

THE AINSLIE UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2:

8th May - **Curriculum Day**

9th May - 7pm Parent information
Night - APPS Reading program

10th May - SC Marketing meeting

12th May - 5/6 sport - away

-Mother's/Special

Person's day stall

- Assembly 3pm

15th May - Education Week

- Community Coffee at

9.10am (Report feedback)

- School Council 6pm

16th May - Open Morning 9-10am

- Minikids at 2.30pm

17th May - Whole School Photo

18th May - F-2 Fire-fighter visit

19th May - 5/6 sport - away

- Parent Helper info

session at 3pm

25th May - F-2 Chesterfield Farm

26th May - 5/6 sport - away

- Assembly 3pm

30th May - Nurse Visit Foundation

- Somers Roadie

incursion

- Minikids at 2.30pm

2nd Jun - 5/6 sport - home

8th Jun - 3-6 Scienceworks

9th Jun - 5/6 sport - home

12th Jun - King's Birthday holiday

13th Jun - Minikids at 2.30pm

19th Jun - School Council Meeting

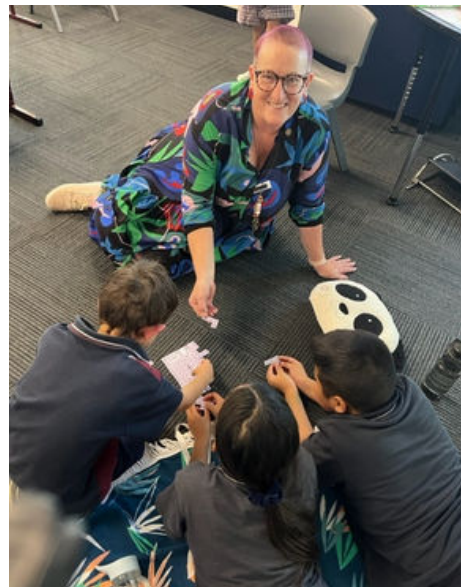
20th Jun - Winter Solstice event

23rd Jun - Last day Term 2

2.30pm finish

Welcome Back, Laura!!

We are so thrilled to have Laura back with us! Laura has picked up where she has left off - it's like she never left! And we couldn't be happier!



The Meadow Furniture

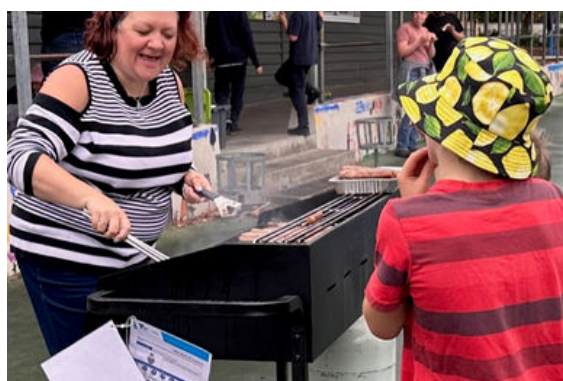
Our relocated Meadow furniture has appeared in the Maroondah News, but has since been painted by Ian Bennetts, who has done a superb job! The colours selected were taken from the nearby eucalyptus trees. Thank you, Ian!



Working Bee - Thank you!!!

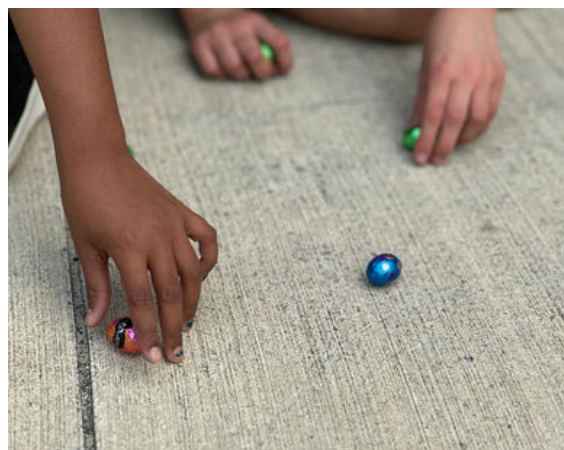
At the end of last term, we had a Working Bee in the Orchard, where families made amazing progress.

