

ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2021 Term 3 Week 8

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FOR YOUR DIARY

WEEK 9

16 September *Interschool **Spelling** Competition - Mt **Barker**

17 September *Assembly Room 2 & 3

Week 10

21 September *Year 6 Luke Penn **Walk Excursions**

22 September *Learning Journey Please see notes for times in Newsletter details.

24 September *RISE reward

*****TERM 4*****

WEEK1

*First day of School Monday 11 October

WEEK 2

18 October

* Rottnest Camp

22 October

* Assembly Rm 18



From the Principal's Desk

During this term staff have been introducing and reinforcing our school-wide Student Engagement norms. This is a part of our school improvement agenda on working towards a whole school instructional model. Research shows that

reduced variance between classes and an evidence based instructional model are key to improving student outcomes.

You may have heard your children talking about these at home. The Student Engagement norms include:

- introducing tricky vocabulary before the lesson (Pronounce with me),
- having students follow along the text with their eyes, and perhaps a finger in some years (Track with me)
- reading the text/instructions aloud with teachers (Read with me); and
- having a whole school attention signal to show we are ready to learn Eyes front, back straight (Attention Signal)
- using mini whiteboards to demonstrate understanding (Whiteboards)
- clarifying and checking our understanding with a partner (Pair Share)
- answering in full sentences to develop grammar, oral language and understanding (Complete Sentences).



Many of our staff have been using these norms for several years now. We are now ensuring we have school-wide continuity to these, so that each class enacts them in the same way. This will help our students to know what the expectations are regardless of the class they are in.

This term we will be undertaking some fundraising for Telethon in support of The Lap WA. More information is in our newsletter today about this fantastic event.

For your Diary... Learning Journey 2021



I encourage everyone to come along to our Learning Journey in Week 10. This is a great opportunity to see the work your child is doing and chat about how they are going. It gives students a great sense of pride to have their parents in to see their classroom.

Date: Wednesday 22nd September

Time: 2 - 4 pm

Where: Students Classrooms

Kindy Group A will have their Learning Journey in week 10 on Monday 20th September between 2 and 4. Room 15 will not be holding their Learning Journey at this time.

I hope you have all managed to enjoy the beautiful sunshine this week. It sure is lovely to be able to shed a few layers after our cold winter!

Have a wonderful fortnight.

Ms Cathy Willis

Principal

Well done to Miss Jones as well as the Senior and Junior Choirs for their amazing performances at the Albany Entertainment Centre on Thursday 8 September!

Thank you also goes to Mr Gardiner and Mrs Thobaven for assisting on the night. We appreciate these three members of staff for volunteering their time to make this event possible.

Please be advised there will be NO choirs in Week 9 and 10.

Congratulations to all of our Honour Certificate Recipients and Rise Stars For our assembly on Friday 27th August.

HONOUR CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS						
ROOM	JUNIOR	ROOM	SENIOR			
2	Ayla & Berlin	15	Logan & Amelia			
3	Charlotte & Lachlan	16	Daina & Shaun			
4	Alirah & Carleigh	17	Ben & Jerry			
5	Olivia & Jobe	18	Ebony & Steven			
6	Owen & Harry	20	Emily & Sienna			
7	Indi & Theo	21	Richard & Ivy			
8	Tristan & Alby	LOTE	Geneva & Matilda			
9	Elora & Leilani	Phys Ed	Horrace & Tyleage			
22	Sonny & Layla	SCIENCE	Tayla-Jane			
23	Harrison & Billy	Digital Technology	Olivia & Nathan			
Music	April, Max & Theo					
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Staff Profiles





Megan Gurney

Hi! My name is Megan Gurney. I have been teaching at Albany Primary since the beginning of 2020. Prior to that I taught at Yakamia, making this my third year teaching Year Five. I feel very lucky to be here at APS.

In 2018, my partner, Jake was offered a job in Albany and as a new Graduate myself I decided to join him. We soon became accustomed to the lifestyle and beautiful beaches and currently have no plans of returning to Perth. On the weekends you'll likely find me at the beach with my dog, Oli, or reading a good book.

Vicky Askevold

Hi my name is Vicky Askevold and I have been an EA at APS for the past 16 years.

I have been married 27 years to my husband Glen and we have two children, Laura (23) and Regan (21).

