St. Albans East Primary School

School Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

Term one is quickly coming to a close, as we welcome the school holiday Easter break. Please Note, last day of term 1 is Thursday 6th April, students finish at 1:30pm. Please make appropriate arrangement to have your child collected from school.

Students have embraced a busy term of learning, show casing learning to parents and carers through the SEESAW platform, and a successful 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon. Research tells us that strengthening a home school partnership has a positive impact on students' learning and well-being. At SAEPS, we are always looking for opportunities to partner with parents to support learning.

We congratulate both our teachers and students with NAPLAN preparation and completion for 2023. NAPLAN was brought forward for 2023 as our Education Minister Natalie Hutchins would like schools to use the data to inform teaching and learning programs for the remainder of the school year and beyond.

COMPASS - Parent Portal

COMPASS allows parents to access up-to-date meaningful information about our school and your child's progress. Using COMPASS, you will be able to use many features, including the ability to:



- Monitor your child's attendance, and enter and explanation for absence or lateness
- Communicate with your child's teachers
- Update your family details
- View your child's timetable

Download and view your child's semester reports

LAST DAY OF TERM 1
Thursday 6th April
1:30pm finish

Parents can access COMPASS online via our school website through the Parent Portal tab or can download the App to their phone. Parents requiring their unique username and password to access the parent portal on COMPASS, please contac the office.

Junior School Council

At SAEPS our school's direction is to harness Student Voice and Agency so that our students are empowered to have a voice and input in their learning.

1/2A	Ikhlas Mohamed	
1/2B	George Jaison	
1/2C	Jasmine Latei	
1/2 D	Sophia Huynh	
1/2E	Hari Dam	
3/4A	Leon Marshall	
3/4B	Naz Taefu-Ulu	
3/4 C	Queenie Li	
3/4 D	Izak Gannaway	
3/4E	Zayd Tahir	
5/6A	Danny Truong	
5/6B	Henry Ucquah	
5/6C	Katherine Nguyen Ba	
5/6 D	Emily Tang	
5/6E	Ruby Tran Nguyen	

Congratulations to below students who were voted by

their peers to represent their class as part of Junior School Council. Students will have the opportunity to work closely with the myself and leadership team to plan and spoort learning and projects around the school.

Important Dates		
Date	Event	Grade
6 April	End of Term 1	Whole school
24 April	Term 2 Starts	Whole School
25 April	ANZAC Day Holiday	Whole School
1-5 May	Swimming	Whole School



Celebrating Harmony Week at St Albans East Primary School

Last Week St Albans East Primary School celebrated Harmony Day on Friday 24th March. We recognised and celebrated the diverse cultural backgrounds of our school community, as It is a core part our schools identity, character and way of life. It's also a place where anyone can contribute and belong.

Students dressed in their cultural dress and participated in a variety of activities.





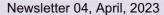












Art News from Grades 1/2 & 3/4

We are certainly missing our Art room, but this hasn't stopped the student's creativity and producing amazing artworks in the classroom. The first unit of the year was all about 'Self-Portraits' and creating artworks inspired by some of the world's most famous artists, Pablo Picasso and Henri Matisse.



Grade 1/2

Students learned all about the artist Pablo Picasso's abstract portraits showing different views of facial features, including the artworks of the 'Weeping Woman' and 'Dora Maar'. The students used line and colour to create an expressive face with two sides in the style of Picasso. They explored colour and line and used 'paint slicks' to colour and match the emotion shown on each side of the face.







Grade 3/4

Students in grades 3/4 created a 'Self-Portrait' in the style of Fauvism. Students learned about the expressive use of colour to display mood and meaning. The portraits were inspired by the works of Henri Matisse.

They were encouraged to add expressive colour throughout their portrait using 'paint slicks' and strong, bold colours. "Colour like a wild beast!" (The Fauves is a French word meaning "Wild Beasts".) Students

added line patterns to the backgrounds to complete the portraits.





