

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

- **Ned Show-**
27 July
- **AFL 9s Gala**
day
Competition-
10 August
- **Book Fair-**
14-18 August
- **Athletics Day-**
22 August
- **Term 3 Ends-**
22 September

Please check the lost property basket for any missing items.



Our school is participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge.



Community Newsletter

Albion North Primary School

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Principal Report

Wow! Term three already!!!!

Mrs Myszka and Mr Squires won't be back at school for another couple of weeks as they enjoy some well-earned leave in different parts of the world. Welcome back to everyone else and a special welcome back to Ms Mahoney who will take 4/5A until Mrs Myszka returns.

You may have noticed some work happening around the school over the holidays. The Department of Education and Training gave us some money to fix up our buildings and grounds based on a priority list that they have. We managed to resurface the asphalt between the buildings and on the runways the children use for athletics and do some painting in the portables, art room and multipurpose room. The outside of the art room will be painted once the new playground that is going to be built nearby is completed.

School Review:

August is our review month, a process that every school goes through every four years. Our school reviewer will be visiting on the 2nd and 16th of August along with Senior Department personnel and Principals from other schools. They have a look at how things are done here and provide recommendations for our future direction.

Thank you to the parents who completed the survey at parent teacher interviews. This provides us with valuable data going into the review. There may be a need to ask further questions between the two review dates and we will contact people as necessary.

School Photos:

The class photos that were taken at the end of last term will be sent home soon. They are currently at the final proof checking stage before printing.

Uniform:

In the colder months, some items of uniform such as jackets and jumpers are put on in the morning and then children take them off later in the day. Please make sure uniform is named so that if an item is forgotten once it is taken off, it can be returned to its owner.

Child Safe Schools:

A reminder that Albion North PS, along with all Victorian Government Schools, complies with the Child Safe Standards that are set out in Ministerial Order 870. Policies that support the standards can be viewed on the school's website www.albionnorthps.vic.edu.au

As parents/carers, you also play a critical role in identifying and responding to abuse within the community. If you suspect that **your child** has been a victim of abuse, you should contact the Victoria Police immediately. The closest police station to our school is Sunshine and the phone number there is 9313 3333. If it is an emergency then you should contact 000.

If you suspect that another child has been abused, you should report this to the Department of Health and Human Services Child Protection on 1300 664 977. Again, in the case of an emergency, contact 000.

We have a few facts sheets about this available at the office, or you can read more on the website http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/protect/ChildSafeStandard5_ParentsProtecting.pdf

Portrait Photography:

One of our parents, Syed Khurram Anwar, is studying for a Diploma in Photography at RMIT. As part of his course, he is creating a portfolio of children (aged 1 to 8) from different nationalities. The photos will be taken at RMIT in the city, near the Old Melbourne Gaol and will be used for an end of year exhibition at RMIT and for and for Mr Anwar's website and facebook page .

If you are interested in having your child's portrait taken, please contact Mr Anwar directly on 0434023798 or by email at s3457721@student.rmit.edu.au. I have some samples of the portraits at the office if you would like to preview them.

School Banking Day Reminder:

Remember School Banking is **Thursday**.

- ◆ You can bank as much as you like every week, School Banking is about frequency not value.
- ◆ Every time a student makes a deposit at school they receive a silver Dollarmite token. Once they have individually collected 10 tokens they can be redeemed for an exclusive Dollarmite reward item.
- ◆ Open your child's account at The Commonwealth Bank (any branch).
- ◆ If your child already has a YOUTHSAVER account at home simply bring that in on banking day and hand to their teacher with their \$ safely enclosed inside.