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Key dates for Term 3

- 12th August – 60th birthday Open Night & Playground Opening
- 18th August – Book Fair opens (after school)
- 19th August – Book week parade - Grandparent's welcome**
- 20th August – Trivia Night
- 22nd August - 3/4 Camp
- 26th August – Athletics Day
- 2nd Sept – Soccer Clinic
- 5th Sept – Curriculum Day (**Student-free**)
- 7th Sept – “Specialist Spectacular” Evening
- 12th Sept – Swimming Program Commences
- 12th Sept – School Council Meeting
- 16th Sept – Last day Term 3 - 2.30pm finish

Key dates for Term 4

- 1st Nov – Melbourne Cup Day
- 2nd Nov – Curriculum Day (**Student-free**)
- 7th Nov – School Council Meeting
- 21st November – PPD (**Student free**)
- 2nd Dec – Twilight Market
- 5th Dec – 5/6 Camp
- 13th Dec – Year 6 State-wide Transition Day
- 15th Dec – Year 6 Graduation
- 20th Dec – Last Day Term 4 – 1.30pm finish

From the Principal

Dear APPS Community,

What a wonderful day we have had!! The children have been very excited to be able to enjoy their new playground at last! I would like to give a special thank you to Jane H for her involvement in eliciting feedback from the students for the original design. We thank Sonja Terpstra (MP) for officially opening our playground today, and also thank our special guests including former Principal Brett MacKenzie for coming to celebrate with us.

We are also thrilled to open our school today to past and present students, staff and families, celebrating our 60th anniversary. We have a range of memorabilia to look at (some of it donated to us by past students for this very occasion), as well as offering school tours and activities for our visitors. I would like to extend a big thank you to all staff for their help in putting this together, particularly Carlyne, Laura and Wendy, who have given up their time to organise and promote this special event.





Book Week – Book Fair & Parade

Our book fair opens next Thursday 18th August and will be open after school for book purchase on Thursday 18th August through to Tuesday 23rd August.

On Friday 19th August at 9am, we will be having a **Book Week character dress up parade**. We encourage students to grab some items from home to dress up as a book character (no purchase of costumes required). We welcome parents and grandparents to come for the parade (please check in at the office first). After the parade, grandparents are welcome to escort their child to the book fair in the library. There will be activities in the classroom for students and Grandparents until recess.

Trivia Night – Saturday 20th August

Book your tickets \$15 per person (or book a whole table of 10 for \$120) for our APPS trivia night!! Come along and support your school community, bring along nibbles and drinks, while having a great night out! Dress up as something beginning with the first letter of your name! Please contact the office to book.



Specialist Spectacular – Open Night at APPS ***Save the date!***

Students will take to the stage on the evening of **7th September** for a “Specialist Specular” concert, featuring **music** numbers, amazing **Auslan** and awesome **art** works. We hope all students will be able to attend on the night!

Congratulations Carlyne!

I would like to congratulate Carlyne Chandler, who will be accepting an Acting Principal position at St Andrews Primary School until the end of the year. Luckily for us, this is a **two day per week** position (Monday & Tuesday) so that she will continue to work in the F-2 Studio at **APPS on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays**.

Carolyne is well equipped to assume this role and I am sure you will join me in offering her your heartfelt congratulations.

Arrangements will be made to cover her Monday and Tuesdays and will be communicated to the community as soon as they are finalised. Please also note that Carlyne will be undertaking **long service leave** in the last three weeks of this term, and Sarah Powell will be replacing her during this time.

Poetry

We have some amazing poets at APPS. An example of our amazing talent is the following poem by Vivienne about Music.

*Music puts rhythm in my ears
It takes away all my fears
I don't care about my next-door peer
I just care about what I hear
It paints a picture in my mind
And myself is what I find.*

Writing Competition

APPS Writing Competition

Student Voice Team members are organising a writing competition for the Year 3 to 6 Studios. Students participating in the competition must write a short story in the form of a narrative. There is a limit to the number of words in the story, depending on the student's year level. Years 3-4 have a limit of 300 words, and Years 5-6 have a limit of 500 words. Students who will be participating in the writing competition should consider signing up on the signup sheet, which they can ask their teacher for. The story needs to be handed in anonymously, without their name, year level and title (which will be recorded on the signup sheet). Winners will be given a prize.

