Dear Parents and Carers

Week three already!

Students have completed Naplan and our classes are now doing a range of assessments across the grades to assist with reporting. Our school cross country is on next week and we are hoping to have as many family members here to watch as possible. This is an enjoyable event and students who are not able to run the whole way can still participate. Walking some of the way is always an option so all students get some house points for their team.

Unfortunately we are still having some problems with our car park and our School Association has had detailed discussions around this issue. The main concern is the safety of students and families.

The following are the rules that we have set up to help ensure that our car park is safe for all:

- No parking in the disabled car park spot unless you have a disability permit.
- No parking in areas designated ‘No Parking’.
- No parking in the Kiss & Drop area before 9.30am and after 2.30pm.
- Observe the 15 minute parking sign between 9.30am – 2.30pm.
- No double parking when dropping off or picking up children.
- Observe speed limit signs.
- No parking in front of the boom gate obstructing entry for emergency vehicles.
- When exiting the school all traffic must turn left.
- Parents should utilise car parking facilities near the old netball court.

Reminder that school commences at 8.50am and finishes at 2.50pm

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- Principal’s welcome

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST
- School start time
- Car Park Rules
The Carnival is a great opportunity for students to represent their house and possibly be selected for the Inter-School Cross Country team. It will also be the first opportunity for students in grade 2 to compete in a senior carnival. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours on the day.

If you park your car and take your child to class, car parking facilities near the old netball court should be used instead of the staff car park.

At our last meeting the School Association proposed that there will be a review at the end of term and if these rules are not abided by we will have to close the car park of an afternoon and parents/carers would need to use the Rosneath car park (near the old netball court).

Duty teachers would escort students to the gate before the car park and students could leave when parents/carers arrive. This is not ideal however we are running out of options. This has been an issue since the school opened and we need the support of all parents so the school does not have to resort to these drastic measures.

Another request in regard to safety, we are asking parents of students using the tunnel to remind their children not to ride their scooters in the tunnel. Some parents and other students are feeling unsafe as the scooters have been going very fast through the tunnel on their way out of the school. Your co-operation would be appreciated on this matter.

I would like to thank all those who took part and/or organised our Mother’s Day raffle. Over $2000 dollars was raised and this was an amazing effort!! It is fantastic to see how support from families and a hard working fundraising committee can raise significant amounts of money to enrich the programs in our school. All staff are very grateful for these efforts.

Anne Douglas,
Principal

**Cross Country**

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Safety Issue

Academic and Sporting Achievements by our students

Scholastic Book Club

GATES NEAR GREEN POD

For the safety of our students, could parents make sure they close the gate near green pod that leads up to the street.

Congratulations to Zac Alexander for being in the top 1% in the state for Naplan 2013.

Congratulations to Jack Underwood and Jack Willmott for their success in the 2014 PSST State Athletic Carnival, St Leonards Athletic Centre in Launceston which was held on 16 April.

Jack Willmott
Event 5—Boys 1500 metres—Grade 6
Placed: 2/31

Jack Underwood
Event 15—Boys Long Jump—Grade 6
Placed: 3/15

Jack Willmott
Event 87—Boys 800 metres—Grade 6
Placed: 2/23

The Scholastic Book Club has now come to Austins Ferry Primary. Booklets have been sent home with all students.

Order form and money is due back on 27 May. Order forms together with payment can either be left at the office or handed into the class teacher.

If you have any questions, please contact the office and leave a message for Leah McKenzie.

Some students are bringing noodles to school and asking for hot water.

This presents a safety issue as the hot water or the noodles is liable to burn a student.

For safety sake it is preferred that students do not bring noodles to school.

Due date for order form and payment for Scholastic Book Club is 27 May
AUSTINS FERRY PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

On Tuesday 15 April the Annual General Meeting of the School Association was held. Listed are the position holders for 2014.

Chairperson                  Shauna Hurst
Deputy Chairperson           Deb Moore
Secretary                   Carol Morgan
Treasurer                   Rosalind Butler
(Deputy Treasurer)          Graham Hyde
Public Officer              Anne Douglas

Committee Members
Alanna Cannon              Karen Perry
Cheryl Iles               Robyn Steele
Scott Coutts              Vanni Singh
Kristy-Lee Hall           Kat Dawson
Leah McKenzie

The fundraising committee has been working hard with the Mothers Day Raffle which was drawn on Friday 9 May. Total amount raised was $2142.95.

Congratulations to winner—Ricky Honey.

SCHOOL BANKING REMINDER

Don’t forget that THURSDAY is School Banking Day

There will be an ACCOUNT OPENING AFTERNOON on Wednesday 28th May (after assembly) between 2:00 and 3:30pm

This term we are giving students, schools and our School Banking Co-ordinators the opportunity to win a share of sunken treasure found in the Lost City of Savings.

Students simply need to make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 2, regardless of the value, and they will automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes including:

Major student prize.

- Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
- VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet’n’Wild Gold Coast;
- Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
- A $3,000 travel gift card to get them there.

Congratulations to Jack Willmott for coming first in the primary school section of the City to Casino race.

Jack ran the distance of 2.7kls in 9mins 11 seconds.

Well done Jack!

Claremont Girl Guides

Car Boot Sale

Saturday 24 May from 9am to 1pm

In car park opposite Claremont Village, Boxhill Road, Claremont and in their hall.

Sites $10 inside (includes table)
Outside $5

We have vacancies for girls 5—18 years in Claremont guides

Any queries please phone 0437 075 623
IMPORTANT DATES:

Assembly: Wednesday 28 May @ 1.45pm

- Blue Pod – GLA 3 RS, GLA 5 RQ, GLA 6 JO
- Red Pod – GLA 1 EL, GLA 3 VNB, GLA 6 PK
- Green Pod – GLA 1 Casey/Fay, GLA 3 GCG, GLA 5 BF

Cross Country - Grades 2 to 6 Thursday 29 May

Assembly: Wednesday 11 June @ 1.45pm

- Blue Pod – GLA 1 EF, GLA 2 JC, GLA 4 HW
- Red Pod – GLA 2 DM, GLA 4 LM, GLA 5 KB
- Green Pod – GLA 2 RH, GLA 4 AP, GLA 6 DW

Swimming Program—Grades 3—5 Monday 16 June to Friday 27 June

Assembly: Wednesday 25 June @ 1.45pm

- Blue Pod – GLA 3 RS, GLA 5 RQ, GLA 6 JO
- Red Pod – GLA 1 EL, GLA 3 VNB, GLA 6 PK
- Green Pod – GLA 1 Casey/Fay, GLA 3 GCG, GLA 5 BF

Term 2 ends: Friday 4 July

Student Free Day: Monday 21 July

Term 3 commences: Tuesday 22 July

Parent/Teacher Interviews— 28 July to 1 August

ECE Swimming Program: 3 to 7 November

Contact details

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Kerrie Riewoldt
ADVANCED SKILLS TEACHER: Aaron Guilliamse
ADVANCED SKILLS TEACHER: Carolyn Murray

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LEVIES

Levies are an important source of revenue to Austins Ferry Primary, they fund your child’s annual stationery kit, library resources, classroom disposable items, excursions, printing costs and IT items.

With the exception of STAS approved students, parents and guardians are expected to meet their levy liability.

Many families have entered into an arrangement to make regular payments either through paying in person to the school office, B Pay or Service Tasmania and progressively reduce their debt to the school.

If you have not made arrangements to pay your levies, please contact the general office on (6275 7222).

Should your child be approved for student assistance and you are still receiving a statement for outstanding levies, please contact the office.