Principal’s Corner,

The school band and the choir were fabulous on Monday at assembly. It is really pleasing to see so many students enthused about singing and playing musical instruments. They are very lucky to have the skills and expertise of Mr. Rouse, Ms. Enright and Ms. Nichols to teach them.

Congratulations to our students who participated in the district cross country competition this week. Four students; Gemma Egan, Zoe Woods, Demi Kenny and Lucinda Rourke will now go on to the regional finals.

Could all families check the children’s heads for head lice this weekend. We can then start June with clean hair throughout the school.

National Reconciliation Week is from 27 May 2014 to 3 June 2014. It celebrates the relationship between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and all other Australians. Every year, the week is held between the same dates, 27 May to 3 June. The dates draw attention to significant historical events. The 27 May marks the day in 1967 when the referendum was passed for the Australian Government to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and to allow them to be recognised in the census. The 3 June marks the day in 1992 that led the Australian Government to recognise native title and acknowledge Indigenous Australians as the original occupants of Australia. This year’s theme for National Reconciliation Week is ‘Let’s Walk the Talk’, focusing on turning past conversations into actions. For more information, go to http://www.reconciliationvic.org.au/community-events.php

Student attendance is vitally important unless students are sick. There have been 2,104 absences from the 73 school days so far this year ie: 29 absences per day or 1.3 students per grade per day.

Have a great weekend,
Kevin Enright
Principal.

LOST TREASURE
Alex Gatt has lost his special coins that he collects. The coins were in a white cloth bag that was on his desk. These coins are very precious to Alex, he has been collecting them for a long time and it is a hobby he loves.
If you find them, please return to Alex in 5/6G.
DATES TO REMEMBER 2014

Wednesday 4\textsuperscript{th} June – Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} August
ICAS Exams

Monday 9\textsuperscript{th} June
Queen’s Birthday – Public Holiday

Monday 16\textsuperscript{th} June – Friday 20\textsuperscript{th} June
Grade 3/4 Camp Wilkin
Grade 4’s will attend Monday 16\textsuperscript{th} – Wednesday 18\textsuperscript{th} June
Grade 3’s will attend Wednesday 18\textsuperscript{th} June – Friday 20\textsuperscript{th} June

Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} June
Parent’s Club Obstacle-a-thon 11.25am-1.30pm

Friday 27\textsuperscript{th} June
Last day of Term 2

2015 PREP ENROLMENT
Our Prep enrolments for 2015 are filling fast, please get your sibling enrolments in ASAP.

Sports Corner
Divisional Cross Country:
This week on Tuesday we had 7 students (Emma Pinder, Lucinda Rourke, Finley Baker, Demi Kenny, Zoe Woods, Zayne Galea, and Gemma Egan) represent the school at the divisional cross country championships at Presidents Park, Wyndham. All students did an amazing job whilst running the 2km course (10 year olds) and 3km course (11 year olds). It was great to have lots of parents and grandparents there cheering them on too. We now have 4 of those students (Gemma, Zoe, Demi, and Lucinda) going on to represent our school at the Regional Cross Country Championships at Brimbank Park later in the term. Well done girls!! Remember training is at 8am on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the 100 steps, starting next week. See you then.

Victorian Mountain Bike Riding Championships
This year their will be Mountain Biking Championships held in various places around the state. If you are a keen and able mountain biker, here is a link that might be worth checking out.

Mr Clarke
ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL
2014 ART SHOW
13th - 16th August
Tickets and enquires call the school on 93982925

Grand Opening Art Auction: Adults Only
The grand opening is an adult only event where attendees have the opportunity to bid on art items that have been specially created by each grade for this auction.

Date: Wednesday 13th August
Time: 7:30-10pm
Where: Altona Primary School
Admission: $15.00
Refreshments, Finger Food, and Entertainment Included!

Public Viewings Admission: Adult-$5 Child-$2
Thursday 14th August - 3:30pm-7pm
Friday 15th August - 3:30pm-6pm
Saturday 16th August - 10am-Midday
(In conjunction with the Farmer’s Market)
Altona Primary School Parents Club....  
“Always there with a helping hand”

Farmers Market Dates.  

21 June, 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.

Second-hand Uniform Donations

Just a friendly reminder that second-hand uniform donations are gratefully appreciated, but need to be 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.

Obstacle a thon – 25 June, 2014

It’s on again!  Time to raise some funds and have a great time doing it.  This year we are trying to raise some funds for the Altona Primary School 100 Year Celebration in 2015.

Please see the attached form so that you can start gathering your sponsors.

As always helpers will be required.  Please fill out the form if you are able to assist with either the Obstacle a thon or the BBQ that will follow.

Entertainment Books

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.
OBSTACLE-A-THON
WEDNESDAY 25th June, 2014.

Raising funds for the

100 YEAR CELEBRATION OF ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2015

On the 25th June, students will be participating in a whole school Obstacle-a-thon. All funds raised will go towards the Altona Primary School 100 year Celebration.

Each class will participate in various activities around the school with the focus of the morning on participation and fun.

Students are encouraged to obtain sponsors for the day and the class who raises the most per student will be awarded a trophy. This trophy can be displayed in their class for the remainder of the year.

It will be a great day, with funds benefiting all students at Altona Primary School.

The Bigolin family will be sponsoring a lunch for all the students. On the day each student will receive a sausage in a roll at lunch time. If you do not wish your child to participate, please provide lunch for your child.

As always we need help running this event to make it a success. Help from parents and friends of Altona Primary School will be most welcomed. Please fill in the form below if you are able to assist on the day with either the BBQ or the Obstacle-a-thon.

Please return the attached sponsorship form to school by the 20th June 2014.

Thankyou
Parents Club
OBSTACLE-A-THON  PARENT HELP

Yes, I am able to help on Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} June

Obstacle-a-thon 10:30am to 1:30pm

Name: ..................................................
Child’s Name: ..........................................................
Grade: ...........

\textit{Please return this form to your class room teacher.}


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OBSTACLE-A-THON  BBQ  PARENT HELP

Yes, I am able to help on Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} June.
Please return this form to your class room teacher.

Obstacle-a-thon BBQ 9:00am to 1:30pm

Name: ..................................................
Child’s Name: ..........................................................
Grade: ...........

\textit{Please return this form to your class room teacher.}
OBSTACLE-A-THON

WEDNESDAY 25th June 2014

SPONSORSHIP FORM

PLEASE RETURN BY 20th June 2014

STUDENT NAME: ____________________________

STUDENT GRADE: ____________________________

OTHER SIBLINGS:

Name: ____________________________
Grade: ____________________________

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This year we are Re-vamping the APS Shoppers Card!

As part of the revamp we are inviting parents at APS who own a business to jump on board and become a Shoppers Card sponsor.

The APS Shoppers Card is one of the yearly Fundraisers the School Runs. This Fundraiser is aimed at providing APS Families & Friends with some fantastic discounts at local stores as well as supporting our local businesses by giving them the opportunity to advertise their business within our School Community.

An example of the businesses that will be supporting us in 2015:

- Local movie theatre
- Local Kid’s Dance classes & Parties
- Local Cafe’s & Restaurants
- Local Sweets Shop
- Clothing Stores
- Computer Maintenance
- Online Toy Store
- Local services
- Local Butcher

If you would like to Sponsor our Shoppers Card in 2015 & Promote your business with our School Community & Friends please contact Stacey on 0413 007 344 to discuss.