Participants must submit one completed narrative on or before **Friday 26th August** and winners will be announced on **Friday 2nd September**.

- *The Student Voice Team*

Foundation Enrolments 2023

Our enrolments for Foundation 2023 are growing, so if you or anyone you know would like to enrol, **please hand in your enrolment form at the office at your earliest convenience**.

For any families that have a three- or four-year-old, who would like to attend our **Minikids** sessions, remaining sessions for this term are:

- Tuesday 23rd August
- Tuesday 6th September

Sessions run from 2.30-3.30pm in the school library. Please contact the office to register your attendance.

Professional Practice Days (PPD)

For Semester Two, the Department of Education has allowed schools to hold each teacher's allocated professional practice day on the same day for all staff. This is to enable the most effective and efficient use of this day. As a result, School Council has approved **Monday 21st November** as a common Professional Practice Day (PPD). This means students will not be required at school on this day. Our final curriculum days (passed by School Council earlier in the year) are to be held on **Monday 5th September** and **Wednesday 2nd November**. These days are also student free.

Mobile Phones - reminder

As per the current Ministerial Order, students are NOT permitted to have a mobile phone at school. If phones are deemed necessary by parents for travel to and from school, they must be stored at the office on arrival and can be collected from the office at the end of the school day. Students will have privileges removed if they refused to surrender their phone. For more information, please see our Mobile Phone policy at: [Mobile-Phones-Student-Use-Policy-.pdf \(ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au\)](#)

No Smoking - Reminder

Just a reminder that parents / visitors are not permitted to smoke or use e-cigarettes ("vaping") in school grounds or within 4 metres of school entrances and exits. This ban applies for any school event, whether on or off site.

Please also note that in Victoria, a person must not smoke in a motor vehicle if a person under 18 years is also present in the motor vehicle.

For further information on the Department of Education policy, please see: [Smoking and Vaping Ban: Policy | education.vic.gov.au](#)

Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Rapid Antigen Tests

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) will continue to be available from school. The ongoing supply of RATs to families in our school will ensure that parents and carers will have them should they need them if their child is a household contact or has symptoms. **Should you require more RATs, please do not hesitate to contact the office.**

Face Masks

The Victorian Department of Health **strongly recommends** that face masks are worn in indoor settings. As a result, the Department of Education is **asking all students, aged eight and over, and all staff in schools across Victoria to wear masks** in class from now until the end of winter. We all appreciate how important it is for students to be back at school. This action will help make sure as many students and staff as possible are protected from COVID and other winter illnesses.

Reporting Cases

Family members are asked to continue reporting positive COVID-19 cases to both the Department of Health and to Ainslie Parklands Primary School.

You must also let the school know if your child is a close contact. Students who are close contacts and want to attend school should still return 5 negative RATs (school days) over 7 days and wear a face mask whilst indoors if they are aged 8 years or over.

Students and visitors should continue to stay home if they are unwell, even if they test negative on a RAT.

New & Updated Policies on our Website

From 1st July 2022, a new set of Child Safe Standards came into force across Australia. These standards have been adjusted to mostly reflect a national standard (rather than individual state standards) and are designed to ensure that we are all doing everything we can to keep our young people safe from harm. These standards impact the way we do many things at school (for example, requirements for visitors on site, requirements around camps and excursions, etc.), and consequently, many of our policies have been adjusted.

These new policies are available on our website for the community to access.

[Publications and Policies - Ainslie Parklands Primary School \(ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au\)](#)

Have you visited our Facebook Page?

The Ainslie Parklands Primary School Facebook page has regular updates and information about events and celebrations occurring across the school. Along with Compass, it is a great way to see what is happening. [Ainslie Parklands Primary School | Facebook](#)

As always, if you would like to contact me directly, please catch me in the yard or email me directly on Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au

Regards, Jane.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Token Shop

All the students at APPS work hard on demonstrating positive behaviour at school. Their efforts are acknowledged by the staff at APPS with tokens that match the values the student demonstrated. Up until now, students could only use their token to vote on a whole school reward such as Free Dress Day or Movie Afternoon.

We now have a Token shop, where students can swap their hard-earned token points for a selection of prizes. There are fidget tools, stationery and other small items to choose from. The shop will be open once a fortnight.

We would happily accept any donations of items you think would be suitable in new and near new condition from tiny to large. Such as books, unused stationary, craft supplies or anything you can think of!

