

# Albury West Public School

## Widening Horizons



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Principal – Sharon Julien

Term 1 Week 4

20<sup>th</sup> February 2020

### **It's very busy – don't miss out!**

**Please keep an eye out for notes that come home on blue paper - remember it is 'bring back blue'.**

Below is a list of notes that have gone home and due dates. You might like to check this list and make sure you have returned the notes if needed.

### **Notes OVERDUE:**

Book packs - \$30 per student or \$65 per family

Participation in non-denominational scripture for students in Years K-3

Internet Permission

Student Internet Code of Behaviour

Permission to Publish (media consent)

Leadership Code of Conduct for identified students

Learning and Support permission note for identified students

Year 6 Polo-Shirt order – \$39 due Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

### **Notes due in the coming weeks:**

Year 6 Taste of High School - \$5.00 and note due 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Years 3-4 excursion to Melbourne - \$20 deposit due Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Years 5-6 excursion to Canberra - \$80 deposit due Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March

We ask that all notes and money be given into the office.

### **Year 6 Transition to High School Parent Information Session**

Albury High School have organised a Family Information Evening for parents and Year 6 students on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February. This information session is being held in the Albury High School Hall, commencing at 7.00pm. Year 10 students will also be available to take interested people on tours of the school on the evening.

### **Induction of School Leaders**

Mrs McEachern, Deputy Principal of Albury High School and the AHS Captains will be attending our very important ceremony for our student leaders tomorrow Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February. AWPS has a proud history of leadership development opportunities through a wide range of activities. We are certainly very pleased that we are able to extend our relationship with Albury High by including them as special guests in this wonderful recognition of our leaders.

## **Positive School Questioning**

Now that your child has settled into the routine of school we thought we might help you with ideas that might help promote conversation about your child's school day. We know that some children will go home and tell you absolutely everything about their school day and others will just say "school was fine", "school was fun" etc.

Below is a list of questions that you can use to promote a positive conversation about school. Please don't assume you have to ask all of the questions in one day or even in the space of the week. They are just some prompts that might support a directed conversation.

- What made you smile today?
- Can you tell me an example of kindness you saw/showed?
- What was the book about that your teacher read?
- Did anyone do anything to make you laugh?
- What did you do that was creative?
- What is the most popular game at recess?
- What was the best thing that happened today?
- Did you help anyone today?
- Did you tell anyone "thank you?"
- Who did you sit with at lunch?
- What made you laugh?
- Did you learn something you didn't understand?
- Who inspired you today?
- What was the peak and the pit?
- Was anyone in your class away today?
- What is something you heard that surprised you?
- What is something you saw that made you think?
- Who did you play with today?
- Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.
- What is something that challenged you?
- How did someone fill your bucket today? Whose bucket did you fill?
- Did you like your lunch?
- What questions did you ask at school today?
- Tell us your top two things from the day.
- What are you looking forward to tomorrow?
- What are you reading?
- Teach me something I don't know.
- What made your teacher smile?
- What kind of person were you today?
- What made you feel happy?
- What made you feel proud?
- What made you feel loved?
- Did you learn any new words today?
- If you switched places with your teacher tomorrow, what would you teach the class?

## **Golden Rules OF PARENT PARKING**

We appreciate that at the end of the day parking space is limited. We ask that drivers be courteous to our surrounding residents, when parking, dropping or collecting students from school - obey parking signs and do not park in or over driveways. We ask that you leave enough time to drop off and pick up children in a safe and legal manner.

Please give particular attention to how children alight from cars and come to meet you. If both the home and school emphasise obeying road rules and safety procedures, our children will make a habit of responsible behaviour.

