



# Albert Park Primary School

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19 May 2023

## The Albert Park Way



### School Vision Statement:

*We are a unique village community, becoming life-long learners with high expectations.*

### Important dates:

#### Monday 22 May

Gr 5 & Gr 6 - Swimming

#### Friday 26 May

School Sibling Photos, Leadership Groups and Whole School Photo

#### Monday 29 May

Gr 5 & Gr 6 - Swimming

#### Tuesday 30 May

Gr 3 - Gr 6 School Sports

#### Wed 31 May & Thu 1 Jun

Gr 5 & Gr 6 - Swimming

#### Friday 2 Jun

Gr 5 & Gr 6 - AFL Gala Day

*Please note: Dates may be subject to change*

## Principal's Report

Dear parents and carers

We have had an exciting and busy start to the term. Our Preps headed off on their very first excursion to Chesterfield Farm with great excitement. They came back full of lots of great stories and all the new information they had learned. It is wonderful to see their enthusiasm and love for school with all that they are learning.

Grade 6 have started their volunteering work as part of the Albert Park Community awards. The grade 6 and grade 1 buddy reading program started this week and it is wonderful to see how supportive and encouraging our Grade 6 buddies are with their buddies. Thank you to our Grade 1 parents for getting up that bit earlier to bring the Grade 1 students along. Knitting Club also started with approximately 30 Grade 6 students turning up to knit scarves and hats for the homeless. All these hours out of school hours are dedicated towards helping others in the community. We are very proud of our Grade 6 students.

Jock from Jock's Ice Cream presented the prize winners for the Lucky Jars for the fete at assembly on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May. Jock is now a celebrity at APPS and the children were very excited to see him! We are very grateful for the very generous support over the many years that Jock's Ice Cream have provided to APPS.

Camp Rumbug (Grade 4 camp) was held last week. Despite the wet weather, mud and some sickness, we had an excellent time. The children made us so proud with the way they worked together, behaved and had a go at all of the activities. These included low ropes; team challenge; initiative activities; canoeing; mud run; tree climbing and giant swing. Thank goodness the cabins were warm and the food delicious! Thank you to all our staff who volunteered and helped to make the camp such a great one!

Be Kind and Fair

Act Safely

One Voice at a Time

Respect Everyone's Rights

Keep Trying

Camp Norval (Grade 5 camp) took place this week. Our happy campers had a brilliant time! They enjoyed activities that were highly enjoyable but also challenged them. Some of these included high ropes; abseiling; night bushwalk; day bushwalks; cooking damper and cinnamon apple and they also had to work in teams to look after each other. The Grade 5s were enthusiastic, showed great teamwork and had a 'give it a go' attitude. We were very proud of them! Thank you to all our staff (some attended the Grade 4 camp too!) who volunteered and helped to make the camp such a great one!

Thank you to all our parents who attended one of the four information sessions, Parents as helpers. We look forward to seeing our volunteers helping out from next week. Thank you so much for your time and commitment!

We do hope that our lovely mums, grandmothers, step-mums and special people enjoyed Mother's Day last Sunday. The children enjoyed shopping and took great care in choosing a gift that mum would like at the Mother's Day gift stall. As always, the success of these stalls is because of our lovely volunteers who ran the stall not once, but twice to ensure as many children had a chance as possible to buy a gift for their mums. A big thank you to Elaine and Lou who did the lead up organisation as well.

Unfortunately, Daisy our crossing lady has been injured recently and will be out of action for the next few weeks. Daisy is fine and being well cared for. I'm sure you will all join me in wishing her a speedy recovery.

A few reminders, please ensure all clothing is labelled so that it can be returned to its rightful owner. All lost property can be found in a basket outside the inside toilets. There are plenty of 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniforms available every Tuesday morning at the Second hand uniform shop – all in good condition. Stock up for winter!

