

Aspendale Gardens Primary School Newsletter—Thursday 5th October



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Primary Years Programme

Aspendale Gardens is an IB World School that strives to be internationally minded.

Our purpose is to provide a supportive safe and dynamic learning environment. We promote inquiry, curiosity, creativity and individuality. We aim to develop a resilient, open-minded school community where all students become independent, emotionally intelligent and socially competent as they strive to achieve their potential as global citizens.

2023 DIARY

OCTOBER

Thursday 5 Year 2 Sleepover
Friday 6 Kingston Division Athletics Carnival
Year 1 Gould League Excursion
Monday 9 Year 2 Wild Encounters Incursion
Tuesday 10 **FOOTY DAY—Gold Coin Donation to State Schools Relief**
Wednesday 11 Year 3 Campers depart for Mt Evelyn
Thursday 12 **2024 Foundation Transition Session 1 9:05am—10:00am**
Friday 13 Year 3 Campers return from Mt Evelyn

OCTOBER

Wednesday 18 Year 4 Camp depart for Camp Manyung Regional Athletics Carnival
Thursday 19 **2024 Foundation Transition Session 2 9:05am—10:00am**
Friday 20 Year 4 Camp return from Camp Manyung
Monday 23 Year 6 Graduation Photo @ 9:30am
Tuesday 24 Foundation Pevan & Sarah Concert
Thursday 26 **2024 Foundation Transition Session 3 9:05am—10:00am**

SAVE THE DATES

School Art Show—Wednesday 15th November
Colour Fun Run—Thursday 23rd November

FROM OUR ACTING PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope that our families had a wonderful break and enjoyed some quality family time together. We were very fortunate to have some beautiful weather over the break and have really experienced the seasons of Melbourne this week. The next ten weeks will be a key time for us to develop the students' wellbeing and learning progress, before the summer break. We will be using our student data, and our three school surveys (parents/carers, students and staff), to evaluate the programs that we run and the areas of improvement we have been working on in 2023. This will give us the information we need to prioritise our goals and actions for 2024.

Welcome
**BACK to
SCHOOL**

Footy Day

Unfortunately our Footy Day which was scheduled for Wednesday had to be postponed again, due to bad weather. This will now be held next Tuesday (10th October). We have been assured by the Bureau of Meteorology that this day will provide suitable weather. We remind our students to bring a **gold coin** donation for State Schools Relief and to also wear their footy colours or tops from other sporting codes.



Year 2 Sleepover at School

This week our Year 2s will have their first introduction to our camp program by experiencing their school sleepover. The students were very excited today as they arrived at school with their sleeping bags, pillows, bags and casual clothes. They participated in an incursion, provided by Supreme Incursions, which involved team initiative activities. After school the students will have some fun games, followed by a pizza dinner, disco and a movie. The students will then bed down for a (good) night's sleep. On Friday the students will continue on with their camp activities. This will be a very special time for our Year 2s and we hope they have loads of fun.



School Uniforms and Sun Smart

A reminder that students are expected to follow our uniform policy and wear school uniform. With the changeable weather, students will need to be prepared for warm conditions and cold / wet conditions. On days when the UV is moderate to high, students are encouraged to apply sunscreen before school. It is useful if students can have an easy to apply sunscreen in their bags to reapply later on in the day to ensure they are well protected. We are in the process of submitting our SunSmart policy and procedures, so that we continue to be a SunSmart school. We have now had our SunSmart accreditation for 21 years, which is a fantastic effort.

Transition Sessions

Next Thursday (12th October) our 2024 Foundation cohort will be attending school as part of their transition process. They will have an hour long school experience over the next four Thursdays. Our current Foundation students will not go into their classrooms at the start of these days, but will line up outside the Foundation rooms in the courtyard, ready to be taken off to an alternative space for the hour.

Year 3 Camp Next Week

Next week our Year 3 students will be going to Mount Evelyn for their three day camp. This YMCA camp is excellent for an introductory camp for our younger students. The peaceful setting in the Dandenong Ranges offers an amazing backdrop for an action packed camp. We wish our Year 3 staff and students a safe and sun-filled camp and look forward to hearing of their experiences on Friday.

Division Athletics

Good luck to the 22 students who will represent AGPS at the Division Athletics carnival tomorrow. Go for it!

Reminders

Assembly will continue to be fortnightly on a Friday in even weeks. The first assembly this term will be on Friday 13th October.



