

**FOR YOUR DIARY****Term 2 – Week 7****31 May**

- Yr 6 Bike Ed
9:00am-1:10pm
- P&C Meeting 7pm

3 June

- Cross Country

4 June

- Assembly Rm 22
- Back up Cross
Country

Term 2 – Week 8**7 June**

- Western Australia
Day -Public Holiday

8 June

- Eisteddfod

9 June

- Eisteddfod
- Yr 6 Bike Ed
9am-12:10pm

10 June

- Eisteddfod

11 June

- Eisteddfod

Term 2 – Week 9**14 June**

- Yr 6 Bike Ed
9:00am-1:10pm
- Board Meeting
7pm

16 June

- Yr 6 Munda Biddi
Bike Ride
Excursion

Term 2 – Week 10**24 June**

- Interschool Cross
Country



From the Principal's Desk

Kindergarten Enrolments 2022

It is that time of the year again when we are taking enrolments for kindergarten in 2022. Enrolments close on 30 July 2021 (Week 2, Term 3). We encourage you to apply now, as places are sometimes limited.

Please pop into our office for an enrolment pack. If you know anyone in our area who has a child turning 4 by 30 June 2022, please ask them to see us for information about kindy enrolment.

Merrifield Food Drive for Foodbank Albany

We will be assisting Merrifield Real Estate in their goal to collect 1000kg of canned and non-perishable food for Foodbank Albany.

Foodbank is WA's largest food relief organisation and help many low-income and vulnerable families in hard financial times. Foodbank has provided over 6.1 million meals each year to people in need, including over 30 000 children.

Over the next 4 weeks, there will be collection box in our front office. We ask our wonderful community at APS to donate to this box with any canned and non-perishable foods. For example, canned goods, long life milk, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned meals, pasta, rice...

Please drop off your donations into the collection box in the front office.

Changes to collection of money and forms

We are making some minor changes to the way we collect forms and money, in order to streamline our communication processes.

All paperwork for excursions/events will have a final date for the receipt of consent forms and money. You will receive an SMS the day before the final date as a reminder, if we have not received your forms and money. We will not be able to receive forms and money on the day of the excursion/event.

All forms and money should be returned to the classroom teacher.

We are endeavouring to use Connect more as a means of communication about events and excursions. Please ensure you have the app downloaded and receive notifications. If you would like help with this, you are welcome to come into the office and we can assist you.

Our Moral Purpose

*Together our community nurtures diversity
and pursues personal excellence to unlock potential.*

What is Diversity?

There are many different people in our school and community. Diversity is about what makes each of us unique. It includes our backgrounds, personality, life experiences and beliefs.

We often think of diversity with an ethnic lens, however, in a broader sense, diversity is about acknowledging all of our uniqueness; including culture, ethnicity, religion, gender, age, disability and sexual orientation.

Nurturing diversity means together we will respect, include and embrace all people for their uniqueness and individuality.

Ms Cathy Willis

Principal



Staff Profiles



Deb Greenwood

Hello, I am Deb Greenwood. I joined Albany Primary School at the beginning of this year. Prior to that, I worked up in Perth for 10 years and before that I was teaching in the UK.

For many years, I have travelled, hiked and holidayed in this beautiful part of the WA, and I now feel very lucky to live and work here. The staff, students and parents have been so welcoming, and I am learning lots about the best beaches and fishing spots from the fabulous students in Room 17. It is a real privilege to be part of a school community that is so committed to the doing the best for the children, families and staff.



Breanna Wright

My name is Breanna Wright and I am a Year 1 teacher here at Albany Primary School. I had wanted to be a teacher for as long as I can remember and it is a privilege to be a part of the outstanding community of students, staff and families at APS. I began my career here in 2012 as a Graduate. I worked for a few years before I ventured a little further north to Cervantes where I worked in a diverse multi-age classroom of Kindy, Pre-Primary and Year One students. I met my partner Luke, and his son, Jacob (currently in Year Four) in Cervantes just as I'd told my Principal I wanted to return home. I returned to Albany and to Albany Primary School in 2017 and have worked in every year level from Kindy to Year 2 since then. I love APS and adorn many hats as classroom teacher, PLC Leader as well as member of the School Board and Finance committee. When I'm not in meetings, planning lessons or writing reports, I love spending quality time with my family.

