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Dear Parents,

DEBATING COMPETITION

On Wednesday, our debaters took part in the final round of the 2019 'Forest District Interschool Debating Competition'. Similar to last year, the finals round was a little different where all teams were expected to take part in an 'impromptu debate'. When the competing schools arrived at Alexander school, all the selected topics were drawn out against the teams that were set to take either the Affirmative or Negative side of the argument.

The topics were as follows: *'There should be truth in advertising'* with the German International School as the Affirmative and the Italian Bilingual School as the Negative team. While the topic: *'We should abolish national borders and all be global citizens'* was debated between Alexander Primary School as the Affirmative and the Sydney Japanese International School as the Negative teams. All teams were given about an hour to prepare for the debate with limited teacher guidance and support.



It turned out to be an interesting finals round with the added pressure of the limited preparation time. The students had to put their skills to the test and show their true debating versatility. The final results for both debates were close and it all came down to how well the teams were able to connect with their arguments as a team. Congratulations to the Italian school for the win, while the second debate was awarded a draw between the Alexander and Japanese schools. A huge congratulations go to all the debaters who joined the competition this year and made great improvements in their speaking and debating skills. Well done to our Year 5 and 6 debaters!

I.C.A.S. ENGLISH RESULTS

We recently received the English results for the UNSW International Competition & Assessment for Schools (ICAS). Congratulations go to **Zabel**, **Sara** and **Alexander** for gaining **Credit** awards.

The English test proved to be a 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.

I.C.A.S. WRITING RESULTS

Congratulations and well done to **Sara** and **Khloe** for achieving **Credit** in the ICAS Writing Competition. These were the final results for this year's competition.

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), regardless of the age and level of the student. This allows the performance of students from different year levels to be compared.

KERMESSE @ CHURCH - THIS SUNDAY

Now in its fourth year, the Armenian Apostolic Church of Holy Resurrection's annual Kermesse has become a Spring tradition in our community, serving its noble purposes. Once again, our school has been invited to join the afternoon program. Our students will be on stage to perform around 2.45pm. Thank you to all the parents for their support.

23rd November, 2019

MANOUG DEMIRJIAN

2019 HONOUR AWARD LIST

Congratulations to

Sarkis

Elena

Leah



ARMENIAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT UNION ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



The P&C Committee has organised a Christmas Raffle as part of our annual fundraising.

Tickets are selling at \$2 each and we have some amazing prizes!

Make sure buyers fill out their names and phone numbers and return all tickets together with the money to the school office by Monday 2nd December 2019.

Extra tickets are available from the school office.

Thank you for your support & happy fundraising!

School Banking

Please contact the School Office if you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Dollarmite account for your child/ren.

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HOUSE POINTS TERM 4

*Uniform, Playground, Charity
& Awards*



ARARAT - 102 points

MASIS - 96 points



TEACHERS' AWARD

TERM 4 – WEEK 6

Year 6: Asbed

Year 2: Kris

Year 1: Lara G

Kindergarten: Leah

Preparatory: Sarkis, Elena



DATES TO REMEMBER

- 24/11 Armenian 'Kermesse' - School Choir
- 03/12 CARES Bike Safety visit - Years 3-6
- 05/12 2020 Captain Speeches & Election
- 06/12 Armenian Welfare Centre - Christmas Visit
- End of School Swimming Program
- Student Yearly Reports - Sent Home
- 07/12 Armenia's Earthquake Remembrance Day
- 08/12 Christmas Concert & Graduation
- 10/12 Alexander Aged Care - Christmas Visit
- 11/12 Preparatory & Kindergarten Graduation
- 12/12 Last Day Term 4 for Students
- 13/12 Staff Planning Day

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 4 Week 6

8 Points – **Ararat** \$11.20

6 Points – **Masis** \$5.10

TOTAL: **\$16.30**

ACCUMULATED: **\$558.90**

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Parents & Community - News

Family Night | Kids Crazy Costume

Oh What a Night! The kids were dressed in their favourite costumes, some as their favourite characters others creative geniuses, energy levels on maximum, music pumping, favourite tracks played by DJ Alen and bellies happy with delicious Armenian food. The second Family Fun Night was a roaring success by all fronts. We would like to thank all the family, friends and community for your support and assistance in making this a great event!




Christmas Raffle


A quick reminder that every child has been given a raffle book to take home and sell, let's all do our part to ask our family, friends, neighbours and community if they would like to purchase a ticket and win one of our great prizes! If you like more booklets to sell, please contact the School Office.

Sonia Panikian
P&C Coordinator






Հայաստան



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Կանեալ Միսակ

Բարեւ Յորձեկեան դպրոցի աշակերտներ: Զոյսով, որ լաւ արեւելուդդ կ'ուսնեաք: Ես Կանեալը վարժարանի Միսակ աշակերտն եմ ու ես կ'ուզեմ հայաստան ապեմք, որովհետեւ դուք չեմ քանեալ յայտնեմք: Մեք երեւելուդդ ու վեցելուդդ դասարանի աշակերտ եմք ու ճեք կ'ուսնեք եւսմի դրիւն Եւր: Ես ու կ'ուզեմ երբ դուք ալ կարողանաք Կարողանալ ապեմք: Մեք ալ շատ քանեալ ժամեր ունեք: Սիրելի


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Հայկական քոյսակ



Ես շատ կ'ուզեմ հայաստան ապեմք որ խոր վերադառնալ եւ Յորձեկեան վարժարան գալ եւ քանեմ: Իմ անունը Կանեալ Թուանեան է: Ես Կանեալը վարժարան 2-րդ դասարանի աշակերտ եմ եւ Սեր Սարգս կ'եմ Կրթարար Խաւսի խմբակն եմ:

Կանեալ Թուանեան

More letters next week...



