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What's On

Monday, 4-Friday, 8 September	Book Fair
Tuesday, 5 September	Prep Incursion
Tuesday, 5 September	Instrumental Music Information Evening
Monday, 11 September	Certificates of Recognition
Tuesday, 12 September	Year 6 Future Anything
Friday, 15 September	Free Dress Day
Friday, 15 September	Last Day of Term 3

From the Principal

Dear Ascot Families

We have had a very big week with a lot to celebrate. I would like to begin by thanking students and their families for an amazing array of book week costumes. A special thanks to our Library staff: Mrs Clements, Ms Kleinschmidt and Mrs Frost for the activities organised throughout the week and the Book Fair that will commence shortly. Thank you to teachers for the displays in the library. The read-a-thon was a big success and

we raised over \$10 000. Thank you to Samara for coordinating this fundraising event and to all families who supported their children's reading endeavours.







Successes

Last week, nine students from our District Athletics team went on to compete at the Metropolitan North Championships. Congratulations to the team and well done to Brighton, Ava, Victoria and Brennan for their achievements. We would also like to congratulate Aisyah who won two silver medals for singles and as a team representing Metropolitan North in tennis.

Away from the sports field, we had a group of chess players (Vivaan, Andrew, Charlie and Isaac) compete and our team are now going into the state finals. We wish them the very best of luck.

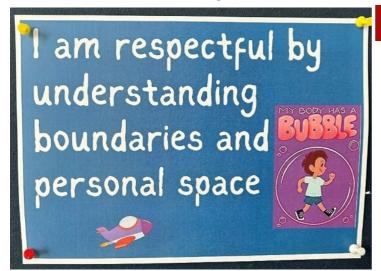
Well done to our Year 6 soloist. We enjoyed the short concert on Tuesday.

Amidst all these wonderful extra-curricula successes, we also need to keep the focus on learning in the classroom. I encourage all students to reflect on their goals for the term and make every effort to achieve them. The Deputy Principals and I have been visiting classrooms and talking to students about their learning and their next steps. It is impressive to know that most students are clear on what they are meant to be learning in the lessons, how they are going, who or what can help them to reach their goals and the value of feedback. Keep it up!





Positive Behaviour for Learning



Raise Our Voice Australia

Background information

Raise Our Voice Australia have invited Federal MPs across the country to read a 90-second speech written by a young person from their electorate. Speeches will be read from the 16th to 20th of October 2023 during Youth Voice in Parliament week. This non-partisan initiative endeavours to increase the political literacy of *all* our young voters and voters-to-be (individuals aged 25 and under).

From the 16th to the 20th of October, Raise Our Voice Australia is running Youth Voice to Parliament week. The campaign will amplify the voices of young people from across the country, giving them the platform to share their stories and visions for the future.

Raise Our Voice Australia is inviting young people aged 25 years or younger across Australia to write a 90 second speech, answering the question "what change would make Australia a better place for future generations?" Successful applicants will have their speech read out in Parliament House by politicians in their electorate, state or territory (and will be written on Hansard record forever!).

So, if you are a young person and have an idea that you believe is worth sharing, start writing and submit your speech – submissions close 15 September.

For more information, have a look at our website https://raiseourvoiceaustralia.com/youthvoice for some more tips, inspiration or to submit your speech.

If there is anything else we can do to support the participation of your students, please don't hesitate to get in touch via our social media channels or via email at campaigns@raiseourvoiceaustralia.com, and one of our team members will be in touch - alternatively, you can reach our campaign manager, Gemma Crosby, on 042017024.

LOCK OUT BESTORS LOCK OUT BES

From the Deputy Principals

Budding Artists - Year 4 - Collagraphs with Anushka

Year 4 students have been planning, collaborating and making creations inspired by artworks they have been studying. Students have learnt to communicate their ideas using visual techniques, conventions and processes taught by our very own artist in residence — Anuska De Luca. This term each class has had a series of lessons. They have been introduced to and discussed the works of Picasso and Giovanni Tipungwuti. Students have learnt how to plan and create different forms of printmaking using collagraphs.

