

**FOR YOUR DIARY****WEEK 8****30 November**

- Year 6 ASHS Transition
- School Board Meeting 7pm (OPEN)

1 December

- Student Councillor Voting
- Spencer Park Dental Screening PP, Yr 3 & Yr 6

3 December

- House Captain Voting

4 December

- ASHS & NASHS Orientation all schools' Year 6 students
- Assembly Rm 4& 5

WEEK 9**7 – 11 December**

- Follow the Dream Camp

10 December

- IMSS End of Year Concert

11 December

- RISE Reward

WEEK 10**15 December**

- Year 6 Graduation 9am and lunch 12pm

16 December

- Final Assemblies

17 December

- Year 6s @ ALAC
- LAST DAY 2020



From the Principal's Desk

Athletics Carnival

This year's Athletics Carnival was another great day, made all the better with the fantastic turnout of parents. Our students made us proud with so many demonstrations of our RISE values and sportsmanship. Thank you to our school team for the thorough organisation and to all of our volunteers on the day.



Interschool competitions were held earlier this week. Monday was a successful day for jumps, throws and distance events, and our team did us proud again on Tuesday with the track and team events. Albany Primary School won the Junior Carnival shield, and came third in the Senior Carnival. Well done to Denmark Primary School for winning the Senior shield. Congratulations also to Grace who won Year 4 Champion Girl, Kai who won Year 4 Champion Boy, and Lucy who was Year 5 Runner Up Champion Girl. It was an incredibly hot, then windy day and our students showed a high level of camaraderie and team spirit.

Parent Survey

All parents should have received an email this week with a link to complete the National Schools Opinion Survey. This survey is required every two years as a part of our ongoing data collection and self-assessment processes. I encourage everyone to please take 5-10 minutes to provide us with your valuable feedback about how you think APS does as a school for your children.

Dress Code

In preparation for the new school year, the School Board has reviewed and updated our Dress Code, which is included in this newsletter. The Dress Code reflects our new uniform pieces; however, our current shirts and jackets are still perfectly acceptable whilst we phase in the new items.

The revised Dress Code Policy has been sent to you via Connect with this newsletter. Please take a few minutes to read the policy and let us know if you have any questions.



Graduation

I am so pleased that we will be going ahead with our Graduation Assembly on Tuesday 15 December. Naturally, we are going to have a few restrictions and alternative arrangements in place, which I will communicate specifically to Year 6 parents next week. Please be aware there is a strict limit on the number of guests per student and no siblings will be able to attend.



End Of Year Assembly

To enable guests at our end of year assembly, we are splitting the event into two this year.

Pre-Primary to Year 3 Assembly

9:00am

Wednesday 16 December

Year 4 - 6 Assembly

11:15am

Wednesday 16 December

Please note: Mrs Whitfort's Year 3/4 class will attend the Year 4-6 Assembly.

These assemblies can only go ahead with your help. We will need to restrict guests to **1 guest per family**. Siblings from other year levels will only attend their year level assembly. Hand sanitizer will be available upon entry to the undercover area.

I respectfully ask that everyone observes these changes so that we can make our final assemblies a celebration for our students.

Student Leader Election

I am looking forward to hearing our Year 5 students give their speeches for Student Council or House Captain next week. There have been a lot of nominations and I am excited to hear about who will be voted in to these leadership positions for 2021.

Have a wonderful weekend and upcoming week ahead. It certainly is a busy time of the year!

Ms Cathy Willis, Principal



Library News

The annual Christmas Display is up in the Library and is looking amazing as always! Mrs Pumphrey is busy preparing for the annual stocktake so **please ensure all loaned books are returned this week.**

Thanks!

Congratulations to all of our Honour Certificate Recipients and Rise Stars

RISE House Stars

For the first time this year teachers awarded RISE Star House Awards to deserving recipients. Students from the Junior and Senior year groups were selected for two categories. Congratulations to all of these students!

The students selected for challenging themselves to achieve their best during the athletics carnival are:

Breaksea Jnr	Sienna	Melville Jnr	Tyler
Breaksea Snr	Archie	Melville Snr	Skye
Clarence Jnr	Anika	Michaelmas Jnr	Felicity
Clarence Snr	Angus	Michaelmas Snr	Will

The students selected for displaying outstanding sportsmanship during the athletics carnival are:

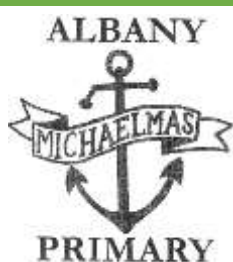
Breaksea Jnr	Jirouh	Melville Jnr	Mia
Breaksea Snr	Ella	Melville Snr	Aisha
Clarence Jnr	Stewart	Michaelmas Jnr	Odin
Clarence Snr	Aisha	Michaelmas Snr	Freya

HONOUR CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

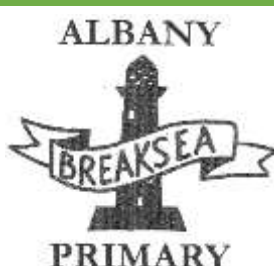
ROOM	JUNIOR	ROOM	SENIOR
2	Savannah & Chloe	15	Skye & Akyrah
3	Alirah & Toby & Charlotte	16	Hana & Jerhemy
4	Sophie & Cobi	17	Lauren & Sienna
5	Gabbi & Kayla	18	Oliver & Lilly
6	Seth & Cooper	20	Austin & Queenie
7	Teddy & Lola	21	Ben & Nathan
8	Sophie & Callum	22	Shalaylah & Geneva
9	Elle & Jace	23	William & Scarlett
LOTE	Marlon & Abbey	SCIENCE	Logan & Joshua
Aussie of the Month		Joshua & Xavier	



FACTION POINTS



931



880



875



842

Show **R**espect

Include Others

Be **S**afe

Personal **E**xcellence

P & C Uniform Shop News

A reminder that the uniform shop has reopened for cash sales, on Tuesdays 2.45-3.30pm and Thursdays 8.30-9.00am. ALL our current stock is 30% off while stocks last. Main school polos and jackets can be worn for this year and ALL of next year, and faction shirts will remain acceptable as uniform beyond next year as they are changing only a tiny bit.

