Dear Antonio Park Families,

Camping Program
The Antonio Park ‘Camping Program’ is alive and well, with Level 3 students heading off to their 3 day camp at Gundiwindi Lodge in Wandin yesterday. I would like to thank our staff: Bonnie Ratten, Danni Harvey, Alec Baroni, Rachel MacGilp, Jana Densem, Natalie Mackay Jan Mac, Michael Howse, Robyn Anderson and Elena Agache for all the work they had to do in the lead up to the camp and for the giving of their time over three days to ensure that the students have a great experience on camp. Also a big thank you to our parent helpers: Brendan Parsons, David Jones, Paul Goldsmith and Marc Giglio for attending the camp over the three days.

Darren Mac and I enjoyed our day at Gundiwindi Lodge and loved seeing all the students having a great time with each other and with parents and teachers. The activities include:

- Flying Fox
- Indoor Archery
- Adventure Playground
- Traditional Bush Hut Building and Bush Survival Skills
- Damper Cooking / Bush Cooking
- Giant Swing
- Low Ropes Course
- Orienteering
- Evening activities and excursions
- Games Room
- Trampolines
- Reptile Education Area and Farmyard Animals
- Initiative Activities/Team Building Activities
- Sensory, Photo and Nature Trails

When we visited we felt an immense sense of one big team supporting and caring for each other and the students were amazing. I am sure that the positive experience of camp will be remembered fondly, now and in the future.

Staff car park
Many thanks to our families who use the OSCH program, who are parking outside the school and using the pathways to drop their child/ren off in the morning and/or pick their child/ren up after school. The staff car park is too dangerous for children to be walking through with the unpredictable movement of cars at any given time.

Staffing news
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Assistant Principals

Jan is away at camp this week. We hope she stays off that giant swing!

CYBERSAFETY AT A.P.P.S.

Internet safety presentation helps children stay safe online

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Antonio Park Primary School is hosting a Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, teachers and students, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersmart initiatives.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge.

Antonio Park P.S. is committed to helping students develop appropriate behaviours when using digital technologies, both at school and home. Our program of internet safety initiatives includes:

- Inside Out Education Cybersafety workshops
- Internet safety embedded in all curriculum programs
- Student Acceptable Use Policy

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation will be held on:

- Wednesday 27th November.
- Student presentations will be held during the day
- Staff presentation after school
- Parent presentation at 6.30pm that evening

We strongly recommend that you view the interactive resource at: http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/whbts

A notice for the parent presentation was sent home last week. Please fill out the expression of interest form if you will be attending.

Regards,
Annette and Jan

What's Happening In Level 1?

While the weather forecast wasn’t looking the best it was actually a really good day for our zoo excursion! It was fantastic to be able to have a close look at the animals in their enclosures and note the features of their habitats. Many thanks to our parent helpers – I’m sure you enjoyed the day just as much as the children! See our photo page further on in the newsletter.

We are getting the hang of writing explanation texts – this week we were explaining how an animal survives in the rainforest and next week our writing topic is on explaining how a caterpillar turns into a butterfly.

Our spelling focus next week will be on the ‘ph’ digraph and the spelling rule of double the final consonant when adding ‘ing’ – for example – run to running. In maths we will be measuring the mass of objects.

Have a great week,
Elizabeth, Stacey, Lauren and Lauren
Level 1 Team

What’s Happening In Level 2?

WOW! We have been so impressed by all the wonderful projects the students have created over the past few weeks. All the PowerPoints, models, dioramas, booklets, posters and movies are so impressive and the presentations have been absolutely fantastic!

In maths we are beginning to revise addition and subtraction. You might like to quiz your child on basic addition and subtraction sums. Although we have finished learning about time it would be beneficial for the students to continue to practise reading the time on both analogue and digital clocks.

Our Level 2 transactional writing has been put up for display on the writing walls near the Level 1 corridor. Please go down and have a look at all our students’ wonderful letters, postcards and invitations. We are still receiving letters from the under the sea companies and organisations we wrote to and they have been so generous in giving us information and resources for us to use in our classrooms.

It is not long now until our excursion to the Melbourne Aquarium so please continue to bring back the money and permission slips.
We hope you enjoy the rest of your week.

The level 2 Team
What’s Happening In Level 3?

The Level 3 students are away at camp this week. We are looking forward to hearing what they got up to in next week’s newsletter.

What’s Happening In Level 4?

Level 4 Swimming.
Our last session of swimming is on this Friday. The students attending have all worked well and have improved their swimming abilities. Well done!

Level 4 Gold Rush Expo.
Remember Thursday 5th December is a day when parents can visit and peruse the work of the students on the Gold Rush period in Australia’s history.

Year 6 Jackets for 2014.
Final costing for our jackets and polo shirts is now occurring and an order form will be sent home soon.

School Captain speeches.
The speeches to elect our school captains for next year will take place in week 8 of this term on Friday 29th November.

Thank you!
Level 4 Team

What’s Happening In PE?

NATIONAL ATHLETICS:
Aaron PB heads off tomorrow to compete at the National Track & Field Championships in Brisbane. We all wish him well.

TENNIS:
Level 3 students enjoyed their tennis clinic with Jarrod Savage last week. Jarrod coaches many of our students outside school hours. If you would like your children to learn tennis I would highly recommend Jarrod. His mobile number is 0411668259.

SWIMMING:
The final Level 4 swimming session tomorrow completes our School Program for 2013.
I would like to thank all of the parents who have supported our program. We value the teaching of swimming very much and look forward to continued support next year.

At this stage all grade levels will be participating at the Nunawading Pool in 2014 with an exciting program being planned for level 4 students. Further information will be sent home early next year.

A REMINDER:
Please make sure you have completed payments to the Office for Swimming and the Bus Levy. Thank you.