### **DO**

- Be aware
- Be courteous
- Be responsible
- Be a 'perfect parker'
- Observe parking signs

### **DON'T**

- Block driveways
- Park on nature strips (verges)
- Obstruct children's crossings

### **PENALTIES MAY APPLY FOR:**

- Parking in a NO STOPPING area (stopping on a road during the prohibited period)
- Parking in a NO PARKING area
- Double parking
- Parking on a nature strip (verge)
- Parking such that the vehicle causes obstruction in a public place
- Parking facing the wrong way (against traffic flow)

### **IT IS AN OFFENCE TO STOP OR PARK A VEHICLE:**

- within 10 metres of the departure side of bus stop, pedestrian or children's crossings
- within 20 metres of the approach side of bus stop, pedestrian or children's crossing;
- within 10 metres of an intersection

In the interest of safety, parents and students are NOT permitted to access the school through the staff car park before, during or after school. The staff car park is out of bounds to all pedestrian and motor traffic other than staff themselves.

Pedestrian paths/access points are near the bus stop and near the front office in order to facilitate SAFE entry to our school.

Please do not leave children in cars unsupervised, particularly on a warm day. The inside of a car is much hotter than the ambient temperature of the day outside and will heat up very quickly. This can cause dehydration and other serious health issues.

### **Swimming Carnival**

The swimming carnival was held last week in drizzling conditions. It was great to see our students join in the spirit of the day by wearing house colours and behaving in such a positive manner. The house leaders were particularly impressive in the way they participated in events and encouraged others in their house groups to contribute. Once again our children were praised by pool staff for their excellent behaviour and lovely manners.

To our parents who helped, we really appreciated your donated time. These carnivals cannot run without you.

Congratulations to all participants who 'had a go' and special congratulations to our champions. 20 of our students will attend the Zone Swimming Carnival, which will be held next Tuesday.

Once again a special thank you to Stuart Beveridge for all his hard work in organising the carnival.

### **What to do when things change at home?**

Our staff is certainly aware of the impact that changes to the home situation can have on children. Whilst some of these changes can be exciting, like moving into a new house with a pool, we appreciate that some changes can be traumatic for kids. So that we are able to better respond to your child, please consider letting your child's teacher know if you feel that your child may be struggling with current home life changes.

### **Albury Gold Cup – advance warning**

Once again schools will be given a half day public holiday for the Albury Gold Cup which will be held on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**. PLEASE NOTE that bus companies are also entitled to the half day public holiday and as such earlier pick up will not be available. I am asking that you make alternative arrangements to pick children up at 12pm on that Friday. We have planned Grandfriend's Day to be on during the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> March. We hope this may help families with picking up children at 12pm.

### **We are learners too**

Our staff is committed to providing valuable learning opportunities for our students and to support this we have set aside every Tuesday from 3.15pm – 4.30pm as the time that we will participate in training and development. We understand that at times you will have questions about what is happening in your child's class, but to ensure that your child's teacher does not miss out on learning new things, we ask that you make appointments with them on other days. All staff, except those on duty, also attend a weekly briefing on Thursday from 8.30am to 9.00am. We thank you for your cooperation.

There is an open door approach at AWPS and we appreciate any concerns or issues being nipped in the bud. Teachers are happy to meet with you, but it is best to organise an appointment as they cannot discuss matters whilst on class or entering the classroom ready to start the day with students. Popping into classrooms a few minutes before the end of the school day is also a difficult time as teachers are busy making sure students are packing up and taking the necessary items home at the end of the day. We thank you for showing our teachers the respect that they deserve when teaching in the classrooms.

*Principal  
Sharon Julien*

## IMPORTANT DATES

INDUCTION ASSEMBLY 12pm	Friday 21st February
Zone Swimming Carnvial	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Clean up Australia Day	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February
Assembly – 2/3R - 12pm	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners:-

