News
From
‘THE RISE’

27th Nov, 2014

ENROL NOW FOR 2015

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<td>Students visit 2015 classes</td>
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<td>Last day of 2014. Early dismissal. - 1.30pm</td>
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<td>Students not collected by 1.45 shall be sent to OHSClub.</td>
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Election Day BBQ cancelled

SWIMMING PAYMENTS DUE TOMORROW 28TH

Final payments for swimming must be paid by tomorrow
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 21st century.

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU!!

What a fabulous night was had by all at our recent Fun Fiesta. I was thrilled to see the fine results of all the hard work spent on planning by our Fun Fiesta committee. It was also great to note how many people came forward to volunteer their assistance.

The community atmosphere on the night was particularly evident and many people commented on how much they were enjoying themselves. The children were thoroughly into the jumping castle, lucky dip, face painting, pony ride, nail polish and of course the assortment of food available.

There are so many people I wish to thank including, the committee, staff, students and parent volunteers. A special thank you to Michelle Jago and the committee members who worked tirelessly to plan and organise the event.

We as a school community can feel extremely proud. In addition to having a great time, over $4000 was raised to be used for school resourcing improvements.

As with all events there are things we can learn for next time. Please provide feedback on the attached slips. We would love to hear about things that went well and areas for improvement.

SCHOOL STRUCTURE

We are currently planning thirteen class groupings in 2015, with the expected class structure for 2014:

- Prep: two classes
- Prep/1: one class
- Years 1/2: three classes
- Years 3/4: three classes
- Year 4/5: one class
- Year 5: one class
- Year 6: two classes

Just as our classes are formed based on individual needs, our school structure is similarly based on the needs of the individual, and also the needs of the cohort. As such, Albany Rise Primary has a flexible philosophy in regards to class structure – with a mix of "straight" and "multi-age" groupings dependent upon the need.

In carefully selecting the children for our 2015 classes, staff professionally consider academic, social and emotional factors, as well as child nominations of 5 friends that they would like to be in a class with. We endeavour to ensure your child has at least one of their nominated friends in their grade next year.

Once grades are sent home on Wednesday 17th December changes cannot be made due to the impact one change can have to many children and possibly on other grades. Staff are currently performing the lengthy task of placing students in a grade for next year, using their expert knowledge of the children and their needs, whilst taking note of confidential information I have been provided by parents and in some cases support agencies.

TRANSITION

During term 4 teachers have organised a variety of transition activities to ensure smooth progression between levels in our school. Activities have included children working within the classroom spaces they will be in next year, buddy reading and the use of technology within the new space. These activities familiarise children with the layout, the expectations and the routines ahead. We pride ourselves on how well we do this at Albany Rise.
Tuesday, 9th December is state-wide transition day for our grade 6 students. On this day students across all levels of our school will participate in a common whole school transition session. During this session they will work within the new 2015 spaces for the levels they are moving into. They will not be in their 2015 grade groups during this session.

The following Wednesday, 17th December children will be going to their new classes and meeting their teacher.

***LAST DAY OF TERM***

Please note arrangements for the last day of term, Friday, 19th December. Students will be dismissed at 1.30 pm following a final whole-school assembly that commences at 12.45 pm. Parents are invited to attend the assembly on this day. Students are asked to bring a good morning snack due to the 1.30 finish, and please note there are no lunch orders on the last day. Students will not need to bring school bags on the last day as everything will have been sent home by Wednesday 17th December.

PLANNING FOR 2015

The first day of the school year, Wednesday 28th January, is a student free day in all government schools.

The first day of the 2015 school year for all students is Thursday 29th January.

Student Free days 2015
(School Council approved these days at the meeting on 19th November)

Wednesday, 28th January

Friday, 6th March – First Aid training

Tuesday, 28th April – curriculum

Monday, 25th May – reporting

CAR PARK

A reminder that cars are not to enter the school car parks at the front or the back of the school. This parking is strictly for school staff and some authorised users. We have had concerns raised about children dropped off in the car park and also the use of the disabled car park. There is one disabled car park for use by just a couple of families in the school community. Thank you for your cooperation with this issue.

Hey Little Ant!

Yesterday I was entertained by some students from 1A who read their persuasive texts entitled ‘Hey Little Ant!’ The vocabulary, ideas and expression in their stories was quite amazing as they presented their reasons for why you would not ‘squish’ the ant.

Kind regards
Belinda Jones
Principal
jones.belinda.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
**STUDENTS OF THE WEEKS**

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**Fresh Fruit Friday**

Fresh Fruit Friday is back for Term 4. To be able to provide fresh fruit for your children we are in need of parent volunteers to cut fruit for roughly half an hour each Friday morning. Please drop into the function room from 8:45am to help out.

**CHANG’S TAEKWONDO**

Mondays & Thursdays
6.30–8.00 pm

Please contact Sam on
0419 159 493

(If no answer please leave your details and I shall call you back)
YEAR 6 MARKET DAY

On Wednesday 3rd December the Year 6’s will be holding their Market Day. On this day they will be selling homemade items including toffees, popcorn, cup cakes, ice-cream, slushies and Christmas decorations. All children within the school will be allotted a time to purchase items from the market. We would suggest that the children bring a maximum of $5.

Thank you for supporting the Year 6 children.

SIGN UP NOW!!!

Please be sure to sign up to Qkr! for easy and secure payments.

The parents who have already used it love it.

Also

Tiqbiz to receive your notices and newsletters.

We are introducing a paperless newsletter in 2015 so don’t miss out.

YEAR 3/4 INQUIRY LEARNING

The Year 3/4’s have been learning about the Earth, Sun & Moon in Inquiry Learning. They are making some very creative and interesting models for display.
Dear Parents & Students,

You and your family are invited to the

2014 Albany Rise Christmas Carols!

On the asphalt

(students please bring a cushion)

Thursday, 11th December

5.00 – 7.00pm

B.B.Q. on the school oval

BYO: Picnic dinner & rug

or

Sausage Sizzle available.

Looking forward to having parents join us to celebrate and enjoy.

*Children: Please wear Christmas colours*

Merry Christmas
### Program Update

- **Twister competition**
- **Speed stacks tower**
- **Erupting our volcanoes**

Have a look below for our planned activities this week.
We can’t wait to see you at OSHClub,
From Cheryl, Zari, Miranda and Krystle

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### This Week’s Activities - Term 4, Week 4

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<td><strong>Bandages and casts and morning run</strong></td>
<td><strong>Healthy eating placemats and fruit salad</strong></td>
<td><strong>Charades and guess the leader</strong></td>
<td><strong>Read to me and silent ball</strong></td>
<td><strong>Blueberry pancakes and builders and bulldozers</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Shrinking islands and Andy Warhol recreation</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Embossed art and line tiggy</strong></td>
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### Parent Information

OSH program phone: 0401 501 598  
Coordinator: Cheryl See  
Assistant: Zari Safar, Miranda Williamson and Krystle Styliano  
OSHClub Head Office: 03 8564 9000  

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.