

Dear Parents,

'1000 COLOURS' PREMIERS IN ARMENIA!

It has been an exciting week, with the release of the song '1000 Colours' (Հազար Գոյներ) in Armenia. Added to the excitement, is the fact that we now get to talk about this wonderful song, that features the students of AGBU Alexander Primary School!

The song is part of the project called 'Live Peacefully' (Ապրել Խաղաղ), and includes the voices of children from around the world. The intention of Lily Grigoryan, who has written the music and lyrics to the song, was to unite Armenian children living in different parts of the world. So, when she contacted our musical director Mrs Zela Margossian-Gaspar, the idea of having students from Sydney join with others from Los Angeles, Moscow, Paris, London and Armenia soon became a reality.



When we now consider, what we managed to achieve in a very short period of time, we could have only done so with the support of dedicated and talented students and teachers. Just to give you a glimpse of what was involved... in a matter of few days the students learnt the song. They were then tested to select the right sound required for the solo parts. The students were then taken to the recording studio on two separate occasions, to get the required level of recording and sound mix. In the meantime, we had to organise the express printing of the t-shirts with all the work associated in the design and set-up. In a matter of a few day's notice, the location shoot was organised which ended up being on a cold, rainy/cloudy/partly sunny Saturday morning, during the school holiday period. Finally, we had to organise the video edit and transfer of files to support the project.

I would like to take this opportunity and thank the parents and teachers for their support, in particular Mrs Zela and Mrs Seta Keoshgerian. Also, special thank you to Mr Aren Gaspar and Mr Vatche Demirjian (Recording Studio 9) for their support. Congratulations to all the students involved... you make us proud!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Our *Christmas Concert* is on **Saturday, 8th December from 6.00pm**. Invite family and friends to share the Christmas spirit with our musical production of 'Rock Around the Christmas Tree'. More information next week.

16th November, 2018

MANOUG DEMIRJIAN

Crunch & Sip - School Lunch

On Tuesday, we conducted a whole school review and evaluation of student lunch boxes, following ongoing feedback from students, parents and teachers. The sample audit included the implementation of the Crunch & Sip program, with the intention of using the results to improve the process.

Overall, we are very pleased with the nutritional quality of the food being supplied with a variety and portion of food from the 5 food groups. While most students had fruit and vegetables for their Crunch&Sip, some seemed to have large portions, while others not enough for the 2x 5 minute scheduled breaks. We like to take this opportunity to also remind parents to check the sugar and chocolate content in some of the snacks.

We value parents contribution in this process. For any issues, please contact you child's classroom teacher.



BIRTHDAY OF THE WEEK

Happy Birthday to...
Elizabeth

BOOK CLUB - ISSUE 8

Order Forms/Money Due by
Wednesday
21st November, 2018

Orders after this date cannot be processed.
Please place your orders in clearly marked envelopes.

HOUSE POINTS TERM 4

Uniform, Playground, Charity & Awards

YEREVAN - 63 points
SEVAN - 66 points

TEACHERS' AWARD

TERM 4 - WEEK 5

Year 4: Vanessa
Year 2: Peter
Sirag

- Remember -
5 Teachers' Award = 1 Honour Award

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 21/11 CARES Bike Safety visit - Years 4-6
- 23/11 Book Club - Issue 8 Orders Due
- 07/12 Armenia's Earthquake Remembrance Day
- 08/12 Christmas Concert
'Rock Around the Christmas Tree'
- 12/12 Armenian Welfare Centre - Christmas Visit
- 14/12 Alexander Aged Care - Christmas Visit
- Student Yearly Reports - Sent Home
- End of School Swimming Program
- 19/12 Last Day Term 4 for Students
- 20/12 Staff Planning Day

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 4 Week 5

8 Points - Sevan	\$5.50
6 Points - Yerevan	\$9.90
TOTAL:	\$15.40
ACCUMULATED:	\$601.55

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ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
www.armenianchurchsydney.org.au

Lest We Forget

Remembrance Day

On the 11th Day of the 11th Month, one hundred years ago, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders signed an Armistice, bringing to an end the First World War.