<u>Gotcha Awards</u>	Cruz Arnaez, Pauleen Lucas
<u>Student of the Week</u>	Kaylee Nugent, Ally Bryant
<u>Merit Certificates</u>	Indianna Stevens, Amity Mundy, Deakon Berkhout, Jasmine McNair-Eade, Erin McNab, Annabelle Horn, Hunter Deas, Jacobi Fuller, Mason Shipard, Jameson Stevens, Harrison Rose, Kami Mobourne, Ciahnna Williams-Bihler, Keaton Beechey
<u>Citizen Awards</u>	Finn McLeod, Lincoln Deas, Emmerson Lovatt, Alicia Mobourne, Xavier Gay, Kane Roberts, Ally Bryant, Dylan Kettle, Jack Stevens, Sarah Hall, Anell Carola, Gemma Quinn
<u>How2Learn Awards</u>	Haven Parker-McLeod, Harry Bourke, Riley Henderson, Jaydon Delphin, Brock Loney, Jayzha Carola, Macauley Parker, Ellie Baxter, Mackenzie Rose, Miley Mundy
<u>Clean Kangaroo</u>	3/4M, 1/2P
<u>Class of the Week</u>	5/6B, 4/5J

# Hume Bank Junior saver club



A reminder that Student School Banking will now commence in week 5

## P & C NEWS - CANTEEN

### THRIFTY THURSDAY SPECIAL

- February 27<sup>th</sup> - Bolognese Ravioli plus TNT Ice Block \$5.50  
OR  
Cold Chicken or Ham Rainbow Wrap plus TNT Ice Block \$4.50  
OR  
Mac Cheese plus TNT Ice Block \$4.00
- March 5<sup>th</sup> - Hamburger and Juice Box \$5.50  
OR  
Ham and Cheese Toasted Sandwich plus Juice Box \$4.50  
OR  
Chicken and Cheese Toasted Sandwich plus Juice Box \$4.60  
OR  
Baked Beans and Toast Soldiers plus Juice Box \$3.00

## COMMUNITY NEWS



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If you have a couple of hours or more a week to spare and would like to fill it doing something to help save lives

# WE NEED YOU!

We need truck drivers, driver assistants, balers, sorters and retail assistants at our Albury or Wodonga Op Shops.

Funds raised in our Lifeline stores go directly to keep our local 131 114 Crisis Support Services operating.

Over 90% of Lifeline Albury Wodonga is volunteer based and we need more of you to keep providing this vital service.

Call Retail Manager Carol on **02 6021 6397** to find out more about how you can help.

**IT TAKES A VILLAGE**

			
			

**ALBURY JUNIOR CHESS CLUB**

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**Come and play chess, make new friends, and gain new skills! Learn tips and tricks from the Albury Club Champion! Ages 8-18, all skill levels (including beginners) are welcome!**

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\$5 a week (+ \$10 yearly membership)  
FIRST 2 WEEKS ARE FREE!  
PRIZES TO BE WON!

Every Thursday starting from 27/2  
From 6:00-7:30pm  
Albury High School  
625 Kiewa St, Albury

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# ALBURY HIGH SCHOOL

**YEAR 7  
2021**



## Information Evening and School Tour

Wednesday 26th February 2020 - 7pm  
Albury High School Hall - entry via Griffith Street  
All prospective Year 7 students and parents welcome

## Taste of High School

Albury High School invites Year 6 students to attend a 'Taste of High School' afternoon

**Wednesday 4th March - 12pm—2.25pm**

Albury and West Albury Public Schools

**Wednesday 18th March - 12pm—2.25pm**

Howlong Public School and  
other Primary Schools

Students not living in our zone please RSVP on **6021 3488**

**Non local students must return the expression of interest form by the 20th March 2020**

## Academic Achievements

For the second consecutive year, we have 2 All Rounders (5 or more Band 6).

Congratulations to Scott Howsam and Abigail Adams.

11 ATARS above 90 with Scott Howsam receiving 99.10.

19 students receiving 38 Band 6 results over 23 subjects.

115 Band 5 results.

A student nominated for each of the HSC showcase events in Music,  
Textiles and Design and Design and Technology.

5 students completing their HSC on life skills.

Multiple students getting apprenticeships and early entry to university.

If you live in our zone you can attend Albury High School

General School Fees Year 7 \$60



**Celebrating 100 years of tradition and excellence**  
**AHS 100 Year Celebration October 2nd, 3rd & 4th 2020**

For more information ring **Albury High School 6021 3488**  
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