Some of you may be old enough to remember the days of printmaking using lino and chisels to create your design. I remembering feeling relieved to complete the process without gouging an injury into my hand. Fortunately, technology and materials have progressed over the years, allowing our young artists to carve successful and injury free designs into a purpose made polystyrene board.

We feel very grateful to have the support and guidance of Anuska to add depth to our Visual Arts program. There is no doubt her influence is testament to the quality of what our students can produce.







Kristine and Cindy

Office News

We have a busy last two weeks of term coming up.

CCTV is being installed to assist our school remaining free of vandalism and graffiti. Please be aware recording will be 24/7. Signs will be placed at all entrances notifying our community that we have CCTV on the premises.

Please see the table below for what is being arranged and the progress of the works. Thank you to the P&C for their ongoing support, and our community who are active in achieving quality outcomes for the school. Our school is so lucky to have such a generous community, we have achieved so much this year! Thank you once again.

Date	Job	Progress
Potential install 15/	New Pool blanket	Contractor Engaged
31/08/ 2023	CCTV installation	Works Underway
September Holidays	Oval Upgrade- Aeration and Topsoil	Contractor engaged
September Holidays	Anthony Street Gate Replaced and Upgraded	Contractor Engaged
1/09/2023	Pigeon Proofing outside Instrumental room and clean-up of building impacted	Contractor Engaged
September Holidays	Custom built music storage being installed in music room	Contractor Engaged
December Holidays	Tennis Courts being resurfaced	Quotes being evaluated
	OSHC (Outside School Hours Care) Air Conditioning	Quotes being evaluated
1/09/2023	Hall stairs- Massey Street and school side- repaired and painted	Contractor engaged
1/09/2023	Tree works (Behind cricket nets)	Contractor engaged
5 th and 12 th September	OSHC gutters – Gutter Guard installed and Tennis Court Pavilion- Gutter Replaced	Contractor engaged

Please note with the upgrade of the oval over the September holidays, the oval will be closed to all community members and families. Please do not allow your dogs on the oval or practice your golf swing. It is imperative our oval is looked after, for our children's health and safety and to respect the contributions of our donors. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Congratulations to our community for raising \$11,100.00 towards the upgrade of the oval. If you would like to contribute to this project, we are seeking a recommended voluntary financial contribution of between \$60 and \$90. Please see below for payment details. We have committed to \$13,000 worth of works to upgrade the oval- and any extra contributions are welcome. Account details are below.

Payment Details:

Bank Commonwealth Bank

BSB 064-145

Account 00090092

Reference Student Initial and Surname, VFC e.g. NSmithVFC

We are still looking for crossing supervisors. Should you wish to be considered, please contact the office. You must be available to work both morning and afternoon shifts.

Please support our crossing supervisors by crossing at the designated crossings and following their instructions. Thank you for keeping our children and community safe.

As we are coming to the end of term 3, we are wanting to tidy up accounts. Your help with this would be most appreciated.

Sondra is contacting families again, to follow up outstanding payments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office, we are always happy to help.

Have a wonderful long weekend,

Karen, Sondra and Susan

Students of the Week

These students impressed their teachers with their approach to learning in a variety of ways over the past weeks. Congratulations!

Week 8

Prep A	Sia S	3B	Evie C
Prep B	Quinton D	3D	Henry B
Prep D	Amelia B	3/4	Claudia C
1A	James S	4A	Tristan N
1B	Ari S	4B	Collin Z
1C	Mabel K	4C	Hudson F
1D	Reyansh G	4D	Laura W
2A	Liam M	5A	Jenah C
2B	Sherbelle L	5B	Stephanie S
2C	Oliver S	5C	Sriman V
2D	Gabriel J	6A	Farbod A
PE (Prep-Yr 2)	Nikhil H	6B	Zara P
PE (Prep-Yr 2)	Remi P	6C	Ashley J
Japanese	Paloma A	PE (Yr 3-6)	Jackson C
3A	Tallulah B	PE (Yr 3-6)	Ben P

Boarding Passes to Success

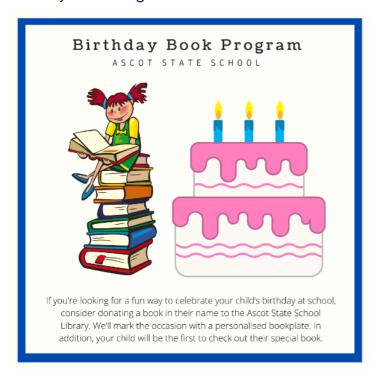
Congratulations to these students who are mastering our school expectations and earnt a Boarding Pass that put them into our weekly draw at Assembly. With thanks to the P & C for their support, our winners receive an ice block or home bake from the Tuckshop.

