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THE AINSLIE UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 12025

28th Feb - Family Fun Night

7th March - STUDENT FREE DAY

10th March - Labour Day (STUDENT FREE)

12th -24th March - NAPLAN

14th March - Interschool Sport Gala Day

14th March - Twilight Working Bee

19th & 26th March - Pickle Ball Clinics

21st March - Harmony Day

21st March - Assembly at 3pm

4th April - Assembly at 2pm

2.30pm dismissal

End of Term 1

Term 2 2025

Dates TBC - Years 4-6 Interschool Sports

10th-22nd May - Education Week

20th May - District Cross Country

6th Jun - STUDENT FREE DAY

9th Jun - King's Birthday (STUDENT FREE)

4th July - End of Term 2

Term 3 2025

21st July - STUDENT FREE DAY

27th Aug - Book Week begins

29th Aug - Book Parade and Special

Person's Morning

9th Sep - District Athletics

19th Sep - End of Term 3

Term 4 2025

12th-14th Nov - 5/6 Camp

9th Dec - Statewide Transition Day

19th Dec - End of Term 4





Hockey Victoria

It was a fantastic experience having Hockey Victoria attend APPS on Wednesday 26th of February, as part of their roadshow program. Our students learnt the skills of hockey through exciting game-based activities in an engaging, fun and safe environment.

While the roadshow is over, students can continue their hockey journey by joining a local Hookin2Hockey program at www.hookin2hockey.com.au. With programs starting soon now is the perfect chance to get out on the pitch. Hookin2Hockey will allow children to expand on the skills they recently learnt at school, develop fundamental motor skills while making friends and having fun!

We need YOU! Parent/grandparent Reading Program

Last year, we had a hugely successful parent/grandparent reading program that we would love to bring back in 2025. If you are able to volunteer an hour or two once a week to listen to children read, we would love to have you on board! It is a great way to support our students with their learning. If you are interested, please email: Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au Thank you! Our staff, students and their families really appreciate you!

Library Bags

Please ensure that your child brings their library bag to school to protect books they borrow. Previous students have been give a calico bag that was decorated in Art Class. However, if you cannot locate this bag, any named bag that will protect books will work. If you have any queries, please contact the office.

Student Spotlight!!

If your child has experienced success in their extra curricular activities, please let us know so we can help celebrate their success in our newsletter! Please email any information to:

Jane.Capon@education.vic.gov.au

Lunchtime Clubs at APPS - introducing Art!

Our fabulous Art Captains, Lumi and Arlo, have worked with Emma to put together at Art Club schedule for the rest of the term. We invite all students to come along on Tuesdays at Lunchtime and share your talent!

Week 6 - Art Hub drawing

Week 7 - Sketching

Week 8 - watercolour painting

Week 9 - Charcoal drawing

Week 10 - Easter colouring



Congratulations Lexi!

Congratulations to Lexi Miles! Lexi has been selected to attend the Team Vic Basketball tryouts. Good luck Lexi!



Gala Day

Our Grade 5/6 (and some Grade 4) students are currently preparing for Interschool Sport Gala Day. We are very fortunate to have the Melba College Sports and Recreation students help coach our teams in preparation for Gala Day. The Gala Day is on the 14th of March. APPS has a basketball, soft crosse, hot shots and cricket team. Further information via Compass Event.

Pickleball

APPS students will be participating in two Pickleball workshops on the 19th and 26th March. All students will participate during their regular PE lessons. We have had a new hot shots court painted near the school office in anticipation for the workshops.

Please be sure to have your SunSmart hat named and at school every day! Thank you!

Approaching other children in the yard

Just a reminder that we ask parents not to approach other children in the yard, without express permission from their (custodial) parent. If you have any concerns, or would like further information, please contact the office.

School Student Broadband Initiative extended

The <u>School Student Broadband Initiative</u> offers eligible families with school-aged students free NBN broadband internet at home. The initiative was due to end on 31 December 2025 but has been extended.

The initiative is capped at 30,000 services connected. Once this number is reached, no further applications to participate in the initiative will be accepted.

Families and carers currently connected to the NBN network through the initiative will have their connection automatically extended with their participating internet provider until Friday 30 June 2028.

