



Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends,

As we approach the end of term 3 can I thank our parent's students and staff for all your work in supporting our students and the school. It gives me great pleasure to showcase in the newsletter all the great learning and opportunities students are involved in.

Last Day of Term 3
Friday 18th September
Students finish at 2:30pm

PREP ENROLMENTS 2027

Prep enrolments for 2027 have already commenced. If you have a child who will be coming to our school for the first time in 2027, please complete an enrolment form, (available from the office), at your earliest convenience.

Celebrating 70 Years of St Albans East PS

Yesterday, we came together as a whole school community to celebrate a very special milestone — 70 years since St Albans East Primary School first opened its gates, as well as 25 years of our Deaf Facility.



VISION

"We are committed to providing a *safe, inclusive and engaging* learning environment that nurtures *personal and academic excellence* as community-minded *life long learners*."

It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the rich history of St Albans East and to celebrate the people who have contributed to making our school the community it is today.

We were privileged to hear from a number of special guests, including past principals, former students and school council members, who shared their memories and reflections on their time at St Albans East. Their stories provided a wonderful insight into how our school has evolved over seven decades and the important role St Albans East has played in supporting and serving the local community.

While our buildings, classrooms, technology and programs may have changed considerably over the past 70 years, yesterday was a great reminder that the heart of our school remains the same — our students, our staff, our families and our community.

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate this important milestone and, most importantly, to everyone who has contributed to the 70-year story of St Albans East Primary School. 70 years of learning. 70 years of community. 70 years of memories.

Mr Paul Busuttill - **PRINCIPAL**

Important Dates		
Date	Event	Grade
17 Sept	Games Day (9-11)	WS
18 Sept	Footy Colours Day	WS
18 Sept	End of term 3 – 2:30 Finish	WS
7-9 Oct	Anglesea Camp	Gr 5 & 6



ST ALBANS EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL & DEAF FACILITY

*Honouring the past.
Embracing the future.*





Year 1 Legoland Excursion



As part of our Writing unit, "Letter Writing," we went on an exciting adventure to Legoland. We explored incredible Lego creations, interactive displays and took part in a range of fun, hands-on experiences. One of our favourite activities was building a special home for a Lego puppy, where we used our creativity to design a safe and comfortable home. We also participated in an exciting dog obstacle course workshop, where we explored how dogs move through different obstacles and worked together to complete challenges. We watched an exciting 3D Lego movie and explored the amazing workshops and experiences Lego had to offer. Throughout the day, we made observations, shared our favourite moments and collected lots of new vocabulary and ideas to use in our letter writing. It was a fun-filled day of building, exploring, creating and learning! Our Lego adventure has given us plenty of wonderful experiences and memories to share in our letters.





PE NEWS

On Friday 21st August, 34 students from Years 3 to 6 proudly represented our school at the St Albans District Athletics Carnival. It was a fantastic day filled with energy, teamwork and determination as our students competed across a range of track and field events. We were so impressed with the way our students represented our school. They showed great sportsmanship, encouraged one another and gave their very best effort. A big thank you to the staff and families who supported the students on the day. Congratulations to all of our participants for their wonderful achievements. We are very proud of you!



Congratulations to Patrick Safai from 6A and Wilson Nguyen from 6B, who competed at Divisional Athletics on Tuesday 8th September!



A special congratulations to Wilson, who finished 2nd in the 80m hurdles and has qualified for the Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics Championships on Tuesday 20th October.

We wish Wilson the best of luck at the next level!





The Grade 4's CERES Excursion

We had a fantastic day at CERES on Thursday 3rd of September, learning about sustainability. We learned how to make recycled paper. We learned how helpful worms are in composting. We went for a walk to explore the Merri Creek, but unfortunately the rain cut it short. The playground was very fun and we all enjoyed it. Overall, it was a spectacular day!

The teachers there taught us about the 6Rs through an enthusiastic and motivative dance:

1. Rethink
2. Refuse
3. Reduce
4. Reuse
5. Recycle
6. Rot and Upcycle





Grade 3 Excursion to the Melbourne Museum

The Grade 3 cohort recently enjoyed an exciting excursion to the Melbourne Museum! We began our adventure by hopping aboard a big bus and travelling approximately 20 minutes to the museum. When we arrived, we sat on the steps outside and enjoyed our morning snack before beginning our day of learning and exploring.

