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Newsletter

Term 1 Week 10



***WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A
WONDERFUL EASTER SEASON***

EASTER CELEBRATIONS 2018



STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY

Mon April 30th

Pupil Free (Students start Tues May 1st)

Speed Zones are still enforced even though this school will be closed.

On this day, Monday, 30/4/18, staff will be working **offsite** on **Geometric Reasoning** with Ann Downton from Monash University. Apologies if your family is inconvenienced with child care arrangements on this day.

What is Geometric Reasoning?

Geometric Reasoning is the use of critical thinking and reasoning to solve problems and find new relationships while working with different 2D geometric shapes.

This will encourage your child to visualise, reason and develop a stronger understanding of space (shapes).

What is Geometric Reasoning?

There are 5 big ideas within Geometric Reasoning:

Students learn

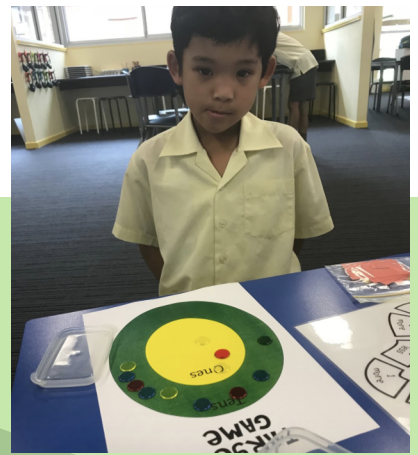
- **Congruence** by exploring the properties of different shapes.
- **Similarity** by exploring proportion of shapes.
- **Geometric Proof** by communicating their thinking and reasoning.
- **New skills and shape relationships** by exploring the properties of circles.

I will explore each of these ideas over the coming newsletters.

Maths words of the week

Doubles: Is a strategy used in Addition and Subtraction. It is a number that is added to itself. For example double 2 is 4, double 10 is 20. Double 100 is 200.

Known Facts: Facts that students know and can quickly recall. For example I know that 6 and 4 is 10. I know that $13 + 20 = 33$.





Reading and Comprehension Clusters:

Part of our literacy data collection is plotting each student on the reading and comprehension clusters. Each child will bring home their reading and comprehension data sheets next week so parents know where their child is operating at in regards to their year grade.

If you have any questions about this please see your child's teacher. Remember the holidays are a perfect time for reading new books and visiting libraries!!



Grandparents Day Coming Up:

When? Next Friday, last day of term one,

April 13th

Time? 8:45am - 11:30am

STUDENTS MAY DRESS
UP IN THEIR FAVOURITE
CHARACTER!!!



Our wonderful grandparents (and parents) are welcome to come along to celebrate a great term of learning. All are invited to visit any classroom and view students' work.

The St Aidan's PARENTS are invited to send along a plate of goodies for morning tea to share with their own parents.

Timing:

8:40am Bell to start classes and take attendance

Book Fair is open 8am until lunchtime!!



8:45am Grandparents are then invited to join their grandchildren and visit the Book Fair during the morning

10:15am onwards: Morning tea for grandparents

10:45am Students come out for their 'little lunch' and join grandparents for an extended break.

2:15pm Disco 'on the green'. Gates opened early.

***Come along and help us
celebrate a great term!!***

A LEARNING SLUMP?

*The most important thing a parent can do to ensure that their child **maintains their desire to learn is to continually feed the desire to learn at home and anywhere else** they may find themselves. So long as they do that, the love of learning that is inherent in children will likely not be extinguished.*

[Antonio Buehler](#)

A LEARNING SLUMP?

With the school break rapidly approaching.....it is time to think about the HOLIDAY SLUMP !!

After all the learning successes the children have enjoyed this term, it would be a huge shame to go BACKWARDS.... and just like an athlete needs to continually train or lose performance, your child also needs to continue daily reading, writing, spelling, numbers and so on to maintain peak learning fitness..... or else decline quickly and significantly!

