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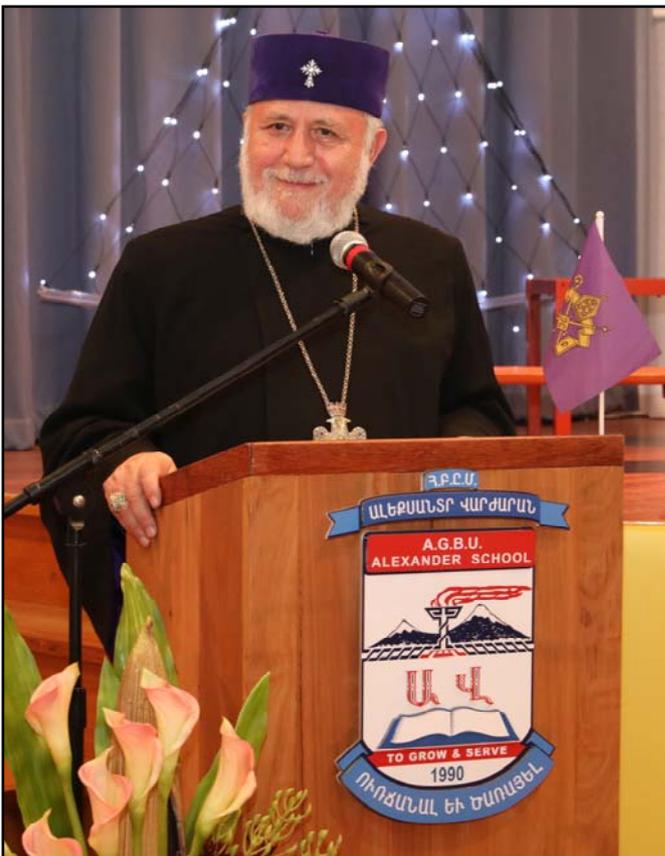
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Dear Parents,

HIS HOLINESS VISITS ALEXANDER SCHOOL

His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, who is on a Pontifical visit to Australia, visited Alexander school on Wednesday morning. His Holiness was accompanied by a delegation of visitors, including His Eminence Archbishop Haigazoun Najarian, Primate of the Armenian Diocese of Australia and New Zealand.

I like to thank all those who made the visit possible and successful, by impressing His Holiness and leaving him with warm and positive memories. The news reports of the visit have been published and shared on our Facebook page, including the photos that have captured this moment of school history. I believe the following remarks of His Holiness encompass the true spirit of Alexander school:



“We see Armenia and Holy Etchmiadzin here, inside each of you. Here is the breath of Armenia, the vision, and the hope of Armenia that is shaped in the personalities of these children and is presented to us through the personalities of these children... These children are our Holy Etchmiadzin, they characterise that sacredness and dedication. These children are also this structure, the guarantor of this structure's continuity. Through these children this school will be alive, .. they will grow up, form a family and have children. And they should want to lead their children to this institution, the ‘Alexander’ Primary School, because here they have seen care and love, and it is here that they have been formed, here they have got their image, the Armenian spirit and the image of Armenians, and here they have been created as children of the nation”.

“There is no other great patriotism, greater nationalism, love towards God and Etchmiadzin than the work carried out by the teachers. ... We applauded the talent of the children, but mostly applauded as appraisal of the work done by the entire staff. What an activity, what a

tremendous volume. A great dedication and patience, how much love, how much investment, how much commitment and spirit of sacrifice is necessary to offer all this to the children so that the child remembers and recalls with so much love”.

8th February, 2019

MANOUG DEMIRJIAN



PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Monday, 11th February @ 7:00p.m. sharp! - School Hall

We hope to see every family represented to hear important information on what is happening in your child's school and classroom.



SCHOOL DISCIPLINE POLICY

The school “**Discipline Policy - Parent Handout**” is enclosed with today’s Newsletter. Parents should read this document carefully to familiarise themselves with the strategies implemented at AGBU Alexander Primary School to encourage positive attitude and behaviour.



The school has expectations of its students to maintain standards which will promote personal achievement and school pride. It is the tone of our school to be positive, encouraging and motivational. Children need this same encouragement from parents in order to succeed. Students achieve highest when parents take an **active** interest and role in their education and school life.

School Standards on Homework:

- ⇒ It is expected that students will complete set tasks to the **best of their ability** - untidy work will not be accepted.
- ⇒ Parents should check each set of homework to make sure its completed at the accepted standard.
- ⇒ Homework should be made a **priority** when students arrive home of an afternoon. However, teachers understand that students may have extra-curricular after school activities. If homework is unable to be completed, please write a note to the teacher stating reason.
- ⇒ If your child has difficulty with set homework, please advise your child’s teacher in writing the following day. If the situation persists, please make an appointment to meet with your child’s teacher.



School Standards on Uniform:

- ⇒ Students are expected to wear **correct** uniform at all times.
- ⇒ Students wearing incorrect uniform (any part) should provide a note to the class teacher stating reason.
- ⇒ Students in Years 3-6 can bring sports shoes to school for fitness and play. Students are allowed to leave a second pair of sports shoes at school to change into for their fitness sessions.
- ⇒ Students must have school hats at school daily. “**NO HAT, NO PLAY**”
- ⇒ Jewellery, nail polish and make-up not permitted. Only one pair, plain stud / sleeper earrings permitted.
- ⇒ Random uniform checks are conducted and students receive House points for correct uniform standards.
- ⇒ Students who lose an article of uniform (eg hat or jumper) will have a week’s grace after which time the article must be replaced.
- ⇒ Students who repeatedly forget sports shoes / hats will have records of misbehaviour sent home.

Our School Rules are...

