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Dear Parents,

WORKING BEE - THIS SUNDAY!

Thank you to all the wonderful people who have volunteered to join our Working Bee this Sunday, to help clean and tidy the gardens and grounds. Sunday is also 'Clean Up Australia Day' and it is a great opportunity to clean up our little corner of Australia, before our annual Palm Sunday and Open Day event. We have plenty to do... please join us from 9am.

WELCOME - MRS CYNTHIA TOMASSIAN

Since the start of the year, the school had implemented changes to the timetable to accommodate for the current classroom structures. By moving to a seven period timetable, we wanted to trial and see if we could generate some split time for the Year 3 and the Year 5/6 classes. This was preferred, as it allowed for the students to have separate time for Armenian and Mathematics. While it seemed to have worked in solving one problem, it in fact created other issues that was not ideal for the students and staff.

At the last Board meeting, it was decided to introduce a temporary part-time teaching position to resolve this issue and meet the current needs of all students. I'm happy to welcome back Mrs Cynthia Tomassian to help us achieve our overall objectives. She will be joining the Prep/K class for three half days, in addition to her volunteer scripture lessons that she has been covering over the past few years.

Mrs Cynthia Tomassian has received her teaching qualification from the Haigazian University in Beirut and has earned equivalent recognition of her Bachelor Degree from the Department of Education. She joins us again following her previous service at the school as an office administrator. After an 'extended' period of maternity leave she will be working towards her 'Provisional Accreditation' as a teacher with the Board of Studies (BOSTES) and we wish her all the best in the process.

SCHOOL FAMILY VOLUNTEER CONTRIBUTION SCHEME

As we all know, the commitment of the parent body plays an important role in the life of a school and in making a 'great' school into an 'excellent' one. Therefore, I would like to thank all the families who have returned their '2016 Volunteer Contribution Choices' form. Please continue with your great effort to get right behind your children and play a supporting role, because it is purely in their benefit.

I am pleased to state that last Thursday we had our first and very productive P&C meeting for the year. A big welcome to all the new members and a great appreciation to all those who are continuing with their volunteer efforts. The new committee members were formalised and we believe to have a very efficient and hard working team that are willing to support the school activities and the Alexander community.

The new Office Bearers and Assistants are:

'Yerekin' Hasmik Hambardzumyan (Coordinator)

Karis Khatchadourian | Gayane Topouzian | Anita Arzoumanian | Ani Ananyan

Bianca Zorlu | Natalie Urriola | Sarah Dixon | Margueritte Boyadjian (Office Liaison)

The Canteen Coordinator is: Mrs Karis Khatchadourian

The P&C members can be contacted via the following group email: PC@alexander.nsw.edu.au

Once again thank you and best wishes for the upcoming activities. For the rest of the school families, please get right behind and support the new P&C to make 2016 our 'Year of Growth!'

***** Please check the newsletter for a special dinner outing organised by the P&C. *****

SCHOOL CHOCOLATE DRIVE - INFORMATION

We are commencing our annual Easter chocolate drive:

- This is a great school fundraiser but it can't be successful without your assistance and we really appreciate your support. Starting from today all families will receive one carry-pack to take home and sell. Each pack contains **20 Block (Easter Egg Mix)** chocolate packs, which sell for **\$4 each**. Total value of the carry-pack is **\$80**.
- If everyone can sell one carry-pack we hope to raise enough funds that can be used towards new equipment and resources to benefit the school and all of our students.
- As there is a time limit on our chocolate drive we must have all money and any unsold chocolate returned no later than **Tuesday, 5th April**.
- If you can resist eating them all yourself try selling them to friends, relatives or mum and dad can even take them to work...they are usually very welcome around morning teatime or as an afternoon pick-me-up!
- If you have any queries, need to return money, unsold chocolate/s or if you would like another carry-pack to sell please see the office personnel, as they will be co-ordinating the drive.



PRIZES: For each carry-pack sold the P&C will place one ticket in the lucky dip draw for your chance to win the following thank you prizes. **Lucky-Dip Prize: 2 x Lunch Special Vouchers.**

WORKING BEE - SUNDAY 6th MARCH

From 9am

Thank you to the following families who have volunteered to help.

Ananyan, Demirjian, Dixon, Khachatourian, Khatchadourian (Christopher), Khatchadourian (Harry & Stephen), Khoudair, Sevazlian, Shamaon, Tomassian, Topouzian & Urriola.

Please let us know if you can also join us on the day.

HOUSE POINTS TERM 1

*Uniform, Playground, Charity
& Awards*



SEVAN - 43 points

YEREVAN - 48 points



TEACHERS' AWARD

TERM 1 - WEEK 6

Year 6: Matthew

Year 5: Kevork

Year 3: Albert

Will your name appear here next?