Friendology

This coming week all students at APPS will be starting Friendology created by the Urstrong organisation, a program that supports and explicitly teaches friendship skills and helps students understand and navigate the sometimes tricky dynamic of changing friendships. These are valuable skills that will help them throughout their lifetime.

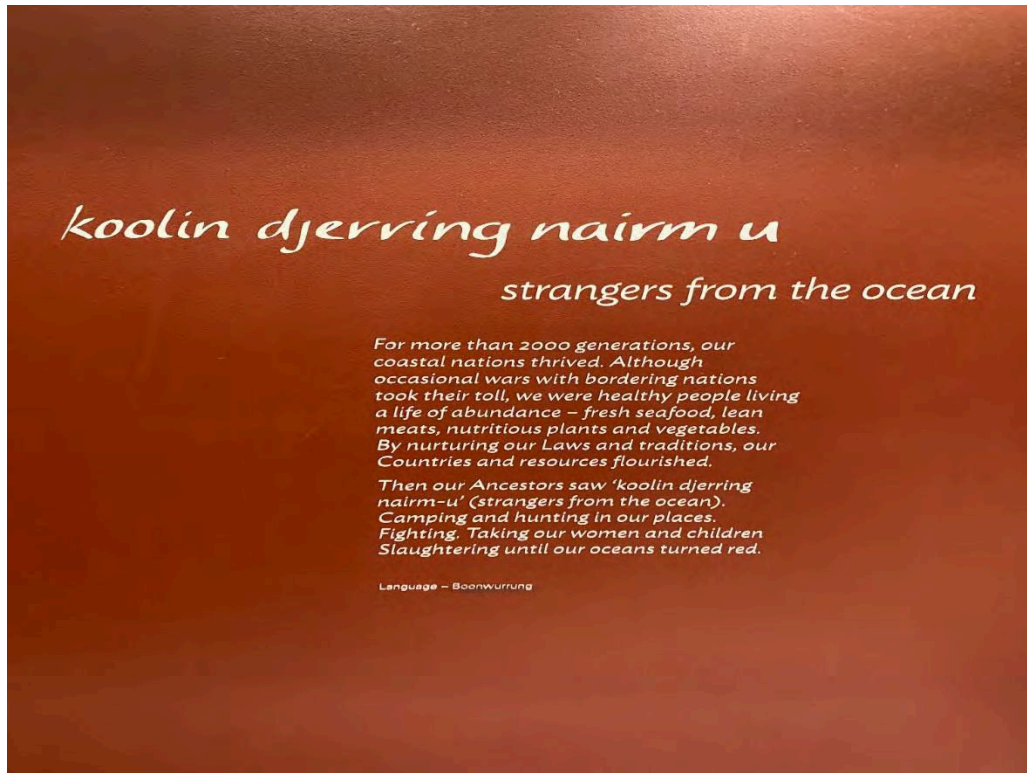
If you are interested in learning more, there is parent information on the website Urstrong.com. You are able to sign up for a parent membership for FREE if you'd like to access resources and activities to support you at home. Also stay tuned for the Parent Information session coming soon!

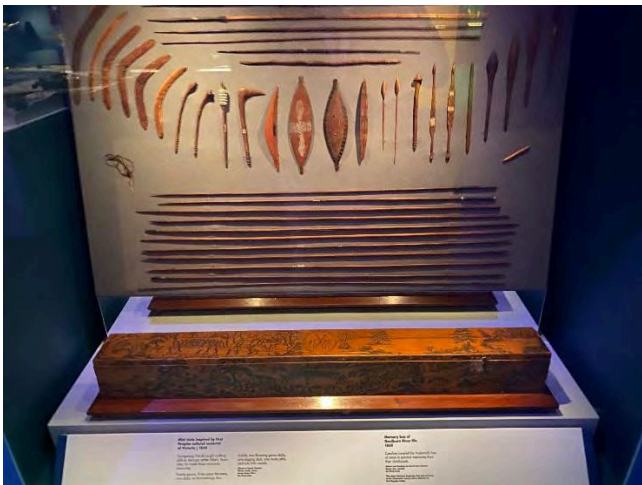
If you have any questions please get in touch. My email is fiona.dandie@education.vic.gov.au

