming to the school. Colleen Pietropaolo will be taking Pre-Primaries while Samantha Amson is on maternity leave for the first half of 2017. Neil Milligan, the Regional Executive Director has confirmed that he would be delighted to see Deidre Jones take on the acting principal role for Term 1, 2017 while my permanent replacement is selected.

Sundowner and Movie Night

This night proved to be a very successful evening. Michelle Gust ordered a perfect evening weather wise and we had close on 200 students, parents and staff in attendance. There was a lovely atmosphere as we all mingled on the lawn outside the back of the staff room. Thanks to the P&C for organising the event and for those who assisted. Please see further into the newsletter for details.

Important Information: The End of The school Year

End of year class excursions: These will all be scheduled for week 9 of the term. Teachers will be sending out information.

- ◆ **Reports:** Student reports will be going home with students on the last day of school for students (Thursday 15 December. No reports will be given out early.
- ◆ **Year 6 Graduation:** This is scheduled for Tuesday 13 December.
- ◆ **Final Assembly:** Will be conducted on Thursday 14 December. Book prizes for each class will be presented to two students for excellence and effort

Please note that student will be working for as long as possible on the curriculum. During the last two days of school we will be cleaning up and farewelling those who are departing. It is important that all students help clean up and also participate in farewelling students and staff who are leaving. This gives effective closure to the school year.

Conclusion

Three weeks and one day left in the 2016 school year! There's still much to do and the learning program continues unabated as it should. Enjoy the forthcoming weekend.

Brian Lee,
Principal

P&C News

The Sundowner and movie night was enjoyed by all that attended, including the mosquitos with a profit of approximately \$500.

A big thank you to all that helped with a special mention to the following people and businesses: The Inflatables, Jamie the Clown, Geoff Waldeck, Quick shots Coffee, Michelle Gust, Sukihumal Felton & Brian Lee.

The P&C held its last general meeting for the year and funds were donated to APS as follows

2 Marimbas	\$3,800
Library signs & dividers	\$2,000
Guided reading books	\$4,000

With a further \$5,000 reserved for a donation towards technology, to be reviewed next year.

The P&C recently undertook a survey of Teachers & Students in regards to the utilisation of Reading Eggs and Mathletics at home and school. After much discussion, it was decided that the P&C will not be continuing to pay for subscriptions to Reading eggs and Mathletics in 2017. Current subscriptions will expire in February 2017.

After that date, anyone wanting their child to continue with this programme at home will need to have their own subscription. The current costs for a 12mth home subscription are as follows; Reading eggs is \$79.95 per child with a 50% reduction for each subsequent child and \$99 for Mathletics, with a reduction in price for each additional child. Information can be found on the relevant websites.

Reminder: Any outstanding Lapathon cards and collection money can still be returned to the front office, a reminder note will be going out shortly to those we have not received cards from.

Julie Brooks
P&C President.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 28 November

Gillian MacGregor

Tuesday 29 November

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Wednesday 30 November

Hitomi Yamaski

Thursday 1 November

Help Needed

Friday 2 November

Noreen Les

Road Ribbon for Road Safety was launched at the Sundowner on Friday night. Albany Primary School are proud to support this campaign which is a community based initiative, where everyone has the opportunity to directly contribute to raising awareness of the importance of road safety over this festive season. Free ribbons are available in the office to remember Road Traffic Victims. Further information can be found on www.roadwise.asn.au

LOST- Wednesday at Albany Primary School Large Gold woman's dress ring. Three small opals and 5 small diamonds. Reward offered to finder or information leading to recovery . Please contact Sue 0427 428 811 or School Office on 9842 7400