A huge thank you to those parents and students who came and helped with the garden. Thanks also to students, who cooked afternoon tea and to parents for the sausage sizzle!



Final Assembly for Term 1

We had a very special visitor at our final assembly for Term 1, and the children were thrilled! Our students were delighted to participate in an Easter egg hunt! And our Easter raffle raised \$483.80! Once again, many thanks to our amazing parents for getting in touch with the Easter Bunny and making it happen!



Minikids with Discovery Child Care

Discovery child care centre has started Minikids with us for the year every second Tuesday. Welcome!



3/4 Studio Gallery Walk

After working hard in Term 1, the 3/4 studio was proud to present their projects to the school. Well done, 3/4 students!



Does your child like soccer?

We are seeking to gauge interest from parents about weekly soccer training after school. This would be run by an outside company, and would be a parent-pay service. Please contact the office if you are interested.

Community Engagement Team

We are incredibly lucky to have such an amazing Community Engagement Team. To express an interest in being part of the team, or to make some suggestions please email:

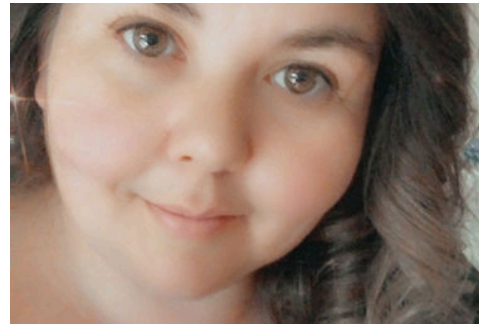
janebennettsbrown@gmail.com

"T" with Teachers

While Student Wellbeing has always formed part of our work, with the last few years being challenging for all, we have made it a huge priority to check in with our students. This year, we have given students the option to choose an adult that they connect with for our lunch time Wellbeing Groups. We are calling this "T with teachers". Every two weeks, staff will meet with their groups for some time to check-in with students. Our F-2 Studio started these check-ins with a "Tea with teachers". (Whilst out of a tea pot, students were not drinking real tea!)



Welcome to our new Education Support staff member, Elicia! Elicia will be working in the F-2 studio. Welcome!

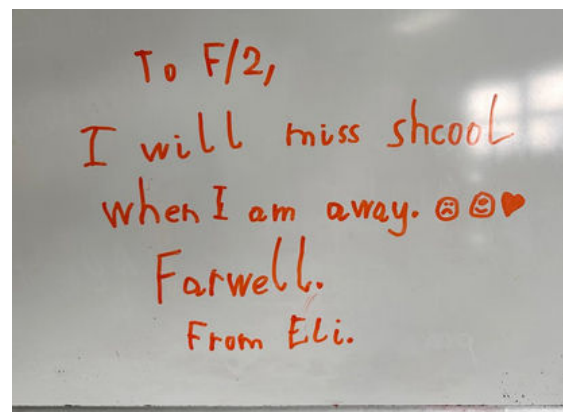


Norwood SC Pancake Breakfast

It was wonderful to join the Norwood SC pancake breakfast, to celebrate completion of Term 1 for Year 7 students. It was great to see Maggie, Sylvia and Jas again, who are enjoying their Secondary School experience so far .



We look forward to hearing about your adventures while you are away!



To: Parents of students in Years 4, 5 & 6

PARENT / CAREGIVER / GUARDIAN INFORMATION AND CONSENT LETTER 2023 Student Attitudes to School Survey

Dear Parent / Caregiver / Guardian,

This letter is to inform you about the 2023 Student Attitudes to School Survey (AtoSS), that your child is invited to participate in.

About the survey

We value student voice as a means to improving student engagement, wellbeing and quality instruction and are conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks of their school. The AtoSS is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education to assist schools to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, resilience, bullying, health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general.

This year, the AtoSS will be conducted at your school from **15th May to 9th June** (in small groups).

What are the benefits?

Young people enjoy having a say! This survey has been running for nearly 20 years and is invaluable in helping schools understand student views to plan programs and activities to improve your child's schooling experience. The survey responses also help the Department of Education understand how student's learning experiences can be improved.

