Principal’s Corner
We had a fabulous start to the week with all students and staff involved in forming “100”. What an experience placing so many bodies, everyone had so much fun! Our SchoolPix photographer patiently gave directions and the “100” took shape. A very big thank you to Michael Darby who used his overhead drone to also capture some wonderful photos too. Keep an eye out for further information in the coming weeks as to when these photos will be available for purchase.

Once again, our Friends and Family Committee held the Mother’s Day Stall with students “shopping” for their mums. The excitement was evident across the school with students buying candles, scarves and even Centenary Mother’s Day chocolates. A big thank you to everyone involved.

Today was our first “Nu de Food Day”. Students were encouraged to bring a snack and lunch to school that was completely free of wrappers. Families and students got on board and the tallied results will inform everyone on just how well we did.

Today was the last session for students taking part in NAPLAN. Students in year 3 and 5 completed a number of assessments throughout the week. Well done everyone.

Unfortunately our Ride2School day was cancelled yesterday as a result of the bad weather. This has been rescheduled to take place on Wednesday 20th May. So dry off your bikes and scooters or walk to school next week and see if we can beat our last count.

Could all families continue to check their children’s hair as our headlice issues have been ongoing.

Come along and join other parents and students on Sunday 20th May for our “Working Bee”. There will be a range of jobs on the day and together we will be able to make our school look amazing!

With the cold, wet weather setting in, don’t forget to rug up each day!
Have a great weekend.

Debbie Galvin
Assistant Principal.
DATES TO REMEMBER 2015

Thursday 21st May 2015
POWER OF ONE - ANTI BULLYING SHOW @ APS
Whole school

Sunday 24th May 9am -
APS Working Bee

Thursday 28th May
Prep Excursion Melbourne Zoo

Monday 8th June
Public Holiday

Thursday 11th June
Curriculum Day

Friday 19th June
Whole school Disco

Friday 26th June
Last day of Term 2

Monday 13th July
First day of Term 3

Thursday 17th September
APS Concert

Monday 19th October
Centenary Week Celebrations

NETBOOK PAYMENTS
Netbook lease payments were due last Friday 7th May and are now overdue.
Please send payment to the classroom teacher or you can pay by credit card
at the office.
If payment is not made, your child will unfortunately not be able to use their
netbook until this is rectified.
Altona Primary School Centenary short sleeved gold polo top with special Centenary emblem

ORDER FORM

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Please note only the SHORT SLEEVED POLO is available with the Centenary Emblem.

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PAID IN FULL
LAST date for Term 2 orders Friday 22nd May 2015
There will be another order placed in Term 3
Cash total amount: $

Credit card payment:  Name:...........................................
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Expiry Date: _ _ / _ _
Signature:....................................................
Total Amount to be charged.................
Date:.........
After School Art and Craft Classes

Wood, Glass and Paint!

After school art and craft classes will be held in the art room on a Thursday afternoon between 3.30-4.30pm in term 3, 2015.

The opportunity to participate is offered to children from grades 2 – 6 with a maximum of 20 children in the group.

The cost will be $30 to cover materials and $10 per session, making a total of $110.

- **Session 1** (23/07/15): Make your own miniature wooden buildings
- **Session 2** (30/07/15): Continue miniature wooden buildings
- **Session 3** (06/08/15): Make and paint your own blackboard
- **Session 4** (13/08/15): Construct a wooden spiral wind chime
- **Session 5** (20/08/15): Paint your own drinking glasses or plate
- **Session 6** (27/08/15): Silhouette painting
- **Session 7** (03/09/15): Scrabble lettering on wood
- **Session 8** (10/09/15): Complete and gloss wooden pieces

Please complete the attached form to indicate interest in attending. You will be notified as soon as possible if you are successful.

A deposit of $30 will be required by the last week of term 2 (22/07/15) to allow time for purchase of materials. Please direct payments to either Mrs Barry or Mrs Cain in the art room. Feel free to make weekly payments if it is more convenient. The total cost for the program is $110-

We are thrilled to be able to offer this opportunity out of school hours and look forward to working with children who enjoy art and craft as much as we do.

Thank you, Mrs Barry and Mrs Cain

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Wood, Glass and Paint!

Child’s name________________________________________Grade________________
Parent/Guardian ______________________________________
Contact Number: ________________________________
Thank you, Mrs Barry and Mrs Cain
Earthquake Disaster Relief for Nepal

On the 25th of April in the country of Nepal, there was a devastating earthquake. Over 8000 people dead and 20,000 injured. Nepal is most famous for Mount Everest the tallest mountain in the world.

Houses, buildings and temples have been destroyed. They need money, food, shelter and water now! Recently there has been another earthquake in Nepal and even more of their country has been destroyed.

On the 20th of May Altona Primary School will be holding a casual dress day with a gold coin donation.

**EVENT:** Free Dress Day  
**WHEN:** Wednesday the 20th of May 2015  
**COST:** Gold coin donation.

All money raised will be directly donated to the Red Cross to send urgent supplies to Nepal. Thank you in advance for digging deep for a very worthy cause.

Kind Regards.  
Kaela Johnson, Iona O’Toole & the SRC.

