

Aspendale Gardens Primary School

Newsletter—Thursday 18th February



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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

FEBRUARY

Monday 22 Year 6 Canberra Tour departs
Thursday 25 'DAGS' Welcome Night
5.30pm—7.00pm
Friday 26 Year 6 Canberra Tour returns

Thursday 11

District Swimming Carnival
Pines Aquatic Centre, Frankston
Years 3—6 House Cross Country
9.00am—11.00am

Friday 12

Tuesday 16

SCHOOL PHOTOS provided by
'Advanced Life Photography'

MARCH

Wednesday 3 FREE DRESS DAY for Easter
Raffle Donations
Monday 8 LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY
Tuesday 9 Kingston Division Swimming
Carnival

Wednesday 24

Buddy Bear Picnic
5.00pm—6.00pm

Friday 26

HARMONY DAY Assembly
Easter Raffle Drawn at Assembly

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

School Council Elections

Thank you to the parents and staff members who nominated for selection on our 2021 School Council. Nominations closed on Monday. There were **four** nominated parent members and **one** nominated staff members. This resulted in the correct number of nominees for our vacancies therefore an election is not necessary.



The new Council will be introduced at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which will be held on **Monday 15th March at 6:30pm** in the school staffroom. All community members are invited and welcome to attend the AGM. This will be followed by our **first School Council meeting at 7:00pm**.

Congratulations to our new members. The School Council representatives are:

Parents

Mark Heenan
Jono Whalan
Melissa Ross
Adam Maltman re-elected
Matthew Hill re-elected
Catherine Pinches new member
Stacy Mason new member
To be nominated community member

Staff

Cheryle Osborne Executive Officer
Jonathan Baker
Kelly Cornelius
Leanne Cairns new member

Office bearers will be elected at our first meeting.

Year 6 Canberra Tour

With restrictions having been eased as of midnight last night, our Year 6 students can get excited again about leaving on their tour to Canberra this coming Monday morning. We are still waiting to hear about any restrictions on our entry to Canberra so it is not 100% certain yet as to whether we are going. We will contact parents as soon as we hear. If we get the go-ahead, all students who have medication need to meet Bec Russell, first aid officer for camp, at 6.15am in the foyer of the hall. All other students need to be at school no later than 6.30am. Our bus will leave at 6.45am sharp.



I will be accompanying the Year 6 students to Canberra so Mr Jonathan Baker will be acting Principal in my absence.

Parent Rep Meeting

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to be the parent representative for their child's class. The first meeting for the year was held last night. Thank you to the 21 parents who attended and to Mrs Butcher for organising the program this year. There are still a few classes without a rep. If you are interested, please contact your child's teacher.



Foundation Information Evening

Our Foundation Information evening which was held last Thursday evening was well attended via Webex. This session was a wonderful opportunity to develop our home school partnerships, which are important for the education of our students. Thank you to our Foundation team – Mrs Brodie, Miss Cain, Miss Chapple and Miss Crawford who provided a very informative session for our Foundation parents.

District Swimming Carnival

Our District Swimming Carnival has a new date which is Thursday 11th March. The carnival will be held at the Pines Aquatic Centre in Frankston. Mr King has a report further in this newsletter.



Have a wonderful weekend.

Cheryle Osborne

OUR CANTEEN IS OPEN

Currently there are

NO over the counter sales.

CURRENT CANTEEN OPENING HOURS

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Please place Lunch orders via QKR

QKR closes at 9:00am on day of delivery.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Foundation — Year 2