What are the risks?

While we do not anticipate many risks of participation, some students may find some of the survey questions personal and sensitive in nature. Should you agree for your child to participate, they are still free to skip questions or to withdraw at any stage if the survey makes them upset or uncomfortable. A teacher will be present during the survey to support students.

The questions are selected from validated survey instruments used in Australia and around the world, are strength-based, and tailored for each year level group.

What will my child be asked to do?

Your child will be invited to complete the survey online during class time using a purpose built secure online survey tool. It is important to note that we are not in any way "testing" your child. Please note:

- Student participation in the survey is voluntary and students may withdraw at any time.
- The survey will take around 20-45 minutes to complete.

How is my child's confidentiality protected?

Your child will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey from their teacher. The student login is an assigned identifier that may be used to link data for statistical and research purposes only. Personally identifiable data will not be recorded in the survey response file to ensure the confidentiality of your child's responses is protected at all times.

How will results be reported?

The survey results will be reported back to the school in aggregate form throughout the survey period. All survey data that is made available in reports are for groups of students only so that no individual student can be identified. Data suppression rules are used for schools with low student numbers per year level.

Your school may share the results of the survey with parents, in documents such as the School Annual Report.

Options for participation

Participation in this survey is voluntary. **If you do not wish for your child to do the survey, please opt out via email to your school:**

ainslie.parklands.ps@education.vic.gov.au. Please do so by **Friday 12th May**, stating that you wish to opt out of your child's participation, along with their name and year level.

If your school does not receive a Refusal of Consent email from yourself before the survey commencement date mentioned within this letter, it means that you give your consent for your child to participate in the 2023 Attitudes to School Survey.

A copy of the survey that we are asking your child to complete is available from your child's school. Please contact the administration office if you would like to see the survey before making your decision about whether you would like your child to participate. If you would like more information, please speak to your child's teacher, or contact the department at school.surveys@education.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,
Department of Education, Victoria

Lest we Forget

Last Friday, we commemorated ANZAC day. Studios made some poppy wreaths, and completed some research about the day.



Eastland "Dare to Dream" Display

Over the holidays, Eastland provided activities based on "Dare to Dream".

Some schools (including ours) supplied some great dreams!



Make a Wish Donation

A huge thank you to our 5/6 students and families. Due to your support, we are able to make a donation to the Make a Wish Foundation for \$615.50. What a fantastic effort!

Updated Homework Policy

Our teachers have been assessing the value of a worksheet homework arrangement as we usually do in Term 2 & 3, and found that homework in this form is not effective. Reading nightly, however, has proven results. For this reason, the School Council voted to change our homework policy to Reading each night from Terms 1-4. As is usual current practice for Year 7 & 8 students, there may be some instances for Years 3-6 students to complete some work not finished in class, but the homework expectation will primarily be reading.

Dear APPS Families,

Next Tuesday 9th May at 7pm we are holding an information evening to **introduce our new APPS Home Reading programme**. After research and consultation with School Council, APPS is moving away from our old model of homework in terms 2 & 3 to a program of reading at home throughout the year.

This shift will support students in all areas of their learning. We are looking forward to sharing our new approach with you and there will also be plenty of time for questions. We understand that evenings are busy. You are welcome to attend onsite or online, a Webex link will be published on Compass closer to the day.

Kind regards

The APPS Literacy team

Friendology

Last term, we participated in the community Friendology night at Eastland. At our last assembly our wonderful helpers were acknowledge for their help with a certificate and lanyard. Well done team!



Our Ainslie Pantry is quite full – please come and take what you need.



Parent Helper Session

We know that parents and teachers working together enhances student learning. **On Friday 19th May at 3pm**, we invite any parents to attend a Parent Helper information session. We will be going over some information relevant to parents who would like to help in the classroom from Foundation – Year 6, and answer any questions you may have. Please note – all parents helping in the classroom are required to have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC). We hope to see you there!

Community Coffee with the Principal

This term, our community coffee is scheduled for **Monday 15th May at 9.10am in the staffroom.** Parents are very welcome to come and have a coffee/tea, a biscuit and a chat. As this is the beginning of Education Week, Jane C would be interested to hear parent feedback about how we write our school reports, but of course, all topics are up for discussion. We hope to see you there!