Darren McMenaman
Phys Ed
Children Helping Out At Home

One way for children to learn about family relationships is to help out with the household chores. It also allows them to feel valuable and gives them a sense of responsibility. One of the tricks is to choose tasks that are appropriate to the age and ability of the child. There are a range of internet sites that give advice on age appropriate activities. Here are some taken from http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/tasks_and_chores_involving_kids.html

- 2-3 year olds can pick up their toys
- 4-5 year olds can set the table
- 6-8 year olds can help fold the washing

It also helps to change the chores from time to time and give lots of praise and encouragement.

PAG News

After 3 years, the last 2 as convenor of the PAG committee at school council it is time to hand over the reins at the end of this year. We have tried to make our fundraising efforts lots of fun for everyone involved and had plenty of laughs along the way. Before then, the committee are looking for your fundraising ideas for the future to pass on.

For this worthwhile committee to continue in 2014 we look to our school community members to apply for a position on school council and take on the role as convenor. The current committee have shared the various fundraising activities with each of us taking the lead on different events. This way the workload is shared and gives us the opportunity to try different fundraising ideas which are of particular interest to each of us.

I look forward to supporting the fundraising efforts of the PAG committee next year and many more years to come.

Please contact us if you would like to more about what is involved, or have any other questions at appsPAG@gmail.com or catch up at school. Maybe we could even go out for a coffee, that's the kind of committee we are, fun and fundraising!

Jeannine Vains
COMMUNITY NOTICES
(Please check the Community Noticeboard for further details)

- Blackburn Lake Sanctuary Bushland Education - Summer Holiday Program. Sessions have been developed for 5-12 year olds but all ages are welcome. Bookings essential ph 9262 6211 or visit http://home.vicnet.net.au/blsac/
- Ray White Mitcham is proudly running 'A little Ray of giving' this Christmas. Purchase and wrap a gift for a child and pop it under the tree at the Ray White Mitcham office. The gifts will be delivered by Ray White Mitcham and Rotary Club of Mitcham to a local charity. Contact Jacqui on 9872 3995

Camp Australia:
Hello everyone! Hope you all had a great weekend and are ready for the week ahead.
Some of our activities this week are:

- **Craft:** Children have been requesting Christmas craft all week so we have started with some Christmas tree door hangers, other craft activities include Hama beads, which are always popular, free painting, picture frames and much more.
- **Outdoors:** This week children have been enjoying the lovely weather playing cricket on the oval and getting out the football, also going to the bush playground and basketball court for fun games.
- **Cooking:** Honey joys slice, biscuits and French toast are just some of the yummy treats this week, and as always we have our pancake Fridays.
- **Indoors:** Card games are popular, with Billionaire being a favourite of all the children, group games, construction using Lego and the large blocks, free time and a whole lot more.

If you have any further enquiries or questions please call us on 0412 545 042 or 1300 105 343 or visit our website www.campaustralia.com.au
# Aussie of the Week Awards

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<td>Madeleine</td>
<td>For researching and presenting an outstanding information report on flounders. Well done Maddy!</td>
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<td>1EA</td>
<td>Skyler</td>
<td>For the huge improvement in his handwriting.</td>
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<td>1LC</td>
<td>Summer M</td>
<td>For your ongoing commitment to your work. You consistently strive to produce your best.</td>
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<td>1SG</td>
<td>James W</td>
<td>For always showing focus and independence during writing sessions. You always try your hardest and produce impressive work.</td>
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<td>2BC</td>
<td>Jack P</td>
<td>For a very creative project, I wish I could have eaten the jelly!</td>
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<td>Evelyn</td>
<td>For your creative and informative presentation on seahorses! You did a fantastic job!</td>
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<td>2CE</td>
<td>Benjamin H</td>
<td>For putting your best effort into all your work. What a superstar!</td>
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<td>2CN</td>
<td>Akima M</td>
<td>For the extra effort you put into your invitation. Your published piece was very creative.</td>
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<td>2JS</td>
<td>Amber</td>
<td>For always taking care of her classmates and being a diligent environmental leader.</td>
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<td>2LE</td>
<td>Shantae K</td>
<td>For always giving her best during writing sessions. You do a great job expressing your thoughts and ideas on paper.</td>
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<td>Belle</td>
<td>For the excellent start you have made on your writing to explain why jelly fish have stingers. I can't wait to read your final piece.</td>
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<td>Charlie M</td>
<td>For completing an absolutely amazing invitation. You worked hard to achieve work of a personal best standard! What a superstar!</td>
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<td>Taliah P</td>
<td>For being a responsible and independent worker. You are a star Taliah!</td>
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<td>Amelie</td>
<td>For showing resilience when faced with difficult situations. You were very mature.</td>
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<td>3RM</td>
<td>Connor N</td>
<td>For inspiring us with your responsible and creative work in the classroom. Just fantastic.</td>
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<td>3JD</td>
<td>Jayger HD</td>
<td>For displaying a fantastic work ethic when working through the writing process to complete his invitation. Great job Jayges!</td>
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<td>Chloe L</td>
<td>For always working responsibly and putting 100% into everything you do. Congratulations on your efforts.</td>
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<td>Manhao W</td>
<td>For working really well to develop and improve his English skills. Well done to Manhao.</td>
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<td>Jade F</td>
<td>For your fantastic effort completing your map of the Goldfields. Your presentation was amazing!</td>
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<td>Connor J</td>
<td>For setting a wonderful example for others everyday. Your focus on your learning is very impressive.</td>
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<td>4RF</td>
<td>Jamie G</td>
<td>For having the courage and confidence to perform at assembly. You have a truly magical voice Jamie!</td>
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<td>Ben Y</td>
<td>For really knuckling down and focusing on your learning. You set a great example for your classmates!</td>
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