# Aspendale Gardens Primary School Newsletter—Thursday 22nd April



**INQUIRER** PRINCIPLED CARING REFLECTIVE

**OPEN-MINDED COMMUNICATOR** 





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.

	<u>2021</u>	DIARY		
APRIL		MAY		
Friday 23	School Tour @ 9:15am	Tuesday 4	CPDPSSN District Cross Country	
Sunday 25	ANZAC Day		Carnival	
Tuesday 27	Years 1 & 2 Swimming Begins		2022 Parent Information Session	
	Year 3 CERES Excursion		7:00pm—8:00pm in Library	
	Year 5 ACMI Excursion	Wednesday 5	Mothers' Day Stall in Gym	
Wednesday 28	Year 6 Melbourne Shrine Excursion		School Tour @ 9:15am	
	(selected students only)	Friday 7	Year 6 Interschool Sport Begins	
Thursday 29	Running Group Begins		School Tour @ 9:15am	
Friday 30	SCHOOL TOUR CANCELLED	Wednesday 12	Foundation Moonlit Sanctuary	
	PYP Curriculum Day NO SCHOOL		Excursion	
	for students on this day	Friday 14	School Tour @ 9:15am	

## FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

#### Welcome Back

I would like to welcome back our brilliant students, fabulous staff and wonderful parents to Term 2. I hope you all had a very relaxing holiday full of fun and laughter. Term 2 has commenced just how we love it with calm, eager and enthusiastic students. We look forward to a very productive term full of wonderful learning experiences.



#### Year 5 Camp

I would like to thank the teachers and the education support staff who attend the Year 5 camp during the last week of Term 1 at Cave Hill Creek. The students had a fantastic time enjoying a range of activities that were fun and full of adventure. The student behaviour, as always, was outstanding which makes the camping experience very enjoyable resulting in many positive memories for everyone. Please see the photo gallery further in the newsletter.

#### Parents Attending Assembly

We have had some inquiries regarding when parents can start to attend assembly again. Unfortunately we are still restricted by COVID regulations. The information from the Department of Education's School Operations Guide is outlined below. We are expecting an update soon.

#### School Operations Guide:

'Assemblies, award ceremonies and other large gatherings'

If an event is held with external guests (parents/carers/visitors) then the overall attendee limit (inclusive of guests, staff and students) must be based on available floor space of the venue; with the density limit of one person per two square metres applied.

If an event is held exclusively with students and staff from a single school during or outside of school hours, density limits do not apply to the venue or dancefloor, regardless of whether the event is held at school or at a hospitality venue, entertainment facility or community facilities.

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#### **ANZAC Day**

ANZAC Day is on this Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April. Our school leaders will be delivering a presentation at assembly this week and will also attend the commemoration at the Chelsea RSL on Sunday. We have ANZAC badges available for sale at the school office.



### Swimming Years 1 and 2

The swimming program for Years 1 and 2 commences next Tuesday. The timetable for the program was sent home as a hard copy with the students yesterday. We really encourage parents to let the students dress themselves at home in the mornings so they are able to dress themselves after swimming. For some children this can be a challenge which is not a problem as it is all part of the learning process.

#### Placement of Students Commencing Year 7 in 2022

This week the parents of Year 6 students will be receiving a pack with information about the process for Year 7 secondary school applications.

This pack contains useful links, answers to some frequently asked questions and the application form. The application forms need to be returned to the class teacher or the school office NO LATER THAN Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May. If you have any further questions, please contact the classroom teacher or Jonathan Baker.

#### Pupil Free Day Friday 30th April

We have a curriculum day on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of April. The students are **not required** to 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.



#### School Council AGM and Meeting of New Council

Next Monday our School Council AGM will be held at **6:30pm** in the school staffroom. All community members are invited and welcome to attend the AGM. This will be followed by a normal School Council meeting at **7:00pm**.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Cheryle Osborne

## SCHOOL PRODUCTION NEWS



Congratulations to Hayden W—5DG, Alana W—5 DG, Imogen H—5DG, Samridh D—5DG, Aneesh V—5AA, Kiaan S—5AA, Isabella R-I—6JC, Brooke S—6KC, Marcus O-H—6AK & Deshna K—6KC who have been successful in auditions this month for our senior school production Disney's "The Jungle Book".

