

# 'THE RISE' NEWS



FOR 2015



**23rd APRIL, 2015**

## TERM CALENDAR

Fri.	24 <sup>th</sup> April	DISCO
Wed.	29 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Student Free Day</b>
Thurs.	7 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day stall
Tues – Thurs.	12 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>NAPLAN</b>
Mon. – Fri.	18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>Education Week</b> <b>Open Night 19<sup>th</sup> May</b> Book Fair 19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> May Open Morning 21 <sup>st</sup> May
Thurs.	21 <sup>st</sup> May	Yr 3/4 Werribee Zoo Excursion
Mon.	25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Student Free Day</b>
Mon.	8 <sup>th</sup> Jun.	Queen's Birthday holiday. — NO SCHOOL
Fri.	26 <sup>th</sup> Jun.	Term two concludes – 2.30 dismissal.
Mon.	13 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Term three commences</b>
Mon. – Thurs.	10 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	5/6 Camp – Kangarooobie
Wed. & Thurs.	9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<b>Musical</b> Rowville SC Performing Arts Centre
Fri.	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sep.</b>	<b>Term three concludes</b>
Mon.	5 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Term four commences
Tues.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov.	Melbourne Cup Day
Fri.	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Last day of 2015. Early dismissal 1.00pm.

## ASSEMBLY TOMORROW WILL COMMENCE AT 2.45 PM.

Which will include our School Anzac Day Service

### FLOWER DONATIONS

We are making wreaths to lay out for our Anzac Day Ceremony tomorrow and would appreciate donations of any sort of flowers. Thank You.



*"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old,  
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn,  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
We shall remember them"*

## Albany Rise Primary School Mission

Our mission at Albany Rise Primary School is to develop students who value learning throughout their lives, strive to achieve and are literate and numerate. We aim to produce confident and empathetic students who are global citizens equipped to succeed in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Enrol Now for Foundation (Prep) 2016  
Tours available. Please call the office.**

**STUDENT FREE DAY  
WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

### Anzac Day Service

On Tuesday our School Captains and Vice Captains attended the Rotary Anzac Day Service at the Cenotaph in the Monash Central Reserve. Our school captains lay a beautiful wreath and participated actively in the service. Many thanks to Mr. Clayton for transporting the children to the event. We are very proud of our student leaders at Albany Rise.

Our school Anzac Day service will be led by our school leaders and will take place at 2.45pm in the hall, prior to assembly.

Children are asked to bring flowers and green foliage for the wreaths that will be made in classrooms.



### School Disco

The children are really looking forward to our first disco for the year on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April. Once again we will be using a sign in /out procedure for parents when dropping off and picking up children.

There will be tables set up at the front of the hall. We ask that parents line up and sign against their child's name for pick up/ drop off their child and exit via the furthest door – staff will direct you. If any parent is picking up a child other than their own please bring written permission.

## **NAPLAN**

The week beginning Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May is NAPLAN week across Australia. Please see the information below.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008.

On Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 May, students will undertake the 2015 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four domains of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum.

NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children.

All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Students with a disability may qualify for special provisions that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. More information is available at [www.naplan.edu.au](http://www.naplan.edu.au)

## **Education Week 2015**

Education Week is celebrated state wide during the week of 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Activities are currently being planned for this very special week to celebrate state education. Amongst the activities at Albany Rise there will be: an Open Evening, Scholastic Book Fair, a group school tour, Australia's Biggest Morning Tea and an Open Morning. If you know of anyone considering enrolling at Albany Rise for next year please let them know about our group school tour.



## **Foundation (Prep) 2016 Parent Tour**

**Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 9.30 – 10.45a.m.**

**Phone the office to book**

### **Open Night**

**Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May**

**7.00 – 8.00pm**

**Classroom visits, musical performances.**

**Scholastic Book Fair**

**6.30 – 7.30pm**

### **Open Morning**

**Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> May**

**9.00 – 11.00**

***Classroom Circles, Paper Plane Competition, ICT – Scratch Program***

**followed by**

**Australia's Biggest Morning Tea**

**11.00 – 11.30 (Function room)**

**For individual Tours  
Phone Belinda Jones**

# ALBANY RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL 'RECIPE BOOK'

The Parent Association is keen to create a 'school recipe book' containing recipes from families across our school. We would love parents to send their favourite recipe for us to include in our book.

