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Monday 24 October	APPS Art Show
Tuesday 25 October	Whole School & Graduation Photo
Wednesday 26 October	Gr3/4 Phillip Island Camp
Monday 31 October	Curriculum Day
Tuesday 1 November	Cup Day
Thursday 3 November	Foundation Transition 9.30-11.00am
Monday 7 November	Foundation Healesville Sanctuary Excursion
Wednesday 9 November	Gr1 Myuna Farm Excursion
Thursday 10 November	Gr3/4 Water Safety Excursion
Monday 14 November	School Council 7pm
Tuesday 15 November	Foundation Transition 9.30-11.00am

Around Antonio

Issue 16

20 October 2022

Dear Antonio Park Families,

Year 2 Camp

Our Year 2 students set off on their first ever camp this week, winding through the bush to Stringybark Lodge in Gembrook. Greeted with blue skies, noisy kookaburras and truckloads of food, students were treated to a variety of adventures including a low ropes course, hut building, trampolining, mini golf, night hikes and a night time campfire. For many students this was their first camp experience and they are to be congratulated on the maturity they showed throughout. A huge thank you to our wonderful parent helpers as well who worked tirelessly to help make the students' experience a memorable one.

Camping Program at APPS

Antonio Park has run many quality camps over the years. Camps provide unique opportunities for students to develop independence, self management, along with important social skills. Our first Year 2 camp was very successful and we are looking forward to our upcoming 3/4 camp next week. As a school that prides itself on providing opportunities to students, we are happy to announce our camping program will continue with some changes next year. The school has been reviewing our 5/6 Canberra camp for a number of years now. Due to the new Victorian Government Schools Agreement, local school region policy, and increasing costs, we are unable to currently run 5 day camps. Next year, our 5/6 team have organised a 3 day Melbourne City camp. Antonio Park will continue to run a two day camp for Year 2 and 3 day camps for 3-6 students every year. The school understands that there may be disappointment around this development but I assure you that the 5/6 teachers have done a fantastic job planning an amazing experience for the students.

Victorian Government Schools Agreement 2022

The Victorian Government School Agreement (VGSA) is now ratified and operational from Monday 25th July.

The new Agreement contains a range of new industrial requirements. One of these is known as **Time in Lieu**. This requirement is a response to the growing parental communications and after-hours meetings such as Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences. More so, it is the varied extracurricular events offered by schools and this amount of unpaid work that the new EBA seeks to acknowledge.

It must be noted, in an industrial sense, extracurricular events are not part of a school's core work which is the delivery of the Victorian Curriculum. Extracurricular events are additional and have been provided by school staff, usually before or after hours through goodwill and to provide engaging opportunities for our students beyond that required by the curriculum.

after-hours events; however parents should be aware that the government has stated that there will be **no additional funding provided to schools to pay for TiL**.

It is certain that due to the requirement of TiL, there will be changes to how, when and if schools continue to provide the current range of extracurricular events, particularly camps. **We will do all we can to ensure that our culture of community and opportunities for students aren't diluted by this agreement.**

Changes to Instrumental Music Fees

A range of companies hire Antonio Park facilities to offer programs including sports, martial arts, music and after hours care. These businesses pay hire fees to the school. In the case of businesses offering music lessons, these fees help cover the cost of tuning pianos, maintaining and cleaning lesson rooms and other costs. One company who hires our facilities is Wonnies, a business that provides a music lessons service in schools across Melbourne. Recently, the school council asked Wonnies to also start paying a very small fee for using our facilities, as we do the other businesses who use our buildings.

The school understands that Wonnies has now raised the fees it charges for music lessons and are aware that this will be of concern to many families, particularly at a time of rising cost of living pressures. School Council is reviewing how the school can best facilitate access to music lessons for children and would be pleased to have feedback on families' experience of Wonnies, including affordability and customer service. Antonio Park Primary School believes that the opportunity to learn a musical instrument is important and would like to ensure that this continues to be available to as many children as possible.

