

Aspendale Gardens Primary School

Newsletter—Thursday 29th April



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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.

2021 DIARY

APRIL

Friday 30

SCHOOL TOUR CANCELLED
PYP Curriculum Day NO SCHOOL
for students on this day

MAY

Tuesday 4

CPDPSSN District Cross Country
Carnival

2022 Parent Information Session
7:00pm—8:00pm in Library

Wednesday 5

Mothers' Day Stall in Gym
School Tour @ 9:15am

MAY

Friday 7

Year 6 Interschool Sport Begins

School Tour @ 9:15am

Anerien Raffle Tickets Due Back

NAPLAN Language Conv. & English

Foundation Moonlit Sanctuary

Excursion

NAPLAN Reading

NAPLAN Numeracy

School Tour @ 9:15am

Final Day to submit Year 7

Tuesday 11

Wednesday 12

Thursday 13

Friday 14

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Pupil Free Day – TOMORROW - Friday 30th April

We have a curriculum day TOMORROW. Students **do not** attend school on this day. The teachers will spend the day revising the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program and exploring any new initiatives that have been introduced to the program.



Snow Camp

We have had an amazing response to the snow camp. Expressions of interest have exceeded the number of places. The list of students attending will be available by the end of the week.

Canteen Counter Sales

The canteen will now be open again for counter sales on Thursday and Friday lunch times.

District Cross Country

The District Cross Country is being held next Tuesday 4th May at Cornish College. Students who have been selected to compete will have received information from Mr King. Please complete the payment and consent to attend via our Compass portal under 'Events'.



2022 Parent Information Session

Next Tuesday our Foundation teachers are presenting our 2022 Parent Information Session to our new families. This will be held in the library from 7:00pm – 8:00pm.

Mothers' Day Stall

Our Mothers' Day Stall will be held on Wednesday 5th May in the foyer of the gym. If there are any parents who are available to assist with the stall, please phone Annie at the school on 9587 0877.



School Fees

Family Statements have been distributed this week via email. If you have outstanding fees on your account, please address this as soon as possible. If you would like to discuss your account, please contact Rebecca in the office.

School Tours

Attendance at our school tours has been wonderful. We already have over 50 enrolments for 2022 Foundation. If you have a child starting school next year please send in the enrolment form as soon as possible so we know how many out of zone places we can accept.



Year 6 Interschool Sport

Year 6 Interschool Sport begins on Friday 7 May. Students need to ensure that they are properly dressed for sport, wearing their AGPS sport top, correct footwear and protective wear. Parents are welcome to attend to watch the students play.

Take care.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Cheryle Osborne

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

CSEF FUNDING – Important Notice!

The Department of Education & Training has an annual payment which replaces the Education Maintenance Allowance. This is known as Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF). *CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities to the value of \$125.00 per student.*



If you hold a means tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent you may be eligible for CSEF. Full annual payments are paid directly to the school from March 2021. This payment can be used to pay for your child's excursion levy, swimming or camp. Please speak with our office staff if you have any queries regarding your payments. Please complete an application form online, or alternatively collect one from the school office. Please return applications by Friday 25th June – end of Term 2.

SECOND HAND AGPS UNIFORMS

We have second-hand AGPS uniforms for sale. Each garment is \$5.00. Cupboards are located at the end of the Admin building near the staffroom. If you have any uniforms in very good condition that your child has outgrown, please consider donating these items to our second-hand supplies. Just drop your **laundered** items into the lovely office ladies.



OUR CANTEN IS OPEN
COUNTER SALES ARE NOW AVAILABLE
ON THURSDAY & FRIDAY
CURRENT CANTEN OPENING HOURS
THURSDAY & FRIDAY
Please place Lunch orders via QKR
QKR closes at 9:00am on day of delivery.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Week 1—Term 2

Foundation — Year 2



Year 3 — Year 6



WHATS HAPPENING IN VISUAL ARTS?

