



Ainslie Parklands Primary School

The Newsletter

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Key dates for Term 2

10th–12th May – NAPLAN (Yrs 3 & 5)
11th May – Community Engagement, Facilities and Marketing subcommittee meetings (School Council)
13th May – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 – home)
13th May - Assembly
16th May – Bullying Prevention Day
16th May – **School Council Meeting**
17th May – Police visit to all studios
20th May – Walk Safely to School Day
23rd-27th May – Education Week
24th May – F-2 excursion to Museum
25th May – Education Week Open night (5.30 – 7pm)
27th May – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 - away)
27th May – Assembly
30th May – AFL clinic
1st June – School Photos
2nd June – Jump Rope for Heart (TBC)
3rd June – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 – home)
3rd June – F-2 Science excursion
3rd June – Community Coffee morning
6th June – AFL Clinic
10th June–**Curriculum Day – no students at school**
13th June–Queen’s Birthday– **no students at school**
14th June – APPS 60th birthday party!
17th June – Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6 – away)
20th June – **School Council Meeting**
24th June – Last day of Term 2

From the Principal

Dear APPS Community,

Welcome back for Term 2! After a busy Term 1, we have an action-packed Term 2! It is a short term (9 weeks) but we have lots of learning and fun to get through!

Interschool Sport

Interschool Sport begins this term. Traditionally, this is for Yrs 5 & 6, however, we have been able to extend some to Yr 4s as well this year. We also have AFL clinics running this term and will be Jumping Rope for Heart, which is a great way for our children to stay fit and healthy, as well as supporting a great cause. Thank you to Mitch, our PE coordinator, for organising these wonderful sporting and fitness opportunities for our children.

Bully Busters at APPS!

Congratulations to the members of our newly established Bullying Prevention team. They have named themselves **The Bully Busters!** We have representatives from all the studios. Well done to Meher, Maya, Sunni, Jay and Billie

from F-2, Aidan M, El Her and Keizah from 3/4/5 and Della, Kayla and Sol from Grade 6. We are looking forward to doing some exciting positive things together for the school!

Bullying Prevention Day

We are also having a Bullying Prevention Day on Monday 16th June. This day will reiterate to children what bullying is and isn't, give them strategies and options if they are involved in some way. Thank you to Fiona, who is coordinating the day. This will be followed up on the next day with a visit from Victoria Police, who will be discussing cyber bullying and safety in real life and online.

NAPLAN testing

Next week, our Year 3 and 5 students will be undertaking National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing for 2022. Students' skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions, (spelling, punctuation, and grammar) and Numeracy will be assessed. This year, most components of NAPLAN will be taken online. Students have completed some test runs to familiarize them with online testing.

Individual student NAPLAN reports will be forwarded to families later in the year. They are not a definitive or comprehensive assessment of what your child can do; rather a “snapshot” of student achievement. Thank you to Mitch, who is coordinating and organising our NAPLAN testing.

Curriculum Days

Please note that the Friday before the Queen’s Birthday long weekend, **Friday 10th June**, will be a curriculum (student free) day. Other curriculum days approved by the School Council for 2022 are:

- Monday 5th September
- Wednesday 2nd November

Foundation Enrolments 2023

We have already had many family tours go through our school this term and have already received our first enrolments for Foundation 2023! If your child or someone you know is planning to enrol, please contact the office to organise a tour or to collect an enrolment pack.

Education Week

Education week will run from the 23rd – 27th May. We have some great activities planned, including Simultaneous Storytime and an Open Night on Wednesday 25th May. More information will be coming....

APPS is turning 60!

We are very much looking forward to a birthday party as Ainslie Parklands Primary School is turning 60! Towards the end of the term, our Community Engagement team is planning a birthday celebration, as well as other commemorations in Terms 3 & 4. Stay tuned for further details....

AFL Girls Gala Day

Our girls AFL team had a great time at the AFL Gala day held at JW Manson Reserve Wantirna on Friday 29th April. All the students grew in confidence as the day progressed and did a fantastic job. We were really proud of their sportsperson-ship and they were great ambassadors for APPS.



The team looked amazing in our new football jumpers, **thanks to our Community Engagement team** and families fundraising efforts for their contribution towards their purchase. Thanks to **Mitch** for coaching, **Wendy, Emma H, Emma M, and Laura** for driving and supporting. It was a great day!



