

Aspendale Gardens Primary School

Newsletter—Thursday 16th November



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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

NOVEMBER

Friday 17 Year 6 ISS vs St Louis P.S. (Away)
Grandparents' Day 11:30am—12:30pm

Tuesday 21 Year 5 RSPCA Excursion 5BM & 5LW
Year 6 Kingston Support Program

Thursday 23 Running Group @ 7:30am
COLOUR FUN RUN—1:45pm start

Friday 24 Year 6 ISS vs Seaford P.S. @ Home
Final Game for 2023

Tuesday 28 Year 6 Kingston Support Program

Wednesday 29 Friends / Parent Helpers' Morning Tea
11:00am—11:45am in our Library

DECEMBER

Thursday 30 Running Group—Beach Run to Mordialloc Beach
Year 4 Braeside Park Excursion
Year 2 Silent Disco/Wellbeing Incursion

Friday 1 PUPIL FREE DAY—2024 Planning
Book Club Issue #8 Orders Close

Monday 4 Years 5 & 6 Beach Program Begins

Wednesday 6 Foundation World of Dance Incursion

Thursday 7 Christmas Carols 5:00pm—6:30pm

Friday 8 Years 5 & 6 Beach Program Ends

SAVE THE DATES

Grandparents' Day—Friday 17th November

Colour Fun Run—Thursday 23rd November

Friends/Parent Helpers' Morning Tea

Wednesday 29th November 11:00am—11:45am in Library

FROM OUR ACTING PRINCIPAL

Remembrance Day

It was a real privilege to stand beside our School Captains at the Remembrance Day service in Chelsea last Saturday, to pay our respects to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedom that we are able to enjoy in Australia.

The students each laid a rose on behalf of our school to show our gratitude for the servicemen and women who fought for our country in all wars.



Planning for 2024 Classes

We are beginning to make plans for 2024. This involves organising staffing and classes. If you know that your child will not be attending AGPS next year, please can you let the office know, so that we can plan around our expected numbers for 2024.

Next week your children will be asked to nominate 5 students who they think would be a supportive friend and good influence on their learning in 2024. The teachers will be using these sociograms when placing the students into their 2024 classes. Please have a chat with your children, so that they have time to think about and process their choices with some parental guidance. The students will have at least one person from their sociogram allocated to their class.

Art Expo

We have had so many positive comments about the art creations in our foyer over the past couple of months, but the Chicken Run chickens had to be released last week. The foyer has been a hive of industry this week in preparation for Wednesday evening's Art Expo. The school was open to celebrate the amazing artwork the students have completed. It was excellent to see so many students eagerly seeking out their artwork to share with their parents, siblings and friends. A lot of hard work has gone in to bringing such an event like this together. A huge thank you to Julie Lach and Niamh Aherne for their planning and creative talent. We look forward to having this up for parents and friends of the school to view over the next few days.



Grandparent / Special Friends Day

Tomorrow (Friday 17th November), we welcome our grandparents and special friends to spend some time with us at school. We invite our guests to join us from 11:30am in the classrooms and to visit our Art Expo in the library and administration area.

Unexplained Absences

If your child is sick and cannot attend school we ask that you phone through to the office or complete the absence notification on Compass yourself. It is important that a reason for absence is included. Sending a Dojo message to the class teacher is useful to make the class teacher aware, but this needs to be in addition to marking it on Compass. Thank you for your support with this.

Colour Fun Run

This fundraising event will undoubtedly be lots of fun for everyone involved. There will be a Compass post going out to pass on some of the important information about the event.

The Colour Fun Run is taking place next Thursday, 23rd November at 1:30pm. This is a whole-school event that all students will be participating in. Here are a few important points to consider for the day:

- ◆ Students may come to school dressed in their Colour Fun Run gear on Thursday.
Please wear a white t-shirt and clothes/shoes that you don't mind getting dirty.
- ◆ For any student who **does not** want to have coloured powder thrown on them while completing the run, we ask them to wear a **BLACK** t-shirt (or school uniform) so that our parent volunteers can avoid dispensing powder on them.
- ◆ Please also consider packing the following in the school bag or bringing them, when collecting your child at the end of the day:
 - Spare change of clothes
 - Towel
 - Plastic bag for dirty clothes
- ◆ All children will be provided with headband and sunnies to protect their eyes and we will also have masks on hand for those that require them.

