

VISION STATEMENT

Create a vibrant learning community where lives are transformed and individuals inspired to achieve beyond what they ever believed possible

ATHOL ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

8th JUNE 2022

NEWSletter

BULLYING IS NOT ACCEPTABLE AT ARPS!

SPECIAL INFORMATION AND CALENDAR EVENTS

**PLEASE do NOT send
sick children to school**

TERM 2

26th April – 24th June

TERM 3

11th July – 16th September

TERM 4

3rd October – 20th
December

STUDENT FREE DAY

Thursday 9th June

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Queen's Birthday: 13th June
Melbourne Cup: 1st November

STAY SAFE!



From the Principal's Desktop

It is great to be back onsite after an extended absence due to an accident, followed by an untimely illness. **THANK YOU** to all those who have passed on their best wishes and the beautiful cards and messages I received during my absence. My leg is well on the way to a full recovery as long as I rest it as much as possible over the coming months.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 9th June – Student Free Day

Students **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL** on Thursday, 9th June

Children **DO NOT COME TO KINDERGARTEN** on Thursday, 9th June

Parents need to make arrangements for their children as there will be **NO SCHOOL** or **KINDERGARTEN**. Staff will be attending Professional Learning on this day.

Monday 13th June – PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Students **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL** on Monday, 13th June

THE FATHERING PROJECT: Thursday, 16th JUNE

ARPS is joining with The Fathering Project to help promote the importance of positive fathering behaviour in our community.

This is an opportunity for students to attend with their Dad/Father-figure/Carer for a great evening featuring a sausage sizzle and some fun sport activities. Official invitations have been sent home with RSVPs due by Wednesday 8th June.

THANK YOU

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to students, staff and parents who participated in the Review Field Work Day last Thursday. The reviewers were very impressed with the amazing work that has been done by all members of the ARPS community over the past 4 years. A **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Ms Nigro and Mrs Harkness who organized this day. Athol Road Primary School belongs to all of us so it is important that as many voices as possible are heard and so contribute to the future direction of our great school.

A school where 'Every minute matters'

Year 5/6 Camp – Sovereign Hill

Full payment for the Sovereign Hill camp is required by **Friday 17th June**.

Please contact the office if you have any questions about the amount owing for your child.

Camp will be held in Term 3, from Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th August. The subsidised cost of \$300 covers bus travel, meals, accommodation, Sovereign Hill entry, Red Hill mine entry and the sound and light show. It is a fantastic learning opportunity for students and many great memories will be made!



Welcome to Amie Bishop and Laura MacDonald

Athol Road Primary School has welcomed another two new staff members: Amie Bishop and Laura MacDonald. Both teachers have joined the Year 5/6 team, Amie full time and Laura part time, and they have already settled in so well to the ARPS community.

ARPS is very lucky to have two experienced teachers join our team and it is very pleasing to see how our school community has quickly welcomed and supported them both.

Year 4-6 Students – Attitude to school survey

The school values student voice as a means of improving student engagement, wellbeing, and quality instruction. All students in Year 4-6 recently completed the AtoSS (Attitudes to School Survey) which is an annual student survey delivered online by the Department of Education and Training to help us to understand our students' perceptions and experiences at school.

Students were asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to Athol Road Primary School, their learning, peer relationships, bullying and life in general. Responses are anonymous and personal identification data is not recorded, to ensure confidentiality.

Results will be reported back to the school in an aggregated form throughout the survey period. All survey data that is made available in reports are for groups of students only, so that no individual student can be identified.

The Fathering Project presents:

Bonding – BUS Principle

The Fathering Project wants to remind fathers or father-figures that they really matter to children, who really need you to be present and actively engaged in their lives. The BUS principal helps you to remember this important message.

B – Being there

'Being there' isn't necessarily being WITH them more often – it's about being THERE for them at all times.

U – Unconditional Love

Make sure they know that your love doesn't depend on grades, performance, what they like, dislike or when they're good – nothing will stop you loving them.

S – Special

'Special' is about helping your children feel worthwhile. Help them see their unique abilities and quirks as assets to be proud of, and to believe in their potential.



Foundation News

The Foundation students have had many fantastic experiences in recent times, with our bus trip to Chesterfield Farm being a major highpoint. For many students this was their first time travelling by bus and it was a very exciting experience for them. Students got out of their comfort zones and got up close with the many animals that were present at the farm, including sheep, cows, goats, horses and even emus!

Although some students were a little hesitant at first, all students who attended showed a great amount of courage and gave feeding the animals a go. The students showed a great amount of curiosity towards the farm and had many questions to ask as we explored the different areas of the farm. Throughout the day the students were able to participate in a multitude of different activities showing what farm life can be like. Some of these experiences included a tractor ride around the farm, seeing what a sheep dog's job is and how the farmer teaches them their tricks, how a cow is milked and petting the rabbits. The students had an amazing time, and we were very lucky to have the perfect weather for our day at the farm.



Year 1/2 News

In Literacy students have been learning about inferring, discussing how characters are feeling and making deeper connections within a text. Students have also continued engaging in language experiences to support student learning, in particular our new unit of poetry. Students used their 5 senses to assist in writing a shape poem about popcorn. Students looked, smelt, felt, touched and tasted the popcorn. Their describing words were then used within their shape poem. Students loved pretending they were at the movies!

In Maths students have been learning about different addition and subtraction strategies. Students have been applying their skills to equations and worded problems, choosing the best strategy for that problem. Students have also been learning about location and transformation. Some students engaged in an obstacle course where they were required to follow and give locational instructions.

In Inquiry, students have begun learning about Melbourne City! Students looked at what makes up our address – our street number, street name, suburb, post code, city and state. Students used google maps to explore their suburbs and how far their suburbs are from Melbourne city. All students are very excited for their upcoming excursion on Wednesday to Melbourne City! Please remind them to dress warm and bring a raincoat.





School Holiday Program



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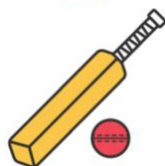
2022-2023



**8:30AM-4:30PM
\$12+/DAY**



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Time	Activities
8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-10:00	Soccer/Dodgeball
10:00-11:00	Basketball/Jump
11:00-11:30	Snack
11:30-12:30	Dodgem/Musical
12:30-13:00	Volleyball/Jump
13:00-13:30	Lunch
13:30-14:30	Laser Tag/Nerf
14:30-15:00	Bubble/Tennis
15:00-16:00	Facepainting/Jump
16:00-16:30	Pick-up



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