Year 3 — Year 6





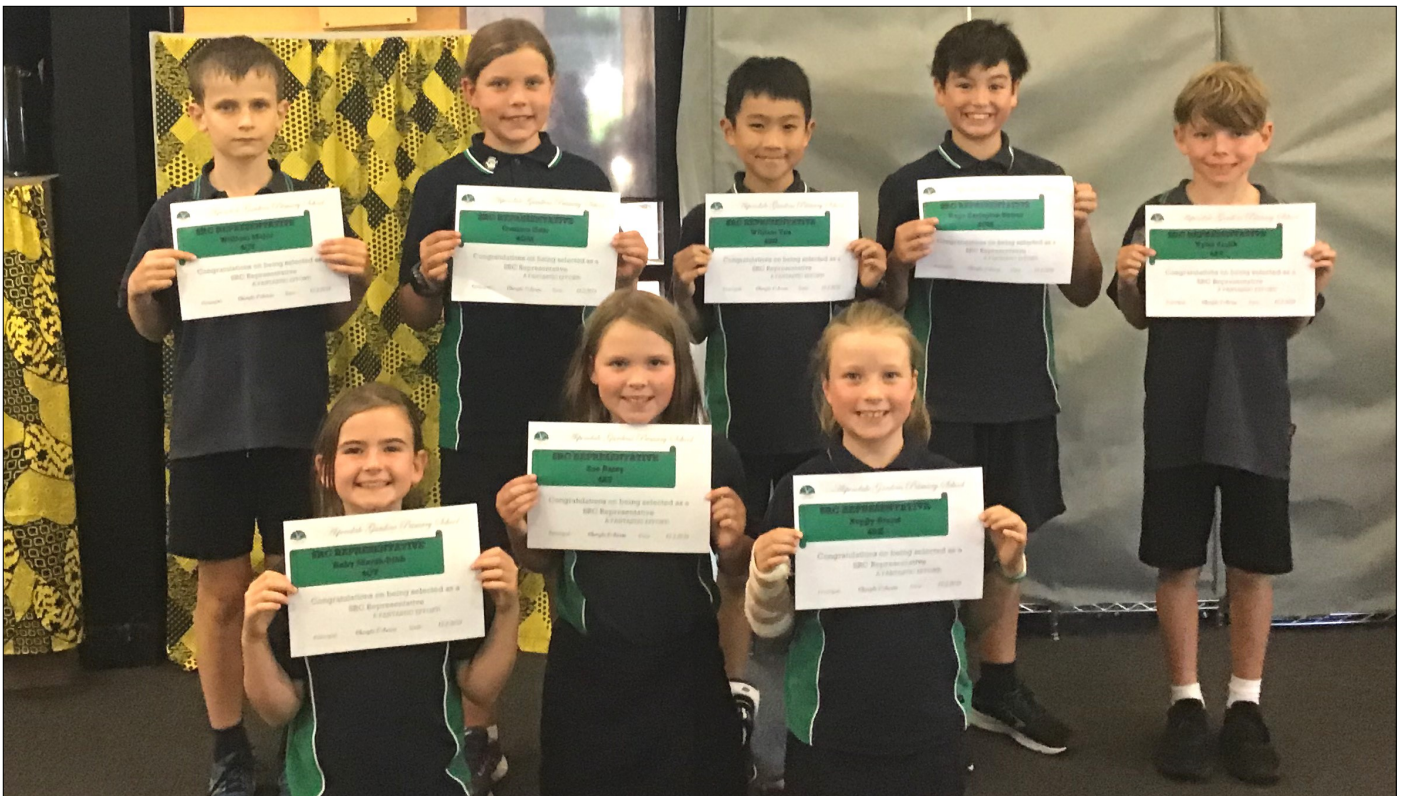
STUDENT REP COUNCIL



Year 3

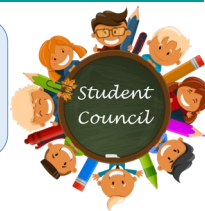


Year 4





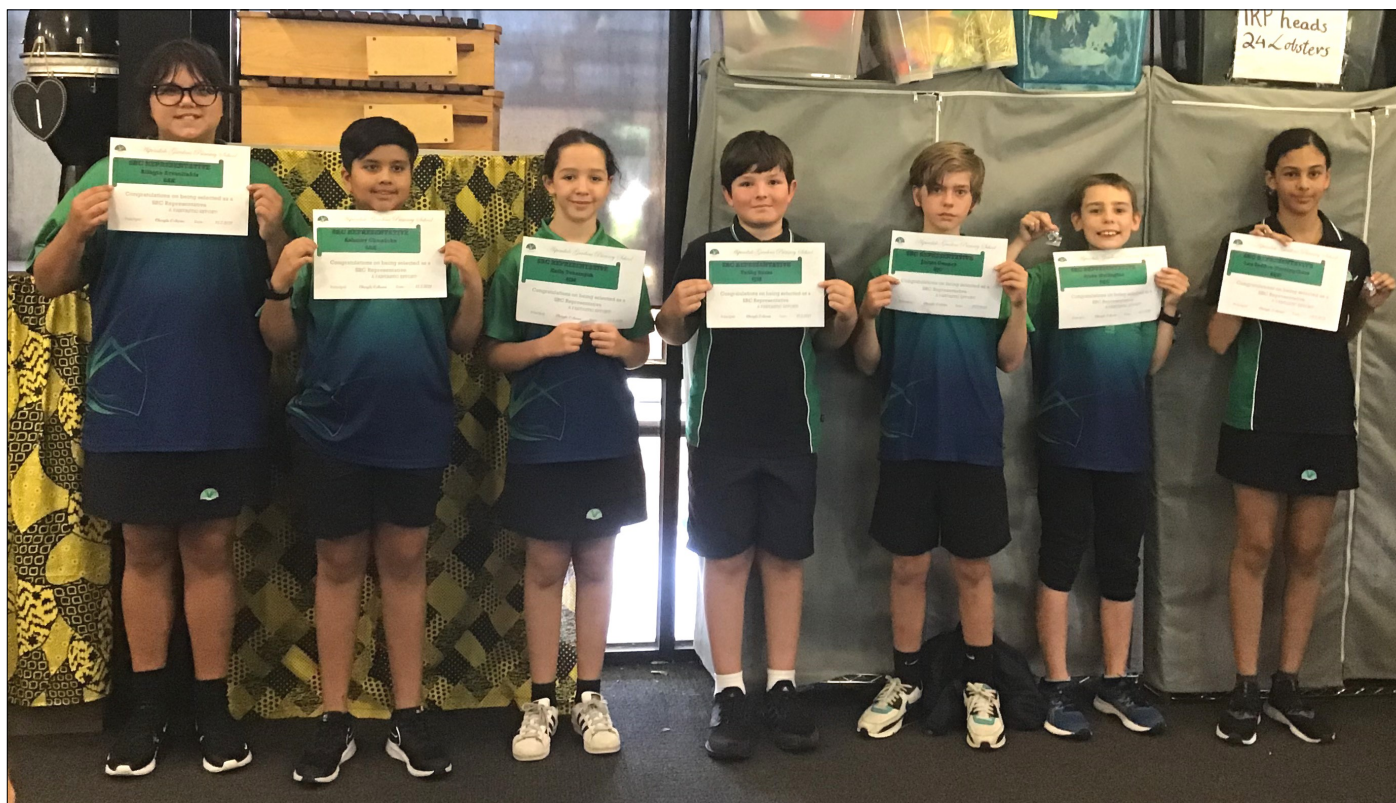
STUDENT REP COUNCIL



Year 5



Year 6



Thursday Morning Running Group

Last Thursday saw the return of Thursday Morning Running Group, and what a return it was! After nearly 12 months we had a record attendance of 150 students from Years 3 - 6, 25 parents and 10 teachers join us on a perfect Thursday morning!

Those that did join us last Thursday enjoyed a nice and early morning run through the Aspendale Gardens Wetlands with their friends and parents, with a lot of new members joining us for the first time. After blowing off some cobwebs, students then enjoyed some cereal and toast for breakfast, prepared by some of our amazing AGPS staff members.



It was great to see so many students, parents and teachers part of Thursday Morning Running Group this term. We look forward to having everyone who ran last Thursday continue to join us at 7.30am every Thursday morning this term. If your child would like to attend and has not already completed a form and paid, please log in to Compass and find details under 'Course Confirmations'.

Mr. Braden King