We thank you for your amazing sponsorship activities and we look forward to another successful and colourful fundraising event.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Jonathan



**GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL PERSONS ARE
WELCOME TO COME TO YOUR GRANDCHILD'S
CLASSROOM TO CELEBRATE THEIR LEARNING
BETWEEN 11.30AM & 12.30.**

**CELEBRATING
GRANDPARENTS DAY**

FRIDAY 17TH

**THERE WILL ALSO BE AN ART SHOW IN THE
LIBRARY ALL DAY AND A PERFORMANCE IN THE
COURTYARD AT 12.30.**



STARS OF THE WEEK

TERM 4 WEEKS 5 & 6



Foundation—Year 2



Years 3 & 4



Years 5 & 6



Specialists

**MONSTAR MANIA
EXTRAVAGANZA!**

COLOUR FUN RUN

Thursday 23rd November

1.30 PM

TUNNEL 1



TUNNEL 2



TUNNEL 3



get SPONSORED and win prizes

Australian school club
Fundraising
specialists
SCHOOL
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The Fundraising Team

RUN4FUN



CONGRATULATIONS to:

Name: *Amelia R in 4RG* **Age:** *10*

1st prize *8-10 years age group*

Bio of Author: I love cats, school and writing mystery stories, so the Catworth College series is a mixture of all three. This is the first story in the series, but there may be more to come...

Title: Catworth College—The Golden Treat

Judge's Notes: "Loved this very cute story about cats!" "I would like to read more stories set at Catworth College."

"'Intelligent Whiskers' Aww - I agree, I want more Catworth College stories."

"Grabbed my interest and charmed me immediately! What a delightful series Catworth College would make."

Catworth College -The Golden Treat

Moonlight the cat woke up ready for another day of climbing, learning and fun. In fact, that was exactly what Catworth College was about – a university for cats who wanted to study sport. Moonlight Melbin had black fur, bright blue eyes, intelligent whiskers and a big smile. She was friendly, elegant and kind. Everyone in her climbing course simply adored her. Solving mysteries wasn't just Moonlight's hobby – she was born to be a detective and sometimes secretly wished she went to a police academy!

After her morning groom, Moonlight hurried to the Forest of Knowledge, where class was about to begin. Pawfessor Fluffy was instructing the students. "Today you will climb the Tree of Destiny. Please do not touch the Golden Treat, you all know that. Moonlight, since you were the quickest climbing the Autumn Tree yesterday, please go first." Impossibly fast and agile, Moonlight managed to race up and down the tree in seconds. Her best friend Kitty was unusually slow. The following day in the Forest, the cat students were to climb the Tree of Destiny again. As Moonlight made her way up, she couldn't find the Golden Treat! A mystery was on its way...

That night at bedtime, Moonlight noticed Kitty had a little lockbox on her bedside table. Kitty said it was a special necklace that her mum sent her. Moonlight wasn't sure Kitty was telling her the truth. Still puzzled, she fell asleep uneasily.

In the morning, Moonlight reported the missing treat to Pawfessor Fluffy. "Don't worry, I will look for it", he said. "Oh dear, that treat provided food for the Tree of Destiny, and I fear the Tree is getting weaker. I wonder what happened?" Pawfessor Fluffy furrowed his thick brows. His long whiskers twitched anxiously. "Who could possibly take the treat?", thought Moonlight. Maybe the cat burglar was Purrina Catflake, the meanest kitty in the class...

Whilst eating a delicious lunch of tuna salad, Moonlight noticed kitty wasn't eating a thing. "Why aren't you eating? Tuna salad is your favourite!", she told Kitty. Kitty sighed. She has a big confession to make...

"I stole the Golden Treat. I can't afford to pay the food fees, I was so hungry, and no one was looking.... so I grabbed it and ate it..." Kitty bowed her head in shame. "I think you should explain everything to Pawfessor Fluffy", said Moonlight. 'I'm sure he'll understand and maybe organise a tuck box for you. Do you have anything in exchange of the treat?' "I have special plant biscuits.

They are perfect for sacred trees!", said Kitty, relief flooding her face. So Kitty went to Pawfessor Fluffy and he was more than happy to feed the sacred tree plant biscuits!

More mysteries at Catworth were to come....

Performing Arts at AGPS

ART SHOW & GRANDPARENTS' DAY PERFORMANCES

Orchestra



Our newly formed school orchestra made its debut last night (Wednesday 17 November) at our Art Show and will perform again at 12:30pm during Grandparents' Day celebrations tomorrow. Our recorder players, drummers, ukulele players, guitarists and violins have been rehearsing during lunch times to prepare. We hope you are there to support and enjoy our performance.