The Student Voice Team is adding suggestion boxes to each studio. Great idea, team!



From the Foundation - Year 2 Studio...

On Tuesday 2nd May, our Local Ringwood Station Fire Fighters visited the F-2 studio. The students were hugely engaged with the session that focussed on home fire safely and community helpers. Students are continuing to learn about fire safety in Inquiry and STEM sessions and we are looking forward to seeing the Firefighters again on the May 18th when they will be bringing their firetruck in for a closer look.



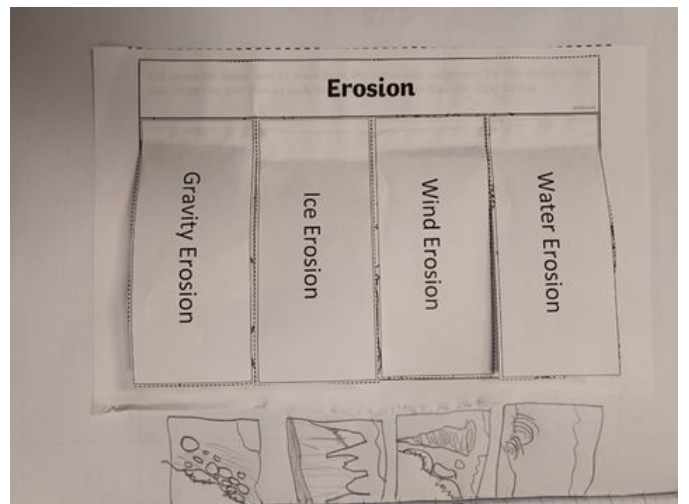
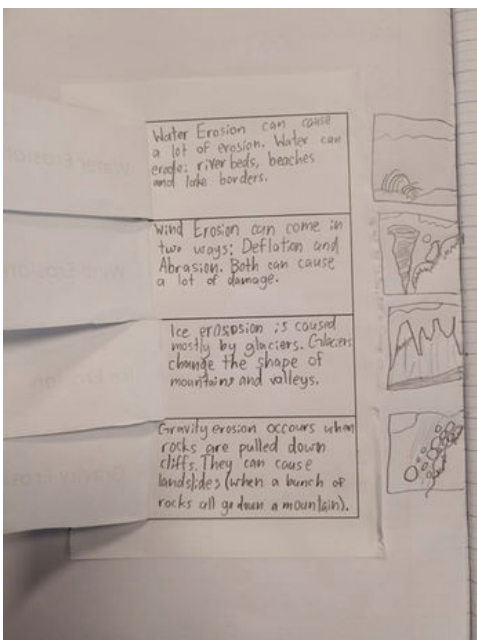
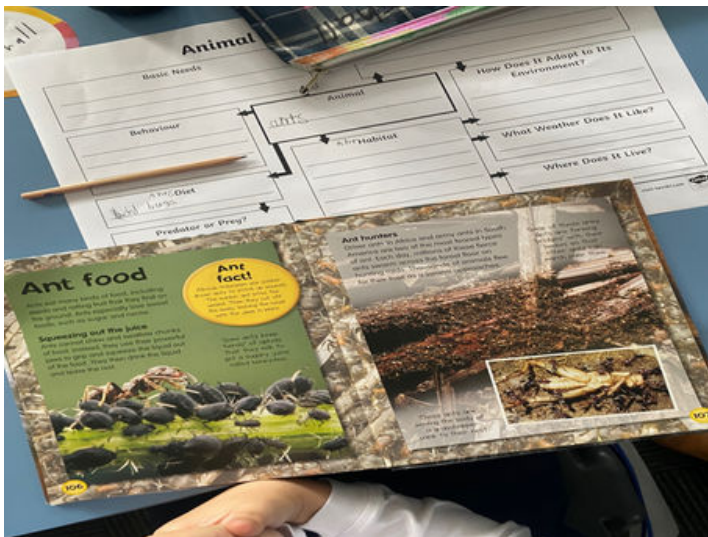
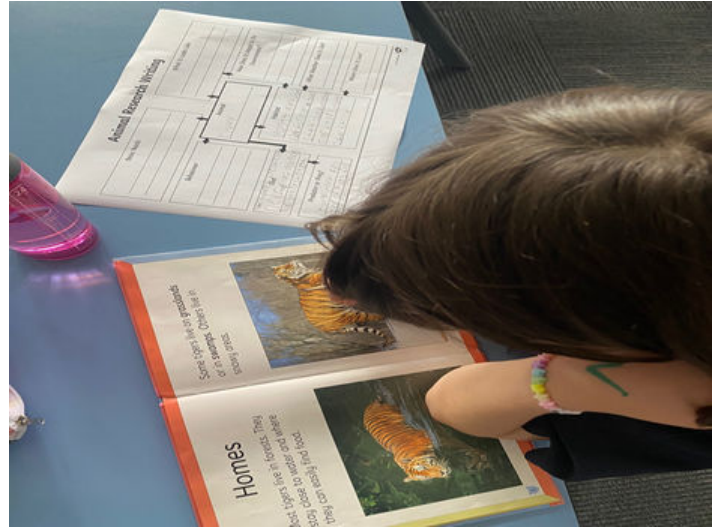
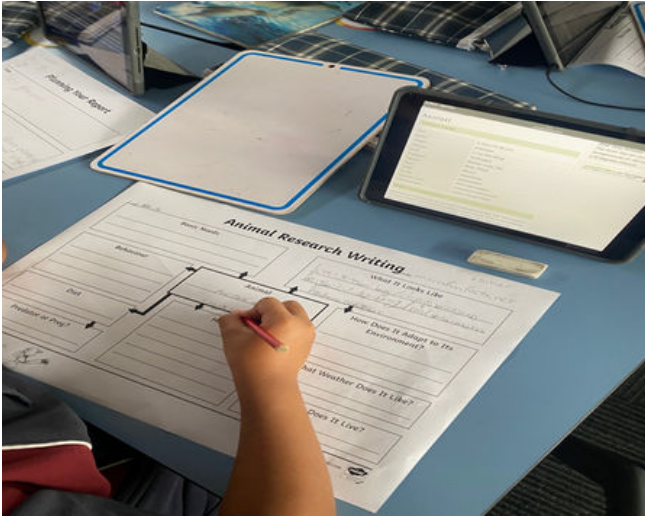
From the 3/4 Studio...

