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Dear Parents,

DAYS TO REMEMBER

Our **Parent Information Evening** will now be held on **Monday, 17th February from at 7.00pm. We expect to see all families represented** during the evening, to give parents the opportunity to gain further understanding of how the classes are arranged and find out what will be going on in your child's classroom and school this year.

The typical Australian weather conditions over the past week and the experiences we have had over the last few months, helped me recall and recite Dorothea McKellar's words from her famous poem 'My Country'...

As we lost power over the weekend and the start of this week, we watched those flooding rains and howling winds rip through trees and wash our streets. Ironical, that for most of the year, we were a parched, dry and dusty land craving water to fill our empty dams.

How true then are these words: that droughts, fire, famine and "floods may break our hearts but not our will"... to be truly Australian, mateship is a part of this love for this land and all that is apart of it.

It is in this spirit of mateship and community that we are getting ready to

Celebrate 30 Years of Educational Excellence.

On behalf of the 30th Anniversary Committee, it gives me great pleasure to announce the following events that have been set, as part of the celebration:

Saturday, 8 August 2020

STOP PRESS!
Dates to be confirmed

30th Anniversary Concert

The Concourse Theatre, Chatswood

Sunday, 15 August 2020

- 30th Anniversary Dinner Dance

Miramare Gardens, Terrey Hills

Sunday, 20 September 2020 - Armenian Cultural Day

Please note these dates and stay tuned for further details.

14th February, 2020

MANOUG DEMIRJIAN

MY COUNTRY

Dorothea McKellar
(1885-1968)

Below are the two magnificent verses from an iconic poem about Australia written in 1904

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"I love a sunburnt country,
A land of sweeping plains,
Of ragged mountain ranges,
Of droughts and flooding rains.

I love her far horizons,
I love her jewel-sea,

Her beauty and her terror –
The wide brown land for me!"

...

"Core of my heart, my
country!

Land of the rainbow gold,
For flood and fire and famine
She pays us back threefold.
Over the thirsty paddocks,
Watch, after many days,
The filmy veil of greenness
That thickens as we gaze."

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PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Monday, 17th February @ 7:00p.m. sharp! - School Hall

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



AGBU ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD

- CONTACT DETAILS -

The AGBU Alexander Primary School Board meets officially once a month. Meeting dates are published on the school calendar. Request for contact with any Board member can be arranged from the school office or via email:

Board@alexander.nsw.edu.au

Emails to the above address are automatically forwarded to all Board members.

Alternatively, Board members can be contacted individually using the following emails:

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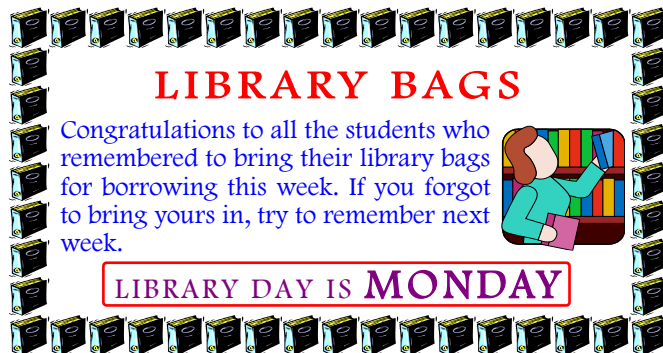
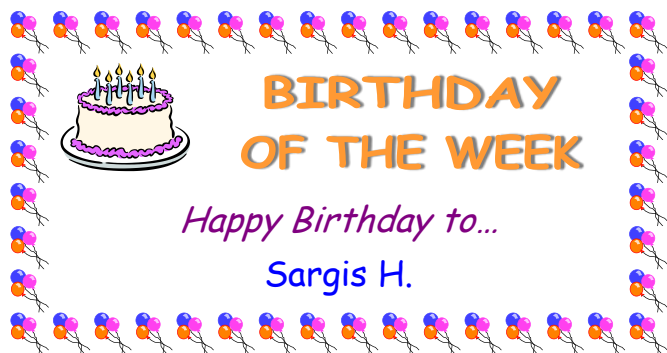
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DATES TO REMEMBER

17/02	Parent Information Evening - School Hall
20/02	Holy Communion at Church - St Vartan
24/02	Life Education Van Visit (Healthy Harold)
25/02	Life Education Van Visit (Day 2)
27/02	Sports Day - Gymnastics (Double Session)
29/03	Easter Concert & Picnic
09/04	Last Day Term 1
08/08	30 th Anniversary Concert - The Concourse
15/08	30 th Anniversary Dinner Dance - Miramare
20/09	Armenian Cultural Day
06/12	Christmas Concert & Graduation

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 1 Week 3

7 Points – Sevan	\$6.40
7 Points – Yerevan	\$6.40
TOTAL:	\$12.80
ACCUMULATED:	\$28.40

SPONSOR A CHILD IN ARMENIA THROUGH THE
ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
www.armenianchurchsydney.org.au

TERM 1 SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Term 1 School Accounts are being sent home with your Newsletter next week. Payment of fees will be due by *Friday, 20th March*. We would appreciate prompt payment so that our trade terms with suppliers are met. If you believe there may be an error in your Tax Invoice please contact the school Office. Fees may be paid by cash, cheque or direct deposit.

Parents are reminded that **Building Fund** contributions are **tax deductible** and special receipts will be issued in order to claim a deduction.

Payment may be sent through the post or paid directly to the school's account or Office. Students delivering money to school should hand fees to the school office immediately on arrival to school. The school cannot be held responsible for lost money in transit.