Choir

Following their amazing performance at Production, our school choir took part in the Art Show and will take part in our Grandparents' Day performance. If you missed Production, come and hear our lovely voices this week.



Band

In our senior years, students begin recorder and drumming (Djembe's & Bucket drums) in Year 3, Ukulele in Year 4 and Keyboard in Year 6. To gain the most benefit from these units, it is advised that students have these instruments at home as well, to practice. We have enough class instruments for all children but unfortunately we cannot allow them to be taken home.



Music is a core subject in secondary school, and we try to prepare our AGPS students for the transition as best we can. Instruments would be a wonderful Christmas present for your children. Private instrumental lessons for the following instruments are also offered at AGPS — drums, guitar, keyboard & vocal. If your children are interested, please contact Annie in the office.

Recorders

Current Year 2 students will need their own recorder next year. You can purchase these from Officeworks, Big W or music stores. Please name them clearly and bring to school at the start of the year. They will be kept at school and it would be most beneficial, but not compulsory, to have a second recorder at home to practice

Christmas Concert

We are returning to LIVE Christmas celebrations this year - YAY! Please put Thursday 7th December in your diaries. We look forward to seeing you there at 5:00pm, supporting your children in their performances.



Merry music making!

Mrs Nicolson and Mrs McGregor

Year 2 Sleepover



The Year 2's had the most amazing time at the Year 2 Sleepover. It consisted of a super fun incursion where we completed camp-like activities. Then we had more fun and games after school with the help of some wonderful teachers!

After we set up our sleeping spots, we were very excited to have dinner and dessert! As you could imagine, this was easily our favourite part!

The school disco that night was lots of fun and prizes were won and then we settled in for a movie before drifting off to sleep!

Year 2 Sleepover was lots of fun and we learnt a lot! We feel better prepared for Year 3 Camp! Bring it on!





Year 6 Interschool Sport (ISS)



Match Report

Last Friday, the Year 6 students hosted Patterson Lakes Primary School for their third round of Year 6 Interschool Sport (ISS) for Term 4. The Year 6 students, once again, did a fantastic job representing AGPS in their chosen sport, while also showing excellent sportsmanship throughout their games.

Below are the results from last week's games

Basketball (Boys) Year 5		Basketball (Girls)	
AGPS	50	AGPS	11
Patterson Lakes PS	27	Patterson Lakes PS	18
Best Player/s:	Will T	Best Player/s:	Hanna M

Cricket (Boys)		Cricket (Mixed)	
AGPS	109	AGPS	107
Patterson Lakes PS	131	Patterson Lakes PS	58
Best Player/s:	Jai E & Jasper P	Best Player/s:	Indi M & Hugo H-H

Kickball (Mixed #1)		Kickball (Mixed #2)	
AGPS	30	AGPS	8
Patterson Lakes PS	18	Patterson Lakes PS	20
Best Player/s:	Darcy T & Mila Z	Best Player/s:	Jordan L & Alisha H

Volleyball (Boys)		Volleyball (Girls)	
AGPS	0	AGPS	0
Patterson Lakes PS	2	Patterson Lakes PS	2
Best Player/s:	Keegan F	Best Player/s:	Lilah W

Lawn Bowls (Mixed)	
AGPS	6
Patterson Lakes PS	4
Best Player/s:	Matthew D & Tiana G

Well done to all our Year 5 & 6 students on their efforts last week. Tomorrow students will be competing away against **St Louis de Montfort's School**. Venues for this week's games have been posted on Class DOJO. Most games will begin around 9.30am tomorrow. **GO AGPS!**



Mr. Braden King



Thursday Morning Running Group (Term 4)

It has been wonderful to see so many students, teachers and parents of **Thursday Morning Running Group** continue to take on the challenge of seeing how far we can run around Australia over the last five sessions.



Across **Terms 3 & 4**, we are setting a challenge to anyone who takes part in Thursday Morning Running Group. We are setting the challenge of seeing how far, as a group, we can **run around Australia (13,995km)** before our final session of the year.

From our session last week, we have now completed the 2nd stage of travelling from **Melbourne to Canberra (663kms)**. We are now travelling from **Canberra to Sydney (286km)** as part of the 3rd stage and we are now only 234km away from completing this stage.

Well done to everyone who has so far contributed towards our progress.

