Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last night we held the junior and the middle primary discos which were exciting and entertaining activities. It was lovely to see the junior students get straight into dancing and have a really good time. Once they had cleared the floor the middle primary students followed suit and willingly engaged in their dances.

The efforts of the Student Councillors to assist before and during the disco were really pleasing and decidedly helpful! Well done.

As usual the P&C did a great job as did Peter Bolt and Barry Evans in setting the night up. Thanks to all those parents and staff who came along and particularly those who provided assistance throughout the evening.

Tonight we have the year 5/6 disco! I hope all students come along and enjoy their time! See you there!

Use of the Canteen

Our canteen continues to be under-utilised and therefore the possibility of us having it closed for a day continues to be a reality.

The only way to avoid this possibility is to have us see an increase in usage. There will be more discussion about this issue at the forthcoming P&C meeting.

P&C Meeting

The P&C meeting scheduled for last Monday was rescheduled for this Monday (21 March) coming. It will be conducted in the staffroom commencing at 7:00 pm. Please come along and support this organisation that has done so much for our school over many years. Your presence will help.

School Council Meeting

The next School Council meeting is scheduled for Monday 21 March at 3:30pm in the school library.

We welcome new members Kellie Shields, Peter Bockman, Phil Dawson and Melanie Whitfort.

We are fortunate that Christie Huggins and Darren Kay are continuing on for another term.

Other Council members include Andrea Noble (chair), Deanne Rolland, Stephen Murray, Teresa Daly and the principal. Parents who wish to discuss school policy and also make suggestions about school directions may talk to parent or staff representatives. You are encouraged to utilise this opportunity. Different ideas and possibilities can always be explored!

“Ride the Wave” Tile Mural

This very exciting school activity will be conducted next week. Please enable your child to buy a tile or two or three or four! Come and do a tile yourself! We need 600 tiles or more to create this bit of artistic work that will be featured on the wall on the walkway through to Albany Senior High School.

Next week each class will be working with Serena McLaughlan and some parents to paint their tile. This will then be fired before being glued onto the wall. I’m thinking that this will be very special and will mean that every student has the opportunity to participate in beautifying our school.

If you didn’t get the note please contact the school office.
Assembly
Thanks to Mr MacNish’s year 3s for entertaining us at the assembly last week. They did a great job of conducting the assembly and presenting the play about Pete the Cat and singing The Cat Came Back.

Our next assembly is scheduled for next Thursday as the Friday is the commencement of Easter. The assembly will be conducted by Room 7 Year 3s. Please come along and enjoy the performance.

Easter
Please be aware that the school will be closed on:
- Friday 25 March
- Monday 28 March
- Tuesday 29 March

These days are gazetted public holidays for schools.

I ask that you ensure that your child maximises attendance by not being absent from school before the break or returning to school a few days late after Easter.

Conclusion
Remember that registrations for winter sports are being carried out. Playing a sport is a great way for children to develop a number of skills that go beyond ball skills.

I hope that you enjoy the forthcoming weekend.
Brian Lee,
Principal

P&C News
We would like to say a big thank you to the people who have recently taken on roles within the various committees of the P&C. We still have vacancies for a fundraising coordinator, uniform committee and canteen representative. If you would like more information on these roles please email albanyprimarypandc@gmail.com

We have the “ride the wave” tile mural/fundraiser starting next week, We would love some help, please fill out the form attached to the letter sent home and return to the front office ASAP.

Our next P&C meeting is on Monday March 21 at 7pm in the staffroom all are welcome. We will be addressing the issue of our canteen running at a loss and the possible closure one day a week; If you would like a copy of the agenda please email a request.

We hope you enjoy the discos this week brought to you by our disco queen Lindsay Armstrong in collaboration with student councillors, staff and various helpers. We thank you all.

Julie Brooks
P&C President

Canteen Roster:

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Uniform Shop

(Located in the Undercover Assembly Area)
Open Every: Tuesday 2.45pm – 3.30pm
Thursday 8.15am – 9am

Medical Attention
Please be aware that there is a possible case of Impetigo (school sores) in the school. Impetigo is a contagious skin infection caused by Staphylococcus or Streptococcus bacteria. These bacteria can live harmlessly on the skin surface and also in people’s noses.

Impetigo is also known as school sores because it is common among school-aged children. It is most common in children between 2 and 6, although it can also affect adolescents and adults. Impetigo is commonly spread by touching the sores or the mucous in the nose or throat of an infected person.

If large areas of the skin are infected, symptoms may also include:
- fever
- swollen lymph glands
- Generally feeling unwell (malaise).

Community News

Please note notices appearing below are not necessarily endorsed by the school. We provide this space for community groups to advertise to the school community. It is up to parents to scrutinise the activity and organisers for their child.

Soccer Shirts
If you have registered your child to play soccer this season from PP, Yr 1, Yr 2 or Yr 3 and you need to order a shirt, could you please email your child’s name and size (sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12) to albanyprimaryjsc@gmail.com (cost approx $15). And if anyone has an old shirt they wish to donate they can be put in the box at the front office.