Cross Country

Our Year 3-6 students completed our school cross country on Tuesday. All students participated and did their best to complete the 2km or 3km courses. Congratulations to all on a super effort!



The 3/4 Studio have had a very busy start of term. In Writing we are researching and planning Information Reports. Students have conducted their research in our library and also online. They are really engaging with their selected topics and working hard to develop informative, descriptive reports. In Inquiry our students have been studying Earth Sciences with a focus this week on the causes of erosion.

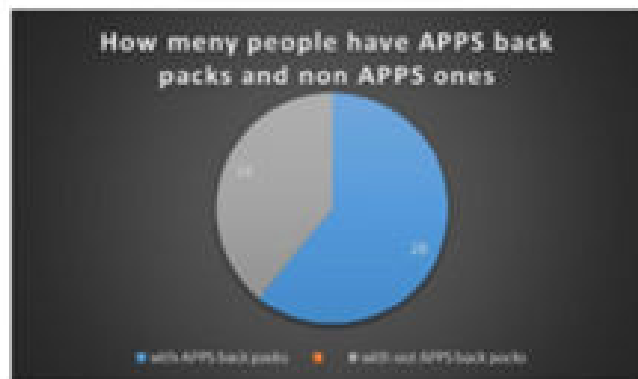


From the 5/6 Studio...

How many people have APPS back packs compared to non-ones

I wanted to know how many people have APPS back packs compared to non-ones, these were recorded on the 30-4-23. This is the results.

