

School Values

Respect
Resilience
Strive for
Excellence

Principal: Emma Hampton
Assistant Principal Health & Wellbeing: Reachel Armstrong
Assistant Principal Curriculum: Jessica Darcy
School Council President: TBA

**School Purpose**

To provide an engaging, friendly, safe and supportive environment that enhances learning, personal growth and well-being of all students, enabling them to become lifelong learners.

DATES TO REMEMBER

3rd March - Meet the Teacher - 1pm dismissal

6th March - AMPS Movie Night

9th March - Labour Day Public Holiday

19th March - Harmony Day

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to our 2nd newsletter for the 2026 school year.

We have had a wonderful couple of weeks at AMPS. Our students are excelling at showing our school values and supporting each other in many different situations and ways. Our foundation students are settling in wonderfully and are showing us they are ready to learn and grow.

We have many scheduled things happening for the remainder of Term One, make sure you have your Term One reminders checklist ready! We begin with our Meet the Teacher session next Tuesday. Please make sure you have made an appointment with your child's class teacher/specialist teacher. This is a great opportunity to connect with our staff. Our Movie Night is on next Friday 6th March. We would love to see you there supporting our fundraising efforts and enjoying a night as a community. We then have the public holiday on Monday 9th March.

Naplan for our students in Grade 3 & 5 then commences on Tuesday 10th March. We wish all of our students participating in Naplan the best of luck. These assessments can feel very different for students as they create environments that are not our usual school vibes.

All families should have received the order form for our Term One Hot Lunch which is on Thursday 26th March. We are having Dominos Pizza, which was a huge success last year!

A reminder that our 2026 School Council nominations are open. We still need one more parent to join our group. School Council is a great way to get to know other parents and to contribute to our school in a very important way. Please pop into the office if you would like to complete a nomination form.

Last Friday we had our first assembly for the year. Our new JSC members are settling well into their roles and learning how to effectively present in front of an audience. I would like to remind families that when attending our assembly, please ensure you are also being respectful by listening to our students and limiting the chatting. This sound travels and can cause additional nerves for our JSC students who are trying to present.

Have a great weekend.

With thanks,

Emma Hampton



A MESSAGE FROM MISS ARMSTRONG & MISS DARCY



Attendance

Going to school every day is an important part of your child’s education. Young people learn new things at school every day, connect with friends, have fun and develop habits that help them to succeed.

Attending and participating in school will help your child:

- develop important skills and knowledge to help them learn
- develop social and emotional skills such as good communication, resilience and teamwork
- establish friendships with peers which help develop self-esteem and a sense of belonging.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind our families to log all absences on Compass along with the reason for the absence. If you are unable to do this, please **phone 9369 1288 or email altona.meadows.ps@education.vic.gov.au**. This ensures that all student absences are recorded accurately.

There is no good number of days for missing school. Did you know that being away from school for one day a fortnight adds up to missing four whole weeks of school a year. Any families taking holidays during the term also need to advise us of this via email prior to the holiday commencing to ensure that we have a return date for your child. While we understand that some travel is due to extenuating circumstances, we encourage families to hold their travel to the term breaks.

Miss Armstrong

Home Reading & Homework

A reminder to families about the importance of reading every night and completing homework consistently. These small daily habits make a big difference to your child’s learning and confidence.

Just 10–15 minutes of reading each evening helps build fluency, comprehension, vocabulary and a love of books. Asking simple questions about the text can deepen understanding and strengthen thinking skills.

Homework reinforces classroom learning and helps students develop independence, organisation and responsibility. We understand that afternoons can be busy, so establishing a consistent routine helps. A quiet space, a set time each evening, and limiting distractions can make homework more manageable and positive. If your child is finding homework challenging, please connect with their classroom teacher- we’re here to work in partnership with you.

Thank you for your continued support in building strong learning habits at home.

Miss Darcy

Interschool Swimming Carnival



Thanks to our AMPS cheer squad for supporting our swimmers!