Parent-Class Requests for 2023

At this time every year we give parents an opportunity to provide a letter explaining any special educational needs their child may have when transitioning into the next level. Information in this letter will be considered by the Principal as part of the process of grade placement for your child. A reminder that this letter must be in writing and emailed to the school, 'Attention: Carly Jones,' no later than **Friday 4th November**. Please note a specific request for a teacher is not offered. It is vital that information is put in writing in this way as opposed to just having conversations with your child's teacher so that we can ensure that we do not miss any important information.

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We unequivocally support teachers being paid for work for



Our School Values

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Empathy

Responsibility

Resilience

Independence

Confidence

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New Basketball Courts

It has been wonderful seeing our students enjoy the newly resurfaced basketball courts these first few weeks of term. Students have loved the opportunity at recess and lunchtime to play basketball, four square and even just sit in the sun socialising. The new surfaces are not only pleasing to the eye but the softer surface also provides greater safety for our students.

Division Athletics

Congratulations to our group of 5/6 students who competed at Division Athletics earlier this term. The APPS community can be proud of our students for their 100% commitment to their event while also encouraging and supporting one another along the way. Good luck to Chloe L and Lucy I who have advanced to the Regional athletics carnival this week.



Past to Present

Last week we commenced a very exciting initiative with Home Aged Care Services called Past to Present. The program involves a group of older members of the community who live at home, coming to visit our Foundation students to build social connections. The group is assisted by nurses and aged care workers. Each week, the group participates in various activities. It truly is a magical experience that is so heart warming to witness.

Have a great week.

Carly, Annette and Scott

Smile Squad six month fluoride varnish visit

The healthAbility Smile Squad team are heading back to our school to complete six-monthly fluoride varnish applications for those students who have provided consent. Fluoride varnish applications help make sure students have the best chance of preventing tooth decay, so we're excited Smile Squad are coming back.



Consent for this fluoride varnish application was provided when students' initial consent forms were returned. However, if anyone has changed their mind and do not wish to receive a fluoride varnish application, they can contact healthAbility directly to let them know. Please contact the Smile Squad team via: 0405 990 729 michelle.duclos@healthability.org.au

The Smile Squad team look forward to visiting soon.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

We are very lucky to have two of our parents, Abby Steedman and Claire Walsh volunteer their time to operate our Second Hand Uniform Shop. The shop operates in the foyer of the hall between 3:00-4:00pm. We thank you for all the wonderful donations of uniform items to enable our shop to operate. We kindly ask that only second hand PSW items be donated as second hand Kmart/Target items do not tend to be in demand.

Shop dates will be kept up to date in the newsletter.

Our next shop dates are:

25th October
29th November.





SAVE THE DATE

2022 ANTONIO PARK PS ART SHOW

**YOU'RE INVITED TO VIEW & CELEBRATE
THE ARTISTIC TALENTS OF OUR
STUDENTS.**

**OPENING NIGHT
MONDAY 24TH OCTOBER
6:00-7:30**

**OTHER VIEWING TIMES
TUESDAY 25TH OCTOBER
TO
THURSDAY 27TH OCTOBER
8:45-9:00AM 3:30-3:45PM**

ANTONIO PARK TEAMKIDS NEWSLETTER

Team
Kids

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Hey APPS families,

We cannot believe that we are already in TERM 4 and now in our new room!!!

We are so excited about this term!!! Term 4 is filled with excitement and festivity. We are planning for some epic clubs, super fun Halloween/Christmas activities, AND parties. So make sure you ALL keep your peeled for the TK newsletter.

Over the past week, we have had a blast since being in our new space. To celebrate, TeamKids have hired a COFFEE VAN from 7 to 9 am on the WEDNESDAY the 26th of October. There will be a range of FREE hot drinks, from coffee, hot chocolate, tea, and chai. If you have any questions regarding TeamKids, feel free to speak to one of our friendly staff members Alix or Aidan, who will be near the coffee van to answer all your questions. Also, waffles will be getting to served too all children attending BSC.

Just a few reminders now that we are in term four all children are to wear sun-smart hats when outside attending TeamKids to ensure all children are being SunSmart. Also, when dropping children off in the morning for BSC, can parents please not drive into the staff car park as it is only for school staff.