Congratulations to all of our Honour Certificate Recipients and Rise Stars

HONOUR CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

ROOM	JUNIOR	ROOM	SENIOR
2	Piper & Xavier	15	Emma & Mathew
3	Juliette & Leo	16	Amaya & Dash
4	Jai & Jack	17	Nathan & Jackson
5	Perri & Anton	18	Ella & Evalyn
6	Matilda & Lily	20	Orlando & Kade
7	Eunyce & Ameleah	21	Rebekah & Maddison
8	Hayley & Henderson	22	Jace & Edwin
9	Shrinithi & Taylor	23	Tayla Jane & Henry
LOTE	Nathan & Lola	SCIENCE	Rosie & Erin
Phys Ed	Charlotte & Tristan	Digital Technology	Piper & Faris
Aussie of the Month		Lewin	



JUNIOR

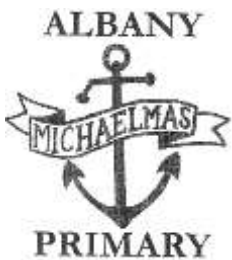
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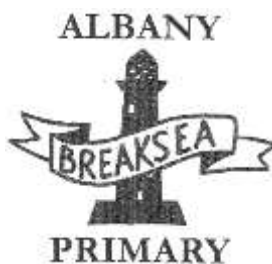
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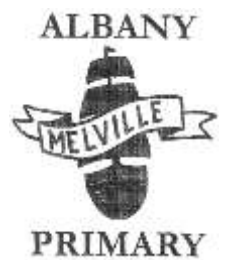
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Show **R**espect

Include Others

Be **S**afe

Personal **E**xcellence

Chaplain's Corner

Its hump week!

Yay! said the teachers.

Yeet! Said the students.

And now that we are past the half way mark, I thought I would write briefly about gentleness.

Think of the things that you are most precious or gentle with? Maybe... a kitten? I-phone? a new bike or car? An old family photo? The latest gaming console? That package that you have been waiting for nearly six months to arrive?

When we are gentle with something we are showing that we value it, that we care for it. It is the outworking of our desire for its best. Our actions (no matter how hard we try) can't help but speak about our true selves and our values. The year sixes would know that our National, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags are precious and have great value. Because of this the flags themselves are to be treated in a way that honours what they represent, the result is that the flags must not touch the ground. Not only do the flags receive gentleness and honour but they are now a mirror of what we value.

What if we treated other people with the same respect and preciousness that we viewed our national flag (or gaming console, iPhone, jewellery etc.)? If we spoke and acted in ways that protected them and honoured them rather than treated them how ever we felt at the particularly time? If we were to be gentle with others, not just our friends and family but also the people we meet in the school yard, on our street and in the shopping centre, we would be valuing that which deserves infinite value, we would in fact be acting out of a heart of gentleness.

I can tell you right now that the world really needs more people who are strong and brave enough to be gentle with others. To be radical in the ways that we care and act, thinking not just about ourselves, but more importantly; acting and thinking in a way that puts our value in those people around us.

The act of gentleness is not something that we can put off and hope that others will be gentle on our behalf. It doesn't work like that. It is like any of the virtues, in that it does not lose its value in and of itself but the lack of it becomes a reflection on what we deem as important. The bottom line is this "For ourselves to be gentle, we must not view ourselves as better than someone else". So let us be gentle with others, let us metaphorically lift them up and not let them touch the ground.

Take care everyone!

Mr Caleb Drage, Chaplain

Odd weeks- Wed, Thur, Fri/ Wed, Thurs- even weeks



Board News

Uniform Recycling

The school board is currently working through some options for the recycling of old school uniforms, as we transition into our new polo shirts and jackets.

We will update you with information as soon as we have secured a service, but in the meantime we simply ask that you hold on to any old uniforms (and keep them out of landfill).

Reminder - the older style uniforms can still be worn for the remainder of this year.