Dropping off – PLEASE take great care when dropping your child/ children off every morning. No child should be getting out of a car into the traffic – we spoke to the children this week about the 'safety door' – rear, kerbside door to get out of the car safely. Look out for the road safety information sheet sent home yesterday to parents. It has some great tips for parents and how to teach road safety!

Have a safe weekend!

Kind regards

*Katrina*

## Information for Parents

### Term Dates for 2023

Term 2: 24 Apr - 23 Jun

Term 3: 10 Jul - 15 Sep

Term 4: 2 Oct - 20 Dec

*Please note: School finishes at 2.30pm on the last day of terms 1, 2 and 3 and at 1.30pm in Term 4*

### Curriculum/PPD Days for 2023

Monday, 14 August

Monday, 6 November

*Please note: Dates may be subject to change*

### Working With Children Check (WWCC)

If you would like to help in the classroom, on sports days and excursions etc, you must have a current Working With Children Check lodged at the office.

To apply for your WWCC, go to:

<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

### Please Remember



**NO DOGS  
ALLOWED ON  
SCHOOL  
GROUNDS**

**At any time**

## Primary Mathematics and Science Specialist Initiative

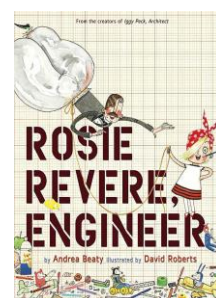
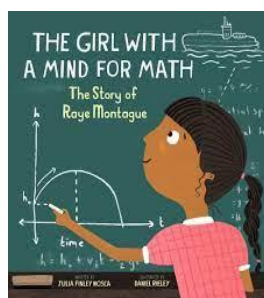
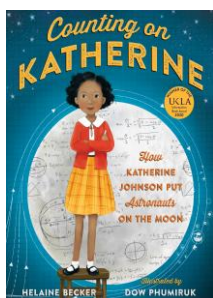
Mathematics and Science are fundamental subjects that help children develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical skills. It is also an essential component of many career paths, including engineering, science, technology, finance and even in the arts. Therefore, it is essential that our children have a strong foundation in Maths from an early age.

This year, our school was successful in securing the opportunity to take part in the Primary Mathematics and Science Specialist Initiative (PMSSI). PMSSI is focused on whole school improvement including professional learning for teachers and school leaders. The aim is to develop the essential mathematical knowledge for teaching and classroom practices that will support sustainability for our school.

In Australia, there has been a decline in girls pursuing further study or careers in Maths and Science. At Albert Park Primary School, we strive to ensure that all students, particularly girls, are passionate and have the best opportunities to reach their full potential in these subjects.

We are fortunate to have three teachers from our school taking part in the initiative: Catherine Shepherd (Prep), Michael Logan (Grade 5) and Will Davey (Grade 4). Together, We are building on the school's success in these areas and continue to create learning environments where all students feel supported and encouraged to explore their mathematical abilities.

We are so lucky to have a supportive community of parents and carers who play an active role in their children's maths education. Families can help by encouraging children to explore Maths in everyday situations and reinforcing the importance of Maths or scientific skills in their children's future academic and career success. Below are some great books you might like to read with your child:



The activity below is an opportunity to have a Mathematical discussion with your child. For younger students, you could discuss what they can see including patterns, colours and numbers. For older students, you could discuss odd and even numbers or the total amounts of the numbers in each group.

Which group is the odd one out? Think of as many explanations as possible.



Could you think of mathematical reasons why each of the groups could be the odd one out?



If you are eager to engage with more activities with your child, check out the following website called LoveMaths. It is full of simple, engaging Maths games you can play together: <https://www.lovemaths.me/>



We are excited about our school's continued focus on improving maths education and encouraging all our students, particularly girls, to develop a love for maths. We will keep you updated on our progress and look forward to engaging with you more in the future.