As a family we love camping, water skiing and football. Eagles in the AFL and Royals in Albany.

All four of us came to APS and then went on to ASHS.

I love working in early childhood and I find it a great privilege to help start the students' on their educational journey.

I have made many long lasting friends (parents and colleagues) and hope to be here for a few more years to come.

Students in The Spotlight



Saturday August 21 Cadence (year 4) along with 17 young people from around the Great Southern Region was involved in the professional touring production of Carmen, performed by Opera Australia (Australia's National Opera Company).

The students prepared for a number of choruses (all in French!), and a few other scenes in the famous opera, across 4 weeks of music rehearsals. They then had one 4-hour call with OA staff to block (practice movements on stage) all 6 of their scenes the day before the show, and a one-hour run of everything on the stage with the full cast and orchestra.

The show was a huge success. OA staff and singers', and the audience, were very impressed with the quality of the children's chorus, with many comments made about their vocal energy, fabulous French, and the vibrant stage presence they brought to the production.

The Opera Australia crew were thrilled to have this group of kids involved with their final show of the tour (a tour that due to Covid had been very challenging for everyone), and we again revel in being 'the best children's chorus in Australia'!

Congratulations to Cadence!

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Week 8 quiz & competition...

Please complete the applicable questions, place your name and room number, and return to the front office

Kindy to year 2

- 1) I am found in the garden and live inside a shell?
- 2) I am used to open doors or locked boxes. I rhyme with Flea...I am a?
- 3) What number is 2 more than 9?
- 4) What colour rhymes with bean?
- 5) Which part of your face rhymes with south?

Year 3-6 Senior competition - Riddles

- 1) The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?
- 2) I come down but never go up. What am I?
- 3) I have hands, but I cannot clap. What am I?
- 4) I am full of holes but can hold water. What am I?
- 5) What is at the end of everything?

Get your entries in by Wednesday lunch time for your chance to win Good luck...Winner announced in the next newsletter



Congratulations Ella room 2 and Asher room 7 for your answers from last week's quiz!

Great work...

Dental Screening

The Spencer Park Dental team will be visiting Albany Primary School for dental screening of Pre-primary, year 3 and year 6 students enrolled with the School Dental Therapy Centre on Tuesday 2nd November 2021. The purpose of screening is for the Dental Officer to determine which children are ready to be referred to an orthodontist. Screening does not take the place of a routine dental examination. Appointments will be posted home for parents and children who require follow up with the Dental Officer. Children who are too young for a referral at this stage are placed on review and will be monitored.

Parents are reminded to contact the Dental Therapy Centre if they have changed address in the last few years as the school is unable to provide us with personal details. Many appointments that we issue are returned due to a change of address. Please advise us if your child is already under the care of another dentist as your valuable appointment could be given to someone else.

If you have any questions or concerns please call on 9841 3967.

If your child is unwell with any cold or flu like symptoms please notify the school.

Thankyou from the Dental Team.

Week 10 Fundraising for Telethon

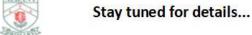




On the 10th of September 2021, Father and Son duo Weston and Joel Jackson will head out from Perth to complete a 'lap' of Western Australia, covering more than 10,000kms of this vast State on the back of motorcycles, racing through around 100 cities and towns in 45 days, all in the name of raising money and awareness for Telethon WA; aiding the crusade to save and change the lives of so many young Western Australians in need.

'The Lap' will be visiting Albany Primary School on Wednesday 20th October to commemorate our fundraising efforts towards Telethon 2021. A celebration of citizenship, community and our students as future leaders.

> During Week Ten of this term the students will have the opportunity to spend a dollar a day on fun games and activities...a week of treats for a fantastic cause!







Every child deserves the chance to lead a full life and The Lap intends to inspire and motivate every Western Australian to donate, support and spread the word of Telethon.

How can we raise money

for Telethon at APS?

Get ready for a solid week of fun in Week Ten at just a dollar (or two) a day!

Mega Bucks Monday—pick a number for \$2 to win \$100

Zooper Dooper Tuesday-\$1 icy poles at recess break

Willy Wonka Wednesday-Guess how many lollies in the jar

\$1 = 2 guesses

Thirsty Thursday—Warm Milo for \$1 at recess break

(bring a keep cup to be sustainable!)