Back-to-School Special

Volunteers will be at the Uniform Shop 1-4pm Wednesday 27 January and 1-4pm Friday 29 January, in the Undercover Area. Our new updated polo shirts and jackets should arrive ready for our back-to-school special opening hours. Initially the new items will only be available for in-person purchases, and will not be available online.



Volunteers needed

Are you able to help out for a couple of hours with our back-to-school sale days? Or are you able to do shop duty on a Tuesday afternoon or Thursday morning, 2 or 3 times a term next year? If you are interested in helping out as a one-off, or ongoing, please email Rebecca for more information apsuniformcoordinator@outlook.com



Voluntary Contributions & Booklists 2021

Yesterday we distributed two letters to every child in Year PP to 5: a letter about Contributions and Charges 2021, and a Booklist relevant to your child's year in 2021.

The Contributions and Charges letter is for information only; it is not an invoice. Each family will be invoiced for the applicable amount of Voluntary Contributions after the commencement of Term 1 next year. Payments can be made at that time.

Chaplain's Corner

Hope you are all keeping well. Term 4 is almost done? Yes - that is right we have almost made it! Not long now parents, the year that is 2020 is almost at its end. My family has even put up the Christmas tree in a bid to be that little bit closer to the years' end (its ok I don't think I beat Kmart in the race).

With the internet only becoming more and more a part of our everyday life it is simply responsible for us as parents and caretakers to be aware of the safety precautions both ourselves and our children should be taking.

For example did you know that:

- 6/10 young Australians are regularly playing online multiplayer games?
- 1 out of 2 players are playing with people they do not know?
- 17% of multiplayer gamers experienced in-game bullying? (that's more than 200,000 Australians!)
- 1/5 young Australians aged 8 to 17 years reported being socially excluded, threatened or abused online

I have recently been introduced to a very helpful resource on Cyberbullying. The **eSafety** site is "choc-o-block" full with tips and tricks for parents, teacher and kids. On the website you can even sign up for a FREE parenting seminar that covers many aspects such as: how to talk and help your child with the potential pitfalls that come with being online, what protections can put in place, what steps can be taken to eradicate bad online behaviour etc.

- **eSafety:** <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>
- webinar times and dates: <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars>
- helpline for Parents for both support and referral: 1800 654 432.



Keep up the good work parents! *Mr Caleb Drage, Chaplain*

Community News and Events

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.

WAAPA Summer School 2021

This summer WAAPA is thrilled to be able to offer an exciting school holiday program at our campus in Mount Lawley. There are classes for students from Year 1 to Year 12 in drama, acting, screen performance, film making, music theatre and of course Shakespeare. For information about the many courses on offer please visit waapa.ecu.edu.au/summer-school or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at explore.waapa@ecu.edu.au or 9370 6775.



THE CITY OF ALBANY'S
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 & PAGEANT
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DEC 4**
 Green Skills Twilight Markets from 4pm
 Live performances
 Laneway activations

**SATURDAY
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ACADEMIC TASK FORCE
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January Head Start Program

Is your child starting High School in 2021? Academic Task Force [January Head Start Program](#) helps students transition successfully in their high school studies. We offer six-hour courses in NAPLAN Preparation, GATE and Scholarship Exam Preparation, Foundations and Advanced English and Maths during the January Summer Holidays

Build their confidence and skills to achieve success at school with a course in Learning Skills and Essay Writing to prepare them for high school.

Courses available in:

- ✓ NAPLAN preparation
- ✓ Gate & Scholarship Exam Preparation
- ✓ Essay Writing
- ✓ Foundation Maths and English
- ✓ Advanced Maths and Intermediate English
- ✓ Learning Skills

Venues: Churchlands SHS and Rossmoyne SHS



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- ✓ WA's Top Teachers
- ✓ Great Resources
- ✓ Interactive Classes
- ✓ Small Groups
- ✓ Teacher Feedback

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January Head Start Program Year 6 - 7

[Januarys Head Start Program](#) will help your child equip themselves with the academic skills needed to develop their confidence, study habits and subject familiarity.

- ✓ Learn from WA's top teachers
- ✓ Small group classes for individual attention
- ✓ Learn time management and homework strategies
- ✓ Learn how to structure and write essays
- ✓ Foundation to Advanced Maths and English
- ✓ Build your child's confidence

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Early Bird Offer: Enrol by Monday December 14, 2020 and Save 10%

Enrol online:
www.academicgroup.com.au

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learn@academicgroup.com.au

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT
28 November 10am – 1pm

PETTING ZOO
REPTILE
HAVEN

FOOD TRUCKS
POPCORN
FAIRY FLOSS

BOUNCY CASTLE
AND
SENSORY TENT

FACE PAINTING
CRAFT ACTIVITIES
KIDS DANCING

28TH NOVEMBER 2020
10AM - 1PM
TOWN SQUARE
YORK STREET, ALBANY

FREE KIDS ACTIVITIES
+ RAFFLE PRIZES
EVERY 30 MINS

Sponsored by
Colin Tincknell MLC
South West Region

Meet Michelle Kinsella
Albany Candidate 2021

one
NATION

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Enjoy fun for the whole family
at this magical walk-through
Christmas lights display!

4TH – 29TH DEC 2020
Closed on 25th for Christmas Day
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