Out And About At A.P.S

Room 15 Mock Parliament Excursion

Report- Mock Parliament

On the 18th of May Mrs Mercer and Room 15 went on an excursion to the Albany Town Hall to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Albany City Council (ACC). During their time at the Town Hall they pretended to be Mayor, Deputy Mayor and councillors and made up a fake proposal (motion).

Before they went, they had a class discussion on what their fake proposal should be. After long and hard thinking they decided on Gravitude which is a mix of bounce and latitude (not the name the actual place). After that, they decided on a Mayor, Deputy and Councillors by using the preferential voting system.

The Mayor was Shaelin, the Deputy was Mitchell and the Councillors were Freya, William S, Scott, Molly, Bree, Faris, Elisha, Peri, Joel, Lorcan and me (Emma). After we had finished our proposal, the Mayor of Albany himself (Dennis Wellington) spoke to us about how it's actually done in real meetings. As we were leaving, we were offered LOLLIES by Bethany from the City Council! Thankyou Mrs Mercer for organising the excursion.

- Emma Doak Rm 15



Albany Primary School House Cross Country

Dear Parents/Caregiver

On Thursday 3 June, all students in Year 1 – 6 will be competing in the annual house cross country. All parents, guardians and family members are welcome to attend and support their child/ren.

All students are required to participate. Please ensure that they wear suitable clothing and footwear. All students are encouraged to wear their house shirt. The day is scheduled to proceed as follows. We will endeavour to keep to this schedule, however, changes on the day may be necessary.

Time	Year Group
8 – 9am	Preparation
9am – 9:40am	Year 6 Boys and Girls
9:40am – 10:20am	Year 5 Boys and Girls
10:20am – 10:50am	Year 4 Boys and Girls
10:50am – 11:10am	RECESS
11:10am – 11:40am	Year 3 Boys and Girls
11:40am – 12:10pm	Year 2 Boys and Girls
12:10pm – 12:40pm	Year 1 Boys and Girls

New courses have been created this year and can be viewed on the following pages. They have been designed to eliminate stairs and roads and to make it easy to remember for students as they move up through the years. Please note that due to the path between Campbell Road and the school ovals being used in the courses, parking there will not be available on the day of the event.

Scoring will also be run slightly differently this year. Points will be assigned as follows.

- 1st place: 50 points
- 2nd place: 45 points
- 3rd place: 40 points
- 4th place: 39 points
- Every place after 4th gets one less point than the place before

This scoring system is designed to award all students for striving to achieve their best. All students will receive a time for their run and the student with the top time in each gender/year level group will be recognised as the record holder for their category. These times will be recorded as a goal for students in future years to try and beat. Medallions will be awarded to the 1st and 2nd place winners in each category. Certificates will be awarded to the top 10 placegetters. Presentations will take place at the end of each race.

Students have been given tips about how to perform well on the day as well as how to train for the event in PE lessons. These are summarised below.

- Training
 - Training 3 to 5 times per week is ideal, but anything is better than nothing!

- Aim is to build towards running the whole event. The process to achieve this is to start by running as far as you can, then walk for approx. 30 seconds, then run as far as you can again and repeat this process for the full event distance
- On the day
 - Go for a steady pace the whole way, DO NOT sprint walk sprint walk sprint
 - Find your own pace in the race - don't run with your mates
 - Do your personal best

Training sessions will also be available for students who want to familiarise themselves with the course a little better. Sessions will start from the Start/Finish line of the course (goal posts nearest to playground on top oval). Dates and times of the training sessions are as follows.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Week 5	Recess – Top oval training only	Lunch – full course	8am – full course	8am – full course
Week 6	Recess – Top oval training only	Lunch – full course	8am – full course	8am – full course
Week 7	Recess – Top oval training only	NO SESSION DUE TO BIKE CLUB	8am – full course Lunch - full course	CROSS COUNTRY DAY!!!

