

Alexandra Primary School



Our purpose is to build a learning community that challenges and supports young minds to develop as independent and lifelong learners, continually striving for excellence.

RESPECT CARE INTEGRITY ACHIEVE

Thursday 20th March
Term 1
Week 8

Coming Up

- Mar 24 – School Council AGM
- Mar 25 – Cluster Athletics
- Mar 26 – Family Games Night & Picnic 5pm
- Apr 3 – BMX Trick Show Incursion
- Apr 4 – Term 1 finishes at 2.30pm

Sausage sizzle reminder

Sausage sizzle order forms for students NOT attending cluster due back tomorrow morning.

Cluster Athletics

Tuesday 25th of March.
Volunteer sign up link:

volunteersignup.org/K9F93

Family Games night + Picnic!

Join in the fun, bring a picnic dinner, Play games, complete all 6 categories and be in the draw to win a prize.
Starting at 5pm.

Does anyone have a Giant Jenga or Noughts and Crosses we could borrow for the evening?

Art Supplies

Do you have any 250ml containers left over with lids? Or Shoe boxes, toothpaste boxes?
Our art room would love them!

Alexandra Primary School acknowledges the Taungurung People as the traditional custodians of the land on which our school is built. We pay our respects to the Elders, past and present of the Kulin Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people joining our learning community.

Investiture Assembly

Friday the 14th we welcomed Cr Damien Gallagher to our weekly assembly to present our School Captains, House Captains and Student Representatives their badges and certificates. Cr Damien spoke to our students about what it takes to be a leader.



House Captains



SRC

The Grade 1's presented the Grade 6 jumpers to their buddies from last year.



Star of the week!

Charli Ferguson 1/2A

Charli shows the school values every day. She has a growth mindset in the classroom, always trying her best. She is kind and friendly in the playground. She also has a cracking sense of humour and a smile that is contagious. Charli, we are proud to have you in our learning community. You are a STAR!



Foundation	Zoey Hutt - for demonstrating impressive resilience by stepping outside of her comfort zone, developing meaningful connections with peers, and embracing new friendships. Well done Zoey, I look forward to watching you develop even more friendships over the coming year!
1/2A	Isaac Goodman - For always coming to writing with all the resources you need to achieve your best. You are a great role model to your peers! You are a learning legend!
1/2B	Dallas Leary - for his persistence and determination to publish his writing on the chromebooks this week. Dallas you set such a great example of always asking questions and continuing to try your best, even though writing and publishing on the chromebooks was new to you and a bit tricky. I loved reading your story about going to your Aunty Hannah's house for a swim. Keep working hard Dallas, you are smashing it!
3/4A	Will Dyson - In recognition for Will's ability to embody the school values each and every day. Will consistently shows Respect, Care, Integrity and Achieve both in his learning and personal goals. Will you're a wonderful role model to your peers, well done!
3/4B	Amelia Godden - For displaying our school values to support others with their Minecraft Alex Bux award. Amelia gave up her time to help other students access their Minecraft reward. She showed patience and resilience and was an all round legend. Great work!
5/6A	Georgie Wise - In recognition, for her kindness and making sure that all her classmates are included. I love seeing you look after those around you and I hope you understand the difference you are making in the classroom but also to the individuals that you look out for. Keep spreading your kindness.
5/6B	Kaiden Tomlinson - for showing a big improvement in his work effort and attitude. Kaiden has been trying his best with his work and giving everything a go. In Writing he wrote a fantastic paragraph with some great descriptive words, and created suspense that made the reader want to hear more. In Maths he is using some good strategies to assist him to complete the tasks. Well done, Kaiden! Keep up the improved attitude!
PE	Corbyn Hayes-Moynihan - For consistently trying your best in all games and participating in every activity no matter the outcome. Thank you for being a superstar in PE. Well done Corbyn!
Art	Daisy Maguire-Lacey - Daisy is a pleasure to teach in the Art Room. She has been working really hard to produce great results. Her tessellating monster is a great example of her work ethic. Well done, Daisy!

eSmart

Did you know that our school is partnered with the Alannah and Madeline Foundation to support students in navigating the complex world of technology? We encourage families to get involved with this by visiting the eSmart website and finding out how you can support your child in being safe and responsible online. It is best to develop habits when your children are young, before problems arise. You can find out more at: [Learning & Resources | Alannah & Madeline Foundation](#)

School uniform!

