

# Altona Primary School

*Knowledge and Nurturing by the Bay*

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## Upcoming Events

### August 5

Working Bee APS

### August 7

Grade 4-6 assembly

### August 10

Whole school Inursion –  
Sam Sea Dragon

## Principal's Message

Congratulations to the students who sat the ICAS exams. Many achieved distinctions, and some high distinctions, in a range of tests. Thank you to Mr. Corroon for running the whole process.

Congratulations to three of our students who won first place in the Hobson's Library Writing Competition, Write by the Bay:

Short Story First Prize: Amelie Barham for 'Stars' (56XV)

Song writing First Prize: Hayden Pollock for 'Fire in New South Wales' (3F)

Poetry First Prize: Namie Huang for 'The Friendship Poem' (2K)

I sent out details for an environmental film making competition via Compass on Wednesday. It is a good opportunity to combine many of the skills taught here at Altona P.S. Hopefully some students will take up this opportunity. The details are on Compass. With the support of families, teachers and students, we now have minimal litter in the schoolyard. It looks remarkably clean walking through and past the school.

The grade Preps had a wonderful day on Wednesday for their 100th day of school. Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who came to the afternoon activities. Thank you to the students from 5/6 G who ran the sports activities for the grade Preps.

A group of parents and teachers met today forming the school council subcommittee for Sustainability and Grounds. We are looking at creating and implementing a masterplan to strategically improve sustainability and the school grounds at Altona P.S. We begin the plan with the working bee at 9:00 am this Saturday. Please come along if you can.

Can all families check their children's hair this weekend to begin the month head lice free?

Have a great weekend,

Kevin Enright

## Important Links

The links below will give you access to important information relating to our school. To view these please click on the relevant link.

[Altona Primary School Compass](#)

[Altona Primary School Website](#)

[Altona Primary School Values](#)

[Child Safe Standards](#)

[School Calendar](#)

- Term 3 and Term 4 Calendar

## Parent Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school. It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd and only takes 15 minutes to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. The online survey is available in English, Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakka) and Hindi.

Parents randomly selected to participate in the survey will be contacted at some stage next week with all the information required to complete the survey.



## What's happening at APS?

### Altona Kindergarten Celebrating 60 years

Come and join in for afternoon tea to celebrate 60 fantastic years at Altona Kindergarten.

**Where:** Altona Kindergarten

**When:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2017

**Time:** 2pm to 4pm



### Trees for schools - Greening the West

A big thank you to Ranger Libby from Hobsons Bay City Council for coming to school yesterday to help teach the Enviro Reps some hot tips on how to plant trees and about the local wildlife we are helping to support. There are 50 trees to be planted at the working bee this Saturday! Please join us and help shape our beautiful school



### Student Leader Corner

Which teacher has been at Altona Primary School the longest?

A: Mr Enright

B: Ms Barry

C: Ms Mathrick

Which teacher always has vegemite and avocado for breakfast?

A: Mr Morris

B: Miss Farrow

C: Miss Kent

### Friends and Families Committee

The Friends and Families Committee need your help raising money for a new permanent sandpit cover.

Read more about fundraising activities, the Father's Day Stall on September 1st and news about upcoming family portrait packages at the link below.

[Friends and Families Committee Link](#)

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**FRIENDS AND FAMILIES  
COMMITTEE**

### Reminder

School Working Bee this Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. It would be great to have lots of families and friends supporting this event.

**Altona Primary School After School Activities:**

Dan-Sing Wed 3:20-4:20pm  
Art Class Thurs 3:30pm-4:30pm  
Science Class Wed 3:15-4:15pm  
Guitar Group Wed & Thursday 3:15-4:15  
Junior Ukulele Friday 3:15-4:00pm  
Robotics (Snr) Wed 3:30-4:30pm,  
Robotics (Jnr) Tues 3:15-4:15

**Responsibility Value awards**

Responsibility - *Taking responsibility for our actions, belongings and work. Communicating effectively, being organised and resolving conflict in a constructive and peaceful way*

**SENIOR SCHOOL**

Diesel – 56J  
Roman – 56XV  
Emmy – 56G  
William – 56HD  
Jessica – 56G  
Emily – 56F  
Sam – 56HD  
Sabine – 4B  
Amy – 4M



**JUNIOR**

Aiden – 1F  
Sienna – 1B  
Dane – Prep B  
James – Prep B  
Eliza – Prep B  
Riyanka – 3R  
Mathew – 3F  
Reef – 3F  
Tannah – Prep H  
Emily – 3N  
Madi – PK  
Jackson – 2N  
Micha – Prep T  
Naimie – 2K  
Ashton – 1AV



# Altona Primary School's Art Show 2017



## Ticket Order Form

Parents, grandparents and friends are all invited to attend the opening of  
Altona Primary School's Art Show.

**Grand Opening:** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August      **Time:** 7pm-9pm

**Opening Night Cost:** \$15.00 Ticket includes light refreshments, finger food and an auction of art works.

Opening night ticket also allows purchaser return entry to one of the other sessions.

*The "Grand Opening" is an adults evening.*

*There are three other viewing sessions for parents to bring their children.*

**Session 1:** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August      **Time:** 3.30pm-7pm

**Session 2:** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August      **Time:** 3.30pm-7pm

**Session 3:** Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August      **Time:** 10am-12noon

**Cost:** \$2.00 per child    \$5.00 per adult

During all sessions parents will be able to view and purchase the art work of their talented children.

Families will have first preference in purchasing their own child's art work.

Art work will be priced at \$10.00 per item.

### Art Show Ticket Order Form

Complete order and return with money to class teacher.

Family name:..... Grade:.....

**Art Show Opening Night Tickets:** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2017

**Time:** 7pm-9pm      **Cost:** \$15.00 per adult (no children for this session)

Number of tickets required: \_\_\_\_\_ Total cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Art Show Family Sessions:**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August; 3.30- 7pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August; 3.30-7pm

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August; 10-12noon

Number of tickets required

Adult: \_\_\_\_\_ Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Total cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_