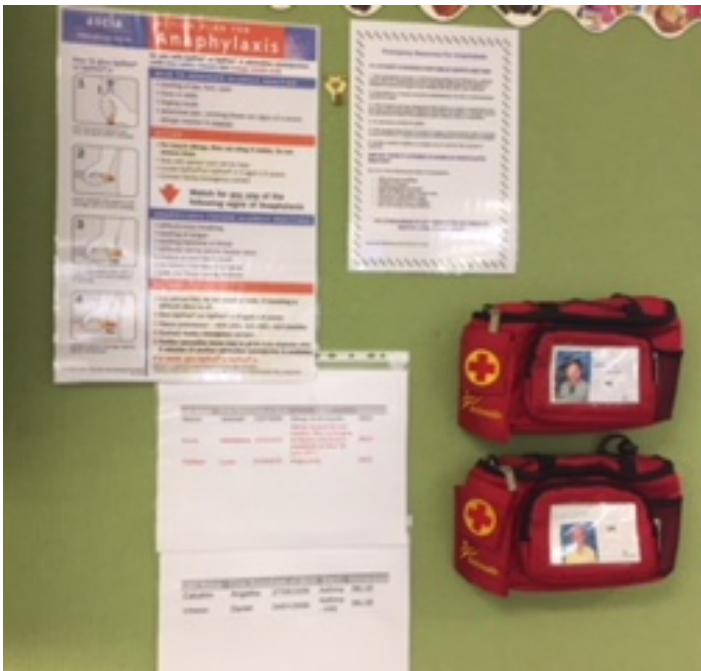


Medications Procedures

If your child has an EpiPen at school, it is stored in a red pouch in their classroom - with your child's photo. Full instructions on the use of an EpiPen is in your child's class near their EpiPen (picture below). Teachers have been instructed as to how to use an EpiPen.

Students with doctor diagnosed **Asthma/Anaphylaxis/Type 1 Diabetes** are given a rubber wristband (picture below) to wear at school. This assists teachers, especially on playground duty to quickly identify the child's needs should they become ill. The wristbands will be returned to the teacher at the end of the day. (If you child accidentally brings one home please return it to school the next day.)

Please feel free to ask any questions especially regarding your child's health and wellbeing at school.



STEAM- Athon is coming

late Term 2.

St Aidan's major fundraising event for the year.

STEAM-Athon

Students will engage in creative and problem solving activities related to:

S- Science

T- Technology

E- Engineering

A- Arts

M- Maths

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

- Do you know of anyone or any businesses who would be willing to donate money or prizes for this event?

-We are looking for donations of recyclable materials that students can use for the day.

Examples:

*Newspaper

*Cardboard

*Styrofoam

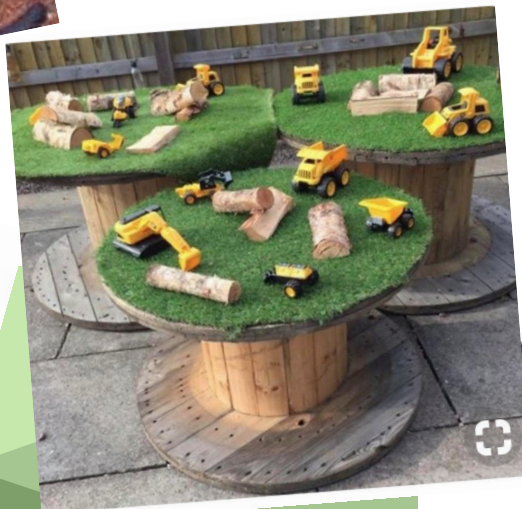
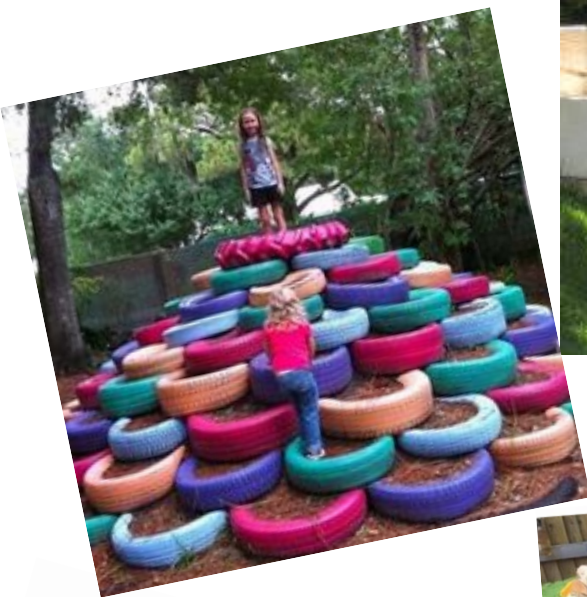
* Bottle caps