Eligible families and carers who already have a voucher to take part in the initiative should activate their free service with a participating internet provider as soon as possible. This voucher will become invalid once the cap is reached.

To be eligible for SSBI, families must:

- have a child living at home who is enrolled in an Australian school (up to year 12 including Prep)
- not have an active NBN network internet service at home (excludes mobile internet services)
- live in a premises that can access the NBN network via a standard connection (NBN will confirm this)
- not have had an active NBN connection during the previous 14 days.

Call the <u>National Referral Centre</u> on <u>1800</u> <u>954 610</u>. They will check your nominated home address for an active NBN connection.

Shop for Schools

This year, Ainslie Parklands Primary School is in the running for cash prizes from Eastland in their "Shop for Schools" promotion. Please see the flyer further down to see how you can support our school if you are shopping at participating Eastland shops between 11th March - 8th April 2025.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

We are looking for Volunteers to run our Secondhand Uniform shop.

We would anticipate it to be open once every fortnight from 3:15-3:45pm.

If you are happy to take on this role please contact the office to discuss your interest.

Until we have the Secondhand Uniform shop up and running we would like to request that we do not have any further donations of uniforms please.



Yesterday we were visited by NED's Resiliency Ride through a whole school performance. The children were engaged and interested in the show, designed to encourage everyone to become Champions at school and in life!

NED yo-yos are still available for purchase to support the free show and message. If your child has already purchased a yoyo, here is an important link to help them get off to a good start with proper string length adjustment, https://www.thenedshows.com/string-adjusting

Additionally, here are a couple of our favourite follow up home resources from The NED Show website. You may want to use these with your child as they are designed to go hand in hand with the programme.

The NED Pledge Champion Choices

If you'd like additional resources, they are available here.

And don't forget to ask your child what they learned in the show about Never giving up, Encouraging others and Doing your best!







From F1A & 1/2A

This year at APPS, we introduced STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) as a subject.

Over the past few weeks, students have been exploring how different ingredients combine for specific purposes. Together, we made predictions and observed various reactions. For example, when making jelly, we saw how adding liquid to jelly crystals helped dissolve them and how refrigeration caused the jelly to set. Students also enjoyed eating their creations!

Last week, we made playdough, further investigating how ingredients change when combined. We observed how heat helped solidify the mixture. The playdough will now be used in our classroom to support fine motor skills and mindfulness activities.

We're excited for many more STEM lessons throughout the year!









From 3/4A

In 3/4A this fortnight we have continued to develop our writing skills by learning about Narrative Texts. We have been looking at the structure and features of narratives, which make them different from other types of writing. We have started planning our own narratives and how to create the perfect first paragraph and building compound and complex sentences. For Literacy, we started looking at the three sounds of the -ed suffix and have been practicing our Reading Fluency. This is the foundation of our explicit teaching instructional model for English, which will become an embedded aspect of the learning program going forward. Next week we will be adding handwriting into the mix!

In Maths we have continued developing automaticity and strategic thinking during our daily 'Number Talks'. We have been consolidating our knowledge of odds and evens, and building place value knowledge by expanding numbers from 2- to 6-digits. The students have had fun making number lines and were very excited to begin using Prodigy as an online tool to consolidate their understandings.

We were also treated to the NED Resiliency incursion on Thursday 27th February. We learnt a lot about bouncing back when faced with adversity, which enhanced our understanding about Resilience as one of our school values. Big thanks to Sophie for organising this as part of our Wellbeing focus.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone! Chantal, Melissa and Laura 3/4A team





From 4/5A

Over the past week, the 4/5 students have been delving into persuasive writing. They developed opinions on various topics and provided reasoning to support their viewpoints.

Opinion: I would rather never-ending donuts than never ending popcorn.

Reason: You could break your tooth on a corn kernel.

Marshall, Hugo, Tait, Sienna

Opinion: I would ather do the laundry than the dishes.

Reason: You only do it once a week.

Jags

Opinion: I would rather swim with sharks than hippos. Reason: Unless you are bleeding, sharks will not bite you.

Sophie & Savannah

Opinion: I would rather a computer than a TV.

