

# Aspendale Gardens Primary School Newsletter—Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May



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Primary Years Programme

*Aspendale Gardens is an IB World School that strives to be internationally minded.*

*Our purpose is to provide a supportive safe and dynamic learning environment. We promote inquiry, curiosity, creativity and individuality. We aim to develop a resilient, open-minded school community where all students become independent, emotionally intelligent and socially competent as they strive to achieve their potential as global citizens.*

## 2022 DIARY

### MAY

Friday 13 School Tour @ 9:15am  
Monday 16 Years 2JB & 2GM Trash Puppets Incursion  
Wednesday 18 Year 4 Edithvale-Seafood Wetlands Education Centre Excursion  
Thursday 19 Years 2KF & 2MA Trash Puppets Incursion  
Friday 20 School Tour @ 9:15am  
Monday 23 Celebrating EDUCATION WEEK  
Year 3 Shoelaces Incursion  
Tuesday 24 OPEN NIGHT 5:30pm—7:00pm  
Wednesday 25 Years 3—6 Inter-House Athletics

### MAY

Thursday 26 Junior Mayor Election  
Friday 27 PUPIL FREE DAY  
Monday 30 PUPIL FREE DAY

### JUNE

Tuesday 7 Years 3 & 4 Swimming Begins  
Wednesday 8 Year 5 LUME Excursion  
Friday 10 Year 6 Winter Lightning Premiership  
MONDAY 13 QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY  
Friday 17 Years 3 & 4 Swimming Ends  
SCHOOL DISCO Fundraiser  
Friday 24 Term 2 Ends  
Early Dismissal at 2.30pm

## SAVE THE DATES

## SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

**TUESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MAY 5:30pm—7:00pm**

## PUPIL FREE DAYS

**FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> & MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MAY**

### FROM OUR ACTING PRINCIPAL

#### Excursion to Moonlit Sanctuary

Our Foundation students spent the day on Wednesday at Moonlit Sanctuary in Pearcedale. This excursion ties in with their central idea *Living things have characteristics that help them to survive*. The students were able to visit a variety of animals and learn about the animals and their habitats from the educators. When the students disembarked the bus they were so excited to tell me about the Tasmanian Devils, wallabies and the feeding of the joey. A memorable first excursion for our Foundation students.



#### Mothers' Day Breakfast

We were right to postpone the Mothers' Day breakfast last week and reschedule it to Tuesday. It was a crisp and beautiful morning. The event was very well supported and it was so special to see Mums have the opportunity to come in to school, socialise and have a drink and a doughnut. We thank the Special Events team for their preparation and planning. There is an additional photo gallery in this newsletter.

## COVID Household Contacts

Students who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are not required to quarantine. It is required that household contacts undertake **daily** rapid antigen testing five times within the 7 days of exposure. Students from Years 3 and above, who are household contacts, are required to wear face masks when indoors at school. (We also recommend the wearing of masks for Foundation to Year 2 students). This does not apply to students who have a valid exemption. If your child returns a positive RAT result during this period, they must stay home for 7 days, and then only leave home once they feel well. We also remind parents to contact the office and / or the classroom teacher if your child is absent so that we have all the necessary details on file.



## NAPLAN

Our Year 3s and Year 5s have made an excellent start to their NAPLAN national literacy and numeracy assessments and are settling into the routines well. There have been a number of students who have been absent due to illness this week. We will provide make-up sessions, where possible, for the students who were away.

## 2023 Year 7 Secondary School Application Forms

A reminder to our Year 6 parents that secondary school applications need to be completed and returned to school by **tomorrow—Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May**.

## Pupil Free Days — Friday 27<sup>th</sup> and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May

The Department of Education allows each school to have 4 pupil free days per year. Recently the Department of Education notified the school that we will be given a Professional Practice Day to take as an additional pupil free day. Therefore, **this term we will have 2 pupil free days on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May**. These dates fit in well around the body of work that the teachers will be completing during these days and also will cause the least disruption to parents, by making it a long weekend. We apologise for the short notice, however we were made aware of this very late and needed to have the dates ratified by the School Council last Monday. Their Care will be available for both of these pupil free days, should parents need to book in their children.



## School Pride

When I take parent groups around on school tours, I do so with a sense of great pride in the school we are part of. The beautiful grounds, fantastic facilities, dedicated staff and a lovely community all go towards creating the recipe for a successful school. One way in which we develop a sense of pride with our students is for them to have an impact on our grounds; to have a voice in what they would like our grounds to be like. Last year Graeme, our Maintenance Officer, created an Enviro Station. Students can choose a special Waste Warrior vest and use the available materials from the cart to assist with keeping our grounds clean.



