

Dear Parents,

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

Wonderful! Excellent! Fantastic! Great! Magnificent! Amazing! Brilliant! Splendid!... were just some of the adjectives used to describe our Mothers' Day Luncheon. Most commented by stating that it was well organised with great attention to detail. While we acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the P&C Committee to make this possible, we also accept the fact that we could not provide anything less in our tribute to the most important person in our lives - our mothers.

It was gratifying to see so many of our mothers and grandmothers enjoying the afternoon program, which certainly brought a sparkle to the eyes of all the students as they performed in the beautifully decorated Gemjian Hall. The stage came to life with the colourful displays and the projections on the big screen. It was evident that the children enjoyed the beautiful songs, their reciting of great poetry and readings of love and affection towards their mothers. We were all fulfilled by their performances thanks to the guidance of our wonderful teachers who had prepared them so well.



Thank you to the P&C members and all the parents who contributed to the success of the day. Special note of appreciation to Mrs Maggie Betchakjian for preparing the intricate craftwork for the raffle and congratulations to Mrs Karis Khatchadourian for being selected as the 'Mother of the Year'.

Once again thank you to all who came along and enjoyed the occasion and in turn congratulated all our Mothers for their untiring work and support.

CHANGES TO SCHOOL TIMES

Following the Board of Studies inspection, the changes to the school bell times have now been formalised. During 2012 we moved our *Crunch&Sip* break before the morning bell, to give student the opportunity to eat some fruit or vegetables as they start their day in class. To ensure that this extra time and the morning assembly do not flow into the first period, the **morning bell is now set to ring at 8.55am**. The children will then have five minutes of *Crunch&Sip* time before they line up for assembly at 9.00am. Students need to be in class for the start of their first lesson at 9.05am. Late arrivals need to follow the usual procedure of going to the office to sign in a late note before heading into class.

SCHOOL POLICIES

The changes to the above school times are now reflected in the *School Routine Policy*. This policy together with a number of other policies are now 'shared' with all the students on their Google Drive. This will give families the opportunity to access some of the policy documents that are relevant to students and parents.

The policy folder is shared through the student's Google account. Please contact the office if you are not sure how to access these files. Hard copies of all policy documents are also available through the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 20/05 I.C.A.S. - Computer Assessment, Years 3-6
- 21/05 Interschool Debating Comp. # 1
Cyber Safety Show @ SJS, Years 3-4
'Friendship Day' @ Kinma School
- 22/05 School Photos - Winter Uniform
- 23/05 Healthy Breakfast @ School - \$2 Donation
- 28/05 Excursion to City Venues - Prep-6
- 04/06 I.C.A.S. - Science Assessment, Years 3-6
Interschool Debating Comp. # 2
- 09/06 Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday
- 14/12 Presentation and Graduation Concert

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 2 Week 3

- Points – **SEVAN** \$14.70

- Points – **YEREVAN** \$9.35

TOTAL: **\$24.05**

ACCUMULATED: **\$231.95**

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HOUSE POINTS TERM 2

*Uniform, Playground, Charity
& Awards*



SEVAN - 30 points

YEREVAN - 31 points




DONATIONS TO ALEXANDER SCHOOL

In Memoriam for the Late Mary Khohararian

Mr & Mrs Ara & Maro Khohararian \$100

Mr Asadour Kazandjian \$50


May Her Soul Rest In Peace




School Banking

Banking Day: Thursday

Students need to have their bank deposit books in order to make a deposit into their account.





BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

Happy Birthday to...

Tzolare

Matthew

Alina

CYBER SAFETY IN SCHOOLS - 21st May, 2014

The school has been invited to join a special performance called the 'Cyber Safety in Schools' at the Sydney Japanese School. 'MyFriends Dot Com' explores the world of cyber-bullying and the importance of cyber-safety in a story that resonates throughout schools and households everywhere. An exciting and engaging production that uses an energetic, fast paced narrative and contemporary music, 'MyFriends Dot Com' brings into focus these vital issues to alert young people of the dangers and consequences of not taking the cyber world seriously.

Students will be accompanied by their classroom teacher and will be transported in teacher and volunteer parent cars to the venue. The cost is **\$7 per child**. Please fill in the permission slip below and return with your payment to the school office by *Monday 19th May*.



CYBER SAFETY IN SCHOOLS - Years 3&4 Only

I grant permission for my child/ren to attend the 'Cyber Safety in Schools' performance at the Sydney Japanese School on **Wednesday 21st May**. I understand he/she will travel from school by private cars of teachers and volunteers being accompanied and supervised by class teachers.

NAME OF STUDENT/S: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ MONEY ENCLOSED: \$ _____ (\$7.00 per child)

Healthy Breakfast @ School



Friday 23th May, 2014



Alexander school will 'Host a Healthy Breakfast' for all students to promote a healthy diet in conjunction with regular physical activity as part of the annual Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD).

WSTSD is a community event promoting Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment. It is an opportunity for parents and carers of primary school aged children to promote safe pedestrian behaviour, the benefits of walking and the value of a healthy breakfast.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are being taken on **Thursday 22nd May**. Students are expected to wear their full **WINTER UNIFORM** on this day. Please make sure you return your order with the special envelopes that have been provided. We would like to point out that the school is not associated with your order and you need to check and **follow all instructions** on the form and enclose the correct amount.

IMPORTANT: Every student must return their envelope - Even if not purchasing photos.

SCHOOL EXCURSION TO CITY VENUES: Wednesday, 28th May

On **Wednesday, 28th May**, all students will travel to the city to visit a number of venues. Years 5/6 will visit the **Art Gallery** in The Domain for a guided viewing of the exhibition from the National Museum of Afghanistan called '*Hidden Treasures*'. Students in Preparatory to Year 4 will spend the day at the **Australian Museum** where they will observe various exhibits and hands on activities related to their class work. Finally, after a brief tour around the city they will head back to school at 2:15pm.



Students will leave school first thing in the morning. The bus will leave at **9:00am sharp** and return by 3:00pm. Travel will be by North Sydney Bus Charters and be accompanied by class teachers. The cost of the excursion will be **\$23** per student.

Please return the permission slip and payment by *Friday, 23rd May*.



SCHOOL EXCURSION TO CITY VENUES YEARS P-6

I grant permission for my child/ren to attend the city excursion on **Wednesday, 28th May, 2014**.

I understand students will travel by North Sydney Bus Charters and be accompanied by class teachers.

NAME OF STUDENT/S: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ MONEY ENCLOSED: \$ _____ (\$23 per child)

2013-2014 Family Energy Rebate



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PHONE - Service NSW 13 77 88

EMAIL - fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au

WEB - www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate



REMINDER: Don't Forget the Fruit!

The school has a Crunch&Sip break at the start of each day, for students to refuel on fruit and vegetables and rehydrate on water.

Please make sure your son or daughter has an extra piece of fruit or vegetable for Crunch&Sip each day.

Crunch&Sip®



JOIN US WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR A FUN-FILLED DAY!

ACYA WALKATHON Walk for Syrian-Armenians

SUNDAY 1 JUNE 2014

@ THE ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
WALKING TO DAVIDSON PARK

REGISTRATION AT 10AM | \$20 FEE
(Registration fee includes Tshirt, wristband, lunch and a drink)

OPEN TO ALL AGES!
(Under 12 years to be accompanied by an adult)

FAMILIES WELCOME TO JOIN IN THE PICNIC AT DAVIDSON PARK, BRING PICNIC BASKETS AND BLANKETS.

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE SYRIAN-ARMENIAN RELIEF FUND

#walkforsyria

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