Reason: You can always watch movies on a computer.

Miles & Aaron

From 6A

Training for Gala Day

By Lucas and Eamon

On Friday the year 5s and 6s and some of the 4s were visited by students from Melba College to get ready for gala day. Students were split into group for their sports, including sofcrosse, Hot Shots, basketball, and kanga cricket.

Hot shots focused on serving the ball and switching places for different techniques. At the end, they had a little rally to test their skills.

Meanwhile, kanga cricket was learning how to bowl the ball, throw the ball correctly and leanrt to hit the ball with the bat correctly. After, they played a round of cricket.

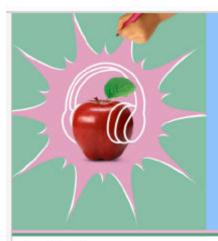
Basketball was on the court next to Hot Shots. 'We learnt how to shoot the ball from different angles to get it in perfectly' -Aidan M. They had a round of basketball at the end as well, to test their skills. The team played a game of red vs yellow, and the yellow team won 6 – 4.

Sofcrosse was on the oval next to kanga cricket. In soft cross we did running drills at least 5 times, and we practiced throwing the ball to each other -Ehpoh. They also had a round at the end









SHOP FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Help your local school WIN a share of \$18,000! Plus go in the draw to receive weekly giveaways*

Find out more eastland.com

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Dear Families,

We are very excited to be on of 15 local primary schools participating in Shop For Your School at Eastland which is providing us a chance to **WIN a guaranteed CASH prize**;

IST PRIZE: \$8,0002ND PRIZE: \$4,0003RD PRIZE: \$2,000

4TH – 10TH PRIZE: \$500 per school
 11TH – 15TH PRIZE: \$250 per school

Simply shop at Eastland's participating fresh food retailers between March 11 - April 8, upload your receipts to your profile and every dollar you spend converts into points for our school.

DOUBLE POINTS - Shop at participating retailers between 5pm - 9pm EVERY THURSDAY.

PARTICIPATING RETAILERS

- 1. Baker's Delight
- 2. Big W
- 3. BreadTop
- 4. Coles
- Crown Asian Supermarket
- 6. Earth Espice
- 7. Elite Supplements
- 8. Fish Pier
- 9. Go Vita
- 10. Harris Scarfe
- 11. Kmart
- 12. Natures Green Farm
- 13. Poultry Creations
- 14. Target
- 15. The Chopping Block Butchery
- 16. Woolworths

HOW TO REGISTER

Register your profile and select our school as your nominated school by heading to eastland.com.au You only need to register once and upon registration you will receive a BONUS 250 points!

HOW TO UPLOAD POINTS FOR OUR SCHOOL

- 1. Shop at Eastland's participating retailers listed above during the campaign and keep your receipts.
- Log into your account using you email that you registered with.
- Upload your receipt and proof of purchase to your profile every time you shop (you can upload multiple receipts at once)

Your purchase amount will be converted into points for our school, and you automatically go into the draw to win weekly prizes for yourself!! The top three schools with the most points at the end of the campaign will WIN a cash prize.

Starting primary school?

Starting school is an exciting time for children, parents and carers.

The first year of primary school is called Foundation or Prep.

To enrol in a Victorian government primary school, follow these steps the year before your child starts school.

Before filling out an application

Read about when and how to enrol on our website



Make sure your child is the right age to start school



Find your local school and other nearby government schools at



findmyschool.vic.gov.au

Contact primary schools to book a tour, visit or for further information



Applying for Foundation enrolment

Get an application form from the primary school



Gather the required documents



Submit everything to the primary school by the due date (last Friday in July)



Wait for the school to contact you (first 2 weeks of August)



You can find out more, and access translated resources, at:

Enrolling in Foundation (Prep) | Victorian Government









Ainslie Parklands Primary School

Celebrating creativity, fostering independence and striving for excellence.