18 people have non APPS one and 28 have APPS ones



- APPS back packs the majority
- The mode of back pack are APPS ones
- There is ten more APPS back pack then non APPS ones
- Both of the numbers on the pie chart have 8 as its second digit
- If you add both of the results together then it will = a even number

Console wars

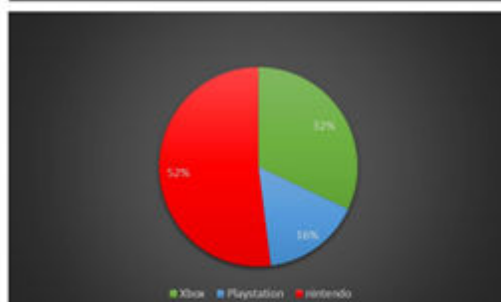
Mode: Nintendo

5 more people prefer Nintendo over Xbox.

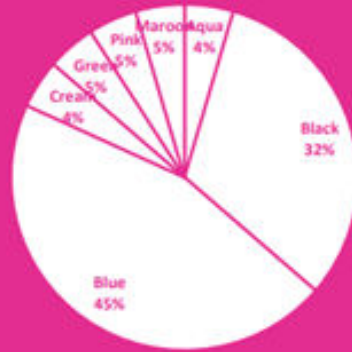
Not as many people prefer PlayStation over Xbox and Nintendo

The majority prefer Nintendo over Xbox and PlayStation

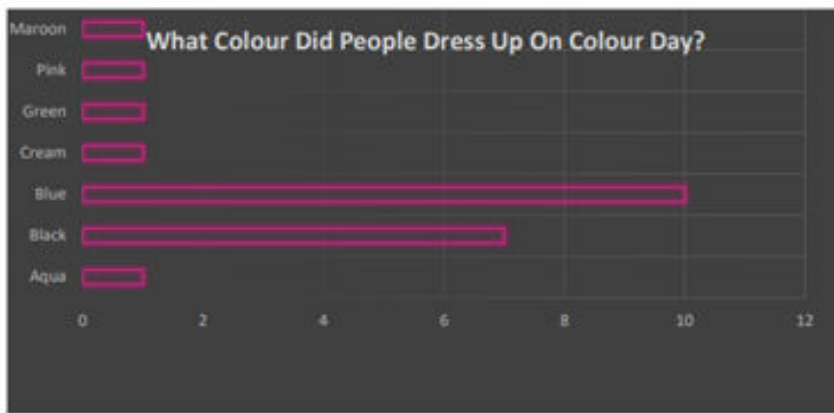
PlayStation lost by 4 to Xbox and Xbox lost by 5 to Nintendo



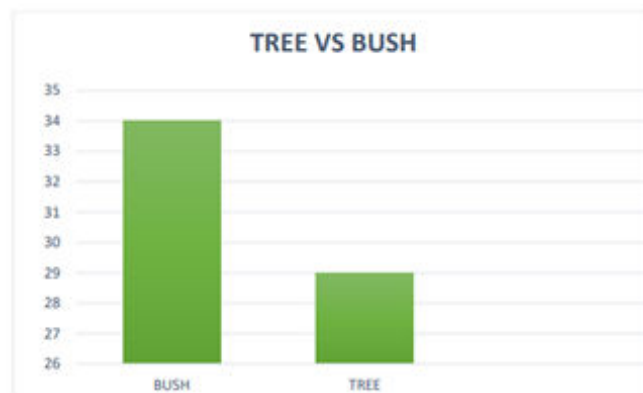
WHAT COLOUR DID PEOPLE DRESS UP ON COLOUR DAY?



This is a pie graph you can see that blue is a common colour in fact blue is 9* most of the other colours!



How many trees and bushes in the courtyard



There seem to be more bushes than trees. I counted it from the gate to the 5/6 studio.



Ainslie Parklands Primary School

Celebrating creativity, fostering independence and striving for excellence.



Open Morning

Current and prospective families welcome

Tuesday 16th May 9am-10am

Ainslie Parklands Primary School would like to invite all current and prospective families to visit our learning community.

Meet the staff and students, explore our learning spaces, learn about our educational programs.

Come and feel the difference at Ainslie Parklands!

Tours with our principal, Jane Capon, will also be available during this time.

Please contact the school office on 98701566 if you have any questions regarding this event or if you wish to arrange a tour.



