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Term Dates 2022

Term 1 Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Jan - Fri 8<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2
Tue 26<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> July

Term 3 18<sup>th</sup> July - Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept

Term 4
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Oct - Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Dec

**School Development Days** 

Term 4
Thurs 27th & Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Oct
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec



Term 1, Week 7 2022

### A message from our Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are heading into what the State Government and Health Department see as being the peak of COVID over the next few days. We have been quite fortunate in that we have had very few cases when compared to other schools. It is important that we all try to stay safe, so if your child is unwell, please keep them at home and monitor them for any COVID symptoms. Children and adults with coronavirus may experience fever, flu-like symptoms such as coughing, sore throat, fatigue, and shortness of breath.

The Year 3-6 students have adapted well to the wearing of masks and we certainly have seen some interesting ones over the last few weeks: particularly in our older Year levels.

Given that we cannot hold assemblies at the moment, we are using a different format so that the students can still participate in these. Classes are recording their item using a laptop and the admin team are presenting merit awards to students in their classroom. We are taking photos of these students and these will be posted in the newsletter as well as on students CONNECT classroom page.

ON Entry testing has nearly been completed, however reports from this assessment back to parents may be sent out slightly later as the testing period has had to be extended due to some schools not being able to complete the assessments in the original timeframes.

NAPLAN is scheduled for Week 3 Term 2 (10th-20th May) for our Year 3 and 5 students. An information brochure has been sent out regarding this assessment. If you wish to withdraw your child, please notify the school as soon as possible.

Our P&C following our meeting on Tuesday night, are busy organising some fundraising events for this term. We have a crazy hair day coming up on the 1st April and an Icey Pole Day on the last day of term, so keep your eye out for these.

We are holding our 1st School Board meeting for the year on Tuesday the 22nd March. This is an open meeting so anyone that would like to attend this meeting is welcome. Please be aware that this is not as a participant in the meeting. Meetings are currently held using WEBEX not face to face, so if you would like to attend, please email the school and we will provide you with a link to join the meeting.

Have a safe fortnight everyone!

Michelle Wellsteed Principal











### Year 5

What a busy and productive term it has been in Montebello Islands 1 and 2, so far! The students have been participating in a range of hands-on activities across all learning areas and

have become very familiar with incorporating ICT skills into their learning.

It has been so interesting learning about light and shadows in our Physical Science unit. Students have been doing a range of activities to help their understanding of new terms such as translucent, transparent, opaque, reflection, refraction, and absorption.

**FUN FACT:** Did you know that if you bring the source of light closer to an opaque object it creates a larger, longer shadow? And the further away the source of light from the opaque object, the smaller and shorter the shadow will be!

In Maths, the students have been learning about mental strategies, place value, 3D shapes and interpreting data. They have used Seesaw to display their mental strategy knowledge and have created some complicated 3D shapes from nets!

The students have significantly improved their vocabulary this term, by regularly using class word-walls and innovating the class model text, 'The Unusual House'. They have come up with some fantastic suspense narratives of their own! The students incorporated ICT in their learning by typing out their final narratives and recording their story map actions on the iPads. They also looked at using word formations such as onomatopoeia to add some excitement to their writing!

The Year 5 classes were given the opportunity to practise their voting skills, which they have been learning in Civics, by using ballot papers to vote for the Year 6 leadership team for 2022. The students watched pre-recorded speeches and voted for their favourite candidates.

To participate in Clean Up Australia Day, they put their gloves on and worked as a team

to collect rubbish around the oval. It was great to see them so concerned about their environment - they certainly noticed how much rubbish there was!

It has been great to see the dedication students have devoted to their learning so far this term and we look forward to a great year ahead!













# STEM-tastic Work

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

Miss Nisbett's Year 3 scientists predicted, observed, and compared their results for an experiment of changing states of matter. They investigated the effect of temperature on a solid (butter) by placing some samples in the sun and the shade.

