

Aspendale Gardens Primary School Newsletter—Friday 13th March



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Primary Years
Programme

Aspendale Gardens is an IB World School that strives to be internationally minded. Our purpose is to provide a supportive safe and dynamic learning environment. We promote inquiry, curiosity, creativity and individuality. We aim to develop a resilient, open-minded school community where all students become independent, emotionally intelligent and socially competent as they strive to achieve their potential as global citizens.

**HARMONY DAY LUNCH ORDERS CLOSE @
4.00pm TODAY—ORDER VIA QKR or by
PRINTING ORDER FROM COMPASS**

**HARMONY DAY ASSEMBLY
FRIDAY 20th MARCH 2.30—3.30pm in the Gym**

2020 DIARY

MARCH

Thursday 19 **Years 3 & 4 Working Bee 3.30pm-6.00pm**
Friday 20 **Harmony Day Assembly—2.30—3.30pm**
Monday 23 Year 5 Campers depart for Cave Hill Creek
Monday 23 School Council Meeting—7:00pm
Friday 27 Year 5 Campers return
End of Term 1—dismissal at 2:30pm

APRIL

Tuesday 14 Term 2 Begins!

APRIL

Thursday 16 Year 1 Aboriginal Incursion
Friday 24 Year 4 Wetlands Excursion
Tuesday 28 2021 Foundation Parent Information Evening 7pm—8pm in our Library
Thursday 30 School Tour

MAY

**Friday 1 Numeracy Curriculum Day
NO STUDENTS at school on this day**

Year

**CANTEEN NOW OPEN
WEDNESDAYS for
OVER THE COUNTER SALES AT LUNCHTIME ONLY**

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Coronavirus

There has been a great deal of speculation about the government closing schools down, perhaps either side of the coming holidays. This is yet to be confirmed but is causing a great deal of angst within school communities. Please be assured that you will be informed immediately of any developments in this area.

If you have any concerns please contact DHHS or DET or go to the following website for Education Department updates which I will share with you when they come.

This website will provide up-to-date information from DET regarding the Coronavirus <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/departments/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

You may also wish to visit the following website which has more information regarding the Coronavirus.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/departments/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

All parents are asked to inform the school immediately if:

- Any member of your family has been diagnosed with Coronavirus
- Any member of your family has been in close proximity to anyone diagnosed with Coronavirus.
- Are returning from any overseas travel.

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any questions or concerns.

PYP Curriculum Day

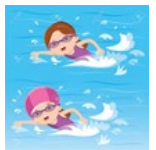
Aspendale Primary School, Dingley Primary School and Seaford North Primary School joined us last Tuesday for a combined curriculum day. The topic for the day was Conceptual Learning which was delivered by an informative and engaging presenter. Thank you to **Nadia Walker** who worked with the PYP coordinators from the other schools to organise the day.

Division Swimming Carnival

Well done to those students who progressed to Division level in swimming and competed on Wednesday, **Mr King** has more details further in this newsletter.

Years 1 & 2 Swimming

Our Years 1 & 2 students completed their Intensive Swimming program today at Waves Leisure Centre, Highett. The students excelled in the pool and improved their swimming techniques. Thank you to the parents who assisted on the bus and at the pool. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.



Free Dress Day – Easter Raffle Donations

Thank you to those families who donated Easter chocolate goodies and gold coins for our Easter Raffle. We now have fourteen wonderful raffle prizes on display in the office foyer. Thank you to the Fundraising team for their fantastic work. Easter raffle tickets were sent home with the youngest in the family. Extra tickets are available from the office. Please ensure all raffle butts and money are returned to the office by Thursday 26th March.

Senior Inter-House Cross Country

Today our Years 3 – 6 students competed in the senior Inter-House cross country. Thank you to **Mr King** and **Mr Murphy** for their organization and all staff and parents for their assistance.

School Council AGM Monday 23rd March @ 6:30pm

We have our Annual General Meeting on Monday 23rd March at 6:30pm in the staff room. All community members are welcome to attend. This meeting will be followed by our first School Council meeting for the year starting at 7:00pm. We look forward to welcoming our new School Council for 2020.

