Dear Parents,

**I.C.A.S. WRITING & ENGLISH RESULTS**

We recently received the Writing & English results for the UNSW International Competition & Assessment for Schools (ICAS). Congratulations to Matthew and Lilit for receiving a ‘Merit’ award in Writing.

Writing is a criterion-referenced assessment. It uses pre-determined performance standards to assess each student’s work. This means that each piece of writing receives an objective score for each criterion. These include genre, textual grammar, syntax or punctuation and spelling.

The English test proved to be very difficult and challenging as it examined the students’ knowledge in literary and factual reading, textual devices, syntax and vocabulary. It involved a great amount of reading which relied on the students possessing a wide vocabulary. Congratulations to Lilit for gaining ‘Credit’ and Kevork for gaining ‘Merit’ awards.

The test and results will be returned with this newsletter. Please take time to review the questions and answers with your child/ren as the test is full of interesting stories and diverse vocabulary. If you have any queries about your child’s result, please do not hesitate to contact their class teacher.

**NATIONAL LITERACY & NUMERACY WEEK**

Last week, we joined the fun right around Australia and celebrated National Literacy and Numeracy Week by taking part in the exciting national activities.

As part of the numeracy activity, we created impressive maths art, including the amazing ‘Trihexaflexagon!’ ‘Trihexaflexagons’ are made up of equilateral triangles folded into a hexagon which reveal different faces as it is ‘flexed’. This activity was designed for students to gain an appreciation of the many wonderful properties of shapes and symmetry. During assembly, the students watched ‘Numeracy Ambassador’, Simon Pampena demonstrate how the symmetry changes when you flex the trihexaflexagon and then used his templates to try and make one themselves.

**FRUIT ‘N’ VEG MONTH**

Eating enough Fruit and Vegetables is an essential part of a healthy lifestyle and is vital in reducing the risk of health-related disease. During Weeks 7-10 of Term 3 (24th August-17th September), we have and will be participating in Fruit ‘n’ Veg Month.

*Fruit ‘n’ Veg Month* is a fantastic opportunity for children and their families to get excited about fruit and veg. By increasing familiarity with fruits and vegetables, the program aims to:

- Increase positive perceptions of fruit and vegetables
- Increase awareness of the need to eat more fruit and vegetables
- Support behaviour change by incorporating fruit and vegetable themes into class lessons and whole of school activities

**YEAR 5/6 IN BATHURST**

Years 5/6 have been in Bathurst with Mrs Dernee since Wednesday. We wish them a safe return trip this afternoon. I’m sure they had an exciting and educational trip with the students from the John Colet School. News of their visits and activities at the gold fields including photos will be reported in detail next week.

MANOUG DEMIRJIAN

11th September, 2015
FUNDRAISING FOR BATHURST TRIP

Sausage Sizzle $85.00
Mini Fete - Friday, 14 August $80.45
Cake Stall - Tuesday, 25 August $100.00
Lunch Specials $98.00
TOTAL $363.45

TARGET... $360 TARGET REACHED!

ARARAT - 206 points
MASIS - 187 points

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fruit & Veg Month
14/09 Sports Day (Sporting Schools)
16/09 Interschool Debating Comp. # Final
18/09 Alexander Rest Home Visit - Years 4-6
Student Portfolios Sent Home
Last day Term 3
21/09 Armenian Independence Day
06/10 First day Term 4
16/10 Start of School Swimming Program

IMPORTANT DATE NOTICE!
17/10 25th Anniversary Concert - Prep to Year 6
07/11 Soccer Tournament @ GIS - Years 3-6
13/12 Presentation and Graduation Concert

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

Happy Birthday to...
Lilit
Taniel
Mrs Dernee

TEACHERS’ AWARD

TERM 3 – WEEK 9
Kindergarten: Sargis Lara

- Remember -
5 Teachers’ Award = 1 Honour Award

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 3 Week 9

8 Points – ARARAT .......... $6.80
6 Points – MASIS .......... $5.60
TOTAL: ............ $12.40
ACCUMULATED: ............ $480.15

SPONSOR A CHILD IN ARMENIA THROUGH THE ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
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SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM - Term 4

Our School Sports Program for Term 4 will be swimming lessons for 8 weeks, commencing Week 2 for all students. The School Swimming Program will once again be conducted at Terrey Hills Swim School, offering students a chance to improve their swimming skills. The program is run during school hours by accredited swimming coaches catering for all levels of swimming ability from learn to swim to advanced swimmers. Life saving skills are also taught as part of the swimming lessons.

The swim school expects children to be properly attired for swimming with:

- a one piece costume
- a towel
- a swimming cap
- goggles

Learn to swim for Safety

SOCCER TOURNAMENT

The German International School Sydney in Terrey Hills have invited our school to join in the International Soccer Tournament to be held on Saturday 7th November, 2015.

The soccer tournament will be held between 9:30am to 2:00pm (depending on the number of registering teams) in the gym of the German International School. They are offering two different tournaments for the following age groups: Year 3/4 tournament and Year 5/6 tournament.

Each participating team will have 5 players and some subs. Each winner of a tournament will receive a prize. Last year they had their German teams competing against Australian, Japanese, Italian and Armenian teams!

As it is being held in their indoor gym, the children need to bring clean "non marking" sports shoes and shin pads.

Please let the school office by next week if you would like your children to join in the competition with a team from Alexander school. If there are any further questions don’t hesitate to contact the school on 94863266.

AGBU Alexander Primary School Debating Team who debate the Final next Wednesday, against the John Colet School

We are very proud of their performance so far.

GOOD LUCK DEBATERS!
THANK YOU TO OUR BOOK FAIR SPONSORS

Younger Readers Category
P&C ~ Figgy in the World - Tamsin Janu
Adelin, Lara & Lia ~ The Simple Things - Bill Condon and Beth Norling
P&C ~ Bleakboy and Hunter Stand Out in the Rain - Steven Herrick

Early Childhood Category
Isabella & Lara ~ Pig the Pug - Aaron Blabey
Adelin, Lara & Lia ~ Noni the Pony - Alison Lester
Khloe & Sophia ~ Snail and Turtle Are Friends - Stephen Michael King

Picture Book of the Year Category
Kevork & Sara ~ My Two Blankets - Irena Kobald and Freya Blackwood
P&C ~ Rivertime - Trace Balla
Alina ~ Fire - Jackie French and Bruce Whatley
Christopher ~ One Minute’s Silence - David Metzenthen & Michael Camilleri

Eve Pownall Award for Information Books
P&C ~ A-Z of Convits - Simon Barnard
Sargis ~ Tea and Sugar Christmas - Jane Jolly and Robert Ingpen

ALSO... THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE BOOK FAIR
More books were purchased with the $155 Book Commission from Scholastic
Once again Thank You for supporting AGBU Alexander Primary School

Dear Parents,

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We’re now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem.

So next week, please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they maybe stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support!

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2015 CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

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2015 House Point Results

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Photo Gallery

Fathers Day Cruise
Community Announcement

Basketball Shooting Camp will be a wonderful opportunity to learn about managing, coaching and playing the game from a highly qualified coach who was most recently Head Coach of the Australian Institute of Sport’s Men’s Basketball Program.

Our special guest coach will be running workshops for a range of age groups and skill levels.

MINIBALL

10–11:30 AM

$20

BASKETBALL SHOOTING CAMP

JUNIORS

11:30–1 PM

$25

ALL AGE

1:30–3 PM

$30

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