Kind regards,
Fiona Dandie

FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

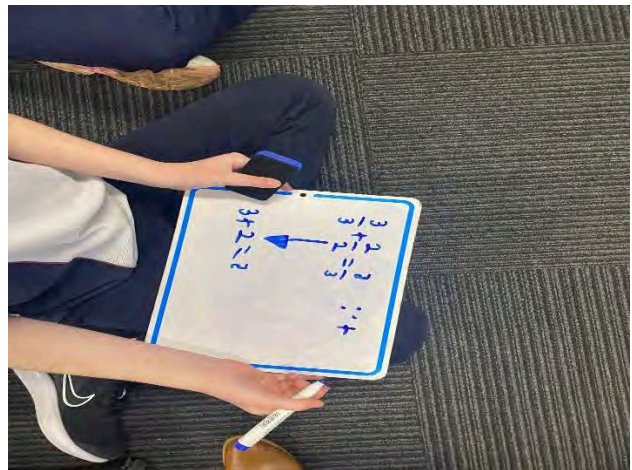
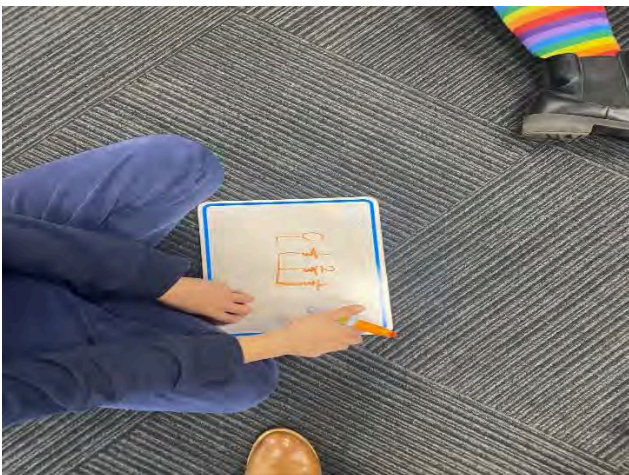
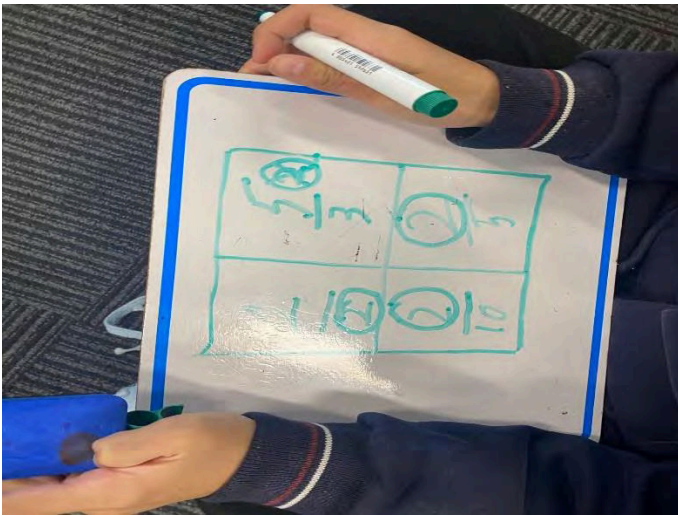
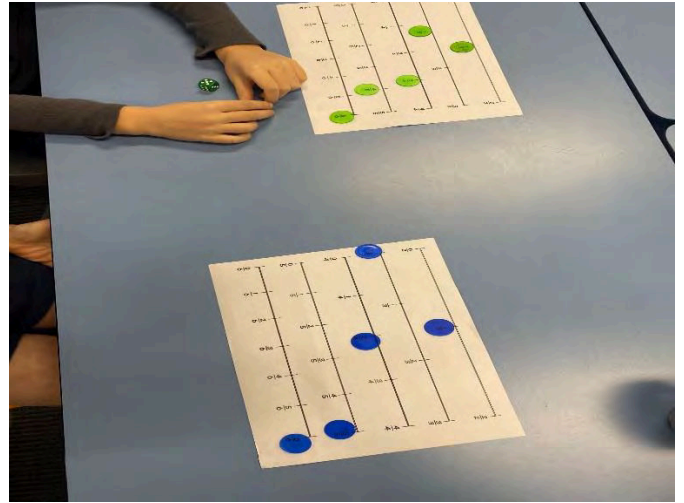
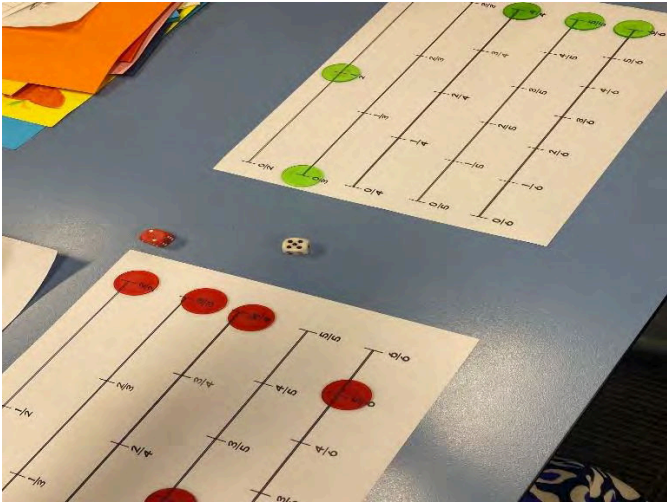
Our Year 3 and 4 students had a wonderful excursion to the Melbourne Museum on Tuesday. Students visited the First Peoples Gallery, Melbourne Story and Milarri Garden as a focus for our Inquiry unit: First Contacts. Students were fascinated by all of the exhibits, asking many questions and sharing their ideas. We even managed a game of Fruit Salad during lunch time!