1C	Hendrix	3C	Angus
1C	Remi	4C	Bastien

2A	Sofia	5A	Louis
3B	Easton		

Library

Birthday Book Program



Happy 6th Birthday Georgia C (PB)

The Memory Tree – Britta Teckentrup

Our birthday book program is an opportunity to celebrate your child's special day with a donation of their choice to our library collection. Each child's birthday book donation is recognised in the Digest, at assembly, as well as the inclusion of a book plate on the inside front cover of the donated book.

If your child has already had their birthday this year or they have a birthday coming up, you may like to take up this opportunity. We have had some lovely birthday books added to our library collection over the past couple of years. Thank you for your donations.

Book Week





Thank you to all our families, staff, and, of course, our very talented children for your involvement in this year's Book Week. Our week was packed with competitions, activities, live author sessions, and guest readers in the library, including a

very special appearance from Winston, our therapy dog! We finished the week with our ever so popular Book Week Parade.

A certificate has been given to each student who submitted an entry to our Book Week competitions. It was great to have so many this year! The results of our Book Week Competitions are below.

Read, Grow, Inspire

Micro Fiction Writing Competition

Prep	Henry B- Prep B Highly commended- Aiden E- Prep C
Yr 1	Lulu W- 1D Highly commended- Gigi T- 1D
Yr 2	Charlie G- 2B Highly commended Gabriel J- 2D
Yr 3	India P- 3B Highly commended- Pippa TK- 3C
Yr 4	Laura W- 4D Highly commended- Sariah S – Class 3/4
Yr 5	William CB- 5C Highly commended- Emily A- 5C
Yr 6	Elijah C- 6A Highly commended - Alexis D- 6A

Book in a Box Competition

Prep	Villa K- Prep A Highly commended- Alex S- Prep A
Yr 1	Millie TK- 1B Highly commended- Ted C- 1D
Yr 2	Harry H- 2C Highly commended- Estelle D- 2D
Yr 3	Sahara S- 3C Highly commended- Abigail L- Class 3/4
Yr 4	Anthea B- Class 3/4 Highly commended- Jackson C- 4A
Yr 5	Georgina L- 5A Highly commended- Stephanie S- 5B

Yr 6

Amelia W- 6A

Highly commended - Portia B- 6A

Ascot State School Book Fair

- opens Monday morning

Our 2023 Ascot State School Library Book Fair is here! Sales commence Monday morning. We welcome back local West End independent bookstore, 'Where the Wild Things Are' who are providing a collection of new releases, graphic novels, chapter and picture books and non-fiction for our Ascot families to purchase.

Book Fairs are a wonderful fundraising opportunity for school libraries. All sales from the Book Fair earn the library commission, which we use to purchase additional reading material for our students to enjoy. Families are encouraged to browse and purchase online at www.wildschools.com.au or via the QR code. Free delivery is available on all orders delivered direct to school.

This week, students have had the opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their class and complete a 'Wish List' to bring home. If visiting the Book Fair in person please note that cash and EFTPOS will be available, however EFTPOS is our preference. Our Book Fair will be open before and after school and extended hours will occur Tuesday 5th September to allow families to visit before our Instrumental information evening. We look forward to seeing you at our Book Fair.

Becky, Jenny and Lorraine

Library Staff



Representative Sports

Congratulations to all of our 9 students who competed as part of the City District team at the Metropolitan North Track and Field Carnival last week. Four of our students performed amazingly well and have been selected to compete in the Met North team at the State trials on October 10 and 11. Their wonderful results include: Brennan - shot put (1st), 1500/200 (2nd), 100 (3rd) Ava - 800 (1st), 1500/200 (2nd), 100 (5th), Victoria - 1500/800 (1st), Brighton - discus (1st)

We wish these students well as they perform at the next level.