ANZAC Day

At our assembly last Friday, our school leaders ably conducted an ANZAC day commemoration, with studio made wreaths being laid at the flags. **Lest we Forget.**



Strategic Review

As previously mentioned, we will be undertaking our Strategic Review this term. All public schools are required to undertake a Strategic Review once every four years. We have been allocated a reviewer and have two challenge partners (principals from other schools) to celebrate our successes, look for areas of growth and set our goals for the next four years. Thank you so much to the parents who responded to the Review Survey – we love to hear your feedback, which has already been passed onto the reviewer and challenge partners. Students also had an opportunity to have their voice heard in this process via a survey asked during class

time. Staff have played a big part in putting together our review document and also contributing their feedback to the process, which is very much appreciated. And lastly, I would like to thank Evan Coutts who, as our School Council President, will be giving up his time to be a part of this three-day process.

Mother's Day Stall

The children had a lovely morning purchasing goodies for their Mum or Special Person for Sunday. We would like to thank our parent community (and our students!!) who provided these home-made items to allow our students to spoil their Mum or Special Person and thank them for everything they do. We hope that Mums and Special People have a wonderful Mother's Day!



Year 6 -7 Transition Forms

Just a reminder to our Year 6 parents that secondary school transition forms are due back on Friday 13th May.

Easter Raffle

The raffle was drawn on the last day of Term 1, with 15 prizes being distributed to the school community! Thank you to the families who donated and thanks also to the Community

Engagement team who created our 15 Easter baskets/prizes.

Change in COVID requirements

Face masks, while recommended, are no longer mandatory in any school setting. This means students in grades 3 to 6, staff and visitors in primary schools are no longer required to wear face masks. Any student or staff member who wishes to wear a mask may do so, including those who are medically at-risk.

Parents, carers and other adult visitors (not performing work) are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine. Please note that if you are working with children at school, you are required to be triple vaxxed.

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation. This was previously 8 weeks.

Students and staff who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are no longer required to quarantine. They can return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times within their 7-day period and wear face masks indoors if they are aged 8 and above unless they have a valid exemption.

The Victorian Government has announced it is extending the RAT screening program for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Thank you to all students and families who have played their role in regularly testing – we know that it hasn't been easy.

RATs were sent home at the end of Term 1 for Weeks 1&2 of Term 2, and again, sent home yesterday and today for Weeks 3&4 of this term. At this stage, we do not have any further information as to whether this distribution of RATs will continue after Week 4.

As we approach winter and flu season, the vaccination of children aged 5 to 11 and booster shots for students 16+ remains the best way to ensure protection for students and staff. The Easter break is a good opportunity to get your child vaccinated ahead of this, with many options across GPs, pharmacies and the state run vaccination clinics.

If you have any concerns or worries about getting your child vaccinated, please get in contact with your GP or another health professional who can answer your concerns.

What to do if your child tests positive

Please report the positive case through the Student COVID-19 Test Portal [Login \(educationapps.vic.gov.au\)](#) or you can notify the school in writing or by phone. You must also report your child's positive test to the Department of Health via the COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form [COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form · Department of Health Portal \(powerappsportals.com\)](#) or call centre on 1800 675 398.

Further information for languages other than English:

* For school information in languages other than English, call TIS National on 131 450.

* Please ask them to call the DET COVID-19 hotline on 1800 338 663 and they will help interpret.

* For translated written information about

COVID-19, please visit: Translated information about COVID-19 | Coronavirus Victoria.

* For health advice in languages other than English, visit [Translated information about COVID-19 | Coronavirus Victoria](#)

Hats

A reminder that all students are required to wear a hat outdoors when the UV rating is 3 or above (which is usually every day in Terms 1 & 4, with days sometimes occurring in Term 2). Please leave hats in school bags – just in case!