NOW WE ALL HAVE A FAVOURITE RECIPE ...SO PLEASE SEND YOURS TO  
[albany.rise.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:albany.rise.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

OR drop a copy into the office.

All recipes will be acknowledged with the family name.



Please include 'recipe book' in the subject line of your e-mail and include your family name with the recipe. If your recipe is unique to your family background we'd love to know which country it's from as we hope to be able to group recipes according to countries represented at our school.

Thank you in anticipation.  
Parent Association  
Albany Rise PS

## ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

If you have friends or neighbours who are looking at enrolling their child in a school for 2016 please encourage them to visit us for a tour of the school. A convenient time can be organised by contacting the office.

We are now accepting enrolments for 2016. Any families who are intending to enrol for 2016 are encouraged to do so as early enrolment assists with our planning and provision.

Kind regards  
Belinda Jones  
Principal

[jones.belinda.j@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:jones.belinda.j@edumail.vic.gov.au)

**CHIPS & DRINKS**  
**\$ 1**

# DISCO



**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE**

**NEW DJ - NEW MUSIC - WHOLE LOTA FUN!!**

***Junior Disco: 5.30 – 6.30pm***  
***Senior Disco 6.45 – 8.00pm***

**Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> April**



**GLOW RINGS - \$ 2**  
**GLOW STIX - \$ 2**



# STUDENTS OF THE WEEKS



Prep A	Christian	Prep I	Gemma	Prep 1/R	Anita
1/2 M	Lolo, Nikah	1/2 S	Hannah, Cindy	3/4 CM	Brody
3/4 PW	Nyagoa, Jayden	3/4 T	Dorothy	4/5 H	Penny, Emmanuel
5 L	Navdeep, Joban	6 C	Paris	6 JP	Lilian, Dennis

## Well Done!!!!

### HEAD LICE



We have had a case of head lice reported in the school so please keep a close check on your child's hair and treat if the need arises.

Remember to remove ALL eggs in order to stop them from hatching and starting the cycle over again.

**DISCO tickets are still available please call into the office to purchase yours.**



OSHClub is available for before and after school care. Currently, some students are arriving as early as 8 am in the mornings and sitting outside the office instead of attending OSHClub. Office staff are not responsible for early arrivals and Teachers are not on duty until 8.45am.

Students need to be placed into OSHClub before 8.45am or after 3.45pm.

[www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) - is the website to register your booking.



## Pottery for Children (8 to 12yo)

The Waverley Community Learning Centre is running an 8 week structured class encouraging children to learn fun and interactive skills using clay. Each week the Tutor will focus on a particular project and technique. Fee includes clay, firing & glazes.

**Tuesdays or Thursdays from 4:30 – 6pm -**

Term 2: Cost \$144

(start anytime during term and the fee will be pro-rated).

Contact Details: 9807 6011 or [www.waverleyclc.org.au](http://www.waverleyclc.org.au) / [info@waverleyclc.org.au](mailto:info@waverleyclc.org.au)

Bookings essential for all classes.

  
**TWO-WEEK FREE TRIAL**

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**KUMON MULGRAVE EDUCATION CENTRE**  
355 Wellington Road, Mulgrave  
Instructor: Anna Huang  
Tel: 9755 5951 mob: 0413 069 373



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Just a reminder that we are now using the TIQBIZ app to send instant messages, newsletters and notices. Tiqbiz will help us keep you fully informed and up-to-date with events and news from Albany Rise. This will help reduce our paper consumption by less printing.

**PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO INSTALL THIS APP** . Instructions below

- ◆ **FOR IPHONE AND IPAD**—go to Apple App Store and search TIQBIZ. Click 'allow' when asked.

### **CONTACT DETAILS**

**Please ensure that contact details are updated when changes occur— mobile, home phone, address, emergency contacts.**

**A note through your child to the office, an email or a phone call is all it takes.**

- ◆ **FOR ANDROID SMARTPHONE AND TABLET**— go to Google play and search TIQBIZ
- ◆ **FOR WINDOWS & MAC COMPUTERS**—go to [www.tiqbiz.com](http://www.tiqbiz.com) and click on the download button.