Well done to all our swimmers on a great day at the swimming carnival showing our school values and bringing home some ribbons!

MOVIE NIGHT



AMPS MOVIE NIGHT TICKET ORDER FORM

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Adult Tickets \$15 each

Child Tickets \$10 each

Payment Method: Cash / Eftpos

Card Number:

Expiry Date: / CVN:

Total amount : \$

Thursday March 19th 2026

Everyone belongs



Add a splash of orange to your school uniform or wear traditional clothing to show your support for Harmony Day!

What is Harmony Day?

Harmony Day falls on Saturday the 21st March 2026 so as a school we will celebrate it on **Thursday 19th March** this year. During Harmony Week, schools across our country acknowledge Australia's amazing diversity. We celebrate inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for all Australians, from the traditional custodians of the land to those who have come from many countries around the world.

This week of inclusiveness is celebrated from Monday 16th to Sunday 22nd March 2026 and this year's Theme is **'Everyone Belongs!'**

On Thursday 21st March, everyone is encouraged to **wear a 'touch' of orange or Traditional Clothing** to school.

On the official Harmony Week website, it tells us that orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Week as it signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

Greetings from the Art Room!

We have had a fantastic start to the year in Art. It has been wonderful to see our students so engaged and excited to be back! A very big welcome to our new Prep students this year who have settled in to routines so well.

We are very excited to be running Art Groups this year. There will be a strong wellbeing focus in these Art groups and students will participate in art-based activities for different purposes. Students will be chosen to participate in small groups at a time that will change throughout the year. Currently our Art Groups consist of selected Year 5/6 students who are completing artworks for the annual Hobsons Bay Arts Society school prize. More details to come!

We also have some wonderful new art displays up, be sure to drop by and visit our colourful hallways. Parent volunteers are always welcome, if you have a spare hour to help Mrs Capri with odd jobs in the Art room please come and speak to the office.



Mrs Capri



Term 1 Important Dates

- 4th February - 2026 Prep Students start
- 23rd February - District Swimming Carnival
- 26th February - Prep Afternoon Tea
- 3rd March - Meet the Teacher - 1pm dismissal
- 6th March - AMPS Movie Night Fundraiser
- 9th March - Labour Day Public Holiday - No School
- 16th - 20th March - Harmony Week
- 19th March - Harmony Day
- 19th March - 5/6 Summer Sports
- 20th March - 5/6 Summer Sports
- 26th March - Hot Lunch Fundraiser
- 2nd April - Last Day of Term One - Students dismissed at 2:15pm

Term 2 Starts 20th April



Term 1 Assembly Schedule

13th February - Whole School

20th February - Prep & 1/2 (1/2A presenting)

27th February - 3/4 & 5/6 (3/4A presenting)

6th March - No Assembly

13th March - Whole School

20th March - Prep & 1/2 (1/2B presenting)

27th March - Whole School Celebration Assembly

All assemblies will commence at 9:15am. Weather will determine location choice of Hall, Netball Court or Undercover area



Breakfast Club



Breakfast Club is up and running again this year. All students are welcome to come by the kitchen on Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8:30am-8:50am for some toast, cereal, milk and juice.



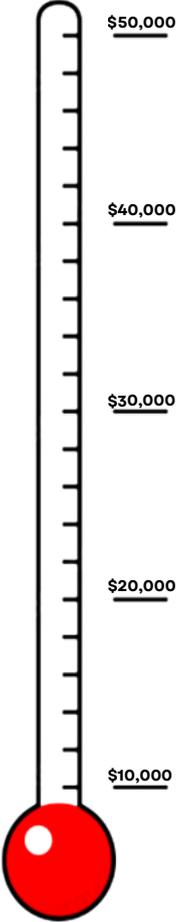


TERM 1

FUNDRAISING

- Coming up...**
- Domino's Pizza Hot Lunch
 - Movie Night
 - Raffle

With this years fundraising efforts in combination with last years fundraising efforts we are hoping to resurface the 3-6 playground.