VARTANANK - HOLY COMMUNION

In school tradition, all students and staff will attend the Armenian Apostolic Church of Holy Resurrection, Chatswood on Thursday, 20th February 2020, to receive blessings and Holy Communion for the start of the new school year and on the occasion of St Vartan.



Once again, we have received an invitation from His Eminence Archbishop Haigazoun Najarian (Primate of the Armenian Church of Australia & New Zealand) to join in the special Mass on St Vartan's day.

On this special occasion, the students will reflect on the importance of the 'Battle of Vartanank' and its significance to the survival of Armenians as Christians. Parents are also invited to share the event with us.

Please check the information emailed to all parents and complete the permission slip for your children. You may also contact the Office for more information.

Parents who like to make alternate arrangements for transport, need to inform the Office early next week.

DONATIONS TO ALEXANDER SCHOOL

Anonymous **\$1,000**

In Memoriam for the Late Hagop Sebouhian

Mr & Mrs Samuel and Margret Samuelian	\$150
Mr & Mrs Matious and Rosig Mazlounian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Garo and Margo Zerounian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Edy and Dikranouhy Nazarian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Asadour and Eugenie Kazandjian	\$50

In Memoriam for the Late Siranoush Bedigian

Mr & Mrs Varouj and Sona Tchetchenian	\$100
Mr & Mrs Vatche and Sonia Apanian	\$100
Mr & Mrs Vahe and Seta Keoshgerian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Yerchan and Sossie Giragosian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Toros and Margueritte Boyadjian	\$50

In Memoriam for the Late Sarkis Kokian

Mr & Mrs Vahe and Seta Keoshgerian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Yerchan and Sossie Giragosian	\$50
Mr & Mrs Manoug and Laura Demirjian	\$50

May their souls rest in peace.

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SCHOOL BANKING - Youthsaver Account with Commonwealth Bank

School Banking at Alexander school has developed and grown over the years. We now have a large percentage of students taking part in the savings program.



'Prepare to take your child on an Outback Savings Adventure' - Youthsaver account opening kit is enclosed with today's Newsletter for those students who have not yet joined or are new to the program. In the packaged envelope you will find all the required information and forms to start your child's account.

Once the accounts are set up and ready to go, your child/ren will be able to take part in '**School Banking Day**' now set for **Thursdays**. This is when students can bring their deposits to be banked through the School.

Parents who are interested in getting their children to join the savings program can contact the office for more information. For new students, if your child already has a Youthsaver account, they too can join the program.

Message from the Bank...

Dear Parent,

Teaching your child the all-important skills of money management and saving when they're young can empower them for success in the future. Commonwealth Bank Student Banking is a special initiative designed to do just that. Through education and fun, we aim to help make your child a Super Saver.

Student Banking - teaching kids Super Saver powers.

The Commonwealth Bank Student Banking program runs within primary schools to help boost your child's understanding of money and saving.

- ◆ **Educational resources** - We provide schools with fun resources to assist teaching of basic skills.
- ◆ **Weekly banking** - Your child can do their banking at school where it's easy for them to make regular deposits. Student Banking coordinators often allocate a class banking day and a banking monitor to help teach children the responsibility of saving.
- ◆ **Money for their school** - When your child signs up for Student Banking or makes a deposit at school, the Bank will pay a commission to your school. This money can help buy new books, computers, sports equipment or whatever else the school may need.



Get your little Super Saver started now.

It's easy to get your child involved with Student Banking. Just sign them up for a Youthsaver account. It's packed with fun features your child will love.

School Banking accounts can now be opened at any Commonwealth Bank branch. You no longer need to complete application forms and return them to school. Just go into any branch and ask to open a Youthsaver account for School Banking.

Remember to take identification for you and your child (such as drivers license and birth certificate), you will receive a Dollarmites wallet and deposit book on the spot and be able to start banking on the next business day – it is that easy!

If you are a Commonwealth Bank customer with NetBank you have the option to open the account online as well!

A Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 is paid to the school for every 10 School Banking deposits processed per student, in line with the existing School Banking Rewards Program for students. Thank you for supporting our school and teaching your child/ren good savings skills.

For more information on a Youthsaver account please call 13 2221, visit commbank.com.au/dollarmites or drop into any Commonwealth Bank Branch.



The poster is for 'AGBU MOVIE NIGHT' and 'KIDS MOVIE NIGHT'. It features a blue background with film reels and a clapperboard. At the top is a popcorn bucket icon. The main title 'KIDS MOVIE NIGHT' is in a red-bordered box with yellow dots. Below it are the prices '\$20' and '\$50' in yellow, with 'PER CHILD' and 'PER FAMILY: (3+ CHILDREN)' in white. The date and time are 'Saturday, February 22, 2020' and '6 PM to 10 PM'. The location is '2 Yeo Street, Neutral Bay'. At the bottom is a silhouette of a crowd sitting in red seats. A contact number is at the very bottom.

AGBU
MOVIE
NIGHT

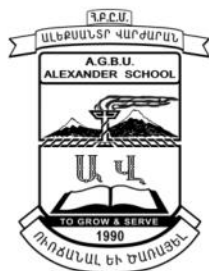
KIDS MOVIE
NIGHT

\$20 **\$50**

PER CHILD PER FAMILY:
(3+ CHILDREN)

Saturday, February 22, 2020
6 PM to 10 PM
2 Yeo Street, Neutral Bay

Contact Katya: 0415 788 234



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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.