IMPORTANT DATES



Wednesday 26th October

Coffee Van and Waffles between 7-9am|
TeamKids



TEAMKIDS CLUBS

ASC WEEK: 4-5

MONDAY



Craft

TUESDAY



Sport

WEDNESDAY



Epic Games

THURSDAY

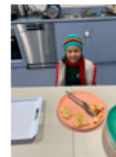


Cooking

FRIDAY



Sport

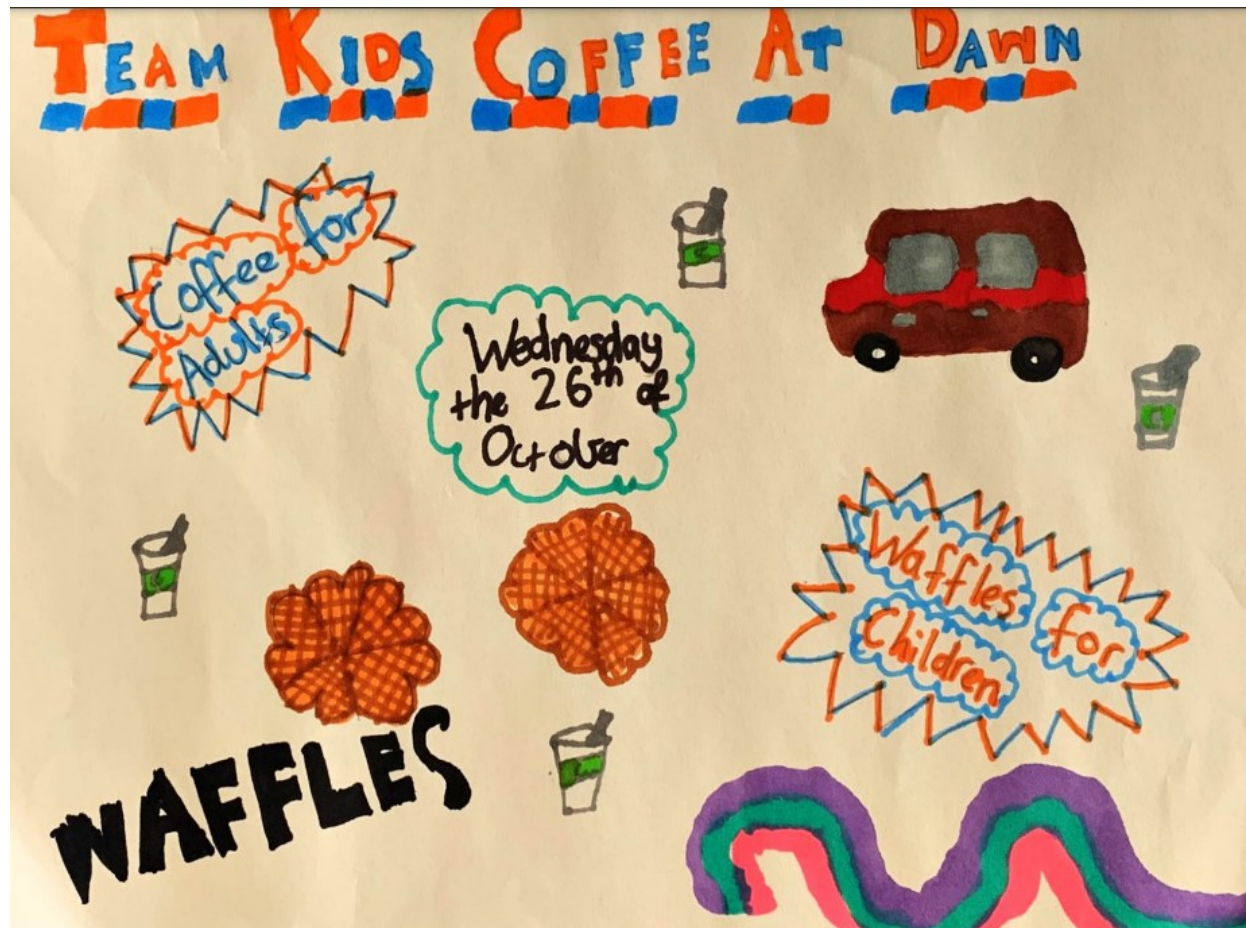


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NETSETGO TERM 4

INTERESTED IN PLAYING NETBALL?