AMPS MOVIE NIGHT

Friday 6th March

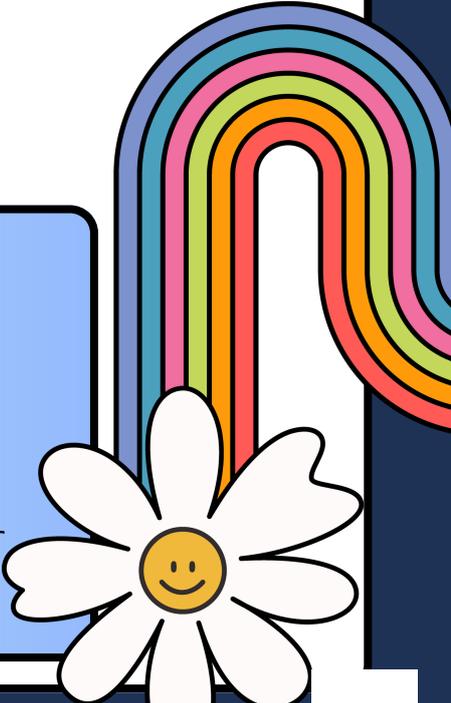
Raffle

Raffle Drawn at end of movie

RAFFLE TICKET \$1ea

DONATIONS
wanted

We are looking for Raffle donations for our Movie Night Fundraiser. Please bring any donations to the school's office. Thank you for your continued support.





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HOBSONS BAY CITY COUNCIL

Tuning Into Kids

Parents and carers with emotion-coaching skills to manage their own feelings and respond supportively to children's emotions. Tuning Into Kids is a 8 week program which empowers parents and respond supportively to children's emotions. Strengthen your bond and foster your child's emotional resilience with this transformative workshop.

21ST APR - 26TH MAY | 10AM - 12PM
ALTONA MEADOWS LIBRARY
CENTRAL SQUARE SHOPPING CENTRE
2 NEWHAM WAY
ALTONA MEADOWS VIC 3028

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST SCAN THE QR CODE OR CALL MADI ON 0475 976 072
RSVP: 14TH APRIL 2026



THE SAUVIGNAN APP





Community NEWS



YEAR 7 2027

ALTONA COLLEGE

OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 31 March

- ✓ See the college: 4.30-6.30pm
- ✓ Information session:
Year 7 2027: 6.30-7.15pm

We welcome all prospective families to visit our learning spaces and learn more about our P-12 college
Tours available throughout Term 1 and Term 2:

Thursday 19/3/26 9.15am	Friday 27/3/26 9.15am
Thursday 23/4/26 9.15am	Friday 1/5/26 9.15am
Thursday 7/5/26 9.15am	Friday 29/5/26 9.15am
Thursday 25/6/26 9.15am	

Register now:



103A Grieve Pde, Altona
9250 8050



PARENTING PROGRAMS 2026



Learn basic First Aid for young children

Hosted by Ambulance Victoria



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EVENT

Participants will gain hands-on experience and a deeper understanding of how to potentially save a life in an emergency.

- common medical conditions in children and how to address them
- how to find reliable information about children's Health
- where you can get help to manage non-urgent care at home
- when to call Triple Zero (000) and what to expect.
- how to give CPR and use a defibrillator.

Tuesday, 17 March
10am to 11.30am
Civic Centre -
115 Civic Parade, Altona



Scan QR code to register for this FREE session

Hobsons Bay City Council is committed to being a child safe organisation and has zero tolerance for child abuse

Council acknowledges the *Eumung* People of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of these municipalities and watersheds, and pay our respects to elders past and present.