China Trip

Unfortunately, due to the coronavirus, we have made the decision to cancel our China trip this year. We know that this will be disappointing to some of our Year 6 students, however with the coronavirus threat this was unavoidable.

National Ride 2 School Day

Today was National Ride 2 School Day. It was wonderful to see so many of our students riding their bikes to school on this special day. Congratulations to all the students who rode or rolled to school. The bike shed was overflowing. We look forward to more students riding to school in the future as it is excellent for their health, certainly reduces traffic congestion in the school and gives students more independence.

Years 3 & 4 Working Bee



**Working
Bee**

Next **Thursday 19th March** we have our first parent working bee for the year. This working bee is specifically for Years 3 & 4 classes and will involve many tasks in the kitchen garden. The time is from **3:30pm to 6:00pm** so if you can give **just one hour** that would be brilliant. We have chosen Thursday after school so it does not interfere with Friday and Saturday sport. All assistance would be greatly appreciated - hope to see you there.

Have a fantastic weekend everyone.

Cheryle Osborne



Week 6 – Term 1

Foundation – Year 2



Year 3 – Year 6



KINGSTON DIVISION SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2020

Congratulations to **Cooper W.** (4HB), **Clover D-W.** (4OM), **Aaron Y.** (5AA), **May S.** (5JI), **Leon Y.** (5LW), **Oliver A.** (5LW), **Jaxson M.** (6JC) and **Jemma M.** (6KC) who represented AGPS at the Kingston Division Swimming Carnival on **Wednesday 11th March** at Carnegie Swim Centre.

All eight students did a fantastic job, swimming their hardest to try to have the fastest time in their events. Thank you to the parents and family friends who assisted with taking the students to their event and cheered them along during their races. Well done to all eight students, we are extremely proud of your effort and commitment! GO AGPS!



PERFORMING ARTS @ AGPS

Keyboards



Senior students have been working on their keyboard skills for the past couple of weeks during their "Band Unit". Keyboards can still be purchased through the school at a discounted price of \$170. Please place orders via Compass. Go to Student Management—Course Confirmation/ Payments.



Harmony Day

In lunchtime clubs we are rehearsing for Harmony Day. "WE KNOW THE WAY" here is the practice link https://youtu.be/4rB13uK_inc.

Last week of rehearsals during lunch times:

DJEMBE: Wednesdays, **UKULELE:** Tuesdays, **SENIOR DANCE** Mondays.

Help Needed

I am still needing empty plastic containers with lids, of any size, to recycle as shakers for our "Junk Band". I am also looking for LARGE (20 litre +) plastic or tin containers to recycle as 'drums'.

Any old kitchen utensils that you no longer need would be greatly appreciated as we can recycle them as Mallets! Please bring any of these items to the Performing Arts Studio.



Merry music making,

Mrs Nicolson

CARNIVALE

You are invited to our



Harmony Day Celebration

Friday 20th March 2:30pm

In the gym

Dress as bright as you like (no sports team clothing) and bring along your decorated mask and get ready to party!



Masks provided by AGPS for students to decorate at home. Please make as colourful and fancy as you like.

The better the mask... the better OUR CELEBRATION!!!

PERFORMING ARTS

"Media: This year, in Performing Arts, as part of our Unit of Inquiry — 'Media' senior students will be looking at music used in cartoons, specifically Disney's "Fantasia". This would be a fantastic orchestral experience for AGPS students."

