Principal’s Corner,

Welcome back everyone.

I hope all families had a wonderful two week break with their children and families, as I walked around the school yesterday I heard many stories of trips to warmer climates, skiing trips, sleeping in, movies, sleep overs and time at home keeping warm.
Term 3 has had a mixed start with the weather; please make sure children come to school in appropriate clothing, including a warm jacket.

The OSHC Program ran a two week holiday program which was once again very successful.

The APS Art show is on this term. This is a really exciting school event showcasing student artwork and their artistic talents. It begins with an “adults only” opening night, this is a fun night which will include an auction of some of the art work.

3-Way conferences will also be held this term, more details are further on in this newsletter. As this is a Curriculum Day students will not be required to attend school, other than their scheduled conference time with their parents. Out of Hours Care will be running a full day program, however this MUST BE PRE-BOOKED.
It is crucial for every family to participate to support your child’s learning.

Have a good weekend
Kevin Enright
Altona Primary School is honoured to reach its milestone of one hundred years. This significant milestone will bring our community of the past, present and future together. Recording and preserving the history and story of Altona Primary School and sharing experiences, will enrich the lives of our school community and shape the direction of the school’s future.

Learning from the Past..... Exploring the Present.....Shaping our Future

Centenary Celebrations in 2015
Altona Primary School will be celebrating its rich 100 year history throughout the year and we will be holding Centenary Celebrations during Monday 19th October to Saturday 24th October 2015 an exciting week long program involving the whole school community.

Are you part of the school’s history? We want to hear from you
Are you, or someone you know closely linked to Altona Primary School’s rich history? We would love to hear from you. We are collating images, memorabilia and stories of people whose families have been part of the school for generations.

Please see below for contact details:

**Altona Primary School – 3923**
109 Blyth Street, Altona 3018
Telephone: 03 9398 2925
altonaprimarystaticen@altonaps.vic.edu.au
Contact: Liz Brown
**Art Show Grand opening**

**Wednesday 13th August**
7.30pm – 10pm – **Adults only**

**Thursday 14th August**
Art Show 3.30pm – 7pm - **All welcome**

**Friday 15th August**
Art show 3.30pm – 6pm – **All welcome**

**Saturday 16th August**
Art show 10am – 12pm – **All welcome**

**Tuesday 19th August**
Athletics day Grades 3-6

**Thursday 28th August**
Festival of Performing arts (FOPA)

**Wednesday 3rd September 2014**
3-Way Student Led Conferences

**Friday 19th September 2014**
End of Term 3
“3 WAY STUDENT LED CONFERENCES”

When: Wednesday 3rd September 2014 (10:00am – 7.30pm)
Where: Classrooms
Who will participate: The student, parents/carers and the classroom teacher

It is crucial for every family to participate to support your child’s learning

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Wednesday 3rd September 2014 “3 Way Student Led Conferences” will be held for all students from Prep – Year 6. As this is a Curriculum Day students will not be required to attend school, other than their scheduled conference time with their parents.

At Altona Primary School we aim to give the learner increasing responsibility and ownership for their learning so they can develop into independent, life-long learners. A ‘Student-Led Conference’ is a way to encourage students to take responsibility for their own learning, actions and decisions. It also demonstrates that, together, we will support their learning and celebrate their achievements.

Roles & Responsibilities:

Students:
- Student plan and prepare their work for discussion with the support of their teacher. During the conference students demonstrate their learning goals with evidence of their learnings. This enables students to share their work in a confident and articulate manner.

Parents:
- Parents are expected to attend the conference with their child. Parents can offer support and encouragement, be active listeners and praising their efforts.

Teachers:
- Teachers support students to develop their confidence to share their work and understandings effectively. They play a crucial role in supporting students to plan & prepare the work they choose to present as evidence of their learning. Teachers support students in selecting effective presentation skills. Teachers will also assist with other information for parents regarding their child’s learning.

The conference will take approximately 15 minutes. The structure of the conference may differ across year levels, however, this opportunity allows for students, parents and teachers to meet and continue a partnership that will produce the best possible learning environment for your child and to celebrate their achievements.

With thanks

Leadership Team

The online booking system for appointments will be opened by 28th July 2014 – details will be in next week’s newsletter.
After School Art and Craft Classes
CRAFT IT!

After school art and craft classes will be held in the art room on a Friday afternoon between 3.30-4.30pm in term 3, 2014. 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 (18/7/14): Making your own notebooks
Session 2 (25/7/14): Creating sugar starch bowls
Session 3 (01/8/14): Canvas art
Session 4 (08/8/14): Canvas art (continued)
Session 5 (22/8/14): T-shirt decorating
Session 6 (29/8/14): Designing key rings/ bag tags
Session 7 (05/9/14): Using ‘Shrinky dinks dots’
Session 8 (12/9/14): Surprise craft session

*There will be no class during the week of the Altona Primary School Art Show on Friday the 15th of August.

Please complete the attached form to indicate interest in attending. You will be notified as soon as possible if you are successful. Payment will be expected by the last week of term 2 (23/6/14) to allow time for purchase of materials.

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

__________________________________________
Child’s name

__________________________
Grade

__________________________________________
Parent/Guardian

__________________________________________
Contact Number:

Thank you,

Mrs Barry and Mrs Cain
Altona Primary School’s
Art Show 2014

Ticket Order Form

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

**Grand Opening:** Wednesday 13th August \(\text{Time: 7.30pm-10pm}\)

**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 any other sessions.

The “Grand Opening” is an adults evening.