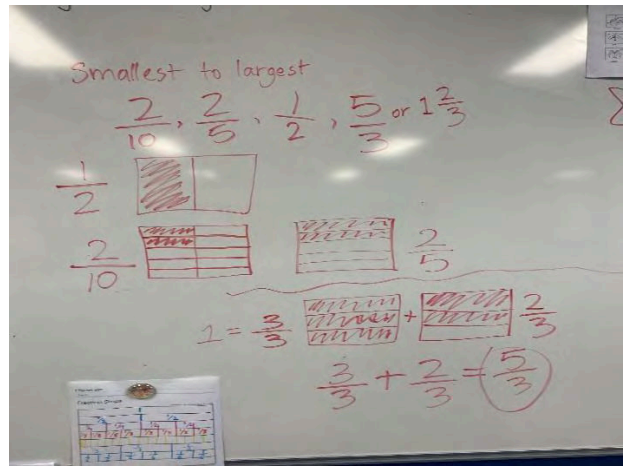
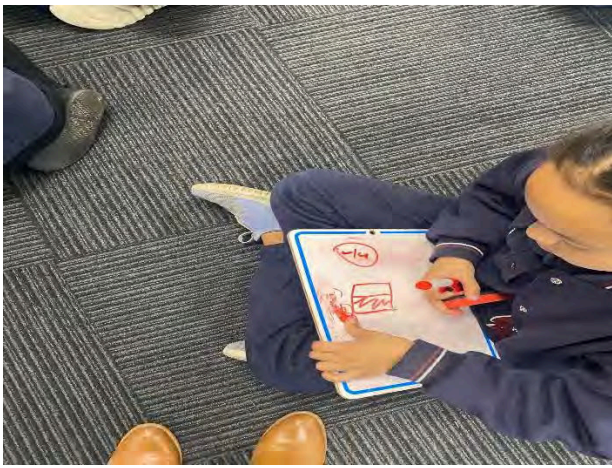




FROM THE 3,4,5,6 STUDIO

Fractions continues to be our Maths focus this week. The Year 3-6 students have been problem solving, modelling and representing fractions in multiple ways. Students have also joined in Number Talks on our topic, sharing, explaining and justifying their thinking with the group.

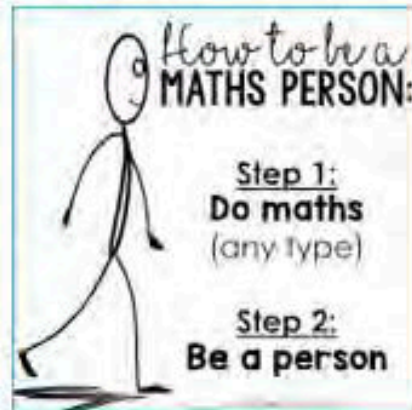




Ainslie Investigates Maths at Home!


We would love for our families to engage in some fun Maths at home together. Here is our first challenge! Work as a team to discuss the activity...What should you do first? What is the question asking? What type of maths will you need to use? What is a reasonable estimate / guess? How will we work it out?

Most importantly have fun – you are a Maths Person!