Minikids

Free and fun school preparation sessions for 3-5 year olds in 2025



Join our small group, teacher-led educational experiences to help prepare your little one for life at primary school.

www.ainslieparklandsps.vic.edu.au





Minikids 2025

Free and fun school preparation sessions for 3-5 year old children

2025 MiniKids Sessions

All sessions from 9.30-10:30am

Term 2

Wednesday 30th April Play and story time
Thursday 15th May Art and craft
Wednesday 4th June Fun with music
Thursday 26th June Messy play

Term 3

Wednesday 30th July Play and story time Thursday 14th August Gym play Wednesday 27th August Literacy Thursday 11th September Numeracy

MiniKids is open to all 3 and 4 year old kinder-aged children, regardless of which school they will attend.

Call 9870 1566 to secure a place for your child.

Hinkley Ave, Croydon Vic 3136

Phone: 03 9870 1566

E-mail: ainslie.parklands.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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ALL SKILL LEVELS

WINTER 2025 SEASON

順図 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 YEAR OLDS

GIRLS

TUESDAY 18TH MARCH TUESDAY 25TH MARCH MELBA COLLEGE STADIUM COURT 4 4:30PM- 5:30PM

BOYS

THURSDAY 13TH MARCH THURSDAY 20TH MARCH THURSDAY 27TH MARCH MELBA COLLEGE STADIUM

COURT 4 4:30PM - 5:30PM <u>OR</u> 5:30PM - 6:30PM

Please RSVP Peter Cunningham on 0400 577 476

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Ainslie Parklands Primary School Menu Term 1 2025

- Please ensure their lunch orders are written on a paper bag with the exact money enclosed (if paying for multiple siblings then please indicate clearly)
- Please note: a charge of 10c will be added to your lunch order if no paper bag supplied
- Whilst every endeavour will be made to provide exactly what is ordered there maybe occasions where this is not possible- the closest possible alternative will be provided.
- We will make every effort to cater for dietary requirements. Please ring Larissa on 0437005554 or Brad 0414257524 if you have any questions.

Sandwiches & Salads		
Salad	\$2.50	
Ham or chicken & Salad	\$3.50	
Ham or Chicken & Cheese	\$3.00	
Sweet Chilli Sub (w lettuce, chicken tender)	\$3.00	
Salad Tray (meat \$1 extra)	\$4.00	
Fruit Salad (term 1 & 4)	\$3.50	
Ham/Cheese Croissant	\$4.00	
Extras:		
50c bread roll/wrap or extras: egg, avocado		
20c Toasted		

Burgers		
Cheeseburger	\$4.00	
Chickenburger	\$4.60	
Parma burger	\$5.20	
Egg & Bacon	\$4.00	
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Snacks		
Crunch Pack (Carrot, apple, cheese, Biscuits)	\$2.00	
Popcorn	80c	
Hot Jam Donut	\$1.50	
Homemade Slice of the week	\$2.20	
Jelly Tub	\$1.20	
Choc Balls (3)	\$1.20	
Giant Choc Chip/M&M Cookie	\$2.50	

Hot Food (20c extra for sauce)		
4n20 Pie	\$3.50	
Chicken Snitzel Wrap	\$3.20	
Party pies	\$1.20	
Sausage Roll - Jumbo	\$3.50	
- Regular	\$2.00	
Pizza - Ham & Pineapple	\$2.60	
- Margherita	\$2.60	
Dim Sim (Steamed)	\$1.20	
Corn on the cob	\$1.30	
Hot dog (cheese extra 20c)	\$3.20	
Puppy dog (cheese extra 10c)	\$1.80	
Garlic Bread (cheese extra 20c)	\$2.00	
Nachos	\$3.50	
Chicken nuggets (4)	\$2.40	
Vegetarian spring roll	\$1.20	
Bolognaise Pasta (w/cheese) small	\$3.00	
Large	\$4.00	
*owned sealed container 20c discount. Where possible we use sustainable and recycled packaging		
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Drinks (Inc state recycling tax		
Bottled Water	\$1.10	
100% Juice (Apple, Blackcurrant, Orange)	\$2.00	
Oak Milk (Chocolate, Strawberry)		
Small	\$3.50	
Large	\$4.50	





