Principal's Corner

Our 2015 School Councillors are: Eamonn O’Toole (President), Alexis Beckwith (Vice President), Karen Hudson, Claire Carson, Ed Geraghty, Kevin Enright, Rebecca Letson, Nicole Fridey, Debbie Galvin, Peter Roberts, Cath Marshall, Pratsyusha Chebolu and Tim Hargreaves.

The School Council subcommittee members are:

2. Policies subcommittee: Eamonn O’Toole, Alexis Beckwith, Rebecca Letson, Julie Giles, Nicole Fridey and Debbie Galvin

3. Finance: Kevin Enright, Shelley Golz (Business Manager) and Peter Roberts

We would love to have other parents join our subcommittees. If you would like to join any of the subcommittees contact Liz Brown at the school (9398 2925). The subcommittees will meet 6 more times this year.

Congratulations Netty Gentile (5/6M). Netty plays cornet in the Hyde Street Youth Band (Footscray). They competed in the Australian National Band Championships in Sydney. The band came third in the June C Grade Brass. They came fifth in the Open D Grade Brass (with all the adult bands). They were the first band in Australia to play a new piece of music - Phillip Rutherford’s Anzac Variations - composed specially for the competition and the Anzac centenary. It was a complex piece and the kids did a great job.

There will be a Working Bee on May 24th at 9:00 am – 12:00 p.m. Come along and help us clean up the school for our centenary year. We will have pizza and soft drinks when we finish at 12:00 p.m. Register by filling out the form in this newsletter or obtain the form from the school website: www.altonaps.vic.edu.au

The launch of our ANZAC DVD yesterday was one of those special events at Altona P.S. A huge thank you to Joanne Mathrick for her amazing work and Kathy Karapalidis who initiated the idea. The DVD features the ANZAC ancestors of our students: Jesse & Jimi Lavers, Harry McCarthy, Ryley & Grace Giles-Holmes, Emma & Ryan Pinder, Eva Mifsud and Netty Gentile. The student presentations on the DVD were fabulous. We were privileged to have parents, members of the RSL, local council and the federal government attend.

The Centenary playground will be built in mid-June. The fence around the corner at Blyth and Upton Streets will be built in the next fortnight. We have the rest of the year to raise the money and pay the final instalments. You can help us by making a donation or sourcing companies /businesses willing to make a donation. We thought it was better for the students to get the use of the playground and have a larger playing area than wait until 4th term.

Have a great weekend
Kevin Enright
DATES TO REMEMBER 2015

**Friday 24th April**
ANZAC Service at APS

**Friday 8th May**
Mother’s Day Stall

**Thursday 28th May**
Prep Excursion Melbourne Zoo

**Monday 8th June**
Public Holiday

**Friday 26th June**
Last day of Term 2
First day of Term 3

**Monday 19th October**
Centenary Week Celebrations

**Thursday 17th September**
APS Concert

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**GATES CLOSED AT 3.30PM EACH AFTERNOON**
Gates will be closed from 3:30pm each night now – this is a safety issue for Out of School Hours Care children.
Children with supervising parents are welcome to stay in the yard but need to leave via the office doors.

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

FAMILY NAME.................................................................CHILD’S GRADE..................................................

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING..........................
The Black Panther

One sunrise there was a very dark cave where a black panther was sleeping. The sunrise was bright and beautiful and shone colours on the cave. Sharp claws came out of the panther's paws as it slept. The panther was black and scary. It had strong fast legs. The scary dark cave was made out of rock and was full of creepy crawly creatures. You could hardly see the panther because he was so black. Suddenly there was a wizard in the cave. He is tall, evil, powerful and dressed up in a blue hood. There was also another man that came into the cave.

The wizard walked into the cave and saw the very black panther. He put a potion on the black panther. It was a sleeping potion. Once the wizard had put the potion on the panther, the panther felt sleepy and scared. When the potion hit the panther he fell asleep forever.

There was an old man who came to the cave. He saw the wizard's potion. He took away the potion from the wizard by punching him in the face. Then the man put the sleeping potion on to the wizard and the panther woke up. The wizard fell asleep forever.

The man took the sleepy panther to another cave where there were lots of other panthers. It was a safe cave because there were lots of other panthers to protect each other.