Aisyah competed recently at the State Schools Tennis Trials. Aisyah also performed very well at these trials, claiming a silver medal in the singles and another silver medal with the Metropolitan North team who came second out of 12 regions. Well done Aisyah!



To round off a very successful sporting period, Victoria competed in The National Cross Country championships last week in the ACT. Victoria ran very well coming 7th in the country for the 11 years girls age group. Congratulations Victoria on this wonderful achievement.



Athletics Training (Thursday 3:10 - 3:50)

Mrs Proctor, who used to be an elite athlete, leads athletics training sessions for children who are interested in developing their athletic skills on the oval Thursday afternoons. There will be no session next Thursday (Sept 7) due to teacher professional development. If a session has to be cancelled teachers will be informed and pass this information onto students. Thank you Mrs Proctor for you efforts and expertise.

Summer Gala Days Sport Term 4 (yr 5 – 6)

Gala Days are scheduled for Friday in weeks 1 to 3 of term 4 for year 5 and 6 students. With the nominations we have received we are able to field teams for touch, AFL, flipperball (modified water polo) and baseball. We have done our best to accommodate student choices within the constraint of team numbers. Playing any of these team sports will give children opportunities to learn physical skills, work as part of a team, develop social skills and practise sportsmanship. Yr 5 and 6 students will receive the Gala Day information/ permission notes this week. Pease return completed forms to class teachers before the end of term 3.

Term 4 Swimming Information

The term 4 timetable is being finalised and teachers will soon be letting classes know when their swimming lessons will be. Just some reminders with swimming: children are required to wear togs, sunshirts and caps and all clothes (swimming and uniforms) need to be named so we can return them if they are misplaced in changerooms. All students are expected to participate in the swimming program. If a student is sick or injured on their swimming day, class teachers should be informed via note or email. To comply with department guidelines and ensure safety we require parents to volunteer to help in the water for prep classes (2 would be great) and a volunteer to act as a spotter for all year levels. All volunteers must have completed mandatory training which, once completed, is valid for the calendar year and we ask that you please sign in and out at the office or pool area. We appreciate your time and commitment to helping children participate safely in this very important physical activity.

Music News

What a wonderful week for the music department.

Well done to Chorale, Singers, and Piccolos for stunning performances at assembly on Monday.

A further congratulations to

Caleb C, Elias N, Tom D, Laila J, Chloe W, Lexi D and Zara P for their wonderful performances at the Bursary concert on Tuesday.

Impressive work all round!

Date Claimers:

2024 Instrumental music information evening

On Tuesday 5 September 6pm, there will be an information session for new students in the instrumental music program commencing in 2024. These families have already been emailed.

Northside Honours Music Camp

A reminder that Tues-Thurs week 10, select students will be attending Northside Honours camp at Everton Park SHS. Please contact Bridget if you need assistance getting your child to the event, or if you can provide transport.

P&C News

Ladies Lunch 2023

DONT MISS OUT. GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

LIMITED TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other mums from Ascot State School, catch up with friends, enjoy a relaxing long lunch while soaking in the stunning city views and raise much-needed funds for our school.



Read-a-thon

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to our Read-A-Thon Winners! Classes *Prep B* and *6A* , who raised the most money as a class and won the class pizza party, also *Laura G* from Prep B and *Ayman K* from 6A, who won a \$100 voucher for The Book Warehouse in Albion for raising the most money. We will be in touch to arrange your prizes. There are still winners for the most books read, which we will announce once all the reading logs have been handed back to your teachers. It was an amazing effort by everyone with a whopping \$10,404 raised for the school.

"A special thank you to The Book Warehouse in Albion for donation the vouchers"



Community Notices



FOOTBALL STAR ACADEMY
SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY CAMP!

@ Northgate State School

KEEP THE KIDS ENTERTAINED AND ACTIVE THIS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

Wed 20th -Fri 22nd September

HALF DAY CAMP 9AM-12NOON

FULL DAY CAMP 9AM-3PM

*# Supervision can be arranged from 8.30-3.30.

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