Can You Help Us?

We are hoping to develop a playground for our Kinder children. We are looking for:

Old tyres, wooden cable reels, sandstone blocks, wooden blocks (see below), 2 palettes, old pots 'n pans (sound / music area) and any other interesting equipment that might add to our creative and interesting play area. Please contact the office.



TERM DATES

Week 11

Monday 9th April

The Annunciation

Wednesday 11th until Friday 13th April

Year 6 Camp

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th April

Book Fair - Thursday 12th - 8:00am to 9:00am

- 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Friday 13th - 8:am until lunchtime



Friday 13th April

Grandparents Day - 8:45am until 11:30am. Morning tea for Grandparents. Book Fair is open until lunchtime.

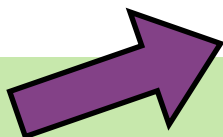
Students may dress up as their favourite character.

Disco on the Green at 2:15pm (gates will open early).

FRIDAY 13TH APRIL IS THE LAST DAY TERM 1



Monday 30th April NO CLASSES
FOR STUDENTS



Tuesday 1st May

First day of Term 2

begins at 8:40am



Grandparents Day 2018



Grandparents Day

FRIDAY 13TH APRIL 2018

8:20AM

Book Fair open

8:40AM -

Open Classrooms

10:30AM

10:30AM -

Extended Morning Tea Break

11:15AM

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BOOK FAIR CARNIVAL

Your Ticket to Read!



We are hosting a **CARNIVAL BOOK FAIR**.

Each class will be invited to preview the books on the Wednesday prior to the Book Fair. The preview sessions are an ideal opportunity for children to share and discuss the books with their teachers and peers.

The selection of books at our Book Fair will include a wide range of quality books from the best Australian and overseas authors & illustrators.

All books are discounted.

Every single purchase from the Book Fair earns FREE books and resources for our school.

Our Book Fair selling times will be:

Thursday, 12th of April 8.00 – 9.00am
2.30 – 3.30pm

Friday, 13th of April 8.00am until lunchtime

You, your family and friends are most welcome to share in the magic of matching children and books.

Credit Card facilities are available. No AMEX please.





St Aidan's School is proud to announce that the following classes had 100% attendance during the week 3rd to 6th April 2018

(This does not include students on leave)

1 Red and 6 blue had three days with 100% attendance

ATTENDANCE 
MATTERS

K Blue, 1 Blue, 2 Red, 4 Red, & 5 Red had two days with 100% attendance



2 blue, 3 Blue, 4 blue & 6 Red had one day with 100% attendance

EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS





MEAL DEALS!



ONLY
\$5.00

MEAL DEAL ONE

HAM & CHEESE TOASTIE

JUICE POPPER

FRUIT CUP

MEAL DEAL TWO

SAUSAGE ROLL

BOTTLE JUICE

FROZEN CUP

AVAILABLE FROM MONDAY 26TH MARCH — FRIDAY 13TH APRIL, 2018

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