Write, draw, show your working and submit to the 'Maths Challenge' box in the office/reception area.

There may be a little prize for students who have a go and submit their work!

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Year F-2 How many handles?</p> <p>Count how many handles are in your house. Look for doors, cupboards, windows etc. How many did you find?</p> <p>Extension: Which room has the least handles? Which room has the most handles?</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Year 3-4 How many handles?</p> <p>Count all of the handles in each room of the house. Plot a bar chart to show which room has the most handles.</p>  <p>Remember: Make sure you label your bar chart / graph!</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Year 5-6 Count and multiply</p> <p style="text-align: center;">+ X</p> <p>Count each of the following in your house, chairs, doors, cupboards, windows, pillows, spoons, clocks and shoes. Now multiply the following pairs together. Before you begin counting - which calculation do you think will have the largest total?</p> <p>Chairs x Doors <input type="text"/></p> <p>Cupboards x Windows <input type="text"/></p> <p>Pillows x Spoons <input type="text"/></p> <p>Clocks x Shoes <input type="text"/></p> <p>Extension: How many different strategies can you model for multiplication?</p> |
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Mon 8 Aug—12 Sept
4.30pm start time

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|  HOME RUN HEROES SIDEKICKS |  HOME RUN HEROES SUPERHEROES |
| Learn new skills playing fun, modified games | Develop core softball skills and apply them in structured softball games |
| AGES 4-7 45-50 MINS | AGES 7-10 60-80 MINS |
| Participant pack includes Homerun heroes t-shirt, hat, grip matt and ball | Participant pack includes Softball glove and ball set |

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Trivia Night

APPS TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY 20TH AUGUST

**7PM
APPS SCHOOL HALL**

**TICKETS \$15 PER PERSON
ALL ATTENDEES MUST 18 YEARS OR OLDER
OR
BOOK A WHOLE TABLE FOR \$120
(10 PEOPLE MAXIMUM)**

**BYO DRINKS & NIBBLES
ALCOHOL PERMITTED**

TABLE BOOKINGS

Please return this form and payment to the office by Wednesday 17th August

- I would like to reserve and fill a table (maximum 10 people) \$120
- I would like to pay per guest - \$15 per person

Total Number Attending _____ Total Amount \$ _____

Name: _____

Email Address _____

Phone: _____

Can't make a full table? No worries let us know and we can find some APPS family members to join you or, if you prefer a small intimate affair, we can swing that for you too.



We are one of the largest basketball clubs in the Kilsyth & Mountain Districts Basketball Association. As a club, we are proud of our volunteer coaches and their expertise in player development.

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FREE SKILL DEVELOPMENT CLINICS

FOR NEW PLAYERS BORN IN

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**AT MELBA SECONDARY COLLEGE (SMALL GYM)
STARTING TUESDAY 23RD AUGUST FOR 3 WEEKS.**

to give an introduction to the game of basketball, but with the view of having them ready to play regular games in the Kilsyth association for Maroondah Magic from term 4

| CLINIC | DAY | DATE | MONTH | SESSIONS | |
|--------|-----|------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| GIRLS | TUE | 23rd | AUG | 4:15PM - 5:30PM | 5:30PM - 6:30PM |
| BOYS | WED | 24th | AUG | 4:15PM - 5:30PM | 5:30PM - 6:30PM |
| GIRLS | TUE | 30th | AUG | 4:15PM - 5:30PM | 5:30PM - 6:30PM |
| BOYS | WED | 31th | AUG | 4:15PM - 5:30PM | 5:30PM - 6:30PM |
| GIRLS | TUE | 6th | SEP | 4:15PM - 5:30PM | 5:30PM - 6:30PM |
| BOYS | WED | 7th | SEP | 4:15PM - 5:30PM | 5:30PM - 6:30PM |

Girls & boys can swap clinic dates if more convenient.

Competition basketball is played normally as follows:
BOYS - SAT games 8:00AM 8:50AM 9:40AM 10:30AM 11:20AM
GIRLS - TUE games 4:30PM 5:20PM 6:10PM

We will teach dribbling, passing, shooting, running and teamwork with the goal that interested boys + girls commit to join a team for term 4.

If you're unable to attend the clinics but would like to play or find out more, please contact Peter Cunningham on 0400 577 476

PLEASE RSVP AS NUMBERS ARE LIMITED

