

ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2020 Term 4 Week 9

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FOR YOUR DIARY

WEEK 9

7-11 December

- Follow the Dream Camp

10 December

- IMSS End of Year Concert 5pm - 6pm

11 December

- RISE Reward

WEEK 10

15 December

- Year 6 Graduation 9:00am and Lunch 12:00pm

16 December

- Final Assemblies PP – Year 3 9:00am
Year 4 – 6 11:15am
(Incl Room 22 Yr3/4)

17 December

- Year 6's @ ALAC
- LAST DAY 2020



From the Principal's Desk

I am sure that many people are looking forward to the end of what has been an extraordinary year for us all. I have heard some say they can't wait for this terrible year to end. However, just as with all adversity, we have seen strength, courage and growth in our school. Our students have much to celebrate. They have shown resilience, cooperation and optimism. They have shown us they can face challenges with a smile on their face and belief in themselves. Our staff have also shown these attributes and I thank them all sincerely for their determination and adaptability in getting through 2020.

This week I was honoured to celebrate a milestone in my own learning, in receiving my Harvard Fellowship Certificate, along with 20 other colleagues. This is the culmination of 18 months of work; attending a leadership course at Harvard University in Boston, USA, completing online study through Harvard, and working on a strategic project for the Department of Education. It has been an incredible journey of growth and learning and one I feel very fortunate to have been involved in.

I am looking forward to 2021, with the development of our new Business Plan well underway and some exciting new planning in place. I wish all of our APS families a wonderful holiday break. We look forward to seeing you back in February. Please keep an eye on your Connect account and Facebook, as there will be some updates posted between now and then.

Merry Christmas to all and happy holidays.

Ms Cathy Willis

Principal



Rainbow Fish
Room 5 – Year 1
On display in the front office

Congratulations to all of our Honour Certificate Recipients

HONOUR CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

ROOM	JUNIOR	ROOM	SENIOR
2	Carleigh, Tillie & Perri	16	Seth
3	Sol & Jobe	17	Scott & Emilie
4	Jirouh & Jobe	18	William & Peri
5	Felicity & Adam	20	Molly & Amber
6	Zamia	21	Izayah, Lucas & Markus
7	Mia & Asher	22	Ebony & Quinn
8	Rio & Anika	23	Claire
9	Hayley & Fletcher	Ausie of the Month	Shrinithi & Charlee
LOTE	Samantha & Angel	SCIENCE	Emily, Jerhemy & Blake

Term 4 **RISE** Reward

When: Friday 11th

December 2020

Wear: bathers, rashie/t-shirt, sunscreen, free dress

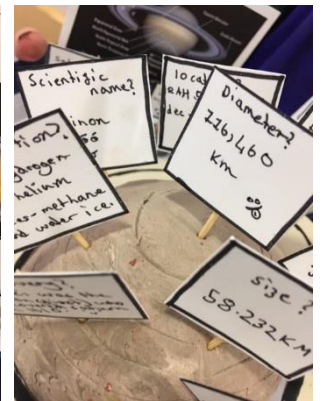
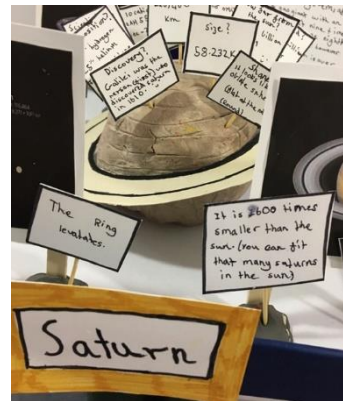
Bring a towel to school to dry yourself at the end.



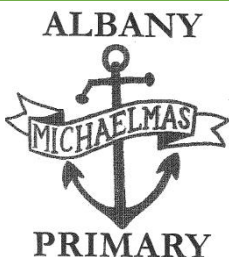
Student in the Spotlight



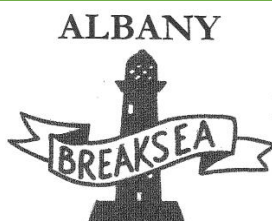
Bree from Rm 17 did a fantastic job with her Science assignment this week. Students were given a task to research and create a display on a topic of interest from studies on the Solar System. Bree chose Saturn as her topic, and produced this amazing model. We certainly learned a lot about this planet thanks to Bree's display. Well done!



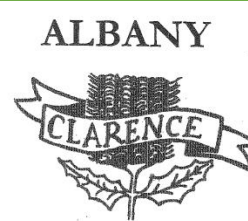
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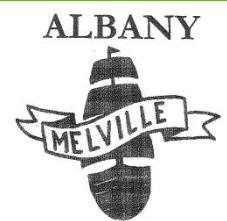
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THE WINNING FACTION WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN WEEK 10!

Show **R**espect

Include Others

Be **S**afe

Personal **E**xcellence

Library News

The Library at Albany Primary School has a great selection of books for all students to access.

At the moment we have a lot of overdue books. As we are getting ready for the end of year processes we would appreciate everyone's help in tracking down all our books.

Books can find their way in to some very strange places so check under the bed, behind the lounge chairs, in the car and at grandma's place. When found please return to the Library. Thank you!

Mrs Pumphrey, Librarian



P & C Uniform Shop News

It's been great to see many families taking advantage of our 30% off sale, and preparing early for next year.

The last day the Uniform Shop will be open for this year is Tuesday 15 December.

Back-to-school special opening hours

We will be open 1-4pm Wednesday 27 January and 1-4pm Friday 29 January, in the Undercover Area, so that families can purchase uniform pieces for the new school year.