We require parent helpers on the day – if you are able to assist, please fill out the google form which can be found at the link below.

https://padlet.com/paul_carron/2021CrossCountry

The event will proceed if weather is a little rainy. In the event of extreme weather, the event will be cancelled and moved to Friday 4 June.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Paul Carron
PE Teacher

2021 CROSS COUNTRY COURSE

ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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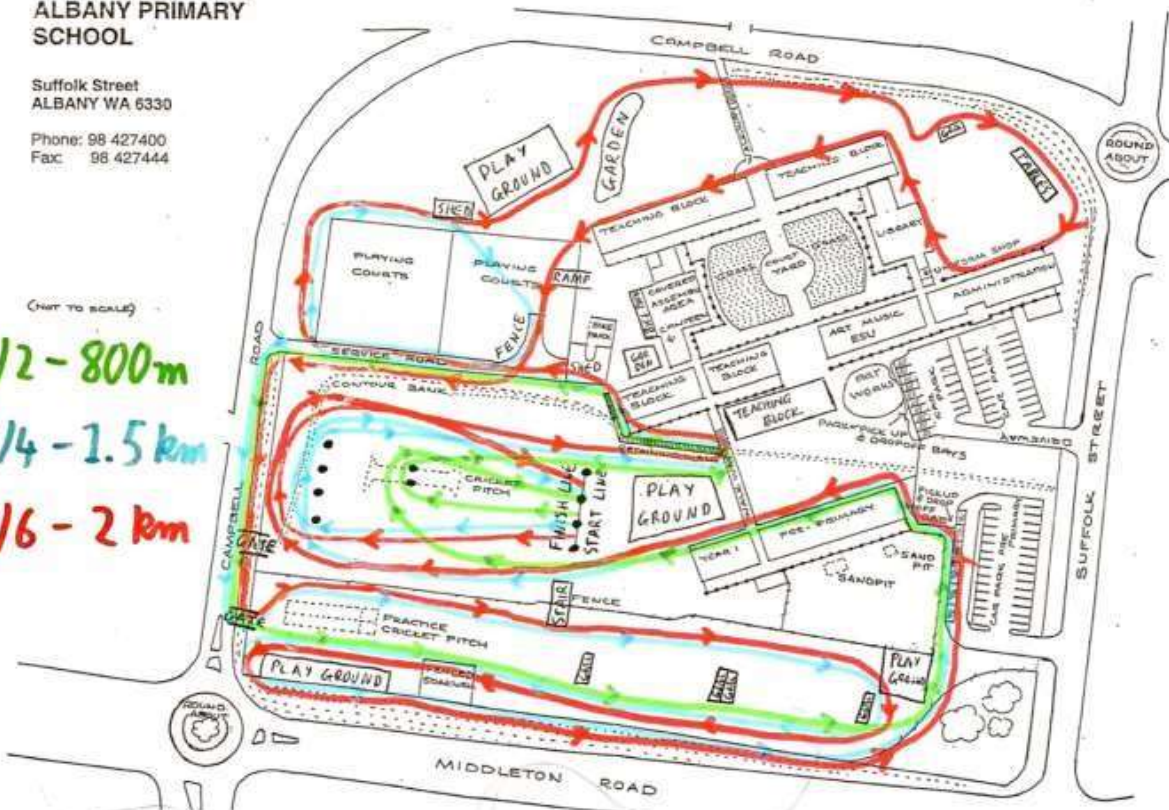
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→ 1/2 - 800m