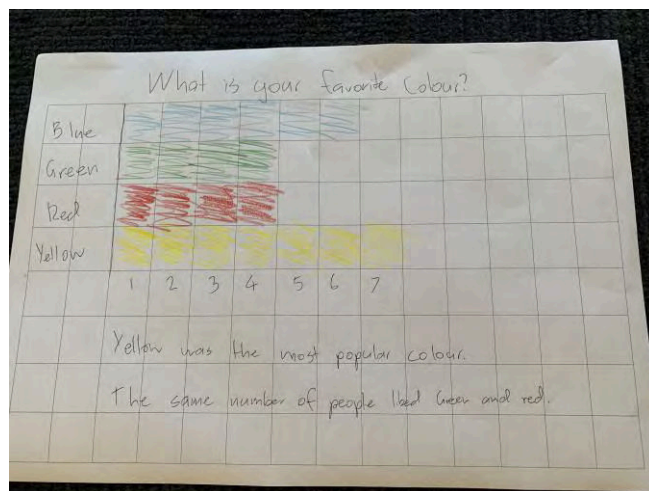
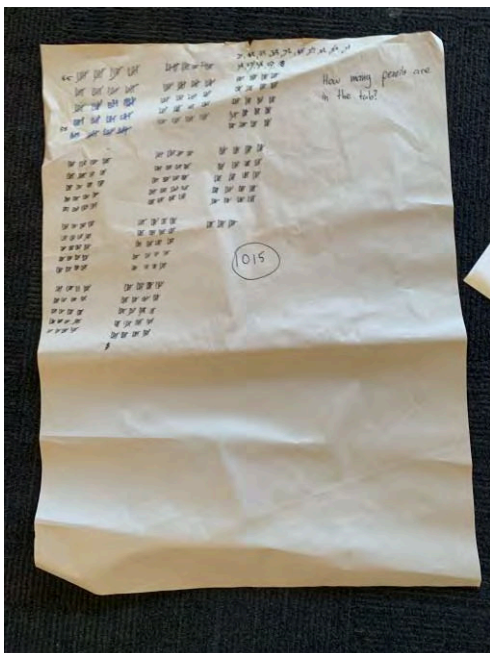
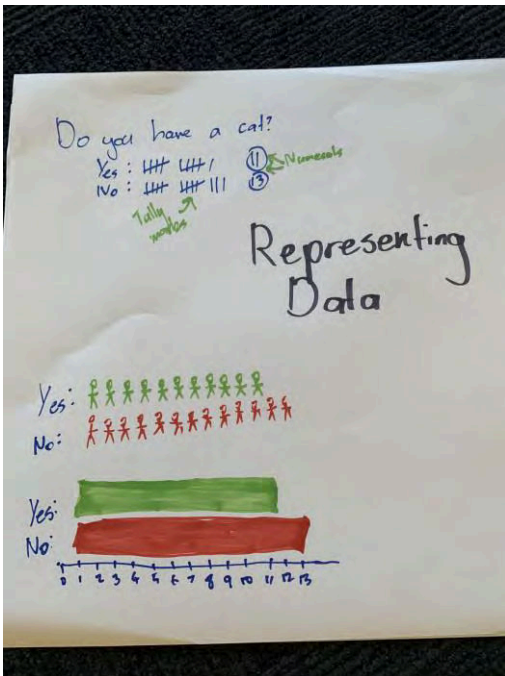
As always, if you would like to contact me directly, please catch me in the yard or email me directly on Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au

Stay warm!
Regards,

Jane.

FROM THE F-2 STUDIO

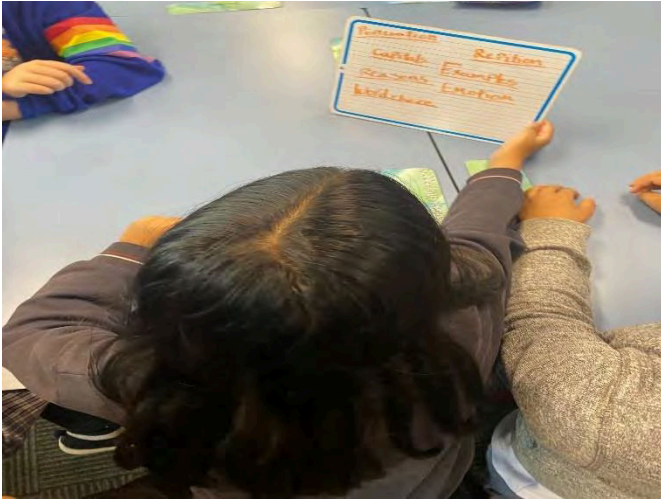
Last week the F-2 Studio commemorated ANZAC day by reading ANZAC stories, creating a wreath about peace, and baking ANZAC biscuits. This week in Maths we have spent time collecting and representing data.



FROM THE 3,4,5 STUDIO

The Year 3-5 students have been working hard on Persuasive Writing this term. We have had a particular focus on topics they are passionate about and have spent time developing their ideas, supporting arguments with facts and reasons, along with a strong emphasis on persuasive word choice and devices.

