



Newsletter



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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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Student Absence Line:
07 3820 0360
(24 hour service)

Outside School Hours Care:
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FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

We are shaped by our thoughts; we become what we think

ALEXANDRA HILLS STATE SCHOOL ACTION PLAN

At Tuesday night's P&C meeting, I presented the *Alexandra Hills State School Action Plan*. This document is based on the findings of the 3 day *School Review* that took place in June this year. There are 6 Improvement Strategies; from focusing on improved communication, developing a positive school culture built on high expectations, implementing the *Positive Behaviour 4 Learning* program in 2016, sharpening the improvement agenda to encompass mathematics, implementing a pedagogical framework and data analysis framework (for teaching staff) and the establishment of a kindergarten in 2016. It is a very exciting document, which will inform the school's direction over the next twelve months. A copy has been attached to the newsletter; if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

P&C:
Next Meeting:
Tues 3rd Nov
6.30pm Staff Room
New memberships welcome !

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY

This week, the *2015 School Opinion Survey* report was released for *Alexandra Hills State School*. This is based on the results from the surveys that were completed by members of the school community earlier in the year. The results were very encouraging with 93% of parents and students identifying *Alexandra Hills State School* as a good school. Behaviour showed improvement with 90% of students feeling safe and the community perception identified a 93% satisfaction level with the way behaviour was dealt with at *Alexandra Hills State School*. The *School Opinion Survey* also identified communication as an area of focus, (this is a key improvement strategy in the *Alexandra Hills State School Action Plan* which outlines the steps which will be undertaken over the next twelve months to improve this). The *School Opinion Survey* is available at the Office and by Monday will be located on the *Alexandra Hills State School* website. If you would like further information, would like the survey explained or have and questions about the data, please do not hesitate to see me.

What's on at AHSS:

TUCKSHOP
Open Monday and Friday

SWIMMING EVERY MONDAY!

YR 5-6 SCHOOL CAMP:
18th—20th November

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
8th December

END OF TERM 4:
Friday 11th December

DAY FOR DANIEL

On Friday next week, *Alexandra Hills State School* will be focusing on the *Daniel Morcombe Foundation Curriculum*, which focuses on keeping kids safe. The key objective of the lessons delivered is to educate children regarding their personal safety; The *Daniel Morcombe Foundation* is committed to keeping kids safe. It is a lasting legacy to Daniel and now has two main aims: to educate children on how to stay safe in a physical and online environment and to support young victims of crime. As a culminating activity, students will also walk the perimeter of the school. All members of the school community are encouraged to wear an item of red on Friday, and to donate a gold coin to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

Have a great weekend!

Regards

Wayne

Reminders

Student Absences

If your child is absent from school please don't forget to notify the office.

The Student Absence line is a 24 hour number.

Just leave a message with your child's name, class and reason for the absence!

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HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE NUMBER? DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR DETAILS AT THE OFFICE!!

Lost Property

A pink Minnie Mouse bag has been handed in to the office. It looks as though it may be a child's Kindy bag—if you think it may be yours please contact the office!

Its getting towards the end of the year and the lost property box is full! Don't forget to come and have a look for any of your lost belongings!

Student Banking

Every Wednesday with the Commonwealth Bank Student Banking Program. Save your \$\$\$ and earn great prizes

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS IN SCHOOLS

A reminder to parents/carers to notify the school about your child's health

Alexandra Hills State School is committed to supporting students' health and wellbeing. We would appreciate parents/carers providing the school with any relevant health information that is required to support the student at school. This information is also collected at enrolment but needs to be updated regularly, or if a new health condition develops.

Information about medically diagnosed conditions such as allergies, asthma, diabetes and epilepsy and other health conditions that may require school staff to provide support to students, including administering medication and performing health procedures, should be provided to the school. Additionally, any health need that may impact on school activities such as sports, outings (including camps) should also be discussed with the school.

Information should be provided in writing, and any specific health plans (only to be completed and signed by the medical practitioner) should be included. Please contact the school to discuss any specific requirements.

Please inform the school office staff of any changes to contact details or the contact details of the people nominated as emergency contacts.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard. All information is kept confidential and only disclosed to the relevant staff required to supporting your child.

For any enquiries, please contact the school office on (07) 3820 0333

News from the Student Council

* Next Friday is the "Day For Daniel". The student Council will be doing face-painting during big lunch for a gold coin donation.

The Daniel Morcombe Foundation is a great charity to support, to help raise awareness of stranger danger, and keeping our children safe.

* Movie Night—we are very pleased to announce that the Student Council raised a total of \$559.05 for the Mater Little Miracles. Thanks to all who attended!

* STOP, DROP and GO Zone. Parents are reminded that this area is to be used only for drop offs and pick ups (2 minute maximum). Of late there have been many cars that are staying in this zone longer than the allocated time resulting in congestion in the car park.

Homework Club

Having trouble getting your child to do their homework? Perhaps a group environment will help. The homework club is designed for students and parents to get together and make learning fun!

WHEN: Tuesday afternoons,

Time: 2.30—3.30pm

Where: SAT Lab

Parents must attend with their child/ren

Starts Tuesday 27th October

HEALTH CHECK

As the weather is warming up please do not forget to put sunscreen on your child before you send them to school.

Also make sure your child has the sunsafe school hat EVERY DAY. Are your child's medical records up to date?

Please let us know at the office if there are any changes. Don't forget to regularly check your children for head lice and intestinal worms. Treatments are available at your local chemist.

P&C News

It has been a very busy year for the P&C Association! Following on from the fete in June, we held a *Father's Day Stall* at the beginning of September. It was a huge success, with a total profit of \$558.58!

At Tuesday night's meeting, the P&C pledged **\$2,000** towards the whole school swimming program, and have also pledged to contribute to the cost of the transportation for the school camp to help ease the financial burden to parents!

The next P&C meeting will be on *Tuesday 3rd November at 6.30pm in the staff room*, please feel free to come along.! New memberships welcome!

FitKids

Keep your kids FIT, HEALTHY & ACTIVE

Fun & Functional Fitness Sessions designed for primary school age children. Sessions include coordination exercises, motor skills, ball games, general fitness circuits and obstacles.

\$10 casual class or sign up for the term and save \$\$\$
Mondays 3.30pm – 4.00pm at Alexandra Hills State School

Phone Sue-Ellen: 0408985805
or Shannoah: 0415745741
Find us on Facebook –
Suzees Total Body Fitness

Zumba® Kids

Come join the dance party !!
Thursdays 4.00pm - 4.45pm
Suitable for children aged 4-11 yrs
\$8 per child or
5 Class Pass for only \$35.
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