Have a great weekend everyone,

*Jonathan*

# PYP IN YEAR 2



## How we express ourselves



The Year 2's have begun an inquiry into the concept of stories and storytelling. Through exploration of many and varied stories, the children are discovering that stories can be told in different ways and through many mediums.



The students are thoroughly enjoying using props from our 'Story Shelves' to construct stories to share with their peers. This has proven to be very engaging for both the storytellers and the audience.



We are looking forward to extending our communication and creative skills in the Trash Puppets workshop next Monday and Thursday.



If you are a Year 2 family, we invite you to send in videos or photos of stories from home. Please see our Class Dojo post for more information.

**Central Idea:**  
Stories can take on different forms and be told in many ways.

**Lines of Inquiry:**  
What is a story?  
How can stories be told?  
What forms can stories come in?



# STARS OF THE WEEK

## TERM 2 WEEK 2





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# Mother's Day Breakfast





# AGPS Senior Athletics Carnival (Years 3 - 6)

A reminder that our annual **AGPS Senior Athletics Carnival** will be held on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May**. Students in **Years 3 – 6** will be taking part in the event. The event will be held at **Chelsea Little Athletics Centre (HD Thomas Pavilion, Edithvale Rd, Edithvale)**.

Students will be walking through the Edithvale Wetlands to get to the venue on the day. The event will begin at approximately **10.00am** and will finish at approximately **2.45pm**.

**Below is the approximate event schedule for the day**



Time	Information
9.00 - 9.40am	Walk to Chelsea Little Athletics Centre.
9.40 - 10.00am	Welcome and a run-down of the carnival from Mr. King & Mr. Murphy.
10.00 – 2.00pm	Students complete 8 rotations which include 6 athletic events & 2 breaks for snack and lunch.
2.00 - 2.10pm	Events Pack Up
2.10 - 2.20pm	Assemble on the velodrome for the House Chants.
2.10 - 2.20pm	Year 6 House Captains perform their House Chants.
2.20 - 2.35pm	Staff vs Student relay races.
2.35 - 2.45pm	Announcement of the AGPS Athletics Champions for 2022 by the Year 6 Sports Leaders.
2.45 - 3.30pm	End of the 2022 Athletics Carnival. Walk back to Aspendale Gardens PS.

Students are encouraged to dress in their **House colours**. Students should ensure that they wear appropriate clothing and shoes to compete in (e.g. shorts, leggings, etc.) and wear a tracksuit to keep warm whilst waiting to compete in their event. **Parents** are **welcome** to come and watch their child compete on the day.

**Students will need to bring a backpack with the following items on the day of the event:**

- ◆ Drink of water in a plastic container
- ◆ Fruit, snack and lunch
- ◆ No iPads (Years 4 - 6 students)

The **TOP 2** students in each age group for each event will progress through to the **CPDPSSN District Athletics Carnival** on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August (Term 3)**.



If your child will be attending the event, their **consent form** and **medical information** must be completed via Compass by **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**.

If your child's consent form isn't completed by the due date then they won't be allowed to attend the carnival.

Lastly, we are seeking interest from any **parents** who would like to assist on the day in the role of helping teachers to run the athletics events. If you would like to assist at the carnival, please let **Mr. King** know via **Class Dojo** before the carnival **OR** at the venue on the day. For more information on the event, please contact Mr. King.

*Mr Braden King*



## District Cross Country Report

The CPDPSSN District Cross Country Carnival was held last Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May at Cornish College. We took a squad of 55 students to the event who all ran superbly on the day, representing Aspendale Gardens Primary School in tremendous spirit. The hard work which students have been putting in since last term was clearly evident. Each student is commended on their fantastic running efforts. A huge congratulations to the following students who have either progressed through to the Kingston Division Cross Country Carnival on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May at Karkarook Park, Heatherton OR are an emergency for the event:

Name	Class	Event	Place
Charles Ferro	3AT	9/10 Boys	4 <sup>th</sup>
Zac Dunlop	3JB	9/10 Boys	6 <sup>th</sup>
Vienna Newey	4RP	9/10 Girls	10 <sup>th</sup>
Yilin Cheng	4RG	9/10 Girls	12 <sup>th</sup> (Emergency)
Emmett Bowler	5AA	11 Boys	6 <sup>th</sup>
Ethan Dunlop	5AA	11 Boys	7 <sup>th</sup>
Eloise Wadeson	6BH	11 Girls	4 <sup>th</sup>
Eva Hannah	5DG	11 Girls	11 <sup>th</sup> (Emergency)
Myra Cicoria	6AK	11 Girls	12 <sup>th</sup> (Emergency)
Hunter Foster	6JC	12/13 Boys	6 <sup>th</sup>
Joel Dean	6JM	12/13 Boys	7 <sup>th</sup>
Victoria Akhramenko	6JM	12/13 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup>
Emerson Lay	6BH	12/13 Girls	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Stephanie Vella	6JM	12/13 Girls	11 <sup>th</sup> (Emergency)

The following students were part of the AGPS District Cross Country team for 2022:



### 9/10 year old Girls

1. Cleo Tilley (3LC)
2. Yilin Cheng (4RG)
3. Alison Yan (4RG)
4. Nandu Alappatt (4RG)
5. Anika Kurup (4CT)
6. Caitlin Brennan (4RP)
7. Teah Whalan (4RK)
8. Savannah Williams (4RK)
9. Vienna Newey (4RP)
10. Jade Poppleton (4CT) - Absent



### 9/10 year old Boys

- Jordan Bowman (4RG)  
 Archie Farrington (3LC)  
 Zac Dunlop (3JB)  
 Charles Ferro (3AT)  
 Jonah Dunn Whitney (4OM)  
 Alex Wagstaffe (4RG)  
 Ari Williams (4OM)  
 Ishak Akyuz (4OM)  
 Maxx Macdonald (4OM)  
 Harry Sweatman (3JB) - Absent



### 11 year old Girls:

1. Asiya Akyuz (6BH)
2. Eloise Wadeson (6BH)
3. Hazel Owen (6AK)
4. Leah O'Meara-Hayes (5AA)
5. Eva Hannah (5DG)
6. Hanna Mansouri (5AA)
7. Alexis Willrath (6JM)
8. Myra Cicoria (6AK)
9. Eve Ross (6JM)
10. Gemma Geer (5LW) - Absent



### 11 year old Boys:

1. Lennon Michaelson (6BH)
2. Koby Foster (5LW)
3. Max Spink (5LW)
4. Lewis Jones (5BM)
5. Ethan Dunlop (5AA)
6. Edward Lineham (5LW)
7. Emmett Bowler (5AA)
8. Nathan Poppett (5LW)
9. Xavier Kiki (5DG)
10. Ollie Newey (6AK)



### 12/13 year old Girls:

1. Imogen Heenan (6JM)
2. Stephanie Vella (6JM)
3. Matilda Hird (6BH)
4. Harmony Foster (6BH)
5. Emerson Lay (6BH)
6. Clover Dunn Whitney (6JC)
7. Neena Lafforgue (6JM)
8. Isobel McCaffrey (6AK)
9. Victoria Akhramenko (6JM)
10. Millie Kenington (6JC)



### 12/13 year old Boys:

1. Hunter Foster (6JC)
2. Joel Dean (6JM)
3. Cooper Whalan (6BH)
4. Luke Oliver (6JM)
5. Rohan Oliver (6JC)
6. Magni Spencer (6JM)
7. Oliver Phillips (6AK)
8. Ben Tubb (6AK)
9. Ben Bowman (6BH) - Absent
10. Mitch Beckman (6BH) - Absent

A big thank you to Jamie Briones, Liam Murphy and all of the teachers involved with our Thursday Morning Running Group who assisted with providing students with some training prior to the event. Thank you also to Liam Murphy (again), Athena Archer, Olivia McKaskill, Amber Watson (student teacher), Mikayla Turner (student teacher) and Brodie Templeton (SEDA student) for their support on the day of the event. Lastly, thank you also to all of the families and friends who supported students on the day! Your support was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to all of the students who represented AGPS extremely well, dodging rabbit holes left, right and centre, giving 100% throughout their races. Our students achieved some amazing results on the day, as highlighted by having **10 students'** progress through to the Kingston Division Cross Country event. Additionally, we had **25 students** finish inside the **Top 20** and **36 students** finish inside the **Top 30** for their respective age groups. [Go AGPS!](#)

*Mr. King*



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Coordinator Name: Brian Rankin

Coordinator Email: [hookin2hockey@mentonehockey.org.au](mailto:hookin2hockey@mentonehockey.org.au)

Coordinator Phone: 0417 568 588

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# 12th Birthday

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**When**     Friday 13 May & Wednesday 18 May

**Time**     3pm - 4pm

**Where**    Shop 12/11 Narelle Drive,  
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