COVID19 Update for Arts Centre Melbourne visitors

[Read More](#)



Menu

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra presents

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INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Enrol or re-enrol your child in Instrumental Music Lessons
for Term 2 – 2020 (Starting Week 1)

**PLEASE DOWNLOAD ENROLMENT FORMS
FROM COMPASS or WEBSITE**

DRUMS for students from YEARS 1 – 6

Lesson Options available:

30 minute Group lesson @ \$16.00 per lesson (for beginners)

30 minute Paired lesson @ \$22.00 per lesson

30 minute Individual lesson @ \$28.00 per lesson

\$12.00 Flat Fee for the Term to pay for use of Drum Kits



SINGING for students from YEARS 1 – 6

Lesson Options available:

30 minute Group Lesson @ \$16.00 per lesson

30 minute Paired Lesson @ \$22.00 per lesson



VIOLIN for students from FOUNDATION TO YEAR 6

Lesson Options available:

30 minute Paired lesson @ \$22.00 per lesson

20 minute Individual Lesson @ \$25.00 per lesson

30 minute Individual Lesson @ \$28.00 per lesson

You can hire a violin for your child at the rate of \$4.00 per week.



GUITAR & KEYBOARD for students from YEARS 1 – 6

Lesson Options available:

20 minute individual Lesson @ \$25.00 per lesson

30 minute Paired Lesson @ \$22.00 per lesson

You can hire a guitar (\$5.00 p/w) or keyboard (\$7.00 p/w) for your child



Hurry as placements are very limited – first in best dressed!

PLEASE SEND ENROLMENTS AND PAYMENT TO THE OFFICE

NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH

SORRY NO LATE ENROLMENTS CAN BE ACCEPTED

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AGCS School Holiday Fun

<p><i>Monday 30th March</i> <i>Bricks 4 Kidz (5 – 10 years)</i></p> 	<p><i>Time:</i> 10.00am to 11.30am <i>Ages:</i> 5 - 10 year olds <i>Cost:</i> \$19.50 EARLY BIRD (2019 price) per child \$22.50 per child <i>Parents:</i> not required to stay</p> <p>Bookings essential: https://www.trybooking.com/BIVDT</p>
<p><i>Tuesday 31st March</i> <i>Basketball Clinic (4 – 7 years)</i></p> 	<p><i>Time:</i> 10.00am to 12.00pm <i>Ages:</i> 4 - 7 year olds <i>Cost:</i> \$25.00 per child <i>Parents:</i> not required to stay</p> <p>Bookings essential: https://www.trybooking.com/BISJN</p>
<p><i>Tuesday 31st March</i> <i>Basketball Clinic (7 – 11 years)</i></p> 	<p><i>Time:</i> 1.00pm to 3.30pm <i>Ages:</i> 7 - 11 year olds <i>Cost:</i> \$30.00 per child <i>Parents:</i> not required to stay</p> <p>Bookings essential: https://www.trybooking.com/BISJQ</p>
<p><i>Wednesday 1st April</i> <i>Storytime & Craft</i> jointly presented by Kingston Libraries and AGCS</p> 	<p><i>Time:</i> 10.30am to 11.30am <i>Ages:</i> 3 - 10 year olds <i>Cost:</i> FREE <i>Parents:</i> required to stay</p> <p>Bookings essential: Through Kingston Libraries https://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/library/Home</p>
<p><i>Thursday 2nd April</i> <i>Mindfulness with Creative Fountain</i> <i>Expressive Therapies</i></p>  	<p><i>Time:</i> 10.00am to 12.00pm <i>Ages:</i> 5 - 10 year olds <i>Cost:</i> \$40.00 per child <i>Parents:</i> not required to stay</p> <p>Bookings essential: https://www.trybooking.com/BIVZU</p>



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Location of sessions – Clayton, Hawthorn, Middle Park and Thornbury

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- help your child manage difficult feelings such as worry, sadness, frustration and anger
- build your connection with your child
- better understand what underpins challenging behaviours
- stay calm when dealing with tantrums
- help your child develop social skills and reduce aggression.

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Tinies	(7yrs & under)	Wednesday	4:30 - 6:00 pm
Subbies	(10yrs & under)	Saturday	11:30 - 2:30 pm
Juniors	(13yrs & under)	Thursday	5:30 - 8:00 pm
Inters	(17yrs & under)	Wednesday	6:00 - 9:00 pm
Seniors	(16yrs & over)	Tuesday	7:00 - 10:00 pm
Masters	(26yrs & over)	Monday	7:30 - 10:00 pm



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