Footy Friday-Gold coin donation to wear any code of footy

colours.

PLUS Rise Reward!!! (to be decided)

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You may or may not be aware we have had quite a few cases of Scabies recently at the school. Please find below the fact sheet on Scabies and what you need to do to treat your child. If you think your child has Scabies please don't send them to school as it is highly contagious.

What is scabies?

Human scabies is caused by an infestation of the skin by the human itch mite (*Sarcoptes scabiei* var. *hominis*). The microscopic scabies mite burrows into the upper layer of the skin where it lives and lays its eggs.

Scabies is found worldwide and affects people of all races and social classes. Scabies can spread rapidly under crowded conditions where close body and skin contact is frequent. Institutions such as nursing homes, extended-care facilities and prisons are often sites of scabies outbreaks. Child care facilities also are a common site of scabies infestations.

How do you get scabies?

Scabies usually is spread by direct, prolonged, skin-to-skin contact with a person who has scabies. Contact generally must be prolonged; a quick handshake or hug will not usually spread scabies.

It can also be spread indirectly by sharing articles such as clothing, towels or bedding that have been used by person who has scabies. Such indirect spread can occur much more easily when an infected person has crusted scabies.

Pets do not cause human scabies infections.

Signs and symptoms

If you have never had scabies before, symptoms may take as long as 4 to 6 weeks to begin. It is important to remember that a person with an infestation can spread scabies during this time, even if they do not have symptoms yet.

If you have had scabies before, symptoms usually appear much sooner (1 to 4 days).

The most common signs and symptoms of scabies are an intense itching (pruritus), especially at night, and a pimple-like (papular) itchy rash.

The itching and rash may affect much of your body or be limited to common sites. Some of these common sites include: The wrist, elbow, armpit, webbing between the fingers, nipple, penis, waist, belt-line and buttocks.

The rash also can include tiny blisters (vesicles) and scales.

Tiny burrows sometimes are seen on the skin; these are caused by the female scabies mite tunnelling just beneath the surface of the skin.

These burrows appear as tiny raised and crooked (serpiginous) greyish-white or skin-coloured lines on the skin surface.

As mites are often few in number (only 10-15 mites per person), these burrows may be difficult to find. They are found most often in the webbing between the fingers, in the skin folds on the wrist, elbow, or knee, and on the penis, breast, or shoulder blades.

The head, face, neck, palms, and soles of the feet are often involved in infants and very young children with scabies, but usually not adults and older children.

Persons with crusted scabies may not show the usual signs and symptoms of scabies such as the characteristic rash or itching (pruritus).

How do I know I have scabies?

If you or your child has a raised rash that itches intensely (pruritus), especially at night, you should see your doctor. Scratching the rash can cause skin sores, which can sometimes become infected by bacteria.

Treatment of scabies

If you are diagnosed with scabies you should be treated, along with your regular sex partners and any other contacts with who you have had prolonged skin-to-skin contact.

If you are diagnosed, treatment is also recommended for all members of your household. Everyone within the household should be treated at the same time to prevent reinfestation.

Retreatment may be necessary if itching continues more than 2 to 4 weeks after treatment or if new burrows or rash continue to appear.

A number of topical creams and lotions are available to treat scabies.

While you have scabies

If you or person within your household has scabies, make sure you wash personal items and clothing (including bedding or towels) that you or the person with the infestation may have used in the last 2 days.

Items should be machine-washed in hot water and dried thoroughly. Items can also be dry-cleaned. Otherwise you can also remove such items from any skin contact for 72 hours.

Failure to wash all items used by an infected person can result in re-infestation.

How can scabies be prevented?

- Practice good hygiene measures, for example do not share clothes unless they have been washed.
- Change and wash bed linen regularly.
- Observe the skin of close contacts for signs of raised bumpy rash on the legs and hands if you see a rash, avoid personal contact.

Where to get help

- Find a GP/doctor
- Search a <u>GP urgent care practice (external site)</u>
- Visit healthdirect (external site) or call 1800 022 222

Remember

- Scabies is a skin infestation caused by mites.
- Scabies leads to red, itching bumps or blisters on the skin.
- If you develop scabies, your sexual partners and all members of your household will also require treatment.
- Treatment is effective if the instructions are followed carefully.