On Monday, the students of Years 3-5 organised a special assembly to commemorate 'Remembrance Day'. With the help of an audio visual presentation they spoke about the importance of the day and reflected on those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. In the four years of the war more than 330,000 Australians had served overseas, and more than 60,000 of them had died. The social effects of these losses cast a long shadow over the post-war decades. Following the presentation, the trumpet sounded and all the children bowed their heads for a minutes silence.



Alexander Playgroup

**Ages
0 - 4**

When: Thursdays

Time: 10am - 1pm

Where: Alexander Primary School

To receive further information call the office - 9486 3266

**Come along &
join the fun!**

Alexander Playgroup



Alexander Playgroup had a fantastic start on Thursday!

Children between the ages 0 - 4 years can join in the fun for free!

Please spread the news as we look forward to welcoming more children to the group.



Visit us on
Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/AGBUAlexanderPlaygroup>

Photo Gallery

Playground Upgrade





Community Event

Armenian 'Kermesse'



On Sunday 11th November, the students of Alexander school had a successful performance at the Armenian Church 'Kermesse'. Congratulations to all the students who joined the choir and represented the school with great pride. They performed a number of songs on the grounds adjacent to the Armenian Apostolic Church of Holy Resurrection.

We would like to pass on the words of appreciation and gratitude of the Church Council as well as thank the parents for their support and cooperation. Our notes of appreciation also go to Mrs Seta Keoshgerian and Mrs Zela Margossian-Gaspar for preparing them so well. (You can watch the performance on our Facebook page)



2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES

In today's Newsletter we have included the term and vacation dates for the coming school year. Parents are advised to keep this handy. A detailed school calendar highlighting major events, activities and test dates will appear in the students' School Diary and Newsletter early next year.



AGBU ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL

CALENDAR DATES - 2019

TERM 1

Tuesday, 29 th January	Staff Return - Meeting and Planning
Wednesday, 30 th January	Staff Preparation Day
Thursday, 31 st January	Term 1 - Students Start New School Year
Friday, 12 th April	Last Day Term 1

Term 1 Holiday - Saturday, 13th April to Sunday 28th April

Friday, 19 th April	Good Friday - Public Holiday
Saturday, 20 th April	Easter Saturday - Public Holiday
Sunday, 21 st April	Easter Sunday - Public Holiday
Monday, 22 nd April	Easter Monday - Public Holiday
Wednesday, 25 th April	Anzac Day - Public Holiday

TERM 2

Monday, 29 th April	School Development Day (Pupil Free)
Tuesday, 30 th April	First Day Term 2 - Students Return
Monday, 10 th June	Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday
Friday, 5 th July	Last Day Term 2

Term 2 Holiday - Saturday, 6th July to Sunday, 21st July

TERM 3

Monday, 22 nd July	School Development Day (Pupil Free)
Tuesday, 23 rd July	First Day Term 3 - Students Return
Friday, 27 th September	Last Day Term 3

Term 3 Holiday - Saturday, 28th September to Sunday, 13th October

Monday, 7th October Labour Day - Public Holiday

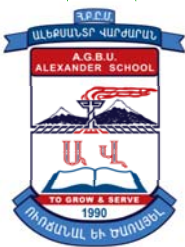
TERM 4

Monday, 14 th October	First Day Term 4
Sunday, 8 th December	Christmas Concert
Thursday, 12 th December	Last Day Term 4 for students
Friday, 13 th December	Staff Planning Day



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ARMENIAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT UNION
ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Christmas Concert

*Invite family and friends to the
Musical Production*

Rock Around the Christmas Tree

Saturday
8th December
2018



from 6.00pm ~ Gemjian Hall

Official Opening
of the
**New Junior
Adventure Playground**

2 Namba Road, Duffys Forest



For more information please contact the
School Office - 9486 3266