Still Alive in 2025 American Breed Car Show

brought to you by



Sunday 16th March 2025 The Manhattan Hotel

Cnr Heatherdale & Canterbury Rds, Ringwood

All American 2 & 4 door Cars & Rods Welcome

Trophies awarded to: Best Ford, GM, Mopar and Hot Rod at 12:00 noon

Gates Open @ 8:00 am for display cars & 9:00 am for general public

Entrance Fees

Display Car Entry - \$10.00 per car (includes all occupants) Spectator Entry - \$ 5.00 per person (children U15 free)







GROW SHOW FLOWER & PRODUCE CATEGORIES TO ENTER

Cut Flowers & Shrubs

ONE BLOOM

Not rose or dahlia, no buds

ONE TRUSS OR SPIKE

Truss = 1 stem with multiple/ cluster flowers eg. pelargonium, polyanthus Spike = 1 stem, flowers either stalked or stalkless along the stem e.g. cymbidium archid, delphinium foxglave, gladiolus.

A CONTAINER OF CUT FLOWERS

All one type, any number of stems

A CONTAINER OF FLOWERS FROM A TREE, SHRUB, OR CREEPER

All of one type, any number of stems, colour variation allowed.

A CONTAINER OF MIXED FLOWERS

Any number of stems

A CONTAINER OF AUSTRALIAN NATIVE PLANTS IN FLOWER

Any number of stems

A CONTAINER OF MIXED FLOWERS

Any number of stems

ONE SINGLE DAHLIA

ONE CONTAINER OF DAHLIAS

Any number of stems, variety & colour variation allowed

ONE ROSE BLOOM

Any classification

ONE CONTAINER OF ROSES

Any number of stems, variety & colour variation allowed

ONE CONTAINER OF FOLIAGE

Any number of stems, no buds flowers, fruit or berries. Max size 50cm in any direction.

FLORAL DESIGN IN A SAUCER

BITS & PIECES IN A COFFEE MUG

Young People (Include Year Level on Exhibit Card)

ANIMAL MADE FROM HORTICULTURAL MATERIAL A FAIRY GARDEN ON A PLATE

May include ornaments

A CONTAINER OF FLOWERS IN A JAR

A COLLECTION OF WEEDS IN A JAR

ENTRIES ACCEPTED:

SATURDAY 15TH 3-5PM & SUNDAY 16TH 8 - 9:30AM **USE YOUR OWN CONTAINER**

LIMITED CONTAINERS AVAILABLE

Potted Plants

ONE POTTED PLANT(S) NO FLOWERS

No flowers, single type includes ferns. Bench space allowed 50cmx50cm

ONE POTTED PLANT(S) IN FLOWER

Single type: Max bench space allowed 5Dcmx5Dcm

ONE POTTED SUCCULENT OR CACTUS

One plant. Max bench space allowed 50cmx50cm COLLECTION OF SUCCULENTS &/OR CACTI

At least three varieties or types. Max container size 50cmx50cm

Produce

3 TOMATOES ON A PLATE

Stems attached. One or mixed varieties

10 BEANS ON A PLATE

Stems attached. One or mixed varieties

2 CUCUMBERS ON A PLATE

Stems still attached

EXHIBIT OF A TYPE OF VEGETABLE NOT MENTIONED ON A PLATE

E.g. one pumplon, bunch of rhubarb (S stems), 3 zucchini (stems attached). Number of items should be in proportion to the vegetable - smaller number for larger items.

A COLLECTION OF HERBS IN A IAR

3 APPLES ON A PLATE

Stems still attached.

10 STRAWBERRIES ON A PLATE

Stems still attached. One or mixed varieties.

EXHIBIT OF A TYPE OF FRUIT NOT MENTIONED ON A PLATE

E.g. 1 Melon, 10 Loguats, 5 Feijoas.

Stems still attached. Number of items should be in proportion to the fruit Smaller number for larger fruit.

COLLECTION OF AT LEAST THREE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PRODUCE

Fruit, vegetables, nuts, or herbs. 75cm x75cm max.

GROUP EXHIBIT

Horticultural material, flowers, pots.

Produce size - half trestle table - which can be a promotional displa

(Please pre-book a trestle table)



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AINSLIE PARKLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Playgroup

When: Friday 9.15am-10.45am during the school term

Where: 24-36 Hinkley Ave, Croydon (in the hall & new playground)

Contact: 98701566

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