**Once installed, follow these steps:**      *This APP is great for getting reminders and updates.*

- ◆ **LOG-IN** - Open tiqbiz and register/log-in.
- ◆ **FIND OUR SCHOOL**—Click the 'FIND' icon and type ALBANY RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL into the search bar. You will now see all of our school boxes.
- ◆ **TICK**—click on the grey tick beside our school box and any other boxes that apply to you.
- ◆ **INBOX**—Click on the Inbox icon. This is where you will receive our instant messages, newsletters, notices and calendar events.

# PREP—YR 2

## Mini Sports Expo

Wed 22nd April



The activities were run by elite athletes from 'Coach Approach'.

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Children rotated between athletics, basketball and hip hop dance.



It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm and enjoyment of all the children.



# Steve Van Academy of Music

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We have moved to a brand new studio located in Mulgrave with the following provisions for the naturally talented and dedicated future Artists and musicians.

Voice training / recording your own CD when the student and the voice is ready.

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Keyboard lessons / and having fun is what Steve Vans Academy is all about. We cover all ages and offer a variety of classes from beginners onwards.



Steve Van began his solo career singing and playing the guitar all over Melbourne as well as interstate and has toured Europe.

After establishing himself as a reputed entertainer he went on to play in various bands offering more versatility and working a broader spectrum of entertainment venues.

With 30 years under his belt he has certainly deserved the title of professional entertainer and now is happy to share his expertise with budding future musicians.

We also offer group tuition and recording facilities at affordable prices.

*Reach for the stars,  
nothing should stop you!*

**Bringing a revolution in the learning process**  
**Setting goals,**  
**Studying smart**  
**Having fun**  
**Learning strategies**  
**Achieving goals**



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  - Smart study strategies
  - Scholarship exam skills
  - NAPLAN
  - Selective school entry exam
  - HighATAR
- Our Highlights:
- Customized learning plan
  - FREE smart study workshops
  - Maths, English & Science tutoring through graded levels of worksheet
  - Grade 4 to VCE



Opening hours

**Wednesday- 4.30-6.30 pm**

**Saturday- 1.00- 3.00 pm**

For registration enquiries, please call **0425 785 468**,  
visit

[www.smartstepslearningcentre.com.au](http://www.smartstepslearningcentre.com.au),

or

email: [info@smartstepslearningcentre.com.au](mailto:info@smartstepslearningcentre.com.au)



# Numeracy News

## Last month's Magic Square puzzles

Congratulations to the group of students who handed in the completed puzzles and received some Easter treats for their hard maths work. This week, many classes have been learning about geometry, in particular 2D and 3D shapes.

There is a great game on this site that might help you learn some shapes:

<http://more2.starfall.com/m/math/geometry-content/load.htm?f&d=demo&n=enviro-shapes&y=1>

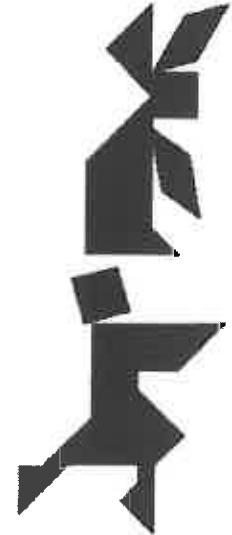
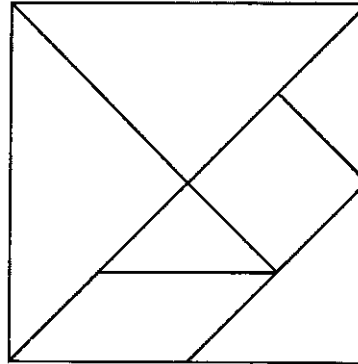
## A New Puzzle- Tangrams

Did you know that the invention of the tangram puzzle is unrecorded in history? The earliest known Chinese book is dated 1813 but the puzzle was very old by then (about 4000 years according to some reports).

Tangram puzzles have 7 distinct pieces which all fit neatly into a square, but can also be made into other interesting shapes.