CPDPSSN District Swimming Carnival

Last week, students in Years 3—6 had the opportunity to try out for the CPDPSSN District Swimming Carnival which was scheduled to be held on Wednesday 17th February. Well done to all of the students that attended the try outs last week. A big thank you to Mr. Murphy and Ms. Hunt who assisted with the try outs.



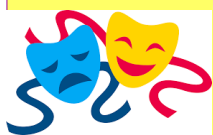
Following the try outs, 22 students were selected to represent AGPS and compete at the CPDPSSN District Swimming Carnival. ***Well done to the following students who were selected:***

Ben Becker (3FM)	Teah Whalan (3FM)	Alison Yan (3FM)	Jonah Dunn Whitney (3JB)
Colby Gray (3JB)	Declan Dewar (3RK)	Hugo Harington-Hawes (4OM)	Lily Walker (4OM)
Sara Cazaux (4OM)	Kanisha Shah (5AA)	Neena Lafforgue (5AA)	Ulrich Becker (5DG)
Cooper Whalan (5LW)	Clover Dunn Whitney (5RL)	Naomi Eecen (6AK)	Marcus O'Meara-Hayes (6AK)
Maddie Ashton (6JM)	Max Farr (6JM)	Aaron Yan (6JM)	Leon Yan (6KC)
	Brooke Sweatman (6KC)	Deshna Karnavat (6KC)	

Unfortunately, due to the lockdown this week, the CPDPSSN District Swimming Carnival had to be postponed until Thursday 11th March at Pines Aquatic Centre, Frankston. We know these 22 students will represent AGPS proudly and show off their amazing swimming talents!