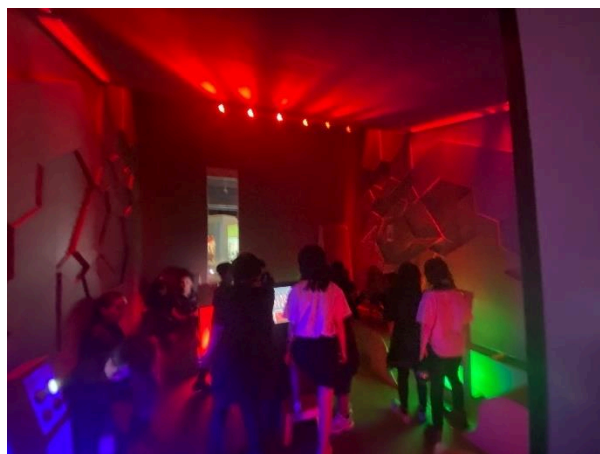
We look forward to publishing their finished product.



FROM THE 3 & 4 STUDIO EXCURSION

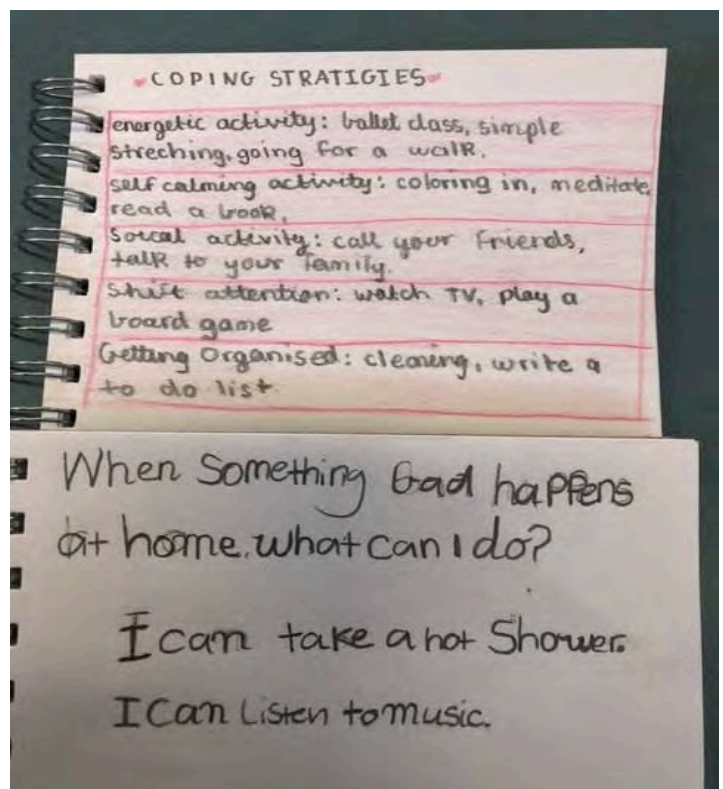
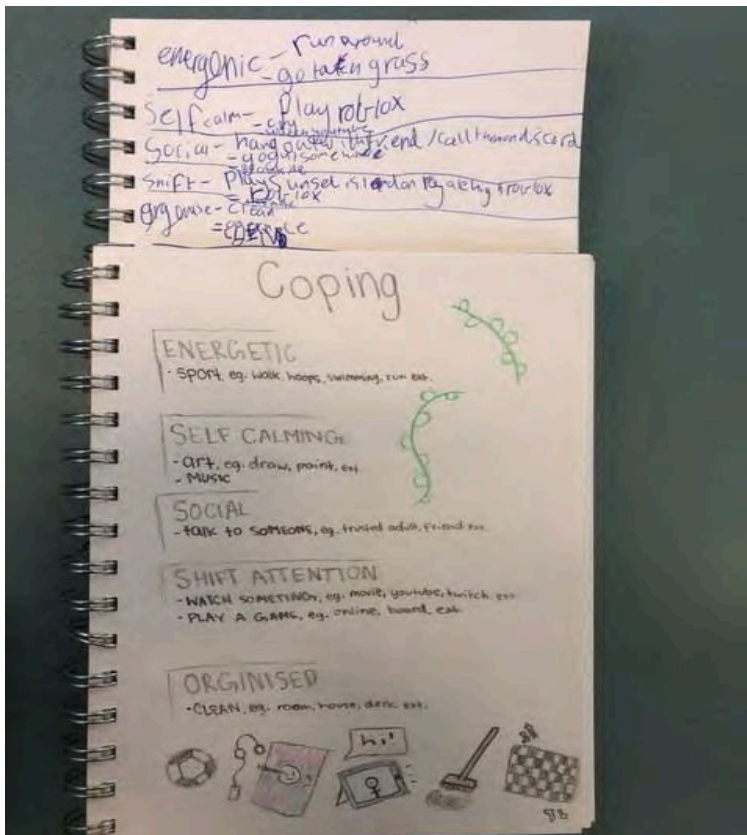
Our Year 3 and 4 Scienceworks excursion was a huge success! Students enjoyed exploring the areas of sport and health in conjunction with our Inquiry unit – Human Biology and Health. Students were able to investigate and participate in a number of activities that tested their strength, pace and accuracy.

