## St Albans PS Newsletter

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#### From the Principal

Dear Families,

As we near the end of Term 2, I want to share some important updates and **thank you** for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

This semester, families will receive a new style of student report that aligns directly with the Victorian Curriculum Achievement Standards. The new report format is aligned

to the new Victorian
curriculum 2.0, which
we are required to
implement. Each student
will be assessed and
ranked against the
standard for their year
level, which provides a
clear and consistent
measure of progress and
achievement.
In addition to academic
performance, the report
will include a general
comment about your

child as a **learner and a** 

person, offering insights into their personal and social development. We are also excited to include a short quote from each student reflecting on their own learning, giving them voice and agency in the reporting process.

Reports will be available online from 4:00pm on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

Parents requesting a hard copy report are asked to call Lizi or Fiona on 9366 2832 to organise a copy to be printed.

#### **St Albans Primary School**

On **Wednesday 23rd July,** St Albans Primary School will be holding our **Three-Way Conferences.** These are Parent-Teacher Interviews, but with your child also participating as the third and very important member of the meeting.



Please note that there will be **no regular school on this day**, but all families are expected to attend their scheduled conference.

Three-Way Conferences provide a valuable opportunity to:

- Discuss your child's progress so far
- Raise any concerns or questions you may have
- Build a stronger connection between you, your child, and their teacher



On the day, we will also be hosting a **sausage sizzle** and setting up **information booths** covering:

- Respectful Relationships
- Compass
- The Community Hub
- OSHClub

#### **Bookings:**

In the coming weeks, you will be able to book your preferred time via Compass. If you require an **interpreter**, please make sure to book one when you schedule your appointment. We strongly encourage families to book early, as times fill up quickly, especially if you need a specific time.

#### **Office Access:**

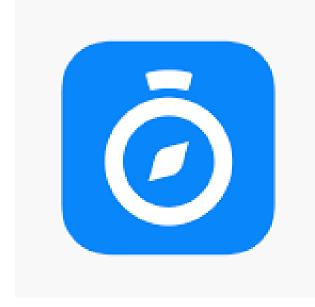
The school office will be open on the day for any assistance you may need from our friendly staff.

You will receive a notification once bookings are live on Compass. We look forward to seeing you and working together to support your child's learning journey.



### **St Albans Primary School**

A big thank you to all families who have used the **Compass app** to sign up for **our swimming program**. We appreciate your patience and support. We also acknowledge that some glitches occurred during the sign-up process, and we apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. Please know that we are working closely with Compass to resolve these issues and ensure a smoother experience moving forward.

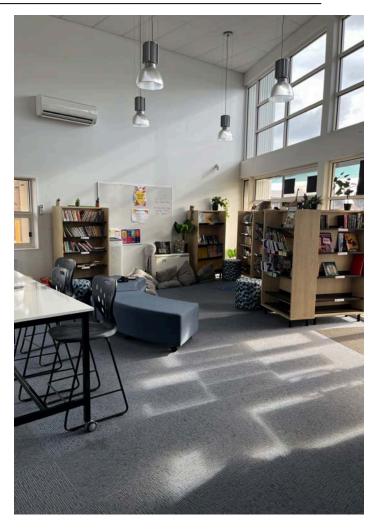


#### **Swimming Reminder**

A friendly reminder that our school swimming program starts next week. Please ensure your child comes to school each swimming day with all the necessary items, including:

- Bathers
- Towel
- Goggles (if needed)
- Plastic bag for wet clothes

We'd also like to extend a big **thank you to Mr Rice** for all his hard work in organising this valuable program for our students. It's a fantastic opportunity for them to develop water safety skills and confidence in the pool.



This year, our staff have been deeply engaged in the important work of developing a new **Vision and Mission** for St Albans Primary School. These statements will guide our collective direction and decision-making, and we are committed to ensuring they reflect the hopes and aspirations of our entire school community.

We are also aligning our school **Values** to this new vision and mission to ensure clarity and consistency across all aspects of our work.

We are now seeking your input into our draft statements:

#### Vision

A thriving, inclusive school community where every learner is valued, supported, and empowered to reach their full potential through equitable and high-quality learning opportunities.

## **St Albans Primary School**

#### Mission

Together, we foster a culture of excellence and equity by delivering high-quality, inclusive education that meets the diverse needs of every learner.

## Our Core Values Equity and Excellence What this means at St Albans PS:

Equity and excellence mean making sure every learner (students, staff and parents) gets what they need to learn, grow and succeed, no matter their background or life situation. It's about giving all learners the opportunities to do their best and helping them achieve high standards through the right support, resources, and high-quality teaching.

We would love to hear your thoughts on this direction. Pop in and **see me** or share your ideas via email through **Compass** or the school email address. I welcome your input.

Thank you for your continued partnership in your child's learning.

Warm regards,

Lynne Ord-Oraniuk

Principal

#### **School Beanies**

We have ordered new St Albans Primary School Beanies available for sale at the school. They will cost \$15 and will be available next term. We will let you know when they will be available to purchase.



I would also like to inform you of an update to the way in Individual Education Plans (IEPs) are reported. In line with new Department of Education requirements, all IEPs must now include progression points to track and report student development. This update is designed to provide greater clarity and consistency in how student progress is documented and shared. Progression points will allow teachers, families, and students to better understand the learning journey and celebrate growth over time. This change is now compulsory and will be implemented across all applicable student IEPs. The progression point will be on a separate report to the IEP.

In addition, I'd like to outline the reporting structure for this year.

Following the Department's guidelines,

## Semester 1 reports will include student progress in:

- English
- Mathematics
- Inquiry (other learning areas within the Victorian curriculum)
- Physical Education (PE)

### For Semester 2, reports will expand to include:

- English
- Mathematics
- Inquiry (other learning areas within the Victorian curriculum)
- Physical Education (PE)
- Visual Arts
- Performing Arts







## **Important Dates**

#### Monday June 23rd -

Swimming Program Begins

#### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July -

Last Day of Swimming

### Friday July 4<sup>th</sup> - Last

Day of Term 2 students dismissed at 1:30pm

#### **Monday 21st July -**

Term 3 begins

#### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

**July** - Three Way Conferences & SSG Meetings

#### Friday 1st August -

3/4 Werribee Zoo Excursion

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August -

School Athletics Carnival

#### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September -

Fathers Day Stall

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September -

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