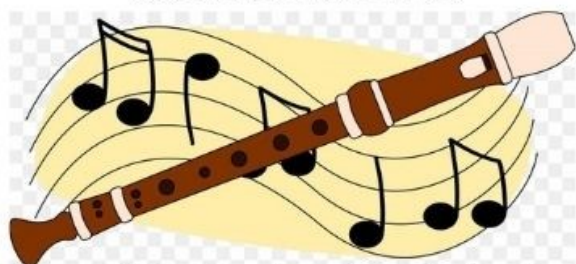
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Performing Arts @ AGPS



PRODUCTION NEWS

Recorders



Now available to purchase through the school.

The order form is on Compass.

All seniors from year 3 to 6 will require a recorder.

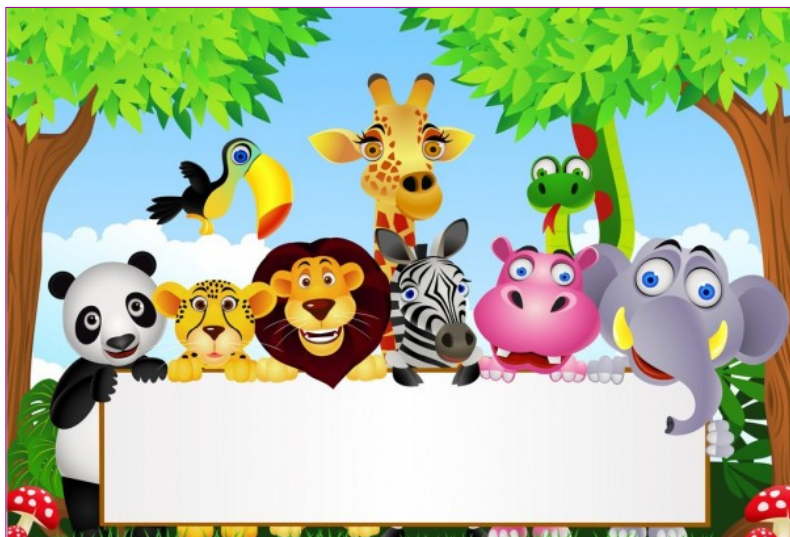
If you have one at home, please remember to bring it in as soon as possible.

Merry Music Making

Mrs Nicolson



For those in **YEAR FIVE** who would like to audition for a **LEAD ROLE** in the **SENIOR PRODUCTION**, please be at the Information Session on **Tuesday 23rd February at LUNCH TIME** in the **PERFORMING ARTS** room.



For those in **YEAR THREE** who would like to audition for a **LEAD ROLE** in the **JUNIOR PRODUCTION**, please be at the Information Session on **Thursday 25th February at LUNCH TIME** in the **PERFORMING ARTS** room.



Keyboards & Ukuleles

Are taught in Performing Arts for years 4, 5 & 6. They are available to purchase through AGPS for those who wish to practice at home. Order forms can be found on Compass & must be placed and paid for by March 5th

Dads of Aspendale Gardens **get involved** with our **Dads' Group**

**(D.A.G.S.)
LAUNCH EVENT**

**Join us to meet
other DAGs and find
out what it's all
about! There'll be
pizza!**



Thursday 25th Feb - 5.30pm - 7pm
with guest speaker Rodney Eade

**Presentation will be in 3FM
classroom, followed by pizzas at
the outdoor oven!**





Teach children to persist

Michael Grose

The ability to persist at a task and see it through to the end is one of the most important success skills that you can teach a child.

There are numerous times every day when children must persist rather than give in. A toddler learning to tie shoelaces must persist. A primary aged student must show determination to finish tasks and a secondary student needs to work through difficulties, particularly those he doesn't understand or complete right away.

They need to be able to persist when work gets hard or life gets tough. They need the 'stickability' to work through difficulties and hang in there when things don't go their way.

Some children are more naturally predisposed to persist than others. They have a determined, even competitive streak in their temperament that doesn't allow them to give in. These children and young people can drive themselves very hard to succeed.

Parents and teachers can develop persistence in children. Research suggests that persistence is a temperamental factor that can be improved over time.

Just as adults can promote persistence they can also impede its development by making life too easy for children so that they don't have opportunities to persist or hang in there.

Parents who allow children to stop work when it gets too hard, stay home from school for a minor reason or give up on a sport because they are not succeeding straight away are not doing their children any favours. They are depriving



children of opportunities to develop persistence.

Parents can promote persistence by encouraging their children to keep going and not give in at the slightest hurdle or difficulty.

Parents can be a sounding board for children's gripes but they should show confidence in their ability to cope and get through their difficulties. "You can do it" is far more powerful in terms of promoting an attitude of persistence than "If it is a little too hard then try something else."