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E-mail: ainslie.parklands.ps@education.vic.gov.au

www.ainslieparklandsp.vic.edu.au

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PLEASE SEND A SHOPPING BAG FOR THE GIFT AND
MONEY IN A CLEARLY LABELLED ENVELOPE





School Nursing Program

Nicole Joyce, a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education, will be attending the school to conduct the Prep health assessments and to see other children as requested by teachers (with parents' consent).

The purpose of the visit is to provide children in their first year of primary school with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

The confidential questionnaire will provide important information about your child's health so the nurse can make an effective assessment. If your child requires further assessment, such as vision, hearing or speech assessments the nurse will see him or her at school.

- If you would like your child to participate in the Primary School Nursing Program please indicate this by ticking the YES consent box (page 5), sign and fill out the questionnaire and return the completed student entrant health questionnaire to your child's school.

- If you do not wish your child to participate in the Primary School Nurse Program please tick the NO consent box (page 5), sign and return the student entrant health questionnaire to your child's school.

Parents are invited to contact the visiting primary school nurse if there are any issues they wish to discuss. The contact number is 0459 873 959.

Once completed, can you please return the questionnaires to your child's school teacher in the sealed envelope by the specified return date.

Thank you

Wednesday, 26 April 2023

Dear Principal,

RE: Road Safety Around Schools

Maroondah City Council and Victoria Police work in partnership with local road safety stakeholders and the community to improve the safety of road users in the municipality, including school students of all ages.

The purpose of this letter is to advise your school community about actions being taken by Council to improve the safety of students, and to encourage the members of the school community to use positive road safety practices around schools.

Council has installed a variety of road safety treatments around schools. These include traffic calming devices, line marking and parking restriction signs. Council's Local Laws Officers regularly patrol all Schools in Maroondah to enforce the *Road Safety Road Rules 2017* (the Road Rules) and contributes to the cost of employing school crossing supervisors.

School Crossing Supervisors work tirelessly to provide a safe environment for pedestrians to safely cross the road. We ask all members of the school community who utilise our School Crossings to adhere to all instructions and signals from the Supervisor. Likewise, for motorists, we ask that they keep a watchful eye for pedestrians and stop batons at our school crossings. Any dangerous driving conduct by motorists will be reported to Victoria Police for follow-up action.

With regard to enforcement of the Road Rules, Local Laws Officers regularly monitor school crossings and surrounding areas, issuing Parking Infringement Notices to drivers of vehicles observed breaching the Road Rules. This is done on a rotating roster basis, with attendance at schools being randomly undertaken.

Maroondah City Council will undertake a combination of highly visible static patrols and vehicle patrols utilizing on-board offence detection cameras. A Local Laws Officer has no obligation to speak with a driver who has committed an offence, nor provide any form of warning. Parking Infringement Notices

Contact us

Phone 1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4598 Fax 9298 4345

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ABN 98 606 522 719

can be posted to the registered owner of a vehicle, if detected committing an offence, in accordance with the *Infringements Act 2006* and *Infringements Regulations 2016*.

We wish to reiterate that ensuring safety around schools is paramount, as well as maintaining a smooth flow of traffic during pick-up and drop-off times. Under the Road Rules, the onus is on the driver to be familiar and follow all Road Rules associated with parking and stopping. As such new and current parents of your school should become familiar with parking restrictions and remain vigilant in the event of any changes to these restrictions.

Achieving motorists' compliance with the Road Rules assists to provide a safe environment for children and other pedestrians. Council appreciates the work that school communities undertake in promoting road safety and driver compliance to the Road Rules. This often includes the provision of road safety information in meetings, assemblies and newsletters and making parents aware of the risk to children of illegal driving and parking practices.

To assist you with delivering this message, you will soon receive an email from Council enclosing information regarding the most common Road Rules around Schools. This will include a digital pamphlet that can be used to distribute to the School Community.

By working together in partnership, Maroondah City Council and the school community can enhance the road safety of children attending your school. Should you have any concerns / queries in relation to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the Local Laws Department via 1300 88 22 33.

Yours sincerely,



Timothy Hughes
Team Leader Parking Services
Local Laws

Contact us

Phone 1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4588 Fax 9298 4345

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TENNIS LESSONS

AINSLIE PARKLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 2 START DATE:
Monday 1st May 2023
(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
- Balance
- Forehand
- Backhand
- Volley
- Serve

Learn tennis skills in a fun environment with friends!