Jonathan

District Athletics Carnival

On Tuesday 12th September, 47 students from Years 3 - 5 attended the **Chelsea & Patterson District Athletics Carnival** at **Ballam Park Athletics Track, Frankston**. Unfortunately, due to a clash with the Year 6 Summit Camp, we had 31 students in Year 6 miss out on the opportunity to compete at the event. Each student in Years 3 - 5 are to be congratulated on their efforts in each of their events and the sportsmanship they showed to their fellow competitors from the six other schools in our district. We are so proud of all the students who represented AGPS exceptionally on the day; running their fastest and jumping and throwing as far as they could!

At the end of the carnival, AGPS ranked **3rd out of the 7 schools** in the Chelsea District with regards to the number of students who finished in either 1st or 2nd place across the day. An amazing effort by the entire AGPS District Athletics team!





| Name (Class) | Event | Placing |
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| Lachy D (3RP) | 9/10 (Boys) Triple Jump | 1 st |
| Claire O'D (4CT) | 9/10 (Girls) Triple Jump | 1 st |
| Charlie F (4OM) | 9/10 (Boys) 800m 9/10 (Boys) 1500m | 1 st 2 nd |
| Layla K (4OM) | 9/10 (Girls) Shot Put 9/10 (Girls) Hurdles | 1 st 3 rd |
| Soren S (5AA) | 11 (Boys) Discus | 1 st |
| Charlotte B (5BM) | 9/10 (Girls) Long Jump | 1 st |
| Aydan G (5LW) | 11 (Boys) Triple Jump | 1 st |
| Josh D (5RK) | 11 (Boys) High Jump 11 (Boys) Long Jump | 1 st 1 st |
| Aston C (4CT) | 9/10 (Boys) Shot Put 9/10 (Boys) Discus | 2 nd 2 nd |
| Ishak A (5BM) | 11 (Boys) Triple Jump | 2 nd |
| Izzy P (5RK) | 11 (Girls) Shot Put | 2 nd |
| Archie F (4OM) | 9/10 (Boys) Hurdles | 3 rd |
| Yasmin M (5AA) | 11 (Girls) Triple Jump | 3 rd |
| Charlie F (4OM) James P (5AA) Ari W (5LW) Zac D (4DG) | 9/10 (Boys) 4 x 100m Relay | 1 st |




A fantastic effort by all of these students with **14 students** who finished in 1st or 2nd place progressing through to the **Kingston Division Athletics Carnival** on **Friday 6th October** at **Duncan MacKinnon Reserve, Murrumbena.**

Luckily, following their efforts at last year's District Athletics Carnival and after making it through to the Kingston Division Athletics Carnival last year, the following Year 6 students have been given an opportunity to once again represent AGPS at the Kingston Division Athletics Carnival in Term 4:

| Name (Class) | Event |
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| Hugo H-H (6AK) | 12/13 (Boys) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Hanna M (6AK) | 12/13 (Girls) 100m 12/13 (Girls) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Mia P (6AK) | 12/13 (Girls) 200m |
| Ethan D (6BH) | 12/13 (Boys) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Alisha H (6BH) | 12/13 (Girls) Hurdles 12/13 (Girls) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Winona L (6JM) | 12/13 (Girls) Shot Put 12/13 (Girls) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Eddie L (6JM) | 12/13 (Boys) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Leah O'M-H (6JM) | 12/13 (Girls) 4 x 100m Relay |
| Will T (6JM) | 12/13 (Boys) High Jump 12/13 (Boys) Triple Jump 12/13 (Boys) 4 x 100m Relay |

A special mention to the following students who set a new AGPS school record for their event/s at the District Athletics Carnival