→ 3/4 - 1.5 km

→ 5/6 - 2 km



2021 CROSS COUNTRY COURSE

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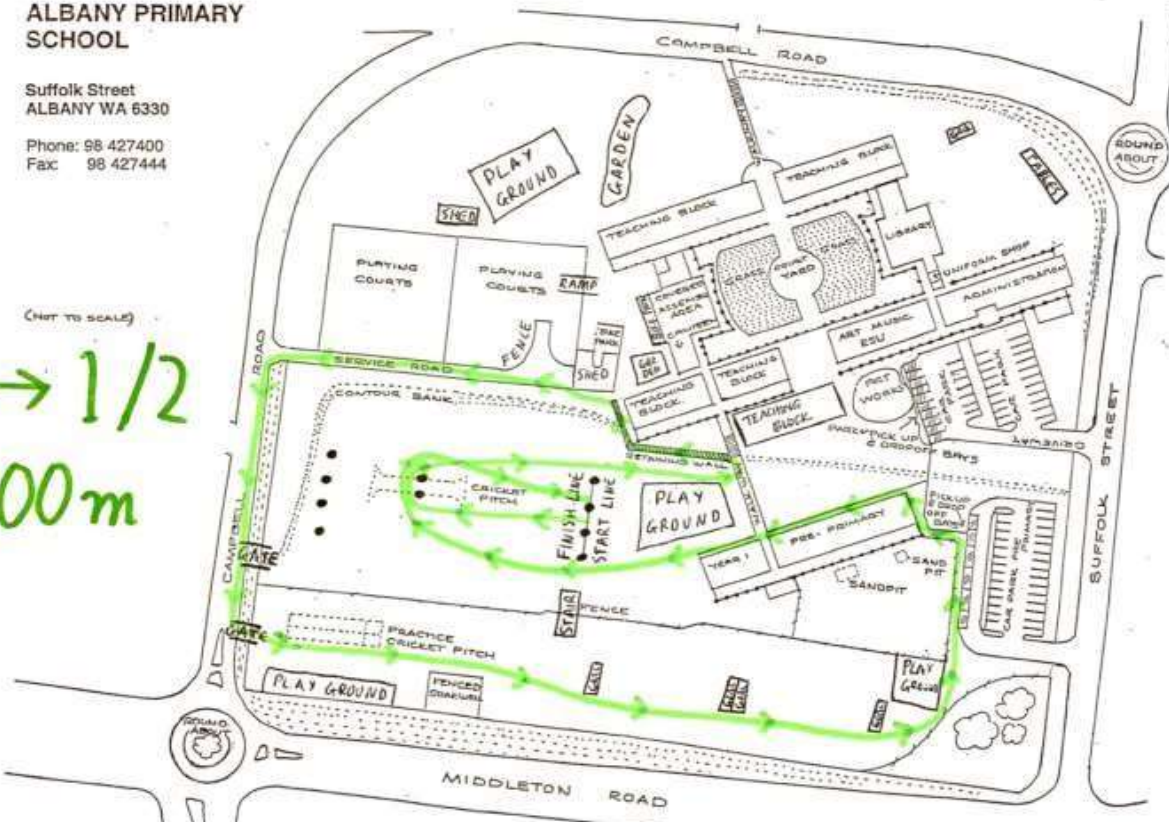
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