Aboriginal Storytelling:

Supporting their Term 1/2 inquiry units, Year 2 students have been exploring 'How Indigenous Australians make connections to their history and the land through storytelling'.

With great excitement, students welcomed Jack George. Jack shared his 'story', growing up in an indigenous family here in Melbourne. He proudly shared about his Aboriginal culture and how his family had shared stories about his culture while he was growing up and continue to do so. Jack shared with us how we can learn more about Aboriginal culture through stories told through art, music and dance. He shared instruments, boomerangs, Aboriginal football, dance and we even learned to throw a return boomerang!

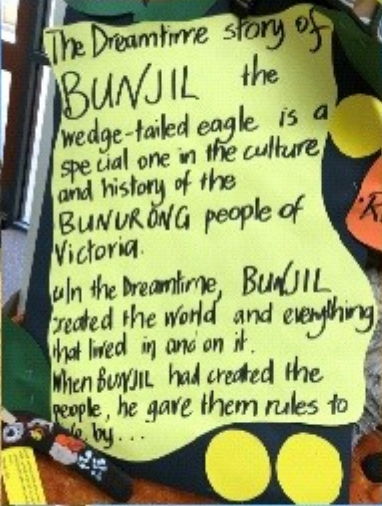
Inspired by Jack's visit we created 'stories' using symbols used in indigenous art, to paint our own return boomerangs. We read the Aboriginal Dreamtime story 'Scaly-tailed Possum and Echidna' and are now making our soft toy echidnas!

We learnt:

- ◆ Indigenous Australian cultures are at least 50,000 years old.
- ◆ There is not one single Indigenous culture! Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people had more than 700 languages; each tribe with their own cultures when the first colonists arrived here in Australia.
- ◆ We live on Bunurong land. Jack's family come from the Wurundjeri and Yorta Yorta tribes.
- ◆ A didgeridoo is really called a 'yidiki'.
- ◆ Jack played the didgeridoo for us. It was given to him by his uncle, a much respected Indigenous elder Murrindindi (who you can meet if you visit Healesville Sanctuary).
- ◆ Indigenous football is made from possum skin and is called a 'mungrook'.
- ◆ The return boomerang was created in Victoria. They were used to hunt birds and small creatures.
- ◆ "It was so exciting." **Athrv**
- ◆ "Amazing! Jack was so good at explaining about Aboriginal culture." **Marli**
- ◆ "It was so much fun throwing the boomerang!" **Aleko**
- ◆ "It was the best art lesson ever!" **Everyone**







CELEBRATING OUR AGPS MUM'S in 2021

To celebrate all the awesome Mums and mother figures in our AGPS community (and keeping with Covid regulations), this year we've organised a...



VIRTUAL MOVIE NIGHT— AT HOME!



To be part of the fun, all you have to do is create an amazing movie experience at home. You might like to:

- Build a loungeroom fort with blankets & pillows?
- Set up a tent in front of the tv & watch in your sleeping bags?
- Project the movie onto a wall?



We would love you to watch "Yes Day", a new release movie which can be found on Netflix Kids.

Please take a photo of your amazing movie experience at home, and send it through to your classroom teacher on Dojo. We'll be collating the photos for the newsletter, so get creative, get comfortable and enjoy "Yes Day" together!



Fundraising Raffle

Help Anerien fight Cancer

Tickets \$2 each.

Draw to take place on **Friday 14 May**

See Facebook for details



Prize 1:

2 nights **Air B&B** in Rye for 6 Guests 'The Hidden Gem', **Freedom** \$250 Voucher & Interior Decorator Consultation, Champagne from **Buxton** Keysbrough & \$400 worth of Doterra Oils Courtesy of **Erin Sellers @play.laugh.love**.

Prize 2:

Gary Lisbone golfphotos.com.au Photography & Canvas Package valued at \$585, **Patterson River Golf Club** Voucher for 4 Players, **Mordy HQ** \$100 Voucher.

Prize 4:

Gary Lisbone golfphotos.com.au Photography & Canvas Package Valued at \$585, Wooden Serving Platter, **Kid Factory** Passes X5 & **Mordy HQ** \$50 Voucher.