We have an absolute stockpile of jumpers available in our second-hand cupboard! Mornings are so cold, please make sure your children are dressed appropriately.

Shoes that are play appropriate are important. Climbing on the climbing frames, playing basketball and chasey, and class outside games.

Footy shorts are not appropriate for school (you wouldn't wear your school shorts on the footy field!).

Our school uniform is:

- Royal Blue polo shirt with Alexandra Primary School logo
- Plain White or Blue Skivvy underneath polo shirt
- Royal Blue polar fleece
- Blue and white check dress
- Grey school Shorts (no footy shorts)
- Skorts
- Grey school trousers (no cargo pockets/jeans)
- School wide brimmed hat (available at the school office)
- Parkers/jackets and warm hats are encouraged for outside in cool weather
- Grey tights can be worn
- Active leggings and basketball shorts are acceptable for sports days

Interview with Mrs Azzopardi

By Illiana and Indigo

How long have you been working at this school?

4 years

What brought you to APS?

There was an available place and I got a phone call

What is your favourite thing about this school?

The sense of community

What is your favourite subject to teach at school?

I love it all

What Primary School did you go to?

Berwick Primary School

What have your previous jobs been?

Swimming teacher, Accounts Receivable

What is your favourite thing to do outside of school?

Quilting

What is your favourite colour, sport and food?

Red, Dancing, Kievs

What sports team do you go for?

Carlton and Liverpool

What is your favourite book?

Mists of Avalon

Thank you for sharing your answers with us!



Interview with Mrs Fraser

By Mackenzie and Liesse

How long have you been working at this school?

2 years

What brought you to APS?

My family moved to Alexandra

What is your favourite thing about this school?

The staff, the students and the grounds

What is your favourite subject to teach at school?

Creative Writing

What Primary School did you go to?

Mooroopna Park Primary School

What have your previous jobs been?

Baker's Delight and Coles

What is your favourite thing to do outside of school?

Reading and spending time with my family

What is your favourite colour, sport and food?

Green, AFL and "Marry Me" pasta

What sports team do you go for?

North Melbourne

What is your favourite book?

It's so hard to choose! Maybe "Tomorrow when the war began."

Thank you for sharing your answers with us!



Choosing a Gratitude Mindset

SHIFT FROM 'I HAVE TO' TO 'I GET TO'

A simple change in language from 'I have to do this' to 'I get to do this' can change our whole perspective on life and daily tasks. When we adopt the 'I get to' mindset as a gratitude practice, it helps us focus on the positive aspects of our lives and the opportunities we often take for granted.