We are also holding a junior production this year for the very first time: "It's A Jungle Out There". These Year 3 students: Jonah D-W—3JB, Kiara C—3RK, Chloe K-R—3LC, Alison Y—3FM, Joshua D—3JB, Peter M—3LC, Jenny T-C—3JB, Rafael T—3LC, will be rehearsing the principal roles.

#### **BEHAVIOR CONTRACTS**

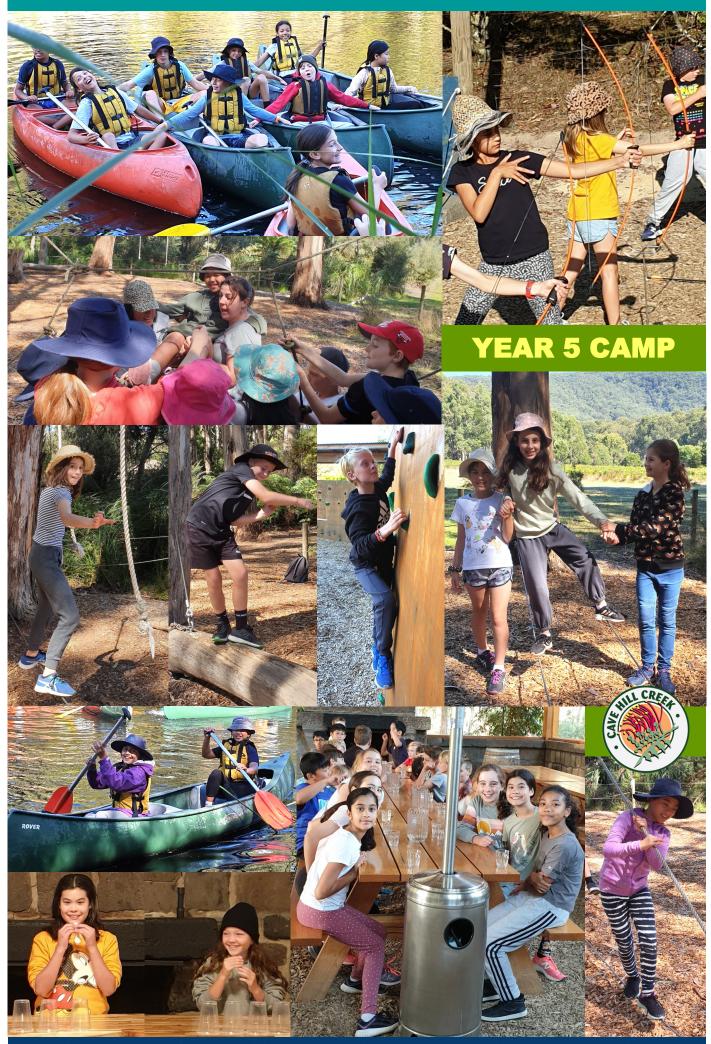
These were sent home with all principals for parents to read with their child and sign. Please return to Mrs. Nicolson as soon as possible.

#### **SCRIPTS**

These were also distributed to all principals to take home over the holidays and read through. Please ONLY write in pencil on the scripts as they need to be returned in the last week of term three.

Merry Music Making! Mrs Nicolson

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## KINDERGARTEN OPEN DAY



## Saturday 24 April - 10.00am to 12.00noon

Explore the learning spaces and meet the teaching team Find out about our 3 & 4 year old Kindergarten programs, Playgroup and Occasional Care

#### ASPENDALE GARDENS JUNIOR GIANTS BASKETBALL

(8 week program for kids aged 6-8 years)

Professional Basketball Skills Development with Michelle.

Basketball is Michelle's passion and she is looking forward to teaching some great skills and also having some fun!

When: Monday from 26 April to 21 June (no class 14 June)

Time: 4.50pm to 5.35pm

Cost: \$125.00 (includes FREE T-Shirt)

+ \$15.00 AGCS Annual Family Membership if not already paid

Bookings essential: <u>www.trybooking.com/BQFAV</u>



## **ZUMBA**

ZUMBA is a fitness program that combines dance and fitness moves! Don't worry if you haven't danced in a long time or not danced at all! Just let your hair down!
Classes can be done from a seated position.

#### **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!!!**

#### SPECIAL OFFER - 10 classes for \$90.00

Only available when booking for the full term via trybooking - www.trybooking.com/BQJQC

-OR- \$10.00 per class (pay as you go) (card only – no cash will be accepted) + \$15.00 AGCS Annual Family Membership if not already paid

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