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| Thursday 1 December | APPS Carols 5pm |
| Monday 5 December | Foundation Parent Information Night 6.00-7.00pm |
| Monday 12 December | Gr5/6 Picnic |
| Monday 12 December | School Council 7pm |
| Wednesday 14 December | Students meet their 2023 teacher |
| Thursday 15 December | Grade 6 Graduation |
| Tuesday 20 December | Last day of school 1.30pm finish |
| Friday 27 January | Teachers Commence |
| Monday 30 January | Students Grade 1-6 Commence |



Around Antonio

Issue 19

1 December 2022

Dear Antonio Park Families,

APPS Christmas Carols

The sun is shining, the stage is set and our students are ready! We're all excited to welcome our school community to the APPS Christmas Carols tonight from 5pm until 7pm. (performances commence at 6pm). Come along, bring a picnic blanket and some munchies (no alcohol please) and enjoy listening to the children's golden voices as grades sing lovely festive tunes on stage.

Our wonderful FACE committee will be there cooking a BBQ of yummy food to raise funds for the school so bring your cash. LED Candles, glow sticks and icy poles will also be available for purchase.

Parents please note, children need to be supervised by the adults they arrive with on the night.

See you all tonight for this fabulous APPS community event to celebrate a terrific year!

Whole School Transition

Today we held our second whole school transition session for the year. Groups of students moved up into the next grade for sessions 4 and 5, where they participated in wellbeing games and literacy activities. The aim of these transition sessions is to introduce students to their next year level in a fun and engaging way so that they become comfortable and familiar with their next move. These groups are not an indication of students' 2023 classes - these will be announced in Week 11 when students participate in their final transition for the year where they will also meet their 2023 teacher.

Dad's and Father Figures Games Night

There was a competitive flavour to our Dads and Father Figures Night on Thursday as Mr. Torney hosted a variety of games and races. From a 3-legged race, to Rob the Nest and good old-fashioned Downball, there was no shortage of fun, laughter and possibly a few torn muscles for the dads and father figures. Thanks to all those who turned up on the night - we are all looking forward to this fantastic initiative continuing in 2023.

Single Use Plastic

Single-use plastics make up a third of the litter in our environment and are difficult and costly to clean up. They pollute the environment, harming wildlife and contaminating our food and water. They are also a poor use of resources – they are often used for only a few minutes and generate significant waste that is not recyclable. They can often easily be replaced with reusable products.

Under new regulations, from 1 February 2023, Victorian businesses and organisations (including schools) will not be able to sell, supply or provide a number of single-use plastic items. The ban applies to the following single-use plastic items made from conventional, degradable or

compostable plastics:

- Drinking straws
- Cutlery including knives, forks, spoons, chopsticks, sporks, splades, food picks and sporks
- Plates
- Drink stirrers and sticks
- Cotton bud sticks

Antonio Park will be implementing the Victorian government's single-use plastics ban in the items we use as a school community including at the canteen, OSHC, catering at fundraising events, and other school events. We will not be using any banned single-use plastic items from 1 February 2023.

What does this mean for parents?

Offences relating to the ban do not apply to private or domestic activities at home, e.g. individual families' decisions about lunch packaging. The intention of the government's new regulations is to remove these items from the supply chain prior to reaching the customer. At Antonio Park we encourage parents to support this initiative by avoiding the use of packaging and single use plastics in students' lunchboxes.

Baby News

We would like to congratulate Jana, Tom and Parker on the safe arrival of little Scout. We wish them every happiness as a family of four and we are all looking forward to meeting Scout for cuddles.



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Our School Values

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Empathy Responsibility

Resilience

Independence Confidence

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Mini Olympics

On Tuesday 29th November our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students participated in the APPS Mini Olympics. A great morning was had by all. Thank you to the senior school leaders for their help in the smooth running of this event. It was also lovely to see so many parents and friends cheering on.

Have a great week.

Carly, Annette and Scott

2023 Back to School Dates

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| Friday 27th January | Teachers Resume |
| Monday 30th January | First Day of School Year 1– 6 Foundation Individual Assessments |
| Tuesday 31st January | Foundation Individual Assessments |
| Wednesday 1st February | Foundation Individual Assessments |
| Thursday 2nd February | Foundation Individual Assessments |
| Friday 3rd February | Foundation Individual Assessments |
| Monday 6th February | Foundation Transition 9.00am—1.30pm |
| Tuesday 7th February | Foundation Transition 9.00am—1.30pm |
| Wednesday 8th February | Foundation Transition 9.00am—1.30pm |
| Thursday 9th February | Foundation Transition 9.00am—1.30pm |
| Friday 10th February | Foundation Transition 9.00am—1.30pm |
| Monday 13th February onwards | All Foundation Students 9.30am—3.30pm |



On Tuesday 29th November, it was wonderful to see the spirit and enthusiasm that was displayed by our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students as they competed in the annual APPS Mini Olympics. The smiles on the student's faces were fabulous as they enjoyed competing in 11 different events. These events were Rock Paper Scissors, High jump, Long jump, Hurdles, Shuttle Relay, Bowling, Obstacle course, vortex throw, Bean Bag Steal and Tunnel Ball. Super effort by all students involved! A huge thank you to our Grade 6 leaders who ran the events on the day...we could not have done it without you! Thank you, Tiffany, Izzy, Mia, Jarrod, Elouise, Lucy, Luke, Ben, Violet, Flynn, Emma, Hurod, Vihaan, Kristeena, Chloe, Jake, Joshua, Clara, Tate, Ruth, Evie, Clodagh, Alex, Tim and Julien. You were all amazing and both the students and Mrs Madeley are so grateful for all your organisation and teaching for this event.

| 2023 School Terms | |
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| Term 1 | 30th January to 6th April –2.30pm |
| Term 2 | 24th April to 23rd June –2.30pm |
| Term 3 | 10th July to 15th September –2.30pm |
| Term 4 | 2nd October to 20th December–1.30pm |

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

\$125 for primary school students

\$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.

changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

[https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/
Pages/csef.aspx](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx)



ANTONIO PARK TEAMKIDS NEWSLETTER



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Hey APPS families,

Wow, I can not believe we are nearing the end of term 4.

We are so excited for the end of Term 4 to celebrate with our end-of-year party; theme has been decided on....CHRISTMAS!!!. We look forward to starting to create the decorations and thinking of fun Christmas games for the last day.

Over the past week, we finally received some of the fun equipment we have been waiting for and, with it, have had fun playing games; with the arrival of the new chairs, we have also brought out some watercolour painting for the Arts and Crafts club. This week we have brought back the TeamKids Badges (Fun, Innovative, Genuine, Remarkable, Involved and last but not least, the TeamKids Hero badge).

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 SunSmart; if you are concerned that the children will lose their school hat and want a different hat, children are more than welcome to wear a different hat as long as it follows sun-smart rules.

IMPORTANT DATES



Tuesday 20th December

Last day of Term 4

Friday 23rd December

TeamKids end of year closure



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Bill Waters Rover Crew

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**COME & SEE...
CHECK IT OUT**

2022 CHRISTMAS carnival

SATURDAY
3RD DECEMBER

THE SALVATION ARMY

FOOD

BBQ
Popcorn
Snow Cones
Devonshire Tea
Barista Coffee

MUSIC

Outside live stage
Brass Band
70's band
Gensis brass
Vocal group
Just Brass Concert 6pm

ACTIVITIES

Animal Farm
Jumping Castle
Eliminator
Kids Craft
Face painting
Stalls
Christmas Craft
Cake
Lollies
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TIME: 3-7PM

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