Chaplain's Corner



Operation Christmas Child.



"Shoebox gifts are for children in need, regardless of their background or religious belief. Each shoebox is a gift of love that tells a child they are not forgotten".

This year Albany Primary School has had 25 shoe boxes donated along with their postage paid. So we have a great opportunity to gift 25 children from a third world or war torn country with possibly the only gift they will receive.

Last year 10,569,405 shoeboxes were packed and delivered to over 100 different countries worldwide and of those 273,160 were packed and sent from Australia. We can make that a bigger number this year with your help.

I would love it if as a school we could put together one or two shoeboxes per class room.

There is a list of recommended things to pack and list of things not to pack that I will copy below.



School Supplies:

- · Pens, Pencil, sharpeners, erasers
- Notebook, paper
- Colouring Book
- Solar Calculator

Accessories:

- T-Shirt, shorts, socks etc.
- Sunglasses, caps
- Jewellery, watch
- Torch (with batteries in packaging)

List of ideas to pack:

A "Wow" item:

- Doll or teddy
- Soccer ball and pump
- Shoes

Toys:

- Toy cars
- Skipping rope
- Yo-Yo
- Tennis Ball
- Musical Instrument (Harmonica

Non-Liquid Hygiene Items:

- Toothbrush
- Bar of Soap
- Hair Clips
- Combs

Take care everyone!

Mr Caleb Drage, Chaplain

Days at Albany Primary School

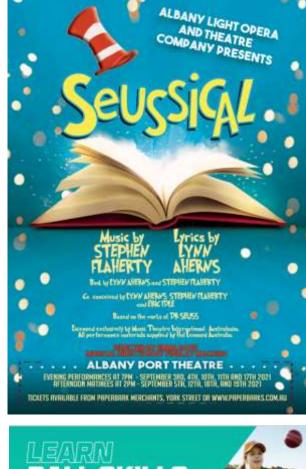
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Community News and Events

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 PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENT TERM PLANNER TERM 4

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	11 October	12	13	14	15
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
2	18 Rottnest Camp P & C Meeting 7:00pm	19	20 The Lap WA for Telethon	21	22 Assembly Rm 18
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
3	25	26	27	28 Athletics Jumps & Throws	29 Athletics Carnival @ ASHS
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
4	1 November Board Meeting 7:00pm	2 Spencer Park Dental Clinic visit PP, Yr3 Yr6	3	4 Back Up Jumps & Throws	5 Back Up Athletics Carnival @ ASHS
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
5	8	9	ASHS transition Yr 6 offsite	RISE Reward	12 Albany Show Day School Development Day
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1A attend	19
6	15	ASHS transition Yr 6 offsite	u.	10	Assembly Rm 8
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
7	P & C Meeting 7:00pm	23 Interschool Jumps & Throws	24 Back Up Interschool Jumps & Throws APS Kindy Parent Info @ 9am staffroom	25 Interschool Athletics	26 Back Up Interschool Athletics
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
8	29 Board Meeting 7:00pm	30	1 APS Pre Primary Parent Info @ 9am staffroom	2	3 Assembly Rm 6 ASHS & NASHS Year 6 Orientation Day
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1B attend
9	6	7	8	9	10 RISE Reward
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	K1A attend	K1B attend

10	13	14	15	16	17
		Year 6 Graduation	Final Assembly	Year 6 ALAC Fun Day	
		Year 6 Graduation Lunch 12pm		Last Day of Term	
		Reports on Connect			
	K1A attend	K1B attend	K1B attend	K1A attend	au.



Arrival at School

We remind parents and caregivers that students should not be arriving before 8:30am, unless they are attending choir on either Tuesday or Thursday mornings. There are a lot of students here quite early on some mornings. It is a parental responsibility to meet this obligation.

Absentees

I sincerely thank all parents and caregivers who strive to send their children to school every day.

Every day matters.

If your child is absent, we are required to have a reason and notification from you for our records. Thank you to everyone who is observant in following up on this for us. You can notify us in several ways – phone call, email, the **absentee textline 0438 978 463** or written note.

Do We Have Your Correct Email or Phone Number?

If you have changed your details lately, please contact our office 9844 2860 to update.

Thank you ©