LESSON TIMES

EVERY MONDAY AT LUNCHTIME IN THE HALL

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

7 WEEK PROGRAM = \$120.00

Please complete the form below and return to school office in an envelope with \$120 by Monday 1st May. Alternatively text photo of completed form to Daniel 0421 498 110.

Cash and bank transfer accepted.

MATCH POINT TENNIS COACHING

BSB: 063 885

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 1033 5576

Payment description: Child's name APPS

Enrolment only accepted once payment has been received.

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



Ainslie Parklands Primary School Tennis Enrolment Form Term 2, 2023

Student's full name: _____

Parent's first names: _____

Student's grade and room: _____

Any allergies/health conditions: _____

Contact number: _____





Open Day 6th May 2023 10am - 12pm



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www.stjohnskindergartencroydn.org.au



OBAN PRESCHOOL *Open Day*

Saturday May 13, 10.00am - 12.00pm
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Experience
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and outdoor
spaces

Enrolment registrations via Maroondah Integrated Kindergartens Association are now open! Register at mika.org.au.

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Oban Preschool

p: (03) 4329 0446
e: oban@ykinders.org.au
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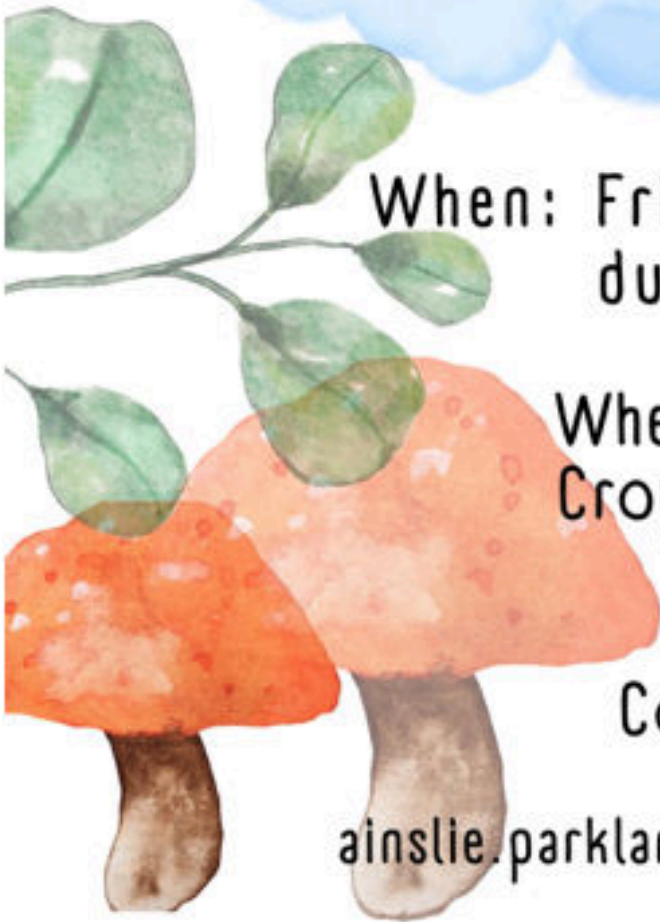
Playgroup

When: Friday 9.15am-10.45am
during the school term

Where: 24-36 Hinkley Ave,
Croydon (in the hall & new
playground)

Contact: 98701566

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WAVERLEY SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION JELLS RD, WHEELERS HILL	WAVERLEYSOFTBALL@GMAIL.COM WWW.REVOLUTIONISE.COM.AU/WAVERLEYSA/HOME/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 WEEK COMPETITION • MIXED GENDER TEAMS

Waverley Winter Softball Competition is starting soon for juniors aged 7-12!!

The perfect competition for juniors to unleash their super skills learnt at home, school or in club training as well as develop and foster new skills in a supportive team-based competition!!

- Fun, inclusive, welcoming comp for all
- Mixed gender team competition
- Wednesday nights from 5-6pm
- Once players register they'll be placed in a team.

RSVP HERE:
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/waverleysa/events/183328/>

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