To keep track of our progress across **Terms 3 & 4**:

<https://sites.google.com/education.vic.gov.au/agps-run-around-australia/running-group>

The current Top 3 leaders for Year 3 are:

Place	Name	Class	Distance (km)
Boys			
1 st	Hayden F	3RP	27.4
2 nd	Logan H-I	3RP	27.2
3 rd	Felix C	3JB	16.1
Girls			
1 st	Morgan B	3KA	29.9
2 nd	Tom G	3RP	26.7
3 rd	Chloe M	3KA	23.2

The current Top 3 leaders for Year 4 are:

Place	Name	Class	Distance (km)
Boys			
1 st	Elijah O	4DG	41.9
2 nd	Tullow D W	4RG	29.9
3 rd	Miles H	4DG	27.6
Girls			
1 st	Sylvia H	4RG	28.8
2 nd	Layla K	4OM	25.9
3 rd	Ivanka Y	4RG	22.3

The current Top 3 leaders for Year 5 are:

Place	Name	Class	Distance (km)
Boys			
1 st	Jonah D W	5LW	40.8
2 nd	Ari W	5LW	39.8
3 rd	Mitch A	5AA	35.7
Girls			
1 st	Jade P	5BM	26.7
2 nd	Kiara C	5RK	18.4
3 rd	Ada W	5AA	5.6

The current Top 3 leaders for Year 6 are:

Place	Name	Class	Distance (km)
Boys			
1 st	Leon K	6KC	29.9
2 nd	Max S	6KC	21.7
3 rd	Koby F	6AK	16.8
Girls			
1 st	Indi M	6BH	26.4
2 nd	Poppy B	6KC	17.2
3 rd	Bella Q	6BH	12.8

If your child would like to be part of **Thursday Morning Running Group** and take part in our challenge in Term 4, please ensure that their **consent form and payment of \$5.00** have been completed via Compass.

Mr. Braden King



Save the Date

AGPS CHRISTMAS CAROLS

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER 5PM

CAROLS
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RAFFLE

More details coming soon!

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WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2023



Aspendale Gardens
Primary School

Tickets are \$2 each

The draw will take place at AGPS during the carols night on

Thursday 7th December from 5pm



All tickets to be returned to the office by **Tuesday 5th December**.

Phone: 9587 0877 Email: aspendale.gardens.ps@education.vic.gov.au Website: www.agps.vic.edu.au

We acknowledge the Traditional owners of the land, the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong peoples of the Kulin Nation and pay our respect to Elders, past, present and emerging.

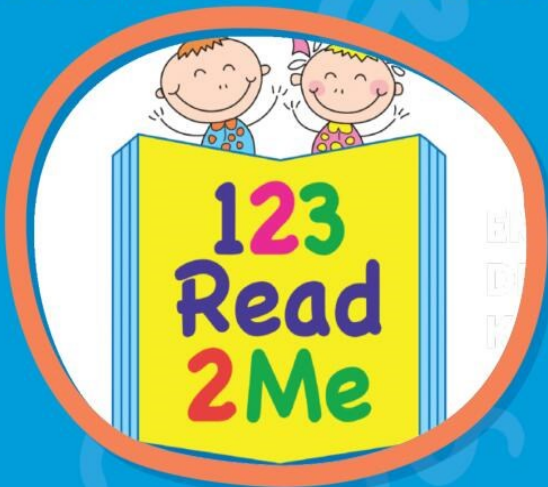


Leadership Roles

The children have been fantastic in their leadership roles during our sessions, embracing their responsibilities and ensuring respectful leadership among their peers. Each week, there's a specific focus for the children, and those in leadership roles conduct interviews with their peers as part of the session.

Week 7 - Superhero Week

This week, we focus on all things superhero specifically being a superhero friend! We're diving into what it means to be a superhero to our friends from lending a listening ear to joining forces on adventures, being a superhero friend is all about showing up and making a difference in the lives of those we care about.



123read2me Charity

Through WeCare, we've been actively raising funds to support the charity 123read2me. Each session, we reward children demonstrating good behaviour with stickers on our charity chart, contributing to our fundraising efforts. Children experience a sense of pride in the knowledge that they're capable of positively impacting other children's lives.