Join us to learn the fundamentals of netball while having fun and making new friends. Girls and boys aged 5-9 are welcome.



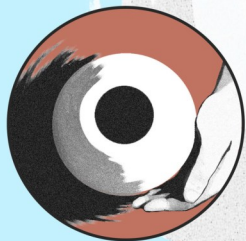
For more info text/call
Mel on 0409 258 928 or email
trinitynetball@live.com



WHEN & WHERE?

**Mondays 3:45 - 4:30pm
starting 3rd Oct**

Ringwood Heights Primary School



AUSTRALIAN CERAMICS
OPEN STUDIOS
12 & 13 NOVEMBER 2022

Get some Christmas shopping done early and support your local artists and makers!

The **Australian Ceramics Open Studios** is on this November and local ceramic artists in the eastern suburbs will be welcoming you into their studios on the **Mudmakers Trail**! Starting at MY Studio (8 Maroondah Hwy, Ringwood), follow our pink flags to five studio locations on the trail where you can:

- Visit working studios and chat to the artists
- See demonstrations
- Purchase one of a kind, handmade ceramics directly from the makers.

If you visit three or more studios on the trail over the Open Studios weekend and collect a stamp at each one, you can go into the draw to win a hamper of handmade ceramics supplied by the 15 participating artists (some of the hamper items are pictured!)

Visit us on Instagram @mudmakerstrail to view the trail map and find out all about our studios and artists. We hope to see you on the trail!



Sat 22 Oct
9AM - 2PM

RINGWOOD CHURCH

COMMUNITY CRAFT MARKET

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO BOOK A SPOT

HOMEMADE AND FAIRTRADE ARTS, CRAFTS, PLANTS & MORE

13 Bedford Rd, Ringwood

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Variety ACTIVATE INCLUSION SPORTS DAYS

A FREE, FUN & INCLUSIVE DAY OF ACTIVITIES TO TRY!

FOR PHYSICAL, SENSORY & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

Thursday, 27th October 2022
10:00am - 1:00pm
Sprinters Leisure Centre
400 Cheltenham Rd
Keysborough VIC 3173

Limited places available.
To register attendance [CLICK HERE](#) or scan the QR Code below

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Community Noticeboard

ALL ABOARD SKATEBOARDING SESSIONS
RINGWOOD SKATE PARK
4:00pm - 6:00pm

Tuesday 4 October	Tuesday 8 November
Tuesday 11 October	Tuesday 15 November
Tuesday 18 October	Tuesday 22 November
Tuesday 25 October	Tuesday 29 November
Tuesday 1 November	Tuesday 6 December

8 Seymour Street, Ringwood
FREE sessions, equipment provided | All ages and abilities welcome

Book Here

Register using the QR code or at skatepark.ymca.org.au/all-aboard

We're for Girls

DONVALE NUNAWADING GIRL GUIDES

5-10 year old - Monday 5pm-6.30pm
7-10 year old - Thursday 6.30pm-8pm
10 - 15 year old - Wednesday 6.45pm-8.30pm

At Guides you are able to:

- Experience exciting challenges with friends
- Have lots of fun
- Join a Guide Unit of similar aged girls
- Meet for 1-2 hours in a local hall during term time
- Enjoy a different experience every week

For more information call/text or email
Sarah 0420 975 068
sarah.thurloew@guidesvic.org.au

or visit
<https://www.guidesvic.org.au>

GIRL GUIDES AUSTRALIA VICTORIA

WHITEHORSE CITY COUNCIL Presents

Spring Festival

Sunday 23 October 2022
10am - 4pm

Nunawading Community Hub and Tunstall Park
Free Event

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