

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Term 3 Ends- 22 September
- Term 4 Begins-9 October
- Swimming – 23 October- 3 November
- Report Writing Day-6 November
- School Concert- 6 December
- Grade 6 Graduation-19 December

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

Yes!!! It's September. Can you feel the Spring warmth in the air? Well, maybe not quite yet.

Many thanks to those brave parents who have attended assembly during Winter, I know I would much rather have been somewhere warm instead of the undercover area at Albion North PS. Your support of our school is greatly appreciated.

Also, thanks to the students who have performed during the weekly Albion North's Got Talent performance. What a great end to assembly this has been each week.

As I write this, work on the inclusive playground has not started. The architects who are managing the project for the Department assured me that work would start on Monday 28th August. I am hopeful that there may be some action before the end of term.

Book Week:

Congratulations to all children, parents and staff for the big effort that was made for the Book Week Parade in week 6. Your costumes were fantastic and some of them took me to Narnia and the magical world of the Faraway Tree, reminded me that there's no place like home and how a rainy day can be improved by a cat in a red striped hat. You made me imagine that I was Abilene, Elsa, a bad tempered ladybird and Charlotte and it was also pretty strange to have to work with Thing 1 and Thing 2 all day (and they caused as much trouble in the office as they do in the book).

Want to read more about these great places and characters? Look in our school library for *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Magic Faraway Tree*, *The Cat in the Hat*, *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*, *Frozen*, *The Bad Tempered Ladybird* and *Charlotte's Web*.

STEM Night:

We had a fantastic night at our STEM night on Wednesday 23rd August working on a range of activities in **Science**, **Technology**, **Engineering** and **Mathematics**. Thank you to all the staff who worked tirelessly after school on the evening and for many hours prior to the event – your efforts were greatly appreciated. Also, a big thank you to the families who braved the wild, wet weather and came to the event. I know from the feedback that everyone enjoyed the night and your interest in your children's learning is to be congratulated.

Child Safe Schools:

It is an expectation of the Minister for Education that I write in every newsletter to remind you of your responsibilities to keep all children safe. This is an important role that we all share and I know that as parents/carers who are doing the best for their children you want to be able to stop child abuse across our state.

Remember that if you suspect that **your child** has been a victim of abuse, you should contact the Victoria Police immediately. 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.

Holidays:

Term three will end at 1:30 on Friday 22nd September. Please note the earlier pick up time for the end of term. Someone always forgets and the children get very upset while they wait at the office – please don't let this be you.

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.

Children leaving ANP\$ in 2018– Could parents please let the office know if your child will no longer be attending our school in 2018?

**School Hats are compulsory in Terms 1 & 4.
Students are required to wear either a wide brimmed hat or a legionnaire hat.**

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