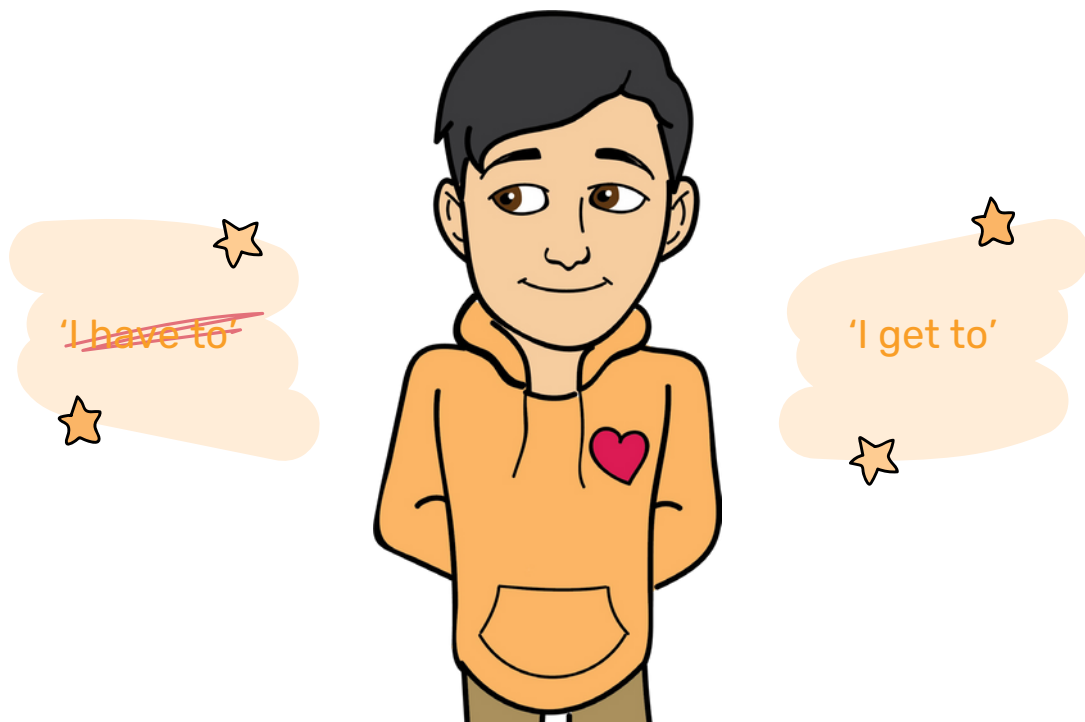
HOW CAN YOUR FAMILY PRACTICE THIS TOGETHER?

Here are some examples to get you started:

- I get to wash the dishes.
- I get to make breakfast for my family.
- I get to walk the dog and spend time outside.


FAMILY CHALLENGE

Try to replace 'I have to' with 'I get to' in your conversations this week. **Notice how it changes your perspective, and discuss as a family how it feels to focus on gratitude in everyday tasks.**



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RESILIENCE PROJECT, HEAD TO:

Term One

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
8	17 BMX forms due back	18	19	20	21 9am Assembly Sausage sizzle orders due
9	24 School Council Meeting & AGM 6pm	25 Cluster Athletics Sausage Sizzle 	26 Family Games Night+ Picnic starting 5pm	27	28 9am Assembly
10	31	1/4	2	3 BMX Incursion Prep-6	4 9am Assembly Term 1 ends School finishes at 2.30pm

Easter raffle

Easter raffle donations can be dropped off to the office and tickets are due back before the 4th of April.

If you'd like more tickets please let the office know.



Feeling overwhelmed or just need a defrag?

Parenting Support

Raising Healthy Minds app |
Raising Children Network for a range of parenting support
Parentline - 13 22 89
Medicare Mental Health Service - 1800 595 212

Domestic Violence Support

1800RESPECT - 1800 737 732
Men's Referral Service
1300 766 491
MensLine Australia
1300 78 99 78

Support for Kids

Kids Helpline - 1800 55 1800

Support for First Nations People

Yarning SafeNStrong | Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS)
- 1800 959 563
Brother to Brother | Dardi
Munwurro - 1800 435 799

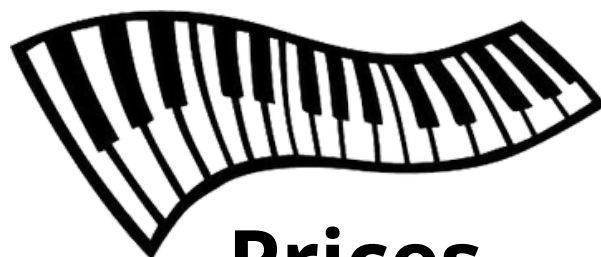
PIANO/keyboard Music Lessons

Individual one-to-one or two-to-one piano/keyboard lessons.

Site reading, rhythm and technique in a fun way with an experienced qualified teacher.

Skills gained from this programme include

- Focus and concentration - Time management skills - Music for enjoyment and fun - Music literacy skills - Respect encouragement and supporting others



Prices

Half hour lesson (pairs) - \$25

Private 1:1 half hour lesson - \$40

Theory Book - \$20

Invoices per term.

8-10 lessons per term.

Book a place for your child in 2025!

Contact Jane

Email janeyfraga@yahoo.com.au or text 0418 584 119 with your child's first name, age and school.