TIMES

Before School: 7:00AM - 8:45AM

After School: 3:30PM - 6:15PM

Holidays: 7:00AM - 6:15PM

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Aspendale Gardens PS TheirCare (SE-00005090)

Quality Area 1

Educational program and practice
Exceeding NQS

Quality Area 2

Children's health and safety
Meeting NQS

Quality Area 3

Physical environment
Exceeding NQS

Quality Area 4

Staffing arrangements
Meeting NQS

Quality Area 5

Relationships with children
Exceeding NQS

Quality Area 6

Collaborative partnerships
Meeting NQS

Quality Area 7

Governance and leadership
Exceeding NQS

Overall



RATED
EXCEEDING
NATIONAL QUALITY STANDARD

Department of Education and Training

Date of issue: **10 October 2023**

Assessment and Rating ID number: **ASR-00041082**



Evergreen Christmas Trees

25th November Opening weekend
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\$5.00 PER ITEM

Uniforms are available to purchase during office hours:

8:30am — 4:00pm

ALL donations can be left at the school office.

If you have any pre-loved uniforms in good condition please consider donating them. All donations can be left at school reception.



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Tuning in to Kids®



Tuning in to Kids® is a parenting program that focuses on the emotional connection between parents/carers and their children, from preschoolers to teens.

The program has success in improving parenting, parent-child relationships, parental meta emotion, children's emotional competence and behaviour. Backed by evidence-based research, this 6-8 session parenting program focuses on developing key skills in recognising and responding to your children's emotions. This program is designed for parents of children aged 3 to 10 years old.

Would you like to learn how to:

- Be better at talking with your child?
- Be better at understanding your child?
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- Help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- Teach your child to deal with conflict?

Where: Online via Zoom

When: Wednesdays, 7th February - 27th March 2024

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: FREE

Suitable for: Parents with children aged 3 - 10 years

Eligibility: Families residing within the Bayside Peninsula region

Registration: To access the Group Work Registration Form, please visit <https://www.familylife.com.au/early-help/> or scan the QR Code



For further information please contact:

 (03) 8599 5433 or  earlyhelp@familylife.com.au www.familylife.com.au



JUN 2023



Tuning in to Teens[®]



A free program for parents and carers of young people aged 10 to 18 years old.

Would you like to:

- Better understand your teen?
- Communicate effectively with your teen?
- Help your teen manage their emotions?
- Prevent behaviour challenges in your teen?
- Support your teen to manage conflict effectively?

Our six to eight week Tuning into Teens[®] program teaches parents how to help their teen develop emotional intelligence.

Teenagers with higher emotional intelligence:

- Have more stable and satisfying relationships
- Are better at managing peer pressure
- Are lower risk of mental health and substance concerns
- Have greater success making friends
- Are more able to manage conflict
- Have greater career success

Where: Online via Zoom

When: Thursdays, 8th February - 28th March 2024

Time: 12.30 pm - 2.30 pm

Cost: FREE

Suitable for: Parents with young people aged 10 -18 years

Eligibility: Families residing within the Bayside Peninsula region

Registration: To access the Group Work Registration Form, please visit <https://www.familylife.com.au/early-help/> or scan the QR Code



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JUN 2023


Sign the AGCS kinder road safety petition!


We, the **children of Aspendale Gardens Kindergarten**, want the **40km/h sign** on Kearney Drive to be **extended to cover our kindergarten!** Please sign our petition to support our request to the City of Kingston. Follow the QR code or visit <https://chnng.it/YCMYdMWbX7>




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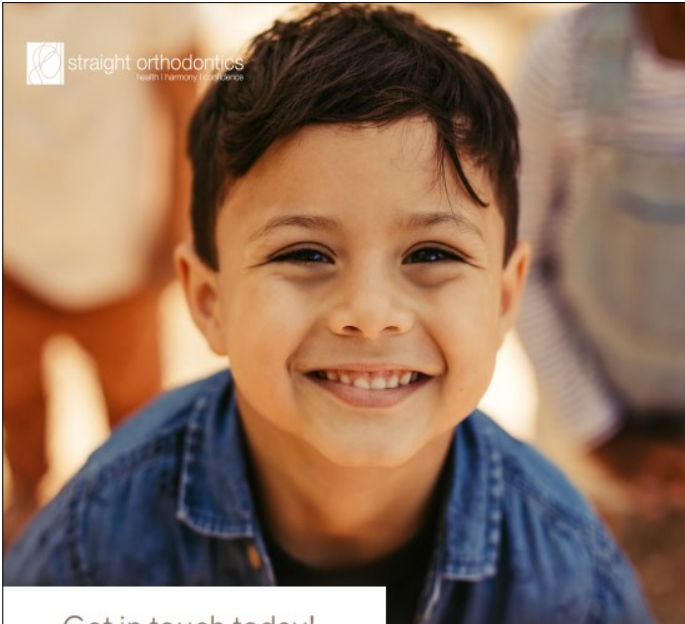
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