They also had the chance to view 'Tycho Goes to Mars' in the Planetarium and spend time indulging in the sensory experience 'Beyond Perception.'



Year 6 Studio

In Wellbeing, Year 6s discussed positive coping strategies. They made lists of which ones they think they will use in difficult times.



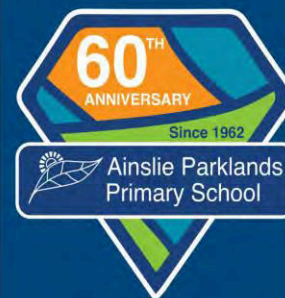
FROM THE OFFICE

STUDENT LATE ARRIVALS

Dear Parents

If your child arrives at school after the bell has sounded at 9:00am then your child will be considered late or absent from school and will need to be signed in by a parent or guardian at the office.

This will assist you in avoiding receiving an SMS from the school notifying you that your child is absent.



*Ainslie Parklands is celebrating
it's 60th Anniversary this year.
- 12th June 1962*

60th Anniversary Celebration Events

It all began in 1962.....

** 60th Birthday Party*

*14th June – Celebration with the students
- Party games, Birthday cake, Dress up day, fun
activities to celebrate our 60th Anniversary year.*

** Open Afternoon/Evening*

*12th August – It will be an opportunity for past
students, parents, staff and our local community
to visit our amazing school and see the changes
that have occurred over the past 60 years.*

*If you are a past student, parent, staff member or
have a connection to our school and you have a
tale to tell, photographs, or a memory to share*

(even just a short paragraph)

*of your time at Ainslie Parklands
formerly Croydon West. We would love to hear it.*

*If you could forward this to
APPS60@schools.vic.edu.au*

*and we will add it to our
"History of our School" collection.*

Thank you.

We are looking forward to our year of celebration



ELECTION DAY BBQ and BAKE SALE

APPS is a voting centre for the upcoming federal election on Saturday 21st May.

Community Engagement will be organising a Democracy sausage sizzle and bake sale on the day. We will be asking for volunteers for the day and to donate baked goods to sell. More information will be circulated to the school community soon.

From the Community Engagement Committee





WANTED

**GIRLS + BOYS
MINIBALLERS
5/6 YEAR OLDS**

ALL SKILL LEVELS

**FREE MAGIC STARTER PACK
BASKETBALL, MAGIC DRINK BOTTLE + SOCKS**

**FOR ALL NEW MINIBALL PLAYERS WHO
REGISTER FOR THE WINTER 2022 SEASON.**

Please contact Megan on 0413 303 746

WWW.MAROONDAHMAGIC.COM.AU



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IGNITE YOUR PASSION!
East Ringwood Auskick Centre

Ainslie Park, Edith Avenue, Croydon
Fridays 5:00-6:30pm, Starting April 29th
Contact Coordinator Peter Baker for more info!
E: pbaker33@bigpond.com P: 0409 942 533

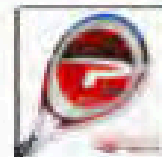
Register at play.afl/auskick

TENNIS LESSONS

AINSLIE PARKLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 2 START DATE:
Friday 6th May 2022
(7 week program)

Every **NEW** Term 2 enrolment receives a **FREE** junior tennis racquet



WHAT DO THE LESSONS INVOLVE?

Each lesson will vary, incorporating different skills, activities and games

Children will learn a range of basic tennis techniques:

- Footwork
- Forehand
- Volley
- Balance
- Backhand
- Serve

Learn tennis skills in a fun environment with friends!

LESSON TIMES

EVERY **FRIDAY** AT LUNCHTIME IN THE **HALL**

Grades Prep - 6: 1:45 - 2:15PM

7 WEEK PROGRAM = \$110.00

Please complete the form below and return in an envelope with \$110 by Friday 6th May. Please return to coach (Kyle) or school office.

Cash, cheques and bank transfer accepted. Please address cheques and bank transfer to

MATCH POINT TENNIS COACHING

BSB: 063 885

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 1033 5576

Payment description: Child's name, A985

Enrolment only accepted once payment has been received.

For further information please contact Daniel Kittelty (Club Professional coach)-0421 498 110

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Ainslie Parklands Primary School Tennis Enrolment Form Term 2, 2022

Student's full name: _____

Parent's first names: _____

Student's grade and room: _____

Any allergies/health conditions: _____

Contact number: _____