By Grade 1L

Dear Readers,

Yesterday A.P.S. had their Ride-2-School day. In first place we had 5/6 K, second we had 3H and third we had Prep M. I would like to congratulate the winning team. The most active year level was the grade 4’s. Our school average was 38%. Our goal for next month will be 50% for the school average. Ways to improve this is to ride, scoot, skate, walk or go in public transport. If your house is far away from A.P.S. drop child off a few blocks away from the school and it will be added into our data. The Ride-2-School day is every on the second Wednesday of every month but if it is not good weather we will cancel it. The Ride-2-School day program try’s to encourage kids to get off their mobile devices and out and about. Thanks for reading.

By Isaac Johns

Marble Donation

During term 4, the whole school will be participating in centenary activities. Children will rotate around classes trying their hand at some olden day activities such as marching, marbles and knuckles. To help set up some of these activities, we are asking for marble donations (small marbles and large marbles known as shooters). If you could help out, this would be great. Can you please send through your donations to Mr. Fava.

Thanking you all in advance
Muddy Madness Thank you

A Special thank you to ‘JEN-SUE DANCERS’ for supporting our Muddy Madness fundraiser. Their kind donation was much appreciated.

jensuedancers@optusnet.com.au

Jen Sue Dancers is a family run school offering fun & friendly classes in Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Theatrical & Hip Hop!

Founded in 1976 by sisters Jennie & Susan, Jen Sue Dancers is one of the original and best dance schools in the West!

We offer classes for students aged 2 to adult in Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Theatrical & Hip Hop with Concerts & Examinations being held throughout the year!

Classes are held on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday at the Altona Youth Hall on Civic Pde in Altona.

Any age & ability is welcome!
JOIN THE JSD FAMILY TODAY!

For further information, class times & availability please call 0412-182-360 or email JENSUEDANCERS@OPTUSNET.COM.AU

BOOKCLUB ISSUE 3
Orders are due back by Friday 1st May. If your order is for a gift, please mark this on your order.

ALTONA HOCKEY CLUB
Seagull Junior hockey league – come and try 17th April 2015
Sugargum Drv Altona
Contact: Karen Symons
On the school holidays we visited the Australian War Memorial in Canberra for the 100th year anniversary of Anzac Day.

“I learnt many things, saw many things and felt many things. I felt sad when I saw the wall of names of all the soldiers who died in service and how many there were, but I also felt grateful they fought for our freedom”  
*Lauren – 4J.*

“When I put the soldiers gear on it was heavy, and we saw the different types of food the soldiers eat. I learnt that you can’t be married if you wanted to be a nurse in the First World War and you have to be 18 to be a soldier. I felt sad that people died during the wars but it made me happy that they helped to fight and make Australia safe for everyone. If I could say something to the Anzacs, I would say thank you for going to the war for me, and my family”  
*Madison - 1B.*

“My favourite part was seeing all the airplanes, flying in the helicopter and trying on the soldiers uniforms. I liked the movies of the planes fighting but it made me feel very sad when they died. I liked seeing all the red poppies for when people die and you put one next to their name to remember them”  
*Hayden - Prep NH.*
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:
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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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**CREDIT CARD AUTHORISATION**

Offer closes on July 31st 2015

Please copy and pass on to any friends & family

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!
Mother Day Stall
Friday 8th May 2015

The Parent’s Club are again holding the Mother’s Day Stall on Friday 8th May. We will have our usual beautiful gifts for your children to choose. If you would like your child to participate please send them to school with some spending money and a shopping bag to help get their purchase home.

Items will be priced from $1.00 to $5.00.

Parent helpers will be required for the day, so if you are able to lend a hand please fill in the attached form and return to your classroom teacher indicating which time would best suit you.

Mother’s Day Stall Helpers Form

Name:.................................................................................................
Child’s Name:......................................................................................Class:..................

Yes, I am able to help on FRIDAY 8 May, 2015. Please circle which time you can help with:
9:00 - 10:50       1:15 - 3:15       BOTH
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

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

Upper School 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”

The Parent’s Club can be contacted anytime by email: APSParentClub@altonaps.vic.edu.au
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: .................................................................

CLASS: ...............  

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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Shoppers Card Order Form

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