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.



If you are able to donate some time to help out in the uniform shop on either of these days, please register at <https://volunteersignup.org/C9BT7>

New Iron-On labels

Next year we will be selling Iron-On labels!! No more lost property! Labels will be printed with your child's surname, for you to iron onto uniform items at home. At 10 labels for \$5 they are great value. Depending on demand for these, they may be something you order and we send home with your child during the week, or we print on-the-spot if time allows. These will be available for sale at our special Back-To-School days, and then ongoing. If you would like to pre-order your labels ready for the beginning of next year, please call into the Shop on Tuesday 2.45-3.30pm or Thursday 8.30-9am. Please note we are closed on the last day of school.

Volunteers needed for next year

Are you able to do shop duty on a Tuesday afternoon or Thursday morning, 2 or 3 times a term next year?

The Uniform Shop is entirely run by volunteers, and profits from the Uniform Shop go back into the P&C to directly benefit our school community. This is a great way to get involved and contribute to our community.

If you are interested in helping please email Rebecca for more information apsuniformcoordinator@outlook.com

Rebecca Wallace - Coordinator

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Albany Primary School

Dress Code

The Albany Primary School community actively encourages the wearing of school uniforms. The School Board has endorsed the Dress Code for all students (K-6).

Uniforms are desirable for a number of reasons:

- They promote identity within the school
- They promote pride in the school
- They promote a sense of unification and belonging
- They encourage equity amongst students
- They ensure students are safely dressed for school activities

The school has a “No Hat – No Play” policy enforced all year round. Students are required to wear the school bucket hat or a bottle green broad brimmed hat for all outdoor activities. This is in line with the school’s Sun Smart Policy.

Our school colours are bottle green and gold.

Dress Code Requirements

School polo shirt - bottle green with gold trim and white piping

Faction polo shirt

School micro-fibre jacket - bottle green with gold trim and white piping

School bucket hat (reversible with faction colour on the inside),

or broad brimmed bottle green hat

Green track suit bottoms or ‘jazz pant’ bottoms

Green Skort or Skirt

Black leggings – must be worn under shorts/skirt/

skort – **not to be worn alone**



RED
CLARENCE



PURPLE
MELVILLE



BLUE
BREAKSEA



GREEN
MICHAELMAS

Year 6 Graduation Shirt

Students in Year 6 have the option of purchasing a Graduation polo shirt. This style varies from year to year. The shirt may be worn in place of the regular school polo shirt.

Denim is excluded from the School Dress Code.

Footwear

Footwear should be suitable for a student's active and busy day. Sneakers or enclosed shoes are the preferred footwear.

Thongs, ugg boots, and slip on shoes are not considered appropriate and are not allowed. Exemptions may be made for special lessons, e.g. swimming.

Hair, Jewellery and Make-Up

- Hair should be neat and secured away from the face. Hair that is shoulder length or longer must be tied back. This is a health and safety issue.
- A watch and either sleepers or studs may be worn. Other items of jewellery may not be worn for safety reasons.
- Nail polish and make up are not permitted.

Modification to the Dress Code

Parents of students who for religious, cultural or health reasons may need to modify the school dress code are required to discuss this with the Principal or Deputy Principal. Staff members will be informed of any student granted a modification to the dress code.

Non-Compliance

Students not following the dress code will, in the first instance, have a discussion with the teacher, on the requirement to wear the school Dress Code. If this action fails to elicit compliance, then:

- The Parents/Guardian will be contacted, whereby parents will be asked to ensure that the student complies with the Dress Code.
- Assistance/support will be provided for parents/caregivers to obtain suitable clothing if necessary; and as a last resort,
- Exclusion from participation in extracurricular or non-essential activities may be applied.

Availability of Dress Code Items

All items of the uniform are available from the school Uniform Shop, organised and managed by the P&C Association.

Parents and caregivers are asked to name all items of the Dress Code.

Out And About With Our Year 6s!

Some of our Year 6 students had an orientation day at Albany Senior High School. As you can see, they are more than ready for the next adventure!



Our departing Year 6 leaders are pictured here enjoying their well-earned Dome breakfast. This is an annual event for the Student Councillors and is a great way for the students to get together as a group and reflect on their year as school leaders.



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.

			
<h3>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS</h3> <p>FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS</p>		<h3>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS</h3> <p>FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS</p>	
			
<p>Enjoy fun for the whole family at this magical walk-through Christmas lights display!</p>		<p>Enjoy fun for the whole family at this magical walk-through Christmas lights display!</p>	
			
<p>4TH – 29TH DEC 2020 Closed on 25th for Christmas Day 137 MUELLER ST, GLEDHOW</p>		<p>4TH – 29TH DEC 2020 Closed on 25th for Christmas Day 137 MUELLER ST, GLEDHOW</p>	
			

		<h1>CHRISTMAS Tennis Camp</h1>			
		<p>DATES – Monday 21st to Wednesday 23rd December TIMES – 9am till 12 noon COURTS – Merrifield Park TC, Little Oxford Street TO BOOK – 0414 608 523 or David@fnalbany.com.au</p>			
<p>\$100pp</p> 		<p>WHAT'S INCLUDED?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Fun games, drills and skills for kids aged 6-14 ✓ Professionally trained coaches ✓ Small group to coach ratio ✓ All equipment provided ✓ Morning tea provided ✓ Prizes & certificates ✓ Final Day Tournament 		<p>FREE TENNIS SHIRT FOR ALL PLAYERS SIZES 6 - 16</p>	