



Term 1, Week 1
Friday 30 January 2015

ASCOT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
R-7 SPECIALIST PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT SCHOOL

👍 School Values 👍

Respect
Responsibility
Excellence

📖 Diary Dates 📖

Term 1

Week 3

Tuesday - February 10 Annual General Meeting. Meet the teacher evening.

Week 4

Friday - February 20 Whole School Assembly

Week 5

Thursday - February 26 Middle school aquatics

Week 6

Monday - March 2 - March 6 Swimming

Leader's Report

Welcome back for the 2015 school year. I trust everyone had a good break and students are ready to work hard and do their best to succeed.

We extend a special welcome to our new staff member, Ms Reena Brinias. Reena will be teaching PE to all classes on Tuesday, Thursday or Friday. Di Johnston will fill the leader senior position.

Welcome also to the many new families who have joined our school. We wish our new students and their families a happy start to their involvement with the Ascot Park community.

We are once again holding a **Family Barbecue Night on Tuesday the 10th of February** starting at 5:15pm in classrooms until 6pm. The AGM will follow where we will look at school directions, in particular literacy and numeracy and encourage parents to participate. We value parent involvement and opinions. This will be followed by a BBQ at 6.45pm where families have the opportunity to meet teachers in a relaxed setting, and your children can introduce you to the many school staff they are involved with throughout their school day. We hope to see you there.

Contact Details

Please ensure we have your correct contact details and that we are able to make contact with someone if need be during the day. There have been too many occasions when we have needed to contact parents and have not been able to.

Thanks in anticipation.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be commencing again in Week 3 Wednesday February 11th. Hope to see you all there!



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TAKING PHOTOS AT SCHOOL EVENTS

We understand that some parents may wish to film their children's participation at an assembly/event.

In order to ensure the privacy of all students, please be aware that any vision or photographs taken must be for personal use only.

Images taken of students other than your child should not be placed on public forums such as *Facebook* or *You Tube*.

We appreciate your respect and co-operation

Finance

News from 2014.....the poll on 2015 school fees was successful with families having now received the invoice for this year.

Thank you to everyone who have already paid School fees or brought in School Card or Esidebit forms. This is greatly appreciated.

As of this year we have a new way to pay, which is by direct debit. All you need to do is fill in the Esidebit form and return it to the school and we will do the rest. The payments will come out of your account on the frequency that you state until the bill is completely paid. If you have any questions then please contact me in finance.

Also, we have new school uniform stock in. Until all old stock is sold we have reduced the price of old stock by half with bargains to be had. There are limited numbers of some sizes left so get in fast.

If you have any questions about your school account then please contact me on 8276 3055 or drop into the school.

Thanks
Andrea

CP Corner Week 1 Term 1 2015

Welcome to the new school year! I hope that you all found wonderful things to do and discover in the holidays and that you are happy and excited as you get to know your new teachers and classrooms. It is always fun to see what changes have occurred at the school over the holidays. Our principal, teachers and other staff have worked diligently over the break to ensure a fresh, new start to the school year. The weather is just great for settling in and the week

began in great style with **Australia Day**. People all over Australia got together to enjoy just being together in this fantastic country and to remember all those things that make this country great. I ended up seeing the sculpture display at Brighton Beach and watching the tennis! I put Australian flags on the table and talked about them with someone from China and someone from Saudi Arabia! What did you do?

It was on the back of this great spirit of collegiality (meaning that we were working together to bring about a better Australia for all) that we could return to school on Tuesday to explore the wonders of Australia and the universe with other members of the school community. There are some things that we all learn and do together and there are other things that individuals and groups choose or are given that specialise in particular areas. It is important to recognise these different areas so that they all contribute to the well-being not only of the individuals and groups but also to the **well-being of the whole community**. During the holidays I was involved in the celebration of my parents' Diamond Wedding Anniversary (60 years). Among the greetings from various dignitaries was one from a Senator who thanked them for working at their marriage for the *well-being of the community*.

The school holiday break this year also had some significant and tragic occurrences such as the **hostage siege in Sydney, the fires in the Adelaide Hills, floods, and several road accidents resulting in loss of life and injury**. As Australians we all share in the distress that these things cause and it is wonderful when people rally together to make things better again. As Australia has a relatively small population it is even possible that there could be someone from this school community that has suffered, or who knows someone personally who has suffered, from these events. Such events have a wide impact and it is a healthy community that can acknowledge this impact and respond to it. May our community continue to show compassion to its members as we progress through this year, experiencing its highs and lows.

Til next time

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