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# St Albans PS Newsletter

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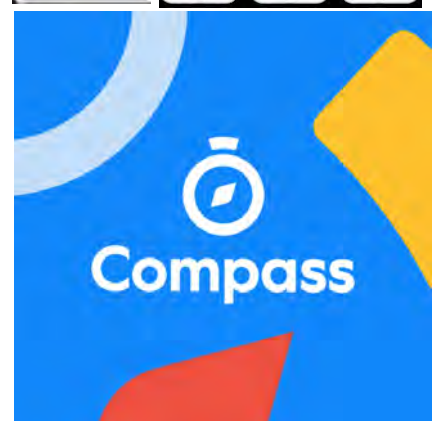
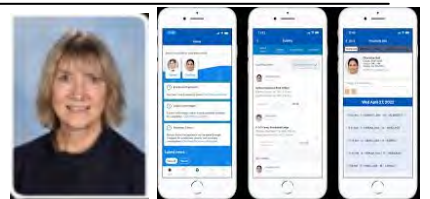


## From the Principal

Dear Families,  
Welcome to our new look newsletter.  
It's hard to believe we're already five weeks into the term! The students returned from the holidays eager to learn and quickly settled back into their school routines with ease.

One of the highlights this term was our **Reptile Incursion**.

Our Prep and Year 2 students were fascinated as they met and learned about some of Australia's most unique reptiles. Experiences like this bring learning to life and create memories that stay with students for years to come.



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Our Year 3/4 students recently attended camp, and it was a tremendous success.

The camp provided valuable opportunities for students to develop independence, resilience, and social skills outside of the classroom setting.



Staff were impressed by the students' enthusiasm, behaviour, and willingness to participate in new experiences. A huge thank you goes to the 3/4 teaching team and support staff who volunteered their time and energy to make this event memorable and safe. The camp not only enriched our wellbeing program but also helped to strengthen relationships between students and staff.



We are also pleased to announce the rollout of Compass across our school. Compass will be our new central platform for communication, attendance, reporting, and more. We encourage all families to log in, explore the platform and reach out if you need support. It's a valuable tool that will help strengthen the partnership between home and school.

Education Week will be celebrated next week. Parents and carers are invited to attend their child's class between 9:00 and 10:00am on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Families and carers are also invited to attend our special assembly on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 2:50-3:10 pm. All children deserve a place to learn and thrive in. This year's theme Celebration of Cultures highlights the diversity of our communities and the importance of every child feeling safe and welcome at school.

The ANZAC service held during week 1 was a heartfelt and respectful tribute to the brave men and women who served and sacrificed for our country. Students from all year levels came together to reflect on the importance of ANZAC Day. Wreaths were laid, the Last Post was played, and a minute's silence was observed to honour those who gave their lives. It was a moving ceremony that helped our school community remember the ANZAC spirit of courage, mateship, and resilience.

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Each week, our Team Leaders come together to discuss teaching and learning across the school. This week, we focused on ways to enhance our school assemblies to encourage more families and carers to attend when possible.



To support this goal, we will be trialling a new format: every fortnight, a different year level will present highlights of their learning at our whole school assembly. In the alternate weeks, year level teams will hold cohort assemblies, if required, to address specific matters relevant to their students.

Our next whole school assembly will take place on May 23rd at 2:50pm. Our Year 2 students will be sharing their learning, and there will also be special presentations in celebration of Education Week.



A key area we are continuing to focus on is student attendance and punctuality. Every day at school counts and being here on time ensures students don't miss important learning at the beginning of the day. We ask for your continued support in getting students to school by 8:50am so they are ready to start their learning calmly and confidently.

Thank you again for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community. We look forward to a strong finish to the term and many more enriching experiences for our students.

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## Important Dates

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**Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>** - Open morning for Education Week

**Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>** - Healthy Harold Incursion 5/6S & 5/6K

**Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup>** - 5/6 Polly Woodside Excursion

**Friday June 6<sup>th</sup>** - 3/4 Bake Sale

**Monday June 9<sup>th</sup>** - Kings Birthday Public Holiday - School Closed

**Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup>** - Community Hub Parent Maths Sessions

**Wednesday June 11<sup>th</sup>** - Healthy Harold Incursion 5/6H & 5/6L

**Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Swimming Program Begins

**Friday July 4<sup>th</sup>** - Last Day of Term 2 students dismissed at 2:30pm

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July** - Term 3 begins

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# HOW-TO Sessions

Join us each month learning how to help your children with their homework.



Each session focuses on **Literacy** (reading, writing and comprehension), and **Numeracy** (Maths)



For Term 2, sessions will be at the following times:

**Numeracy** Tuesday **6<sup>th</sup> May**, 9.30 – 10.30am

**Literacy** Tuesday **20<sup>th</sup> May**, 9.30 – 10.30am

**Literacy** Tuesday **3<sup>rd</sup> June**, 9.30 – 10.30am

**Numeracy** Tuesday **10<sup>th</sup> June**, 9.30 – 10.30am

**St Albans Primary School, Community Room**  
39 West Esplanade, St Albans

If you have any questions, or need interpreters,  
please speak to

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