Security Wanted!

We need experienced security personal for the upcoming centenary reunion parties. If you or someone you know is in the security industry, and are available to work on October 22nd 2015, please contact Kaela Johnson via Altona Primary School.

Thank you for your consideration!  
The Reunion Committee

WORKING BEE ATTENDANCE 24th May 9am – PLEASE RETURN SLIP TO THE OFFICE

FAMILY NAME..............................................................................
CHILD’S GRADE..............................................
NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING..............................
Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

Between May and July this year, our school will be taking part in the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC), which is a nationwide census of early childhood development and helps our school and community understand how children are developing before they start school, what is being done well, and what can be improved. The AEDC is an Australian Government initiative run by the Department of Education and Training.

Children do not need to do anything to be included in the census and will attend class as usual. During the census, teachers record information (including children’s names and dates of birth) based on their knowledge and observations of each child in their class.

For your information, the questions to be used by the AEDC in the upcoming collection are available at www.aedc.gov.au/instrument.

Once all schools participating in the AEDC have provided their information, and the AEDC is completed, some of the data collected is compiled and made available publicly as de-identified data, i.e., data that does not include any children’s names, ages, addresses or schools.

This data can be very useful for a wide variety of policy, analysis, and statistical and research purposes, so it is provided to a number of bodies, including government and non-government education departments and organisations, independent school systems and researchers. Some of these organisations may also link AEDC data with information from other organisations (such as health departments) to improve programmes and policies for young children. When the data is linked with other data, extreme care is taken to ensure individual children cannot be identified.

As so much can be learned about children’s development through the AEDC, the privacy of children participating in it is of paramount importance. To ensure that all of the information collected is handled properly, the AEDC is managed in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs). The APPs regulate the collection, use, disclosure and storage of personal information by Australian government agencies, and some private sector organisations, and is part of the Privacy Act 1998 (Cth). APPs also form part of applicable state and territory privacy legislation and policies.

The system used by the AEDC to collect and collate the information is a secure site and children’s information is kept secure at all times. Your child’s data will not be used for any other purpose than described in this letter and the Privacy Statement contained on the AEDC website at www.aedc.gov.au/privacy. You can see how data was collected and presented in 2009 and 2012 by visiting www.aedc.gov.au/data. Data from the 2015 collection will be presented in a similar way.

This year’s AEDC is a great opportunity for everyone including parents, local communities, schools and other agencies to work together to bring long-lasting benefits to children and their families. If you would like more information about the AEDC, please refer to frequently asked questions section on the AEDC website at www.aedc.gov.au, or phone 1800 092 548.

The AEDC is voluntary and is not a school test, so should you wish for your child/children’s information to be excluded from the census, please contact your child’s classroom teacher.

Thank you for supporting the AEDC.

Altona Primary School Leadership Team
Australian Early Development Census

Information for parents

Background

The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a nationwide measure of the development of young children. Every three years, schools (both government and non-government) take part in the national AEDC data collection. This gives each community in Australia a snapshot of how children have developed by the time they start full-time school. It helps schools, communities and governments to pinpoint the services, resources and support that young children and their families need to help shape the future and wellbeing of Australian children.

The Australian Government and state and territory governments are working in partnership with The Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child Health, the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute, and The Telethon Kids Institute, Perth, to deliver the AEDC. The Social Research Centre, Melbourne, is managing the AEDC data.

Following the success of the first national implementation of the AEDC, the Australian Government has made a commitment to collect this important data every three years. This represents a total investment of $28 million per collection cycle. The ongoing funding will ensure that governments, communities and schools continue to have important information about children's development to help make a difference in the lives of young children and their families.

How the AEDC works

The AEDC is a census and involves collecting information on groups of children around Australia who are in their first year of full-time school. This helps to create a snapshot of early childhood development in communities across Australia. To do this, teachers will complete a research tool, the Australian version of the Early Development Instrument for every child in their class. The Instrument includes more than 100 questions that look at five domains of child development:

- physical health and wellbeing
- social competence
- emotional maturity
- language and cognitive skills (school-based)
- communication skills and general knowledge.

The AEDC is designed as a population measure. This means it looks at whole groups of children in the community not individuals. It is not a test or assessment of a child's development or performance in class.

Between May and July 2012 schools participated in the AEDC by completing Early Development Instruments for children in their first year of full-time school.

The next AEDC data collection will occur between May and July 2015.
The AEDC and your child

An Instrument is completed by your child’s teacher. There is no need for parents or children to provide any new or extra information to schools for the AEDC. Children will not be taken out of class and do not need to be present while their teacher completes the Instrument. Individual results for children are not reported.

Has the AEDC been done before?

In 2009 the AEDC was completed nationwide for the first time. 261,147 children (97.5 per cent of the estimated five-year-old population) across Australia were included in the 2009 collection. This involved 15,522 teachers from 7,422 government, Catholic and independent schools (95.6 per cent of schools with eligible children).

In 2012 the AEDC was completed nationwide for the second time. Instruments were completed for 289,973 children (96.5 per cent of the estimated five-year-old population) across Australia. This involved 16,425 teachers from 7,417 government, Catholic and independent schools (95.6 per cent of schools with eligible children).