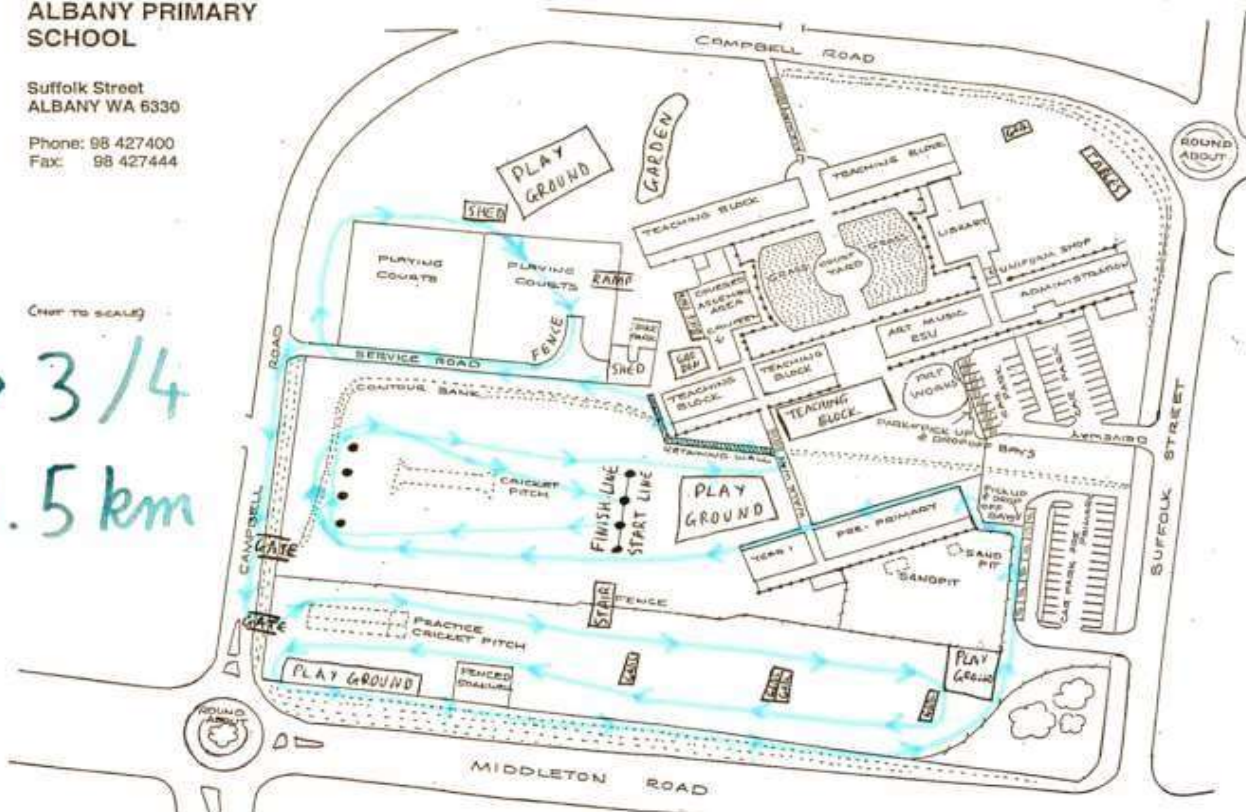
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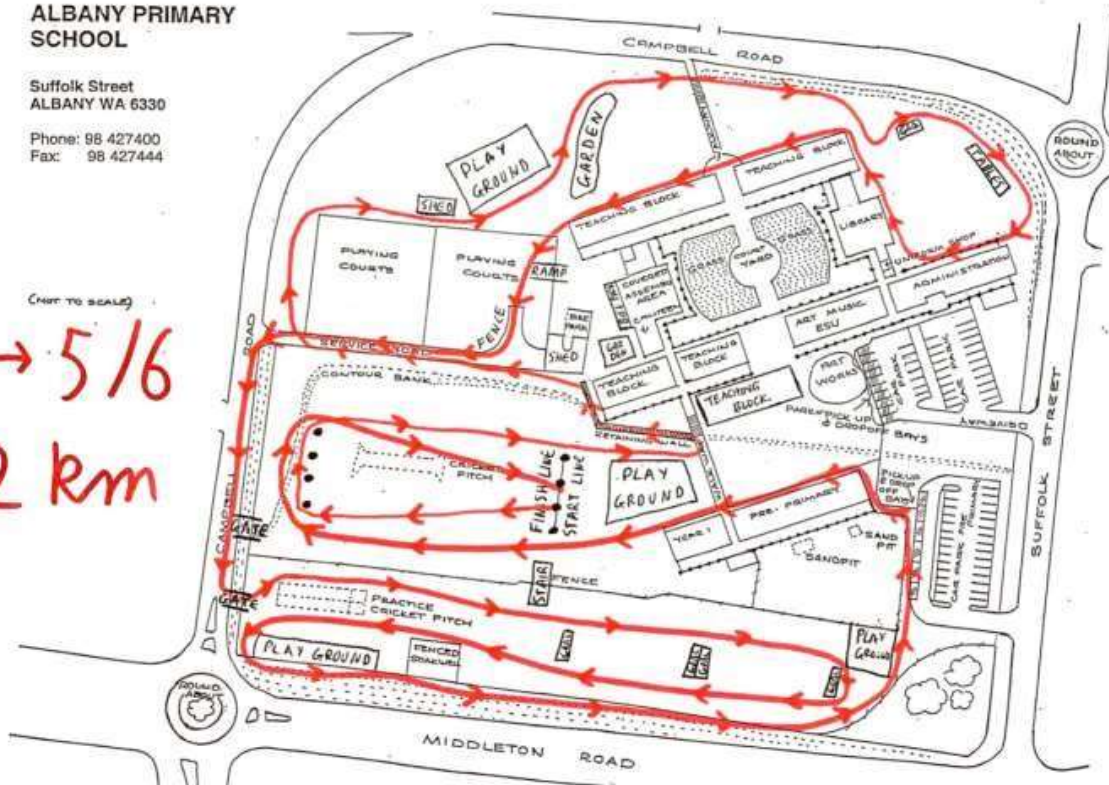
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P & C News