## Knitting

By: Olivia and Victoria

On Wednesday the 10th of May we had our first knitting club after school. All of us were very excited because we really wanted to know how to knit. We had special guests, Jedda and Sue. They were here to teach us how to knit. We all thought this was going to be easy but in the end it was pretty hard. We also had another surprise... Katrina arrived at the school from year 4 camp and she was so glad to see all the progress that we had made. Everyone had a fantastic time and at the end some of us went home with wool and needles. Most people didn't know how to do it but they gave it their best. Thank goodness there were some students that already knew how to knit because we would have been helpless without them. The thing that we were all impressed by was that a lot of people came to knitting even though it was not mandatory. The school likes to call it Community Service. Our goal is to get 50 hours and knit scarves for the homeless. Thank you so much for helping us and giving up your personal time to be here Sarah, Jedda, Sue and Di.



## Chess Tournament

The STEM committee and leaders have put in a lot of time to organise the chess tournament for the year 4, 5 and 6's. This chess tournament is specifically designed to test your chess skills against other keen and competitive chess players.

Our first round started on Friday the 12th of May in the Hall. It was the first time this year's STEM committee/leaders ever hosted something like this. It was challenging at first to get everything and set up, but next time we're excited to do a better job.

All the leaders and committee members were very helpful and we hope everyone who participated in Round 1 had a great experience.

The following people were victorious and will play in Round 2 next week:

Lachie - 5K, Thomas - 4L, Hamish - 5G, Abdullahi - 4L, Alfie - 4WS, Ethan - 4Z, Alexandra - 4WS, Felix - 6G, Jordan - 6C, Jacob - 5MH, Carson - 5MH, Archie - 5MH, Archie - 6G, Henry - 6G, Archie - 6C, Spencer - 6G, Olivia - 6G, Will L - 6C, Mila - 6C, Nick B - 6C, Troy - 5K, Teddy - 5K, Daniel - 5K



## 2023 Curriculum Contributions and Voluntary Contributions

Dear parents/guardians

Thank you to families who have paid the 2023 Curriculum Contributions and Voluntary Contributions and for the many donations into our building, library, and school assistance funds.

For those that have not yet paid, we request that you make payment as soon as possible via compass. Once logged in you can find the payment information on the Organisation tab: Student Management – Course Confirmation/Payments.

If you have any questions please contact Aris Lechte, Business Manager on 03 9699 9090 or [aristealechte@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:aristealechte@education.vic.gov.au)

## Exciting News! Prep Enrolments for 2024 are Now Open



If you have a child due to start in prep next year now is the time to get your enrolment form into the office.

Enrolment forms are available via our website [albertparkps.vic.edu.au](https://albertparkps.vic.edu.au) - [Prep Enrolment](#) or you can pick one up from the office.

Enrolment forms must be submitted by **Friday 28 July 2023**.

There is also some fabulous information from the Vic Department of Education about [Enrolling in Prep](#) and [Starting School](#).

If you know of any families not already at the school with a child due to start in prep next year, please ask them to contact the school.



As part of the Thriving Kids and Parents School Project, you are invited to attend three highly relevant Triple P – Positive Parenting seminars from one of the most effective evidence-based programs in the world, FREE of charge. These interactive seminars will be delivered to parents/carers from your school via a video conferencing platform.

**The three interconnected seminars will provide you with a toolkit of practical strategies to help your child thrive. These strategies will help you guide your child's behaviour, manage everyday worries, and build healthy peer relationships.**

Attending all three seminars will provide you with the strategies you need to best support your child's development.

- The **Power of Positive Parenting (Triple P Seminar)** helps you to understand why kids behave the way they do and introduces practical strategies to *support your child's social and emotional development*.
- The **Helping Your Child to Manage Anxiety (Fear-Less Triple P Seminar)** is designed to equip you with the skills and strategies you need to support your child to *manage their emotions and overcome challenges*.
- The **Keeping your Child Safe from Bullying (Resilience Triple P Seminar)** helps you maintain good communication with your child, *develop positive peer relationships, and address conflict and bullying*.

