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Dear Parents,

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

As we communicated to our school community earlier this week, on Monday 17 August, the NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian provided updated COVID-19 guidelines for NSW schools, under which we must operate. These included tightening of the restrictions for school events, sports, co-curricular and other programs. We have also received further communication from the NSW Association of Independent Schools (AIS) in response to the advice of NSW Health, about how these protocols apply.

These new restrictions came into effect on Wednesday, 19 August. They include:

- no student is to come to school if they are unwell, even if they have only very mild symptoms.
- any student that is experiencing flu-like symptoms, including a sore or scratchy throat, runny nose, coughing or elevated temperature is to be sent home from school.
- any student (or member of staff) that experiences these symptoms **SHOULD NOT RETURN TO SCHOOL** until the school has sighted a negative COVID-19 result (e.g. a copy of the text message sent by NSW Health) **AND** their symptoms have abated or diminished.

In addition students will be reminded that they:

- should wash their hands frequently with soap and water, particularly before and after handling food, and after using the bathrooms.
- should NOT share food, drink or any personal items with classmates.



Importantly for parents, the revised guidelines reinforce that non-essential visitors **MUST NOT** be allowed on school grounds. In practice, this means that parents will not be able to enter the school, including the office area, unless with an approved appointment and that these appointments **MUST** be limited to one parent from each family. Approval in these circumstances must be given by the Principal.

Thank you for the way in which you have responded to the evolving situation of the past five months. Your cooperation has helped to maintain the Alexander School as a safe and supportive learning environment for all of our students and staff. We will continue to communicate any updates to these guidelines to you as and when they become available.

SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIMES & DUTY

A kind reminder to all our parents that our official school day commences at 9.00am. The first bell sounds at 8.55am to remind student to finish their 'Crunch & Sip' and start to line-up for morning assembly. It is important that all students are present at assembly, to be briefed and start the day with a prayer. Any student that arrives later than 10 minutes needs to go to the office to collect a late note, signed by their parent.

I like to take this opportunity and state that by law and as the school's Duty of Care, we are not expected to provide supervision for students any earlier than the half hour before classes commence in the morning and the same in the afternoon. Therefore, **school supervision is from 8.30am until 3.45pm.**

While many of our staff are at school outside of these times, they are not on duty, nor are they responsible to supervise students. Teachers generally use this time to prepare their lessons and organise for the day. We would like our school community to take this into their kind consideration, as teachers have also agreed to take on board the added duty of screening the students for their temperatures and sanitisation before being allowed to enter the school grounds.

We understand emergency situations, when students may be required to arrive early. During those circumstances please communicate with the school to make alternate arrangements. Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated.

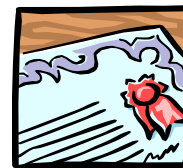
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21st August, 2020

2020 HONOUR AWARD LIST

Congratulations to

Isabella
Sarkis
Sophia
Elena



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®

DONATIONS TO ALEXANDER SCHOOL

In Memoriam for the Late Raffi Demirjian

Mr & Mrs Vahe and Cynthia Tomassian \$100

Mr & Mrs Jacques and Angineh Kolokossian \$100

May his soul rest in peace.

BOOK CLUB - ISSUE 6



Order Forms/Money Due by

Tuesday
25th August, 2020

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

HOUSE POINTS TERM 3

*Uniform, Playground, Charity
& Awards*



YEREVAN - 55 points

SEVAN - 75 points



*Support your House Team and earn points by
having the correct uniform, by following the
playground rules and by being generous.*

TEACHERS' AWARD

TERM 3 - WEEK 5

Year 6: Isabella , Sara

Alina , Harry

Year 2: Lara

Kindergarten: Sophia , Elena

Sarkis , Anna

Gohar

Christopher



DATES TO REMEMBER

25/08	Book Club Orders Due
10/09	School Photos
21/09	Armenian Independence Day
25/09	Last Day Term 3 - Mufti Day
12/10	School Development Day (Pupil Free)*
	Emergency Care & CPR Staff Training
13/10	First Day Term 4
19/10	Start of Book Week and Book Fair
26/10	Book Week Show
06/12	Christmas Concert & Graduation
10/12	Last Day Term 4 for Students

* - To be confirmed

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

WEEKLY REPORT: Term 3 Week 5

8 Points – **Yerevan** \$13.00

6 Points – **Sevan** \$10.60

TOTAL: **\$23.60**

ACCUMULATED: **\$249.35**

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ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
www.armenianchurchsydney.org.au

**ARMENIAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT UNION
ALEXANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL
FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE**



The P&C Committee has organised a Father's Day Raffle as part of our annual fundraising.

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

Make sure buyers fill out their names and phone numbers and return all tickets together with the money to the school office by Tuesday 1st September 2020.

Extra tickets are available from the school office.

Thank you for your support & happy fundraising!



AGBU

**We Stand in Solidarity with the
Armenian Community in Beirut**

DONATE

We are depending on each and every one of you across the globe to help us raise urgently-needed funds and awareness of our relief work.

Every donation will go directly to those in need.



FOOD DISTRIBUTION:

The AGBU Center is distributing food boxes



MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:

AGBU dispensaries are providing free medications and first aid essentials



REPAIR AND REBUILDING:

AGBU is financing and assisting in the rebuilding of homes, replacing windows, doors and essential appliances

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LEBANON AND THE ARMENIANS OF LEBANON MUST STAND STRONG

Lebanon is the Fortress for Diaspora Armenians
It must be preserved at all cost

Let's encourage all the fundraising efforts in Australia
for the Armenians in Lebanon

Donations can also be made to the Diocese by:

Bank Transfer

BSB 032297 – Account No. 319296 – Diocese of the Armenian Church

Cash or Cheque

Diocesan Centre

11 Chatswood Avenue, Chatswood NSW – 02 91614000

Armenian Apostolic Church of Holy Resurrection Church

10 Macquarie Street, Chatswood NSW 2067 – 02 94198056

Armenian Apostolic Church of Holy Trinity

26 Garfield Street, Wentworthville NSW 2145 – 02 86777032

St Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church (Melbourne)

2 Norfolk Road, Surrey Hills VIC 3127 – 03 98361194

Credit Cards

Diocesan Centre

11 Chatswood Avenue, Chatswood NSW – 02 91614000



All proceeds from the donations will be transferred to the account
of the Great House of Cilicia held in Geneva, Switzerland