

Hello from Year 4!

2020 Information Pack

Year 4 Team

I'm Kim, I love keeping active and being a mum to my 6 year old daughter.

Hello I'm Sean. I enjoy trips down the coast and checking out Melbourne's music scene.

I'm Anna, a lover of travelling and the outdoors, especially the water.

Hi I'm Jenny. I love finding new travel destinations and getting out on the water sailing and kayaking.

I'm Ben, father of 2, still a student, wearer of many hats.



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ASPS Communication Guidelines

Who should I contact?

- 1.) As always, all questions or concerns that relate to your child's learning and wellbeing are to be directed through your child/ren's classroom teacher.
- 2.) If you have met or spoken with your child's teacher (or it is not appropriate to do so) and further clarification or support is required, please contact a member of the principal team.
- 3.) The school principal is always happy to provide support and guidance but it is preferred that either the classroom teacher or an assistant principal is consulted first.

Email Communication Guidelines

Email Hours: Where possible please send emails to staff between the hours of 7.30am and 6.00pm (weekdays only). Staff are not encouraged to be checking work emails outside of these hours. If a matter is urgent, please contact the school office for support. Please note that emails sent on a Friday afternoon from 4:00pm will not be actioned until at least Monday morning. As such and where possible, please avoid sending emails to staff during these hours. Again, if your matter is urgent, please contact the school office for support.

How long should I wait for reply?

Due to often unpredictable nature of our work, if you have emailed the school (teacher or principal team member) and have not received a response within 48 hours (i.e. that person could be ill, on a camp or managing a large volume of enquiries), please feel encouraged to contact the office and the appropriate person will call you back.

ASPS Absences Guidelines

The school has an automated email notification system to inform parents when a student absence is marked by the teacher as being unexplained. This automated system has been set up so that email messages are sent to parents at 9.30am each day, prompting you to provide an explanation for a student absence (if your child is away).

Sample Email Notification

Absence Notification System

Dear Parent / Carer,

Your {son_daughter} {student_first_name} {student_surname_initial} was marked absent from school {absence}. Please email your child's classroom teacher to explain this absence.



SeeSaw

Seesaw creates a powerful learning loop between your child/ren, us and you!

Please contact your classroom teacher if you are not linked to your child's SeeSaw portfolio.



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Children use built in annotation tools to share their understanding and reflect on their learning,

As teachers, we are able to review students understanding and reflections.

Families are able to connect with the learning happening in classrooms.

As we share the same message with our students, please ensure comments on posts are positive and constructive.



Year 4 Programs of Inquiry



Relationships develop through interaction and communication.



Wants and needs effect/affect other people and the environment.



The balance and survival of ecosystems is influenced by human actions.



Connection to place and country is changed through exploration and settlement.



Our appreciation of the aesthetic is connected to our personal experiences and culture.



Intercultural understanding can lead to mutual respect.

Home Learning

Year 4 Homework Grid - Term 1 2020

Please complete at least two of the activities each week. You may present your findings, reflections and evidence in any appropriate way. Please bring your homework book to school each Friday. Additionally it is vital that you read for at least 20 minutes each evening.

<p>Chinese Culture</p> <p>Explore aspects of Chinese culture (food, dance, music, events, history, etc.). Document what you have learnt.</p>	<p>Teach Your Family</p> <p>Teach an adult how to make one of the recipes you made in a kitchen session (please provide evidence of this task).</p>	<p>Word Study</p> <p>Develop a list of similes and metaphors from the texts you read at home.</p>
<p>Reading</p> <p>Write a recommendation for a friend about a book you have recently read. You can discuss the genre, the characters and provide a short summary of the plot (without giving away too much). Make sure you give the book a star rating.</p>	<p>Visualisation</p> <p>Have an adult read aloud to you for 20 minutes and create a detailed drawing showing your interpretation of what they have read.</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>Create a three day timetable outlining your time at home. Be sure to be specific with the times you do various tasks/activities.</p>
<p>Reading</p> <p>Discuss a character from a book you are reading. Identify the different ways the characters interact in the text.</p>	<p>Writer's Workshop</p> <p>Co-write a poem with your parents about an image, emotion or experience.</p>	<p>Out of School Activity Report</p> <p>Report on an out of school activity you have participated in (sport, music, art, etc.). Describe the strengths you demonstrated and explain how these supported you to succeed.</p>

Students will be expected to complete **two activities** a week from the Homework Grid as well as at least **20 minutes** of reading each night.

Please ensure homework books are returned to school each **Friday**.

How to get involved

As a team, we would love your support throughout 2020. If you are keen to get involved, below are some opportunities to keep an eye out for throughout the year!

- **Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden** - Karen and Andrea are ALWAYS looking for parents to get involved in the SAKG Program. Sun, plants and snacks, what is not to love?!
- **Excursions** - Plenty of notice will be provided if these arise.
- **Open classrooms** - We will be providing the opportunity for you to come into classrooms to see the amazing learning happening. Again, notice will be provided for these opportunities.



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden



Don't forget to check
Geddup to volunteer
your time. The food is
worth it!



Year 4 Event

Another way to get involved in 2020!

MOTHER'S DAY
EVENT 2020

YEAR 4
EVENT TEAM

CALLING ALL YEAR 4 PARENTS
WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR
ENTHUSIASTIC VOLUNTEERS
TO JOIN THE TEAM!



*Do you have a great
innovative idea
for our annual
Mother's Day event?
Are you keen to be
part of a fun
collaborative team?*

SIGN UP NOW TO BE PART OF
YOUR YEAR LEVEL TEAM

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
AUBURNSOUTH PARENTS@GMAIL.COM

Key Dates

Other dates (excursions, etc.) will be updated when known.

Year 4 Camp:

Wednesday November 4 –
Friday November 6

Swimming: July 20 – 31

For important school events, please keep up to date with the ASPSP Newsletter.

Thank you!