### How can I get involved?

1. Register for the seminar series and complete a short (approximately 15 – 20 minutes) online questionnaire.
2. Attend the **three online seminars** in the TKPSP series (90 – 120 minutes each seminar).
3. Complete post-seminar series questionnaires 6 weeks and 12 weeks following the registration. Each questionnaire will take around 15 minutes to complete and will help us understand how helpful the strategies have been.

### Yes, I want to be involved. What's next?

Register through this link: <https://able.adelaide.edu.au/education/thriving-kids-and-parents/for-parents#power-of-positive-parenting>

If you have any questions, you can contact the project team at: [thrivingkidsandparents@uq.edu.au](mailto:thrivingkidsandparents@uq.edu.au)



## ~2023 SCHOOL LEADERS REPORT~

Dear Parents and Guardians

We are your School Leaders reporting your fortnightly news from Albert Park Primary School.

In the past 2 weeks, Albert Park Primary has been attending some exciting activities! From the preps day-trip to Chesterfield farm, camps to grade 6 incursions!

### **Chesterfield Farm**

For the preps, they have experienced a trip they'll never forget! This was their first excursion of the year. They had a great time meeting new and exciting animals that placed a smile on their faces! We hope they all had a wonderful time!

### **Grade 4 Camp**

The Grade 4s went to Camp Rumbug and had an amazing time running the mud run, Kayaking, low and high rope climbing and many more thrilling activities. Although the grade sixes missed out on this camp, we all hope they had a great time.

### **Hands On Science**

In term 2, the grade sixes have been learning about science and have been doing experiments during a fun incursion, Hands on Science with Peter, a chemist. We learnt new words and new types of gases and chemicals that blew our minds! It was a time we'll all never forget!

### **Grade 5 Camp**

This week the grade 5's went to Halls Gap! Although we don't know much about what happened yet, we really hope they had an amazing time.

### **APCA**

Starting Term 2, grade sixes have committed to a task that helps our community. Each student can have a choice of e.g Knitting, Letter writing, Buddy reading, and soon to be decided, bike maintenance.

### **Winter Playoffs**

Last week on friday, a selected group of students journeyed on the bus to PMPS and competed for the name of APPS! Sadly, none of the students competing went through to the next level, but we all had an amazing time, all winning at least 1!

Kind Regards

Will L & Al



# Family in Focus

## free workshops for parents



Develop skills & knowledge to pass on to your kids as they grow!

### WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

- Budgeting & saving money
- Building resilience in yourself & children
- Using digital devices
- Tips for positive parenting
- Cooking for a healthy family



**Mondays 10 - 12.30**

**May 15 to June 19**

**Register your interest!**

**P: 8598 6600**

**E: [info-support@ppcg.org.au](mailto:info-support@ppcg.org.au)**



# JellisCraig

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## House of the Week

1/62 Harold Street  
Middle Park

Auction: Saturday, 3 June 2023 @ 12.00pm



### **Alandale Court - Tudor Excellence by the Bay**

Brimming with Tudor elegance just two blocks from the beach, this generous 2-bedroom ground-floor apartment in the celebrated Alandale Court building exhibits traditional period proportions and lifestyle ease in one of Melbourne's most sought-after locations.

Relish the house-sized proportions and love the private street frontage, combining maintained period charm and classic contemporary style throughout a single-level layout, with hardwood timber floors flowing from the vast entrance hall into the living and dining rooms, showcasing the incredible space within. The beauty of original fireplaces, hardwood window frames and picture rails blend seamlessly with modern comfort, with a bright adjoining kitchen, catering to every occasion with a suite of stainless steel appliances, including a dishwasher. An abundance of integrated storage provides for every stage of living, whilst the large Art Deco bathroom is the best of its bygone era, with a shower/bath combo and updated floor tiling.

Plantation shutters, hydronic heating, laundry facilities, a secure portico entrance and access to the communal gardens through secure rear access conclude this beautiful home, perfect for downsizing or investment literally steps from trams, Middle Park Primary School, the village and Albert Park Lake.