Prize 6:

Lomi Lomi 90 min Massage Valued at \$150, **'Thermomix'** Accessories Including Thermo Server, **Kid Factory** Passes X5 & **Body Fit Training Cheltenham/Chelsea** 1 month Gym Membership.

Prize 8:

Meg Pendlebury 1 Hour Remedial Massage Worth \$150, **Deb McNaughton** Artwork, **Beauty Room** \$20 Voucher & **Upside Down Acrobatic and Circus School** 1 Term.

Prize 10:

Monista Tea & Co Gift Pack, **Beauty Room** \$20 Voucher & **The Deck** \$50 Voucher.

For more details on the prizes go to:

facebook.com/anerienfundraiser or direct message us through Facebook.



Our dear friend Anerien, mother of 4 beautiful boys, is going through a rough battle with cancer. For the last 5 years, Anerien has suffered from tuberculosis and breast cancer, which later metastasised to her liver, lungs, breast bone and a place on her rib. She has been pursuing viable treatments, which is a costly endeavor, especially for a single income family. In August 2020, the cancer has spread again and she is now looking at new treatments. These new treatments do not fall within state or

private insurance funded plans and amounts to AU\$1500 per week. This amount excludes all doctors visits, supplements, treatments, blood tests and scans, which will have to be funded privately as well. Anerien can't afford these treatments and she needs our help. On behalf of Anerien, Igmon and the boys as well as her friends, we ask that you please buy a raffle ticket or two for this great cause. You will be contributing to help save her life so we truly, thank you. Every dollar raised goes directly to the family.

All tickets to be returned to **Aspendale Gardens Primary School Office** by **Friday 7 May**

Please also support our Signed Sports Jersey Auction at: **app.galabid.com/anerienfundraiser**

Fundraising Online Auction



Help Anerien Fight Cancer

go to: app.galabid.com/anerienfundraiser

To register via SMS send "anerienfundraiser & your full name" to +61447447549. Auction ending on Friday May 14th.



Lot 1:
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by
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Pendlebury



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United
Signed
Jersey
(team)



Lot 3:
St Kilda
Mens
Signed
Jersey
(team)



Lot 4:
St Kilda
Womens
Signed
Jersey
(team)



Lot 5:
Kelly Grove
Racing
pack
Signed
by David
Reynolds



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Our Centre is excited to be running the following **FREE** programs during **NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE WEEK 2021**



A program for seniors that is lower impact but still moderate intensity. Moves can be modified or done in a chair.

Come along and enjoy the music and dance moves. Release your inner Travolta or Tina Turner!

When: Mon 10 May - 11.00am to 11.45am
Thurs 13 May - 1.00pm to 1.45pm

Bookings essential:

Monday session - www.trybooking.com/BQUVU

Thursday session - www.trybooking.com/BQUTE



GROWING GREEN THUMBS

will present this fun Nature Workshop for kids aged 2-5 years (parent/guardian to stay)

Finding magic in nature is something everyone can do and when it is done wearing hand crafted crowns and wielding magical wands, it is even better!!!

When: Fri 14 May - 2.00pm to 3.30pm

Bookings essential: www.trybooking.com/BQUUR

If you would like any further information about the above activities or programs at our Centre, please do not hesitate to call us on 9587 5955, visit our website or facebook page or email: enquiries@agcsinc.org.au

CPDancers

Interested in Dance, Acrobatics or
Musical Theatre classes?

Come on down and see what
Casey Priddle Dancers has to offer...



Open Day

SUNDAY 2nd MAY
11am-2pm

Come on down for a studio tour, meet our teachers,
enjoy displays & performances by our students and
grab some lunch from our Sausage Sizzle & Bake Sale.



Come & Try

MONDAY 3rd - SATURDAY 8th MAY

Come along and trial as many of our classes as you
like during this week FREE of charge! Download our
timetable at... www.cpdancers.com

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