Can you make the shapes on the far right from the 7 pieces shown?

If you can- be the first to show Mrs. Drew for a small prizell!



More interactive puzzles are available at:  
<http://www.abcya.com/tangrams.htm>

# Hilton Hen House Latest:

## Holiday Helpers

Thank you again to all the helpers who came and looked after our chickens and duck over the holidays. The sign in sheet for weekend help is at the office.



# Policy Update:

## Recent Policies Ratified at School Council

Last week, the Education sub-committee met to consider the policies listed below, which will be presented at school council on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. The subcommittee also discussed upcoming programs, DET administration requirements (AEDC, DCCSSD), NAPLAN, our Curriculum day on 29<sup>th</sup> April and using Compass for reporting to parents in 2015.

Parents are encouraged to attend these meetings to have a say in the policies and programs implemented across the school. Meetings are held every month.

Addressing Parent Complaints policy      Uniform policy      Anti-Harassment policy  
Communication of school policies schedule      Parent Participation/ Class Rep policy

Reminder: Albany Rise PS has a 'Dogs in School Grounds Policy'. If you are bringing a dog into the grounds, for any reason, you need to be aware of this policy.

Policies are available on the school website: <http://www.albanyrise-ps.vic.edu.au>.

ARPS POLICY

## What makes a positive school community?

"Mum, Miss Collins told me to be sure you go to the school for the meeting tonight. She says it's very important." "You're not in trouble, are you Omar? Teachers only ask parents to come to school when there is a problem, don't they?" "No Mum. She says she is looking forward to meeting you."

When Rasheeda got to the meeting it wasn't as she had expected. Lots of other parents were there and they were talking with each other and with the teacher. It seemed quite friendly. The teacher explained what the children would be learning in school this term and then asked the parents to talk to two different people they didn't know.

Rasheeda felt a bit shy about this. Luckily, the other parents at her table started talking to her. They asked her what school was like in her home country. "Oh, very different!" she told them. "Over there the teacher talks and the children listen. They don't learn in groups. They start early and they go home at lunchtime." The other parents seemed interested.

Miss Collins also spoke with her: "Rasheeda, I wonder if there's anything more you would like to know about how Omar is going or what we are doing at school? We want to be sure you feel welcome, so if there is anything the school can do to help you or Omar settle in, please let us know."



Positive school communities  
create opportunities for  
families, children and staff  
to feel included.

## What feeling included is all about

Children come from an endless range of different families, backgrounds, cultures and religions. They also have a variety of interests, learning styles and abilities. Despite all of these differences, everyone should feel included and welcome within their school community.

Positive school communities create opportunities for children, families and staff to feel included. They make help and support accessible and find lots of ways to invite people to take up the support being offered. They help everyone benefit from understanding experiences and cultures that may be different to their own.

When children feel included, when they are part of a community that promotes inclusion and respect for everybody, they show more caring and compassion towards others, and they feel safer and more secure. They are also better learners and have better mental health and wellbeing. In a positive school community *every face has a place*, every voice is valued, and everyone has something to contribute.

School communities from around Australia chose care, compassion, respect, understanding and inclusion as important values for children to understand. These are things that children can learn about. The best learning happens when children see the adults around them putting values like these into practice. Feeling included is important for mental health, and is supported best when diversity is respected and valued.

Being included and learning to include and respect others are very important for children's social development.

Being included promotes belonging and connectedness, which are also key factors for supporting children's mental health and wellbeing.



## Some ways of showing people they are welcomed and included at school

- Display information, posters, and artwork that reflect the diversity in the school community
- Provide information in appropriate languages, verbally, where possible, as well as in written form
- Cater to specific needs where possible (eg dietary needs, access needs)
- Publicly celebrate diversity (eg diverse families, cultures, languages and values)

## How parents and carers can help

- Get to know other families, take an interest in others' different backgrounds as well as what you have in common.
- Set up a 'buddy' system where families who have been at the school for a while buddy up with new families to provide welcome and support.
- Encourage children to include and appreciate others' cultural and individual differences.

This resource is part of a range of KidsMatter Primary information sheets for families and school staff. View them all online at [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)



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