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| <p>Claire O'D (4CT) 9/10 (Girls) Triple Jump Distance: 7.24m</p>  | <p>Zac D (4DG) 9/10 (Boys) 200m Time: 32.01s</p>  | <p>Charlie F (4OM) 9/10 (Boys) 800m Time: 2:38 mins 1500m Time: 5:21 mins</p>  | <p>Mitch A (5AA) 11 (Boys) 100m Time: 14.23s</p>  |
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| <p>James P (5AA) 9/10 (Boys) 100m Time: 14.90s</p>  | <p>Ishak A (5BM) 11 (Boys) 200m Time: 32.33s</p>  | <p>Charlie F (4OM), James P (5AA), Ari W (5LW) & Zac D (4DG) 9/10 (Boys) 4 x 100m Relay Time: 1:01 mins</p>  |
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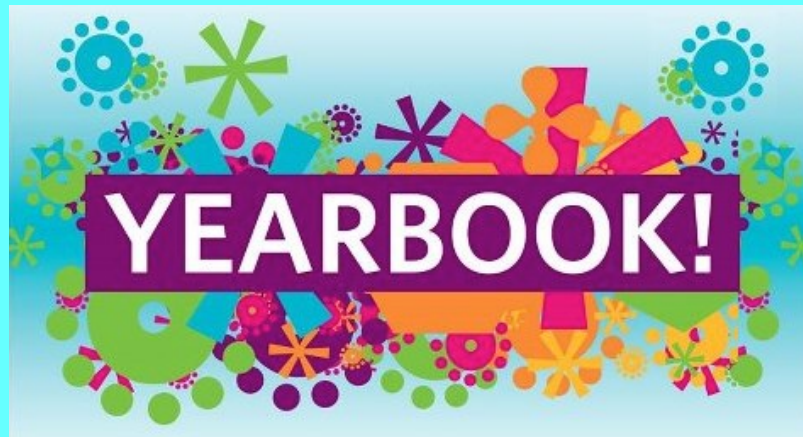
A huge thank you to **Mr. Graham, Mrs. Keulen, & Sarah Kerr** who all assisted on the day of the carnival. It was also fantastic to see so many parents and special friends cheering the students on. Thank you for your support! **GO AGPS!**



Mr. Braden King

AGPS YEARBOOK FRONT COVER COMPETITION

It is time to design our
2023 YEARBOOK COVER!



- ◆ To enter you need to use an A4 white piece of paper. Please **ONLY** use the paper with correct margins available from the school office. Please ensure you stay within the margins.
- ◆ **ALL** entries must be in **PORTRAIT** orientation.
- ◆ Your entry should represent our school: this could be showing our location, activities, classes, PYP attributes, Houses, etc.
- ◆ The design must be hand made **ONLY** by **STUDENTS**.
- ◆ Please do not put any embellishments on your design (i.e. stickers, glitter, collage).
- ◆ To enter you must hand your design to the office ladies.
- ◆ Write your name and class ON THE BACK of your design in **PENCIL**.
- ◆ DO NOT fold or bend your entry.
- ◆ Please **DO NOT** put names of students or teachers on **YOUR DESIGN**.
- ◆ **PLEASE** check for any grammatical or spelling errors **BEFORE** submitting

****Please collect specific paper from the Office****

ENTRIES CLOSE: Tuesday 17th October, 2023

Meet Some of Our Students Leaders



Hi my name is Zoe, I am one of the Owl's House captains. In my free time I like to play netball with Aspendale Arrows and AFL at Edi-Asp. I went for this role because at most assemblies all the students would cheer on their House and see who wins House points, and I was always so excited to see if Owls had won. The things I think I bring to this role are being helpful, courageous, bold and caring to my role. The things I would like to achieve this year is to inspire younger students to be cheerful and bold.

Advice I give the Year 5s is to be helpful in any possible way and bring fun into the role because that always makes somebody's day.



Hi my name is Eli. I am an Environmental leader. I like to draw, code and play video games. I was inspired to choose this role because I have loved animals since I was a kid. I think I bring humour and fun to the role. I would like to make more people love nature and animals and to make more people take care of the Environment. My advice to the Year 5s wanting this role is to be prepared for the death of birds in the bird aviary because it can be sad. There are a lot of positives like being with the birds helping in the garden and keeping outside clean.



What's your name? Indi J MacL.

What are your hobbies/interests? Outside of school I play Netball and I LOVE it. I also play Football which I've madly fallen in love with, even though I only just started footy this year.

What is your school leadership role? I am one of the two Library Leaders and the other one is Jordan L.

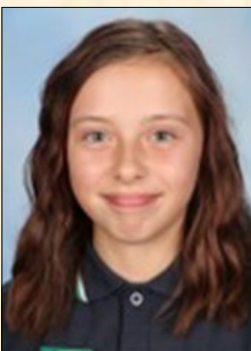
Who or what inspired you to nominate for this role? Well last year I actually loved reading and I still do now, but I spent pretty much all of my lunchtimes and my recesses sorting out books, putting them away and just helping Glenys whenever I could.

