

# St. Albans Primary School



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## Important Dates

**Sunday 05<sup>th</sup> May – 04<sup>th</sup> June:**  
Ramadan

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May**  
District Cross Country

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**  
Prep Incursion - Science Play  
Kinder Transition visits

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
Prep Incursion - Science Play  
School Leader University leadership  
forum

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**  
National Simultaneous Story Time

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June:**  
Queen's Birthday – Public Holiday

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June:**  
Three way conferences  
Community BBQ

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June:**  
End of Term

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Community,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful break. It is nice to see all the families and students again after returning from leave. Thank you to Mrs Quigley and the school staff for looking after the school in my absence. A special welcome to our new families that have started this term.

We have had some new landscaping around our new portables that was finished over the holidays with some new grass. As you can see it looks wonderful.



As we are approaching the winter months can we please ensure your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the cooler weather to keep them warm Please see the office to purchase any new winter uniform from our uniform shop. If you are needing financial help with the purchase please see the office.

Just a reminder that this week is NAPLAN week. Students will be involved in NAPLAN assessment tasks on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It is important that students who are involved in the NAPLAN assessments are at school on time and have had plenty of rest each night.

We have had a number of special events and activities to start the term. This has included ANZAC Day celebrations, Cultural Diversity Week and Boys and Girls soccer gala days

Another reminder to all families that we have a whole school assembly each Friday in the hall at 2:50pm. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

*Joanne Richmond*  
PRINCIPAL



## COMMUNITY HUB NEWS



Coming programs in the Hub:

1. Gardening in our edible garden for Autumn  
We will be planting autumn vegetables in our edible garden in the coming weeks. Join us preparing the garden bed, and planting seeds.



2. Knitting workshops  
This term we are starting a knitting club this term, to learn to knit and make blankets for the winter.  
We are looking for a knitting instructor. If you know how to knit or crochet, and have 1-2 hours a week to spare to teach parents,



3. Sewing workshops  
We are starting a Sewing Club, thanks to some funding received by RACV.  
We are looking for a Sewing instructor to teach basic skills in using the sewing machine and sewing techniques. If you know how to sew, and have 1-2 hours a week to spare to teach parents please let Hang Bui know.



Please also speak to Hang if you are interested in taking part, or have questions or ideas for our Knitting and sewing club.

## LIBRARY



The library has purchased new books for students to borrow.



### Library Days

Monday	5/6D 3/4D
Tuesday	5/6H 5/6M 1/2N 1/2C Prep D
Wednesday	3/4A 3/4K 1/2T
Thursday	1/2L 5/6R
Friday	Prep Y 1/2D 3/4R

Students can return their library books to the library any day before school, lunchtimes or after school.

All students are given a library bag for their library books





## Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Albans Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 6 September 2019.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit:

[www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

## SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

The 2019 School Council elections have closed. Please welcome our new members and a big thank you to all of our returning School Council members.

### **2019 School Council Members Parent Representatives:**

*Stan Nelson  
Hebah Shone  
Eman Ashy  
Ha Phung  
Paras Zulfiqar  
Thanh Truong  
Jenny Nguyen  
Anita Tuuau  
Muot Tra*

### **Staff Representatives:**

*Joanne Richmond  
Denise Barr  
Tracie Quigley  
Lis Surace  
Kass Tran  
Hang Bui  
Ilham Abouelwafa*

School Council meets at 2:30pm the second Thursday of every month. In the Community Room Visitors are welcome.

Our next meeting is Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> June at 2:30 in the Community Room

## MOTHERS DAY

The students enjoyed shopping for their Mothers, Grandmothers and aunts in our Mother's day stall last week





## GRADE 1/2 WERRIBEE MANSION ZOO

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of May, the 1/2 students went on an excursion to the Werribee Mansion as part of their Inquiry learning. Students had the opportunity to explore and learn about the Mansion's history. They experienced what it was like to wash laundry by hand. They explored the Werribee Park surroundings and did a lot of walking!



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