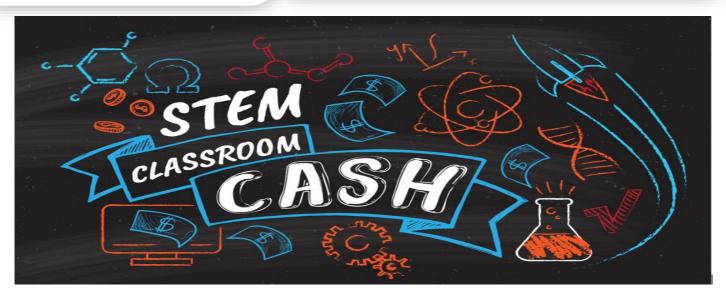












Help develop our STEM stars of the future!

Collect entries from Saturday's edition of *The West Australian* on March 12th, 19th, 26th and April 2nd.

Drop them into the box in the front office, or into the box in your Classroom wet area and our Student Councillors will do the counting for us!

Talk to your family and friends to have them collect coupons too! The more coupons we collect, the better our chances to win a share in the \$25,000 on offer for STEM supplies and opportunities.

From the Student Councillors of Alkimos Beach P.S.

# Recycling News



#### Clean Schools - Keep Australia Beautiful Campaign

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, students headed out of their classrooms to participate in the Clean Schools initiative run by Keep Australia Beautiful. They collected lots of weird and unusual items that had been left behind in our School environment, but one of the common ones was disposable masks. These can be very dangerous to our native wildlife as they become caught in the strings.

By all accounts, it was a very productive 2 days with LOTS and LOTS of rubbish removed from around our School. Mrs Wood, her students and some Eco Warriors helped sort through all the rubbish and were able to collect 17 items to add to our containers for cash program, recycled some waste in our paper recycling bins and disposed of all the remaining rubbish into our general waste bins.











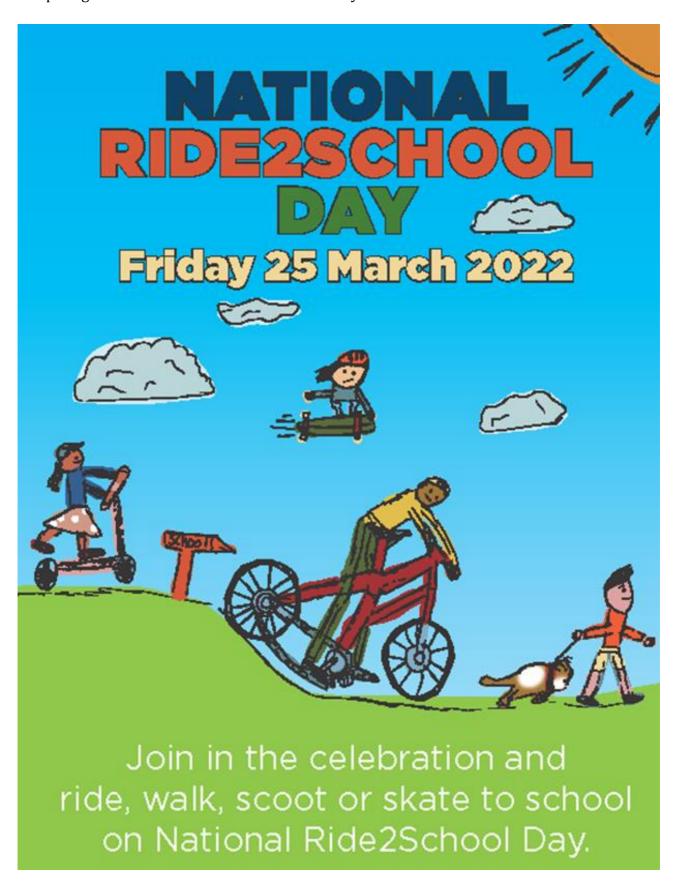


### National Ride2School Day 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March is National Ride2School Day and Alkimos Beach Primary School would like to encourage as many students as possible to either ride, walk or scoot to school on this day.

Participating students will receive a faction token by their class teacher.