What do you think you bring to this role? I'd say I bring a bit of creativity and determination because most of the time I'm really determined to finish work I may not always finish on time, but I try my best to.

What would you like to achieve in this role and for our school over the second half of this year?

I would just like for our main Library projects to be done and dusted and for me to try and open up a reading group that I tried to do last term.

What advice would you give to Year 5's hoping to take on this leadership role in 2024? I would probably tell them to be prepared to take on little responsibilities, big responsibilities, projects that show up now and then.



Hi my name is Mia P and I'm Kestrels House Captain.

I play basketball and have an interest for interior design.

What inspired me to go for Kestrels house Captain? Well I've always loved sport and helping people with jobs so I thought that Kestrel's House captain was a perfect role to go for. The things I think I bring to this role is being an open minded, helpful person and a caring teammate. I would like to achieve being an inspirational person to the younger kids so they look up to me. The advice I want to give to the Year 5s would be to bring happiness and joy to the role and be the most helpful person you can be.

AGPS Footy Day 2023—POSTPONED

Footy Day has been rescheduled yet again to Tuesday 10th October (Week 2 of Term 4). There will be NO Special Footy Day canteen menu for this day. We appreciate your understanding and are sure the day will be a terrific celebration for all our students!

We remind our students to bring a **gold coin** donation for State Schools Relief and to also wear their footy colours or tops from other sporting codes.

We will dedicate a special celebration to the Premiership winning team too!

Liam Murphy

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS \$5.00 PER ITEM

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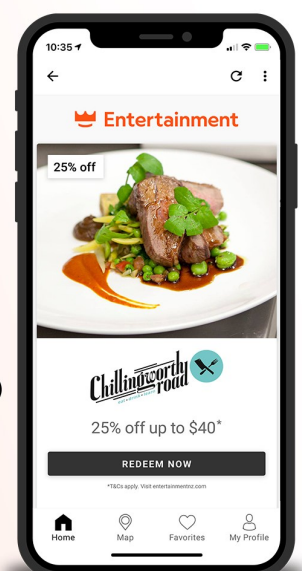
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SCAN ME

SDNA would like to invite all male netballers or male participants that would like to give netball a go!

SDNA is working with other local netball associations to encourage males to play netball. Each week we will be rotating the locations of the come and try boys' program at different netball associations and finish the program with a Round Robin.

The Netball coach will be Campbell Brown who plays in the Victoria 17s team and Jayden Cowling who plays in the Victoria men's team.

Please register today! Bring your friends and family and a fun session will be promised.

Please see below future come and try dates:

- Thu 12th Oct @ Chelsea DNA
- Thu 19th Oct @ Sandringham DNA
- Thu 26th Oct @ Dandenong DNA

Let's get together and make this program a massive success.



2023—2024 SCHOOL TERM DATES

TERM 3: Monday 10 July to Friday 15 September
TERM 4: Monday 2 October to Wednesday 20 December
TERM 1: Tuesday 30 January (students) to Thursday 28 March



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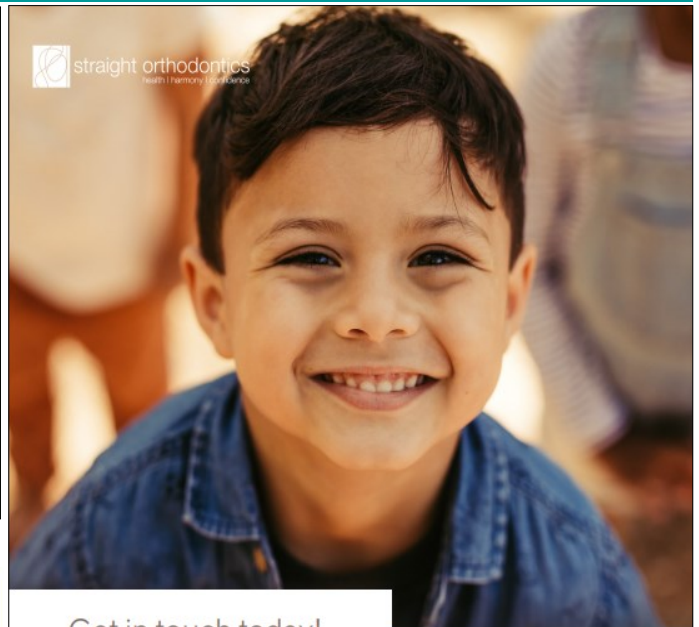
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