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held MONDAY 31st MAY.

All parents and carers are very welcome.

Our Lapathon raised over \$12,000 and we now need to decide where it should be spent, so it is a great opportunity to get involved in your school community!

Let us know what is important to you and your children, as we are here to help all families at APS.

Meetings start at 7pm and we aim to be finished by 8:30/9pm at the latest.

hope to
see you
there



P&C FUNDRAISING UPDATE

THANK YOU

For your wonderful fundraising efforts

The Lapathon raised

\$12,545.95

and

Mothers Day Stall raised

\$ 1,125.95

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.

ALBANY AND REGIONAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE SUPPORT FOR THOSE IN NEED OF FOOD RELIEF

Please feel free to share this information around our community.

BREAKFAST IN THE PARK

Every Tuesday 7am to 9am

In the little park in Mokare Road, Spencer Park

All welcome

FREE burgers, soup, fruit salad, fruit, tea, coffee and other items as they become available.

TUMMY WARMERS

Every Wednesday 3pm to 4.30pm

St Johns Church's little hall, York Street, Albany

All Welcome, Takeaway or stay and have a chat

FREE soup, sandwiches, fruit salad, fruit, tea, coffee, milo

Albany and Regional Volunteer Service is located at Lottery House, North Road. Contact 9841 3588 Tues, Wed, Thurs volinfo@arvs.org.au



Transition to Albany Senior High School

We look forward to meeting with students in Year 6 from Albany, Spencer Park and Flinders Park Primary Schools in Week 7 this term. Our Year 7 and 9 Student Leaders and Principal Melissa Walker will have an initial visit with the Year 6 classes to introduce them to ASHS culture and to engage in some quality Q&A, while delivering Enrolment Packs to take home.

Transition to high school can be a big change and we are committed to working with students, their families and our primary schools to ensure this change is as smooth as we can make it. There will be a number of visits and activities to support this big move.

The most important aspect of transition right now, is to ensure students and their families submit their enrolment forms.

Enrolment Forms are due in to the ASHS Front Office on 23rd July at 4pm (Friday Week 1, Term 3)

There will be some extended transition processes for students who will benefit from them. However, for most students they will attend two transition days (with their own primary school) in Term 4, and the full Orientation Day where all 2021 ASHS students will attend and be introduced to their 2022 form classes. More information about these days will come from your primary school, and from ASHS when your child's enrolment is approved.

We look forward to preparing for our new 2022 cohort!

Transition Days at ASHS

Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5			10 th Nov Albany Primary School		SHOW DAY
Week 6	15 th Nov Flinders Park Primary School	16 th Nov <i>Albany Primary School</i>	17 th Nov Spencer Park Primary School	18 th Nov Year 6 Parent Night 6pm PAT	19 th Nov Small Schools & GATE Transition Days
Week 7	22 nd Nov Spencer Park Primary School	23 rd Nov Primary Interschool	24 th Nov Flinders Park Primary School	25 th Nov Primary Interschool	
Week 8					3 rd Dec Whole School Transition Day



Transition to High School – A Message From North Albany Senior High School

During weeks 7 & 8, the week beginning 31st May, either Mr Heil, (Student Services), Mr Tetlow (Year 7 Coordinator) and/or Mrs Bolt, (Deputy Principal), will be visiting your school and the Year 6 students to talk about transition to high school.

The students will be provided with information on courses, teachers and events to look forward to in the future at NASHS. They will also be provided with an enrolment package containing lots of information about Year 7 in 2022.

It would be appreciated if you could complete and return the forms in the package to either NASHS front office or your school's front office as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 25th June 2021 (end of week 10).

On **Tuesday, 15 June**, NASHS will be holding a Parent Information Night from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. For more information, please refer to the flyer inside the enrolment package. We look forward to seeing parents of Year 6 students.

If you have any further queries regarding the Year 6 to 7 transition program, please contact Mrs Terry Bolt (Lower School Deputy Principal) on 9892 0611.