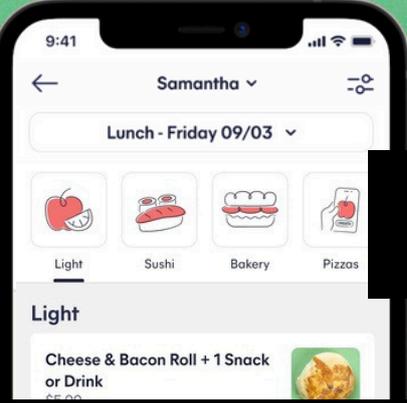
SOME PRODUCTS LIKE SUSHI NEED TO BE ORDERED THE DAY BEFORE DELIVERY

TK TUCKSHOP

TERM 1

TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Lunch packs starting at \$4.50



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~ CANTEEN MENU ~



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FROSTY FRUITS	\$1.50
ZOOPER DOOPER	50c
CALIPPO	\$2.00
LIFE SAVER	\$2.00
CYCLONE	\$2.00
ICY POLE	\$1.00



SNACK

POTATO CHIPS	\$1.00
KILBER PYTHON	50c
FREDDO FROGS	50c
COOKIES	\$2.00



Choose a Main Course item, then select 1 or 2 Items from the Snack/Drink Menu to make up a 2 or 3 Course Lunch Pack

Main Course Menu **2 Course** **3 Course**

BAKERY - All items freshly baked this morning!

Cheese & Vegemite Scroll (M)	\$6.45	\$8.95
Savoury Bite 'Little Frank' Roll	\$6.45	\$8.95
Topped with Only Cheese Roll (M)	\$6.45	\$8.95
Cheese & Bacon Roll	\$7.45	\$9.95
Scroll with Ham & Cheese	\$9.95	\$12.85
Frankfurt 'in a blanket' with Sauce & Cheese (2)	\$10.95	\$13.65

PIZZA / SAUSAGE ROLLS / GOZLEME / PASTIZZI / QUESADILLA / PUFF PARCELS - SERVED AT ROOM TEMPERATURE!

Ricotta & Spinach Pastizzi (2) (M)	\$7.45	\$9.95
Margherita Pizza TWIST (M)	\$8.95	\$11.45
Sausage Roll with Sauce	\$8.95	\$11.45
Margherita PITA Pizza (M)	\$8.95	\$11.45
Quesadilla (Chicken) served with Sour Cream (H)	\$10.95	\$13.65
Tandoori Chicken Puff Parcel with Mango Chutney (H)	\$10.95	\$13.65
Ham & Pineapple Pizza Slice	\$10.95	\$13.65
BBQ Chicken Pizza (H)	\$10.95	\$13.65
Lamb & Beef Gozleme (H)	\$13.45	\$15.45
Mushroom & Spinach Gozleme (Vg)	\$13.45	\$15.45
Spinach & Cheese Gozleme (M)	\$13.45	\$15.45

SUSHI HAND ROLLS (2pc) - Soy Sauce (GF) Provided

Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (H)	\$12.30	\$14.80
Crispy Chicken (Schnitzel) Hand Rolls (H)	\$12.30	\$14.80
Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (GF)	\$12.30	\$14.80
Avocado Hand Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$12.30	\$14.80
Cucumber Hand Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$12.30	\$14.80
Vegetarian Hand Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$12.30	\$14.80
Tofu Hand Rolls (GF, V)	\$12.30	\$14.80

RICE PAPER ROLLS (2pc) - (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only)

Chicken Rice Paper Rolls (GF, H)	\$13.45	\$15.45
Prawn Rice Paper Rolls (GF, H)	\$13.45	\$15.45
Vegetarian Rice Paper Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$13.45	\$15.45