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

**Session 1:** Thursday 14th August \(\text{Time: 3.30pm-7pm}\)

**Session 2:** Friday 15th August \(\text{Time: 3.30pm-6pm}\)

**Session 3:** Saturday 16th August \(\text{Time: 10am-12noon (During the Farmer’s Market)}\)

**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 session applicable and return with money to class teacher.

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

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Celebrate National Tree Day

Help us Celebrate National Tree Day
Sunday, 27th July 2014 from 10.00am to 1.00pm
Altona Coastal Park, Altona Road, Seaholme (Melways ref. 55 B9)
Meet and register at the gate next to the Pines Scout camp

Come along to this FREE event and plant a tree, grass or shrub with fellow community members and help create habitat for our local wildlife.

National Tree Day is a Planet Ark initiative that will be held around Australia on Sunday, 27th July.

It gives Australians the opportunity to help the environment by planting native trees and shrubs in their local area.

National Tree Day activities at Altona Coastal Park will include:
- Tree planting;
- Free barbecue; and
- Free entertainment by local performance troupe The Connies.

To participate in National Tree Day all you need to do is register at the event on the day or visit the website www.treeaday.planetark.org.au
Dear parents/guardians,

Over the next 6 weeks I will be absent from the program. Acting co-ordinators during this time will be Nicole Magowan and Lauren Bird. If you have any queries or concerns they will be happy to help.

Thanks

Felicity
OSHCh Co-ordinator
OSHCh Phone: 9398 8310

Book Club

All orders for Issue 5 of the Book Club orders should be in by Friday August 1st
Hi my name is Trent I’m going to tell you a little bit about my sailing journey. After many months of waiting, October last year finally came about which signaled the start of the sailing season. We dusted off all of the clubs training yachts and my yacht which is a Tasar; we checked them to make sure they are safe to take them on the water. Finally it was time to go sailing, get wet and have fun.

Every Saturday morning I attend my junior training at the Altona Yacht Club with about 10 other kids. During our training we learn how to rig a yacht, what the names of the parts of the yacht are called and how to sail. When the weather is ok for us to go out we go for a sail with one of our mates. Once we have all learned how to sail we start having little races in preparation for the junior races start in March.

Every Saturday afternoon I sail with my dad in my yacht in the club races at Altona Yacht Club, we have one to two races every Saturday from October to May. At the end of the season they add up all the scores to work out the results, we came third! Dad and I were very happy and excited to get a trophy at our presentation night last Saturday. But guess what, I forgot to mention that I won the junior training club championships!!!!!

I’m looking forward to October again this year when it all starts again I’m hoping that I can help out with training as I am doing my assistant instructor course this Sunday with one other friend from sailing.

If you want to join come to Altona Yacht Club on Saturday 4th of October at 9:00 it’s for kids and adults too.

By Trent Buckner 5/6G
The Parent’s Club can be contacted anytime by email: APSParentClub@altonaps.vic.edu.au

**Dates for your diary**

Farmers Market
19 July, 2014

Obstacle a thon
To be advised

**Parents Club Meetings**
Next Meeting: 9:15am Tuesday 22 July.
All are welcome to attend.

**Shoppers Cards**
Our Shoppers Cards are being revamped. Watch out for the new and improved cards available soon!!

**ICy Poles**
Return in Term 4.

**School Banking**
Every Friday.
*Please limit deposits to $10 or under.*

**Aussie Farmers Direct**
Want to sign up? Fill in the form available at the Office or call Rohan Day on 0419905544. Please also consider nominating Altona Primary School for a percentage of any orders you currently have with Aussie Farmers Direct!

**Entertainment Books**
*New Book Out Now*
The Parent’s Club are again selling Entertainment Books. Jump online to look at some of the great deals it contains! They are priced at $65 each for either digital or hard copy.

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**Second-hand Uniform Donations**

Just a friendly reminder that second-hand uniform donations are gratefully appreciated, but please ensure that they are in “good used condition”.

For anyone interested in purchasing items they are located in the cupboard outside the staff room. Items are priced at $1.00 each. Payments are to be made directly to the office.

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**Obstacle-a-thon: New date to be advised.**

Unfortunately, the Obstacle a thon had to be postponed due to weather conditions. Watch this space for the new day and time in Term 3.

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**Farmers Market Dates.**

19 July, 16 August, 20 September, 18 October, 15 November and 20 December

Volunteers are always needed and welcome. Please contact Anne Sheehan: warehouse@secon.com.au or mobile 0435 130-355 for further information.
Altona Primary School Farmers’ Market
Saturday 19th July 2014

It is Farmers’ Market time again! Please come along and buy your fresh fruit and veggies, bread, meat, spices and condiments and treats for the weekend. Open from 9am -1pm, pop in and grab some goodies and maybe a coffee and chat with friends. The weather forecast is for a sunny 14 – we look forward to seeing you!

The school stall will be selling second hand books again this month and there will be a colouring in table for children to use while you shop – as well as the bouncy castle and pony rides! All gate donations and money taken for books goes directly to school and put towards our special School Centenary Celebrations next year!

Here are some pictures of our Dansing Superstars from June’s market-thanks again to everyone involved for a great show!

We are always looking for more people to join our group of volunteers. It is a great way of meeting other parents and getting involved in the school and wider community. If you can give us an hour of your time on any of the following dates, please contact Anne – Thank You!

Upcoming market dates:

19 July 16 August 20 Sept 18
Oct 15 Nov 20 Dec

For any queries/further info please contact Anne Sheehan: warehouse@secon.com.au or mobile 0435 130-355

It is our 2nd Birthday in September.

We are planning some special celebrations – watch this space to find out more!