# MERIT AWARDS

#### **AUSSIE OF THE MONTH**

#### **PRE-PRIMARY AWARDS**









PRE-PRIMARY/YEAR ONE AWARDS

**YEAR ONE AWARDS** 











# MERIT AWARDS

### YEAR ONE/ TWO AWARDS

#### **YEAR TWO AWARDS**









#### YEAR THREE AWARDS











## MERIT AWARDS

#### **YEAR FOUR AWARDS**

#### **YEAR FIVE AWRDS**











YEAR FIVE/SIX AWARDS

YEAR SIX AWARDS









#### **CANTEEN SERVICE**

Please note the new canteen service Alkimos Café has commenced. The canteen service will be available on Wednesdays and Fridays. Orders need to be placed by 8am on the morning of the lunch order. www.quickcliq.com.au.

#### STAFF CAR PARK CABLE GATE

Please note the **staff car park** (which is the car park to the left of the admin office) has had a cable gate barrier installed so please do not use the staff car park for pick up and drop off of students
Visitor and parent parking is available in the car park to the right of the admin office and around the school.

#### **2022 SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

A big thank you to those families who have already paid.

This "one-off" payment is voluntary however it will be used to supplement expenditure in the following curriculum areas: reading resources, maths resources and ICT equipment. Over the course of the school year, the contribution of \$30 equates to 0.75c per week.

Payment can be made directly into the school's bank account (this is our preferred method of payment). Details as follows:

Account Name: Alkimos Beach Primary School

BSB: 306-182

Account Number: 0085426

Please use your child's name as a reference. If using this method of payment, please ensure that you pay monies into the school account (as above) as we have had a few parents paying money into the P & C account in error.

Alternatively, you can pay by cash or EFTPOS in the office between 8am and 4pm daily.

If you would like to set up a payment plan for 2022 at any time, for any of the fees requested, including incursions/excursions, please call into the office and see me.

**Tina Barton** 

**Manager Corporate Services** 

### **ACROD Parking Bays.**

Just a friendly reminder to please be vigilant when selecting a parking bay. Please leave all ACROD parking bays available for those who require one.

Vehicles using an ACROD bay must display a current ACROD parking permit, visible through the front windscreen.

Thank you.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT DIRECTIONS FOR COVID-19 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware, all school staff are required to be double dose vaccinated before Term 1. 2022 starts.

The State Government has issued <u>Education Worker (Restrictions on Access) Directions (No. 3)</u>, which are published on wa.gov.au. These Directions include vaccination requirements for visitors entering school sites.

#### Students are not required to be vaccinated.

Parents/carers are not required to be vaccinated when:

- dropping off or picking up their child from school;
- volunteering at school on an ad hoc basis;
- attending an event such as an assembly or parent teacher interview; or
- · entering the school after hours.

'Ad hoc basis' means attendance at no more than one education facility no more than once per week.

Parents/carers **are required** to provide vaccination evidence (single dose vaccinated from 1 January 2022 and double dose vaccinated from 31 January 2022) or exemption when:

- volunteering at the school more than once a week (this includes volunteering at the school canteen, uniform store or an in-class literacy or numeracy program);
- working in an unpaid capacity at the school more than once a week.

The following are acceptable forms of evidence of COVID-19 vaccination or exemption:

- written confirmation of the COVID-19 vaccination issued by the Department of Health;
- the COVID-19 digital certificate, which shows only your COVID-19 vaccinations. Services Australia has information on how to get your COVID-19 digital certificate;
- your immunisation history statement, which shows all vaccinations you've had. Services Australia has information on how to get your immunisation history statement;
- an International COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate issued by the Commonwealth Government. This shows the COVID-19 vaccination recorded on the Australian Immunisation Register;
- medical exemption issued by the Australian Immunisation Register; or
- temporary exemption granted by the WA Chief Health Officer.

We are committed to ensuring our school is a COVID-19 safe space. We have been provided with a clear direction of what we all need to do to keep students, colleagues, and our community safe. If you have any queries, please contact the school on 9561 7200.

Thank you for your support.



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the leaderboard.

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experience of what it's

like to be a real lifesaver.

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