After putting our bags away, we headed to the IMAX theatre, where we watched an interesting documentary about natural disasters, including cyclones and bushfires. This was a fantastic opportunity for students to make connections to our current Literacy topic on Natural Disasters and our Inquiry topic on Geography Australia.

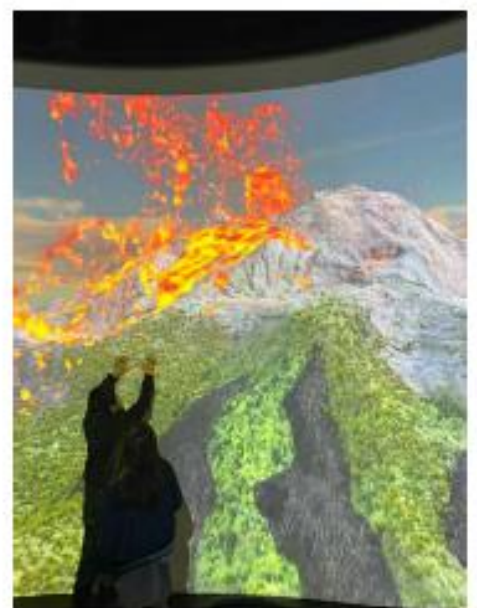
Following the IMAX experience, we explored many fascinating areas of the Melbourne Museum. Students visited Dynamic Earth, where they discovered more about our changing planet and

natural disasters. We also explored the Forest Gallery, Bugs Alive! Dinosaur Walk and The Melbourne Story. There was so much to see, discuss and learn!

After all that exploring, we stopped for lunch before continuing our journey around the museum. Students enjoyed spending time with their classmates, asking questions and making connections to what we have been learning in the classroom.

Before we knew it, it was time to collect our bags, hop back on the bus and head to school! It was a wonderful day filled with learning, curiosity and fun, and a fantastic way to bring our classroom learning to life.

What a memorable day for our Grade 3 cohort!





PREP, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 VISUAL ARTS Term 3

This term in Visual Arts, students have been exploring colour, line and shape. We created self-portraits that show our personalities, interests and favourite things. We also explored textiles, experimenting with weaving, wrapping, stitching and decorating. It has been wonderful to see students develop their skills and express their own creative ideas!

-Mrs Price



Prep



This term in Prep we have been:

- Creating self-portraits using simple shapes, lines and colours.
- Playing with textiles through stitching, cutting and decorating.
- Practising using different materials and tools to create artworks.
- Learning to talk about our artworks
- Having fun!



Year 1



This term in Year 1 we have been:

- Creating self-portraits using the artist Paul Klee as our inspiration.
- Exploring weaving using wool, sticks and colourful materials.
- Learning to add details and decorations to make our artworks unique.
- Developing our skills in using colour, pattern and texture.
- Having fun!



Year 2



This term in Year 2 we have been:

- Creating self-portraits that show our interests and personalities.
- Exploring textiles through sewing and adding decorations.
- Experimenting with colour, pattern, texture and different materials.
- Developing our skills and confidence in expressing our own creative ideas.
- Having fun!





Performing Arts learning in Grades 3 & 4



This term, Grade 3 students are exploring the exciting world of percussion! They are learning about rhythm, beat, tempo and dynamics while developing their skills on a range of percussion instruments. Students also explored creative ways to perform, compose and accompany songs, working together to create fun and energetic musical performances.



Grade 4 students are developing their musical skills through singing, rhythm, tuned percussion and glockenspiel. They are learning new songs, exploring the sounds of jazz and discovering how musicians use beat, rhythm and expression to make music exciting. Students are also learning to play melodies and accompaniments on the glockenspiel while adding their own creative ideas through body percussion and beatboxing!





Performing Arts, Term 3 learning in Grades 5 & 6.



This term, Grade 5 students are building their confidence and musical skills through recorder playing. They are learning to read and perform melodies, developing their understanding of rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo, and working towards playing confidently as part of an ensemble. Students are also exploring how recorders can be used to create expressive and engaging musical performances.



Grade 6 students are developing their musical skills through learning to play the ukulele. They are learning chords, strumming patterns and songs while building confidence and coordination. Students are also exploring rhythm, singing and music from around the world as they work together to create enjoyable ensemble performances.