SANDWICHES / ROLLS / WRAPS / SOFT SHELL TACOS

Strawberry Jam Sandwich (1.5) (Vg)	\$7.45	\$9.95
Vegemite Sandwich (2) (Vg)	\$8.95	\$11.45
Soft Shell Chicken Taco with Salsa, Cheese & Salad (2)	\$9.95	\$12.85
Plain Cheese Sandwich (2) (M)	\$9.95	\$12.85
Simple Salad Roll (Vg)	\$9.95	\$12.85
Cheese & Salad WRAP (M)	\$10.95	\$13.65
Wholegrain Ham & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)	\$10.95	\$13.65
Roast Beef, Chutney, Cheese & Lettuce Roll	\$11.50	\$13.75
Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)	\$11.50	\$13.75
Mild Salami & Salad Roll	\$11.50	\$13.75
Chicken, Mayonnaise & Salad Roll (H)	\$12.75	\$14.95

SALADS / PICNIC BOXES / POKE BOWLS

Fresh Fruit Salad - Main Course Size (GF, Vg)	\$11.50	\$13.75
Ham Picnic Box (GF)	\$11.50	\$13.75
Vegetarian Picnic Box (GF, V)	\$11.50	\$13.75
Greek Style Salad with Feta & Olives (GF, V)	\$12.75	\$14.95
Mexican Inspired Salad with Corn Chips (GF, Vg)	\$12.75	\$14.95
Tortellini Pasta Salad (M) (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only)	\$12.75	\$14.95
Poke Bowl with Teriyaki Chicken (H)	\$13.45	\$15.45

GF SANDWICHES

GF Ham & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)	\$10.95	\$13.65
GF Chicken (with Mayo) & Cucumber Sandwich (1.5)	\$10.95	\$13.65

Snack/Drink Menu

FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Apple pieces, Lemon juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar	+ \$1.00
Fresh Fruit Combo	+ \$1.00
Freshly Chopped Orange Segments	Included
Freshly Chopped Watermelon Pieces	Included
Whole Fruit - Apple	Included
Whole Fruit - Banana	Included
Bag of Grapes	Included
Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum	Included
Cherry Tomatoes, Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers	Included
Corn Wheels & Lightly Steamed Broccoli	Included
Edamame (Lightly Salted)	Included

BAKERY - SWEET

ANZAC Biscuit	Included
Choc Chip Cookie	Included
Cinnamon Doughnut	Included
Cornflake Cookie	Included
Finger Bun with Sprinkles	Included
Hot Cross Bun	Included
Lamington	Included
Blueberry Muffin	+ \$1.00
Carrot Cup Cake (GF/DF/Vg)	+ \$1.00
Choc Cup Cake (GF/DF/Vg)	+ \$1.00
Jam Drop Biscuit (GF)	+ \$1.00
Yo Yo Biscuit	+ \$1.00

SUSHI

1pc Tuna Sushi (GF)	+ \$1.00
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POPCORN / HARVEST SNAPS

Popcorn - Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted	Included
Popcorn - Lightly Salted	Included
Harvest Snaps (GF/DF/Vg)	Included

DRIED FRUIT / LEGUMES

Lime & Black Pepper Chickpeas	Included
Roasted Chickpeas	Included
Balsamic & Sea Salt Fava Beans	Included
Dried Pineapple Pieces by "Peels"	+ \$1.00

DIPS WITH MINI RICE CAKES / CORN CHIPS

Avocado Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+ \$1.00
Spicy Capsicum Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+ \$1.00
Spring Onion Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+ \$1.00
Tzatziki Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+ \$1.00
Corn Chips with Salsa (GF)	+ \$1.00

YOGHURTS / BOWLS / CUPS

Raspberry Jelly Cup	Included
Strawberry Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)	+ \$1.00
Vanilla Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)	+ \$1.00
Chia Bowl with Banana, Coconut & Strawberries	+ \$1.00
Stewed Rhubarb and Apple with Custard	+ \$1.00

DRINKS

Apple Juice (Nippy's)	Included
Orange Juice (Nippy's)	Included
Chocolate Milk (Nippy's)	Included
Strawberry Milk (Nippy's)	Included
Full Cream Milk	Included



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GF = Gluten Free, DF= Dairy Free, H= Halal, V= Vegetarian, Vg= Vegan

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