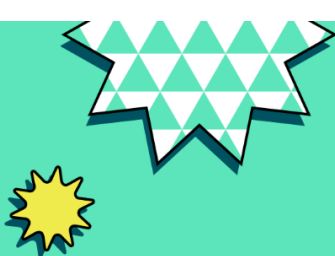
[1/62 Harold Street, Middle Park - Jellis Craig](#)

Outside School Hours Care

# Newsletter

01/05/2023

Albert Park Primary School



Your  
OSHC.



## A message from your Coordinator

### Welcome Back:

Welcome back to Term Two, we are happy to see you. We hope you enjoyed the break and are ready to get back into school life. After having a fantastic holiday, we are back on board and excited to see familiar faces returning – as well as some new faces.

Over the past week, we have also busy in the construction zone, making LEGO creations inspired by LEGO Masters. We have lots of wonderful activities and events planned for this term such as Reconciliation Week and our Big Art Week is back for another year.

We are looking forward to cheering on our representatives, Alexander Bacon and Marta Gjorgjioski! at Camp Australia's Regional Championships on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> of March. We wish them the best of luck and happy handballing!

Parents and Carers - please don't forget that you need to inform us when your child will be attending Your OSHC. This is very important for the happy and safe running of the program. You can do this anytime by logging onto our website ([www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)), our Camp Australia app or you can catch us on the mobile (0452 247 708).



## Activities coming up

- AFL and Soccer
- Science Fun!
- LEGO Masters

## Make a

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your




[Book now](#)

## Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustralia.com.au](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au) or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.





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# DRAMA Classes

OUR CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL AGES FROM LITTLE ONES EXPLORING STORY THROUGH MUSIC AND MOVEMENT, UP TO OUR TEEN PROGRAMS WORKING WITH PERFORMANCE TECHNIQUES AND CREATING NEW STORIES.

**JOIN OUR CREATIVE, FUN CLASSES TO  
CREATE, ACT AND PERFORM!**

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	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>ALBERT PARK PRIMARY</b> <b>AGES 4 - 7 SEEDS</b> <b>3:30 - 4:30</b> <b>AGE 8 - 10 BUDS</b> <b>4:30 - 5:30</b> <b>MIDDLE PARK</b> <b>AGES 10 - 12 STARS</b> <b>5:45 - 7:15</b>	

[www.immersedrama.com](http://www.immersedrama.com)  
 Call Gemma 0456090716 or email  
[info@immersedrama.com](mailto:info@immersedrama.com)

## TUESDAY DRAMA CLASSES

**Drama Seeds Ages 4 – 7 – 3:30 - 4:30 pm**

<https://immersedrama.com/product/albert-park-park-primary-drama-seeds>

**Drama Buds Ages 8 – 10 4:30 – 5:30 pm**

<https://immersedrama.com/product/albert-park-park-primary-drama-buds/>

**Drama Stars Ages 10 – 12 5:45 – 7:15 pm (Held at Middle Park Community Centre)**

<https://immersedrama.com/product/middlepark-drama-stars/>



## Social Skills Group Program



Run by Psychologist and Speech Pathologist  
Fiona O'Connor and Atara Lebransky



### TOPICS COVERED

- Conversation Skills
- Resilience and Managing Feelings
- Forming and Maintaining Friendships
- Problem Solving and Reasoning
- Handling Teasing and Bullying
- Perspective Taking

**DATES:** Weekly on a Tuesday-Term 3

**TIMES:** Group 1: Ages 5-7 years, 4.15-5pm

Group 2: Ages 9-12 years, 5-5.45pm

**WHERE:** Gasworks Arts Park, Albert Park, 3206

**REGISTER:** [socialskillscentre@gmail.com](mailto:socialskillscentre@gmail.com)



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Emily L, Year 4, Windsor Primary School.

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