DATES TO REMEMBER

06/03	Working Bee
20/03	Palm Sunday Picnic & Concert
24/03	School Development Day (Pupil Free)
25/03	Good Friday - <i>Public Holiday</i>
26/03	Easter Saturday - <i>Public Holiday</i>
27/03	Easter Sunday
28/03	Easter Monday - <i>Public Holiday</i>
31/03	Mothers Dinner Outing - <i>Organised by P&C</i>
06/04	Parent/Teacher Interviews & Portfolios
07/04	P&C Meeting @ 7.00pm
08/04	Last Day Term 1
15/04	<i>A.G.B.U. Foundation Anniversary</i>
24/04	<i>Armenian Genocide Commemoration</i>

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 1 Week 6

8 Points – **YEREVAN** \$15.45

6 Points – **SEVAN** \$14.15

TOTAL: **\$29.60**

ACCUMULATED: **\$74.95**

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ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
www.armenianchurchsydney.org.au

Alexander School Mums' Dinner Outing!

To welcome and introduce the new school mums to the rest of the Alexander school community, an outing has been organised by the P&C Committee.

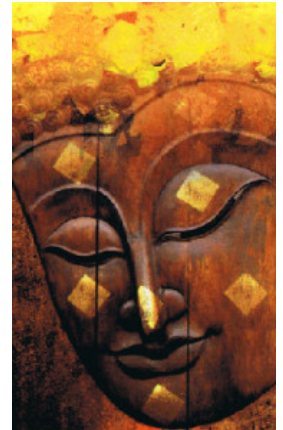


Thursday, 31st March 2016
@ 7.30pm

Thai Naan
RESTAURANT

230 Victoria Avenue, Chatswood

Banquet \$45 - Four Course Meal



Please call the Office on 94863266 to reserve your seats Or email: PC@alexander.nsw.edu.au



REMINDER: Don't Forget the Fruit!

The school has a **Crunch&Sip break** at the **start** and also the **end** 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[®]



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AGBU Executive Director

School students

Tap into

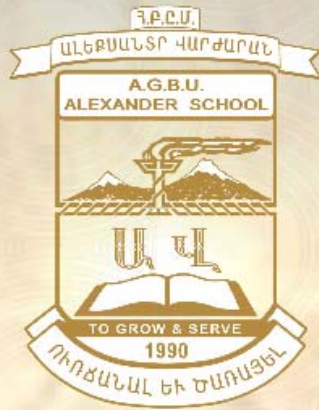


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Easter Celebrations

Չատկուկայ Տօնակատարութիւն



A delicious lunch will be served followed by student Easter Hat Parade and Concert.

From midday
Palm Sunday, 20 March
2 Namba Road, Duffys Forest
AGBU Alexander Primary School



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OPENING OF THE NEW ARMENIAN SECTION AT FRENCHS FOREST CEMETERY

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The Management of Northern Cemeteries extends a cordial invitation to the Community of the Armenian Apostolic Church to join

His Grace Haigazoun Najarian
Primate, Diocese of the Armenian Church of Australia and New Zealand

on Saturday March 5th 2016 commencing at 3:00 p.m.

for the blessing of the new Armenian Lawn Section in the Frenchs Forest Bushland Cemetery 1 Hakea Avenue, Davidson

Following the Blessing Ceremony afternoon tea will be served in the Cemetery's Lorikeet Room

Հովանավորութեամբ եւ Մասնակցութեամբ Գերշ. Տէր Հայկազուն Եպս. Նաճարեանի Առաջնորդ Աստորալիոյ եւ Նոր Զելանտայի Հայոց Թեմին

Շաբաթ 5 Մարտ 2016 Գլխով Ետք Ժամը 3.00ին

Հասցէ՝ *Armenian Lawn Section Frenchs Forest Bushland Cemetery 1 Hakea Avenue, Davidson*

Northern Cemeteries ի Տնօրէնութիւնը կը հրաւիրէ Միանիի Հայ Համայնքը ներկայ գտնուելու Հայկական Օհաոլ Բացման Արարողութեան

Արարողութենէն ետք տեղի պիտի ունենայ թեթեւ հիւրասիրութիւն գերեզմանատան *Lorikeet Room* ին մէջ:

FOR ALL ENQUIRES PLEASE PHONE: 9451 6204

Easter Celebrations

Organised by:
Armenian 'Nor Serount' Cultural Association
Ladies Auxiliary

Easter Sunday - 27 March, 2016 @ 5pm

Gladesville Community Centre
44 Gladesville Road, Hunters Hill

DJ/Dancing

Surprises!

Easter Egg
Games

Hat Parade

Raffle Prizes

Meze
Delicious Food!

Adults \$40
Children \$20
(5-12yrs)

For tickets contact: Nora 0431 470 228