Let children know that there is a correlation between effort and success. In fact, they need to learn that by GIVING EFFORT they will more than likely experience more success.

The ability to persist in the face of difficulties maybe an old-fashioned quality but it is one of the best success attributes that children will ever develop.

Try This . . .

PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

To promote persistence in your children try the following four strategies:

1. Develop a **vocabulary** for persistence. Terms like Hang Tough, Work Hard and Hang In There need to be part of their every day vocabulary.
2. **Point out** to children when they stick at a task. Let them see when they have been persistent and that persistence generally pays off.
3. Help children to **remember** times when they experienced success by **HANGING IN** when they were younger.
4. Talk about **HARD WORK** with your children. They need to understand that to be successful they need to do things that are **NOT** fun or easy. While it would be good if all work and learning was fun, in reality, this is not always the case.

Action Plan

First Step . . .

Next Step . . .

For more ideas about promoting persistence in children visit www.parentingideas.com.au

What's your child like?

How persistent is your child?

DOES HE

1. Stick at a task until it is completed, no matter what? **Yes 2 No 0**
2. Become easily distracted by others when he has a task to complete? **Yes 0 No 2**
3. Complete lengthy assignments on time? **Yes 2 No 0**
4. Make excuses for difficult situations rather

than face challenges?

Yes 0 No 2

5. Never give in when playing a game or sport? **Yes 0 No 2**

SCORE:

- 10: A tough type. You have a terrier on your hands. Can be hard on himself.
- 6-8: Hangs in there. Maybe he has a balanced attitude.
- 0-4: Gives in easily. Needs to be reminded to hang in there.

Quote

'Persistence and patience have a magical effect before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish.'

John Quincy Adams

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GiANTS

WANTED!

JUNIOR BASKETBALL COACH
(paid position)
for our Junior Giants program
for kids aged 5 to 8 years.

We are looking for an energetic and fun coach
who is at least 18 years old to teach basic
basketball skills.
Must have a current WWCC
(ABN preferable)

When: Each Monday
(during school terms)
Time: 4.00pm to 4.45pm

For further information, please contact
Aspendale Gardens Community Centre

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enquiries@agcsinc.org.au

Develop the confidence of a winning smile

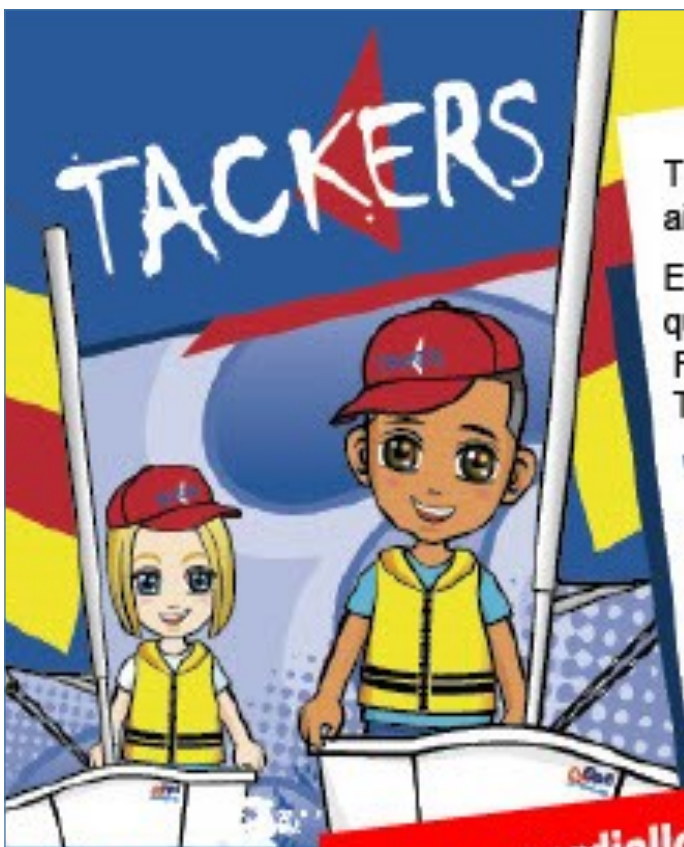
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2021 Term 1 Program

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qualified AS Instructors,
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Where: Mordialloc Sailing Club

When: Feb 13, 20, 27 Mar 13, 20, 27
All Saturday mornings (8:30am to 11:30am)

Contact: Dale Collings 0415 595 754

Email: training@mordiallocsc.com.au

Cost: \$270-

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