- ☺ We use our common sense.
- ☺ We keep ourselves safe.
- ☺ We respect other people, property and the environment.
- ☺ We strive to do our best.

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- ☺ Մենք մեզ կ’ապահովենք:
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- ☺ Կը ճգնինք ընելու մեր լաւագոյնը:



DATES TO REMEMBER

11/02	Parent Information Evening - School Hall
18/02	Life Education Van Visit (Healthy Harold)
28/02	Holy Communion at Church - St Vartan
07/04	Easter Concert & Picnic
12/04	Last Day Term 1

Please mark these important days in your calendar & check this box regularly for updates.

You can also check the electronic calendar in the 'News & Events' section of the school's web site.

The electronic calendar can be shared on your phone. Contact the school to find out how.

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 1 Week 2

8 Points – **Masis** \$0.00

6 Points – **Ararat** \$0.00

TOTAL: **\$00.00**

ACCUMULATED: **\$00.00**

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CANTEEN NOTICE

Thank you to the families who responded to our call for canteen duty. The **Canteen Calendar** for the first term has been provided. **The calendar is subject to change and it is important that parents also check the weekly Canteen email to confirm the latest menu or canteen days.**

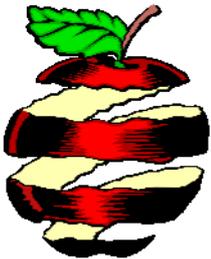


We are always keen to have new mums join the team. If you have not yet signed up for canteen duty, but would like to take an active role, please contact the school Office. Should we have sufficient volunteers, full canteen facilities will be available on additional days.



Children love to see their parents actively involved in their school... even if it's only once a term. The positive effect of your support will reward your child, your school and you.

STUDENT LUNCHBOXES



We are generally very happy with the contents of our students' lunchboxes. Our school would rate fairly well with all the attention given to ensure school lunchboxes contain mostly foods with good nutritional value. Whilst children may complain about lack of variety, try being inventive with the way you serve foods. Please continue to help us with this school program - keep up with the practice of providing low-fat, low-salt, low-sugar foods.

Fruit size can make all the difference between "fruit eaten" and "fruit wasted". Please buy small sized fruit for small mouths to chomp around, otherwise send cut fruit to school. Many of the younger children (P-2) could be wasting good fruit because it is just too hard to eat.

THE SCHOOL LUNCH BOX

Parents are instrumental in the success of our school's healthy food program as providers of good, nutrition-filled lunch boxes.

To help parents with the confusing task of deciding on suitable snack foods, below is a list of what we consider to be appropriate.



ONE ONLY - Snack Food which includes any one of the following: baked biscuits or snacks such as BBQ shapes; yoghurt or other dairy dessert such as Yogo or Petite Miam; slice of plain cake, fruit muffin or fruit toast; fruit straps/bars; breakfast/muesli bars, plain pop corn.

SNACKS WHICH DO NOT QUALIFY: All chips, roll-ups, LCM's, chocolate muffins, cream biscuits and wafers.

UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF - Fresh Fruit & Vegetables ... fruit bars and fruit yoghurt are no replacement for fresh fruit.

AT LEAST ONE SERVE OF - Bread ... sandwiches

Sandwiches are the most ideal lunch food but we do understand that children need some variety and often have home-cooked meals to replace sandwiches.

SUITABLE LUNCH DRINKS FOR SCHOOL - fruit juice, milk, water.



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STANDARD COLLECTION NOTICE

1. The School collects personal information, including sensitive information about pupils and parents or guardians before and during the course of a pupil's enrolment at the School. This may be in writing or in the course of conversations. The primary purpose of collecting this information is to enable the School to provide schooling to the pupil and to enable them to take part in all the activities of the School.
2. Some of the information we collect is to satisfy the School's legal obligations, particularly to enable the School to discharge its duty of care.
3. Laws governing or relating to the operation of a school require certain information to be collected and disclosed. These include relevant Education Acts, and Public Health and Child Protection laws.
4. Health information about pupils is sensitive information within the terms of the Australian Privacy Principles under the Privacy Act. We may ask you to provide medical reports about pupils from time to time.
5. The School from time to time discloses personal and sensitive information to others for administrative and educational purposes, including to facilitate the transfer of a pupil to another school. This includes to other schools, government departments, medical practitioners, and people providing services to the School, including specialist visiting teachers, sports coaches, volunteers and counsellors.
6. Personal information collected from pupils is regularly disclosed to their parents or guardians.
7. The School may store personal information in the 'cloud' which may mean that it resides on servers which are situated outside Australia.
8. The School's Privacy Policy sets out how parents or pupils may seek access to personal information collected about them. However, there will be occasions when access is denied. Such occasions would include where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, where access may result in a breach of the School's duty of care to the pupil, or where pupils have provided information in confidence.
9. The School Privacy Policy also sets out how you may complain about a breach of privacy and how the School will deal with such a complaint.
10. As you may know the School from time to time engages in fundraising activities. Information received from you may be used to make an appeal to you. It may also be disclosed to organisations that assist in the School's fundraising activities solely for that purpose. We will not disclose your personal information to third parties for their own marketing purposes without your consent.
11. On occasions information such as academic and sporting achievements, pupil activities and similar news is published in School newsletters and magazines, community newspapers and on our website. Photographs of pupil activities such as sporting events, school camps and school excursions may be taken for publication in School newsletters and magazines, website or any other marketing material. Please advise us if you do not wish photos of your child to appear in such publications.
12. We may include your contact details in a Class List and School Directory.
13. If you provide the School with the personal information of others, such as doctors or emergency contacts, we encourage you to inform them that you are disclosing that information to the School and why, that they can access that information if they wish and that the School does not usually disclose the information to third parties.

8/02/2019