# Aspendale Gardens Primary School Newsletter—Thursday 29th July

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Aspendale Gardens is an IB World School that strives to be internationally minded. Our purpose is to provide a supportive safe and dynamic learning environment. We promote inquiry, curiosity, creativity and individuality. We aim to develop a resilient, open-minded school community where all students become independent, emotionally intelligent and socially competent as they strive to achieve their potential as global citizens.

#### <u>2021 DIARY</u> AUGUST **SEPTEMBER** Wednesday 1 Fathers' Day Stall Year 3 Mr Bunsen Burner Incursion Monday 2 Thursday 2 Year 1 Recycling Incursion Book Club Issue 5 Orders Close **District Athletics Carnival** Friday 3 Monday 9 Year 1 Healthy Foods Incursion Years 3 & 4 Swimming Ends **Tuesday 10** Foundation Swimming Begins Wednesday 11 Year 6 Point Nepean Excursion Sunday 5 Fathers' Day Snow Camp Departs @ 10:00am Monday 16 SCIENCE WEEK BEGINS **Tuesday 7** Snow Camp Returns @ 9:00pm School Council Meeting 6:30pm Friday 20 Year 4 Responsible Pet Ownership Friday 10 Footy Day – Gold Coin Donation Incursion to State Schools' Relief Fund Friday 20 Foundation Swimming Ends Monday 13 Year 2 Scienceworks Excursion **Tuesday 24** Years 3 & 4 Swimming Begins School Production **Tuesday 14** Wednesday 25 PJ Day—non-perishable Year 2 Sleepover Thursday 16 food donations please

## FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents.

It was wonderful seeing the big smiles and happy faces on all our students' faces when they returned to school yesterday – we all missed being at school. Parents are asked to drop their child at the gate in the morning and to pick up from the same place to help reduce movement around the school and numbers on site. We encourage students to walk/cycle to school, or for parents to drop their children off down the street so they are not congregating.

Thank you once again for all your support and hard work during remote learning. The teachers received some excellent work from the students, some of which you will see further in this newsletter.



## Pupil Free Day—Friday 30th July—CANCELLED

Due to the disruption to learning caused by the COVID restriction lockdown we have decided to cancel our scheduled pupil free day which was to be held tomorrow. We would like to have the students at school due to the amount of onsite learning that has been missed.

## Year 6 Exhibition

We had some excellent Exhibition projects on display from the Year 6 students yesterday. The students worked really hard on their presentations and their interest in their topics chosen was really evident when discussing the projects with them. Well done Year 6 students and to the Year 6 teachers and the mentor teachers for their guidance throughout the process.



#### Parent Helpers

As set out in the guidelines from the Department of Education unfortunately no parent helpers are permitted onsite until further notice. Once helpers are allowed back onsite you will be required to use our QR coding to sign in, and to still sign into the visitors' book at the school office. We look forward to seeing all our helpers back on site as soon as you are permitted.

#### Instrumental Music Program

Our instrumental music teachers will return to onsite teaching this week. Every endeavour will be made to have all make-up lessons completed before the end of term.

#### Parents / Caregivers /Guardians Survey.

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/ caregivers /guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregivers/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is completed by parents/ caregivers/ guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The link was sent out to parents through Compass on Wednesday. This year, the Parent/Caregivers / Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from now until Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Thank you in anticipation of completing the survey.

#### School Canteen

Our canteen will be open on Thursdays and Fridays for **lunch orders only**. Please place orders through QKR in preference to our canteen ladies having to handle cash. There will be **NO** over the counter sales yet due to COVID restrictions.

#### Foundation Enrolment 2022

We have very few places left for Foundation 2022. If you have a Foundation student starting next year and have not enrolled yet, please do so as soon as possible so you don't miss out on a place.

Take care and stay safe.

## FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

#### Year 7 Secondary School Applications

The secondary schools have been busy processing the applications and working through the priority placements. We will mail out letters to all parents who have applied for a place at a Government School next week, so they should arrive on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August. If you do not receive your letter, please contact your child's classroom teacher or Mr Baker. Following this, the secondary schools will be able to get in touch with

parents directly to pass on information and to complete an enrolment form. Should your circumstances have changed and you no longer need the place, please let me know ASAP so that we can amend our records and notify the secondary school.

Jonathan Baker



**Starting Secondary School** 





Parents:

Cheryle Osborne









Welcome back to Remote Learning PE with Mr. King & Mr. Murphy for Term 3. It has been fantastic to see so many Foundation – Year 6 students participating once again in our PE lessons at home. We received lots of photos & videos on Class DOJO last week of students having fun playing **'Rock, Paper, Scissors'** against members of their family. It was also great to see so many students join us for our live PE workout session.