How does the AEDC help my child and our community?

The AEDC provides communities with essential information about their children’s development.

The findings from the AEDC will benefit the whole community – helping local schools, community groups and government understand what’s working well in the community and what needs to be improved or developed to better support children and their families.

It also help to strengthen links between schools, kindergartens and preschools, playgroups, health centres, libraries and other local organisations who support children and families.

How is the AEDC Instrument completed?

The Australian version of the Early Development Instrument is similar to a questionnaire.

Teachers complete an AEDC Instrument for every child in their first year of full-time school. Each Instrument takes around 20 minutes to complete.

Teachers complete the Instruments based on their knowledge and observations of the child in class.

Whenever teachers complete AEDC Instruments, they may choose to consult with specialist staff, including English as a Second Language teachers; Teachers’ Aides (Multicultural Education or Ethnic); Bilingual Support Officers including Bilingual School Services Officers and/or School Learning Support Officers (Ethnic); or Community Liaison or Information Officers.

If the classroom teacher is not an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, it is recommended that they draw on the support and knowledge of an Indigenous Cultural Consultant when completing the AEDC Instrument for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander child.

Does my child have to participate in the AEDC?

Participation in the AEDC is not compulsory, however if you do not want your child’s teacher to complete an Instrument for your child, you need to contact the teacher or school directly to opt-out. Unless you contact the school to opt-out of the AEDC, an Instrument will be completed for your child.

When and how will I see results from the 2012 AEDC?

AEDC results are reported at the national, state or territory and community levels based on where children live (not where they go to school). Results for individual children are not reported.

Results from the 2009 and 2012 data collections are available through a national report, online maps and community profiles.

To see the AEDC results go to www.aedc.gov.au.

Data collection for the 2015 is due to commence in May 2015 and results will be released in early 2016.

Other resources

A useful Australian parenting resource is the Raising Children Network: www.raisingchildren.net.au.
Have your family’s name immortalised on a paver as part of our Centenary Pathway

As a part of our centenary celebrations we will be constructing a Centenary Pathway. The pathway will run from the footpath on Blyth Street to the front door of the school. The Centenary Pathway will be approximately 10m in length. All proceeds from this project will go towards the construction of the Centenary Pathway and Centenary Playground.

Please write the **48 letters** (maximum) to be inscribed on your paver here:

i.e. Darcey, Arlie, Carla & Zoe Den Ouden

Number of bricks required: _____
Name/s to be engraved:
1.
2.

Simply fill out this form and return along with full payment by cheque, credit card details or cash Altona P.S.

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Offer closes on July 31st 2015

Please copy and pass on to any friends & family

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!
Mother Day Stall

A BIG Thank You to everyone who helped make the Mother’s Day Stall a great success last Friday. We raised $2,550 for the school. Thank you to all the lovely and dedicated parent helpers who helped set up, attended and packed up the stall. We really appreciate the effort you put in. The students had a huge choice of items to pick from and we hope all the Mums enjoyed their gifts.

Thank You

CONGRATULATIONS

JARROD FROM 5/6K ON GUESSING THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF LOLLIES. THERE WERE 250 LOLLIES IN THE JAR.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 19 May 2015
  Friends and Families Committee next meeting
- 19 June 2015
  Whole School Disco
- 24-28 August 2015
  Book Fair

SHOPPERS CARDS

If you require our new shoppers card, it can be purchased from the office at the cost of $10.00

School Banking

Every Friday

ICY POLES

Icy poles will return in Term 4

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2015 - 2016

The 2015/16 Entertainment Books are now for sale. Order forms have been sent home. These books are priced at $65 with $13 from the sale of each book going to Altona Primary School. The book can also be purchased from the office.
Let Your Imagination Run Wild Disco

Friday 19 June 2015
in the PAC

Single Ticket - $5
Family Ticket of two children or more - $10:00

LowerSchool Disco
(Grades Prep thru to Grade 3)
6.30pm to 7.30pm

UpperSchool Disco
(Grades 3 thru to Grade 6)
7:45pm to 9.00pm

Grade 3 students may choose which disco to attend either the JUNIOR or SENIOR disco!

WATER WILL BE PROVIDED.
PRIMA JUICE AND ICY POLES WILL BE SOLD AT THE DISCO FOR $1:00

Friends and Families Committee
Altona Primary School Parent’s Club...
“Always there with a helping hand”
* All children need to be dropped off and picked up by an adult from the PAC
  * No child will be allowed to leave the disco area at anytime.
  * Only current Altona Primary School children are allowed to attend.
  * NO PARENTS allowed in the PAC

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP AND MONEY TO CLASS BY
TUESDAY 16th June 2015

CHILD’S NAME: ......................... Grade .................................

NUMBER OF SINGLE TICKETS: ..............................

NUMBER of FAMILY TICKETS: ..............................  AMOUNT ENCLOSED: ..............................

Please note how many children require tickets in “Family Ticket” - Number: ...........

*Also if you are in Grade 3 which disco you will be attending – thank you  JUNIOR or SENIOR
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