2020 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 events, activities and test dates is also accessible online on the school website.



AGBU ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES - 2020

TERM 1

Tuesday, 28th January
Wednesday, 29th January
Thursday, 30th January
Thursday, 9th April

Staff Return - Meeting and Planning
Staff Preparation Day
Term 1 - Students Start New School Year
Last Day Term 1

Term 1 Holiday - Friday, 10th April to Sunday 26th April

Friday, 10th April Good Friday - Public Holiday
Saturday, 11th April Easter Saturday - Public Holiday
Sunday, 12th April Easter Sunday - Public Holiday
Monday, 13th April Easter Monday - Public Holiday
Saturday, 25th April Anzac Day - Public Holiday

TERM 2

Monday, 27th April
Tuesday, 28th April
Monday, 8th June
Friday, 3rd July

School Development Day (Pupil Free)
First Day Term 2 - Students Return
Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday
Last Day Term 2

Term 2 Holiday - Saturday, 4th July to Sunday, 19th July

TERM 3

Monday, 20th July
Tuesday, 21st July
Friday, 25th September

School Development Day (Pupil Free)
First Day Term 3 - Students Return
Last Day Term 3

Term 3 Holiday - Saturday, 26th September to Sunday, 11th October

Monday, 5th October Labour Day - Public Holiday

TERM 4

Monday, 12th October
Sunday, 6th December
Thursday, 10th December
Friday, 11th December

First Day Term 4
Christmas Concert & Graduation
Last Day Term 4 for students
Staff Planning Day



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





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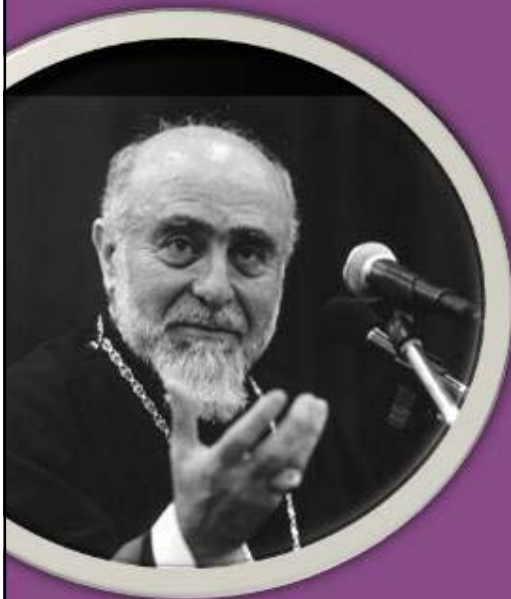
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Մանրամասնութեանց համար դիմել Պրն Նշան Պասմանեանին
 Հեռ 0413364296 կամ Իմէյլով՝ diocese@armenian.com.au

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Under the auspices of
 His Eminence Archbishop Haigazoun Najarian
 Primate of the Diocese of Australia & New Zealand



A Tribute Evening
 dedicated to
CATHOLICOI VAZKEN I & KAREKIN I
 on the 25th & 20th anniversaries of their passing

Guest Speakers :
 Very Reverend Father Yeremia Abgaryan
 Arevik Barsoumian ~ Ani Der Artinian

FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

Armenian Apostolic Church of Holy Resurrection ~ 10 Macquarie Street Chatswood

Food Drive!

FoodBank Collection

We have decided to support the 'FoodBank' collection that is being promoted by our Federal Member of Parliament, Mr Jason Falinski MP.

In previous years, his office has had a fabulous response from schools in the seat of 'Mackellar', that we are part of. This is a unique opportunity for school communities to give back at Christmas.

Hunger is a hidden crisis in Australia with over 3.6 million Australians seeking food relief at some point each year. Half of those are children.

The items for the food drive will be collected by FoodBank from the office of Mr Falinski. We will deliver our collection to his office during the last week of school. So, please send your donations to the school office by Monday 9 December, 2019.



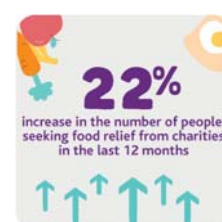
FoodBank accepts the following items:

- Canned meals - fruit, vegetable, soup and meat
- Noodles, pasta, and rice
- Baked beans and spaghetti
- Long life milk
- Baby food and formula
- Deodorant, soap and body wash
- Shampoo, conditioner and sanitary items
- Baby wipes and nappies



Please don't feel limited to our suggestions – However, as you can appreciate **no perishables** including **fresh produce** can be accepted.

If you have any questions please contact the school Office.



Alexander Playgroup

When: **Thursdays**
Time: **10am - 1pm**
Where: **Alexander Primary School**

To receive further information call the office - 9486 3266

Ages 0 - 5

Come along & join the fun!



ARMENIAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT UNION
ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Christmas Concert & Graduation Evening

Sunday
8th December
2019

From
4:00pm

Gemjian Hall



Invite family and friends to join our

Christmas Spirit

and to

Farewell our Graduates

2 Namba Road, Duffys Forest

For more information please contact the
School Office - 9486 3266