We both had so much fun and were very impressed with the number of students that joined our workout.

Don't forget to check out our **Remote Learning Photo Gallery** on our website to see how much fun everyone is having at home and how hard everyone is working during their PE lessons. Keep up the awesome PE work everyone, we are both super proud of you all.

#### Mr. King & Mr. Murphy





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# PRODUCTION NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR DANCE CAPTAINS so far! Ruby & Spencer in 4CT, Maddie & Danielle in 6JM, Emerson & Ben 4AT, Chloe & Gemma 4OM & , Kalani & Ewan in 6JC, Ruby, Emmy, Cooper & Luke in 5LW, Shivali in 3RK, Ella & Mario in 2LK, William & Jade in 3JB and Zara & Roland in 3LC.

I hope you are all up off the couch learning all the production dance routines posted on

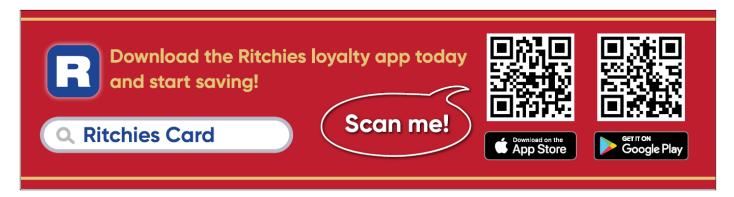


ClassDojo this week. Production songs & lyrics were posted in Week 1 & 2—please scroll back to find them.

When parents are permitted back on-site production working bees, for sets, props & costumes, will still be held on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3.30pm—4.30pm after school in the Performing Arts studio. If parents are willing to take production jobs home please contact me via ClassDojo messages.

Happy Feet to All

Mrs Nicolson





## **TERM 2 2021**



#### Hello from the TheirCare team at Aspendale Gardens!

## WHATS BEEN HAPPENING?

We have had a very quiet few weeks here at Before and After school Care, but that has not stopped us from having fun as we have all enjoyed our themed weeks.

Our Maths and Science week had us conducting some cool science experiments! The highlight being our rainbow explosion where we added bi-carb soda and coloured dye to vinegar in some test tubes resulting in an explosion of colour! We also had a "smell that food" experiment which was very popular and the children enjoyed guessing the different scents provided.







## WHAT'S COMING?

## WEEK 4 – THEIRCARE OLYMPICS!



Come and partake in the TheirCare Olympic games week where we will have a variety of fun games for the children to participate in and a bunch of medals too! This week will be based entirely around the Olympic games. Don't worry about Tokyo, we've got it covered here in Aspendale Gardens!



## **TOY LIBRARY**

TheirCare toy library is back in full swing and is providing a range of giant games for the children!

MONDAY 9TH AUGUST to FRIDAY 13TH AUGUST

## **GIANT GAMES!**

The toy library has



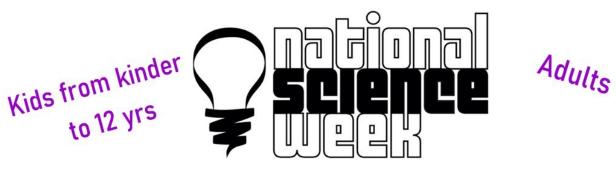
been a major hit with the children and they will not want to miss this one!

**OPENING HOURS** BSC: 7:00AM - 8:45AM ASC: 3:30PM - 6:15PM

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14-22 August 2021 FREE activities for all ages!!

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre is excited to be offering FREE activities to celebrate National Science Week!

For further information, visit our website (www.agcsinc.org.au) or our facebook page or call the office on 9587 5955.

Let's make science fun!!!









## Science Week - 14-22 August

# AGCS are offering the following **FREE** activities as part of Science Week for all ages.

## For Adults:



Monday 16 August - Creative ways to reduce food waste Time: 10.00am to 11.30am Bookings essential - www.trybooking.com/BSRVA

## For kids aged 5-7 years

Tuesday 17 August - Clean Marine!! Time: 4.00pm to 5.00pm Bookings essential - www.trybooking.com/BSRXG



## For kids aged 8-12 years



# Thursday 19 August - Sustainable Recycling & Marine Life

Time: 4.00pm to 5.00pm Bookings essential - www.trybooking.com/BSRXW

## For preschool aged kids (parents required to stay)

Friday 20 August - Storytime & Craft (jointly presented by Kingston Libraries and AGCS)

Time: 2.00pm to 3.00pm

Bookings essential - www.trybooking.com/BSRYC



## For kids aged 7-11 years



Friday 20 August - Spring into Gardening! Time: 4.00pm to 5.00pm Bookings essential - www.trybooking.com/BSRYP

For more detailed information about each program visit our website <u>www.agcsinc.org.au</u> or the trybooking website

