



What's the hAPS?

28th March 2024

Dear parents/caregivers

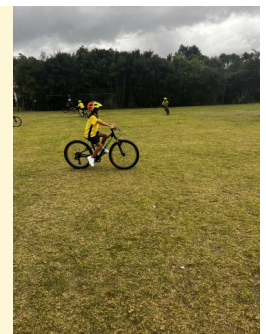
With over 100 new starters now enrolled, our third new entrant class is scheduled to start early in Term 2, and we welcome Tricia Carlson to our staff as the teacher for Area 14.

We thank you all for your support during the ongoing disruptions caused by our two current building projects. We are hoping that our refurbished library and classroom will be completed mid next term, and our new build is on track (at this stage) for an August opening. We know that having limited parking on Bass Road is frustrating as currently contractors and staff are also parking in this area. Change seems to be our norm and the capacity to embrace and work around these dynamics displayed by our students, families and staff is appreciated.

In the essence of both Ramadan and Easter – may we all appreciate what we have in our life, give generously in any way we can to those that may be in need. I wish you all a safe and enjoyable long weekend (including Tuesday) as you spend quality family time together.

Together in learning
Maree Bathurst, Principal

A reminder to parents that school closes at 2.55pm. There is staff supervision at the bus bay until 3.30pm whilst parents are collecting their children at the Bass Road entrance. After 3.30pm all students need to have left school grounds, unless they are being actively supervised by an adult, or booked into Kelly Club. We are finding that there are a number of children whose parents are allowing them to play on the playgrounds until as late as 4.30pm. **These areas are unsupervised, and the office is closed therefore we cannot accept responsibility for anything that may happen to your child in this time.** For your own child's safety please do not allow your child to remain on site without parents/caregivers supervision.



The Year 5/6 children have had the exciting opportunity to take part in bikes in school programme run by Harbour Sports. The students have been taught the correct way to fit and wear their bike helmet and bike riding safety. They have participated in a variety of games to test their knowledge and bike riding skills set to their appropriate ability. This programme will continue until next Friday.



Our Year 0/1 students enjoyed a morning displaying their Easter bonnets and cultural hats



TERM 1 2024

Term dates: 1st February—Friday 12th April

29th March	Public holiday—Easter Friday— school closed
1st April	Public holiday—Easter Monday— school closed
2nd April	School holiday- as set by the Ministry of Education— school closed <i>Kelly Club are looking at offering supervision on Tuesday 2nd April however prebooking is required. Refer page 5 flyer</i>
3rd—5th April	Year 5/6 North Harbour Sport—Bikes in Schools
4th April	Board meeting, 6.00pm
5th April	Year 3/4 Surfing, Areas 10, 11 and 39
12th April	Last day of Term 1, school closes at the usual time of 2.55pm

UNIFORM AVAILABLE

For the next two weeks we will have donated/new uniform displayed in the school office available for parents to take at no charge. These items include larger sized polo shirts (old style) and donated (second hand) uniform.

Harbour Sport is excited to be hosting the annual 2024 Harcourts Cooper & Co Shore to Shore 5km family fun run on Sunday 7th April. For every person who signs up through our school, we will receive approximately \$3- \$5 towards sporting equipment.

To [register](#)

Shore to Shore promotional [video](#)



SCHOOL BUSES—NO LONGER A FREE SERVICE

This information has been emailed to parents of students catching our school buses—if your child catches the school bus and you did not receive the email please contact Jan in the school office (jmunroe@albany.school.nz)

We have received the following advice from Auckland Transport:

Free travel for 5 to 12 year olds and half-price travel for 13 to 24 year olds on AT bus, train and ferry services will end on 30 April 2024, in line with the government's decision to withdraw funding for these concessions.

This means that from Wednesday 1 May:

5 to 12 year olds will no longer travel for free on weekdays and will instead pay a child concession (at least 40% off adult fares). They will continue to travel for free on weekends. The child concession will apply to anyone aged 5 to 15, who has a registered AT HOP card with their correct date of birth.

Rotary



Albany Rotary Community Partnership Raffle



Prizes for the raffle are:

- 1st Prize:** Jetsetter 3 person spa pool from Hotspring Spas valued at \$30,000
- 2nd Prize:** 2 nights accommodation at Tuscan Lane Holiday Home in Martinborough, includes \$1,000 towards travelling costs for up to 6 guests. Valued at \$1,800
- 3rd Prize:** Weber BBQ valued at \$1,000
- 4th Prize:** 6 month gym membership at TOM FIT valued at \$520
- 5th Prize:** 2x dinner vouchers for Caffè e Cucina Albany \$300

In conjunction with Albany Rotary, FOS are selling \$5 raffle tickets (with 50% of proceeds to Albany Primary School). Tickets are available from the school office (or pay online using your child's name and raffle as the reference, and we will get tickets delivered to your child's class).

Ticket sales close Friday 17th May.



**A FUN PROGRAMME
THAT KIDS LOVE!**

Kelly Club on Easter Tuesday - 2nd April

If you need care for your child on Easter Tuesday, 2nd April, you may book now at:
www.kellyclub.co.nz/albany

Kelly Club will run a full day Easter-themed programme (with options for half day and school day) if there are enough parents who need care for their children on that day.

Tuesday 2 April EASTER TUESDAY

**OSCAR
PROGRAMME
SUBSIDIES
AVAILABLE!**

**Conditions apply*

ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL

We've got an amazing Easter Tuesday programme planned, including an Easter Egg Hunt, Cookie Decorating, crafts, games and more!

Book online now for our fun-filled one day holiday programme. See you there!

Full Day: \$55*

8am-6pm

School Day: \$45*

9am-3pm

Half Day: \$42

7:30am-12:30pm or 1pm-6pm

**7:30 am start option for an extra \$7 with free light breakfast*

Contact: Jackie dela Rosa

Email: albany@kellyclub.co.nz

Phone: 022 693 7732

Facebook: @KellyClubAlbany

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

Easter Services @

Good Friday:

29th March
9:30am

Combined denominational Easter walk, begins from Holy Cross (222 Dairy Flat Highway, in Albany) and finishes at the Presbyterian Church.

Easter Sunday:

31st March
10am

(Kristin School Chapel, 360 Albany Highway)

Expect the Unexpected!

Join us for a intergenerational service as the hunt continues...



A reminder to keep collecting your Yummy Stickers. Send stickers, or completed [sheets](#) to Area 31.

Easter Art Walk –
14 stations –
Resurrection:
March 25th – 31st

Albany Community Hub,
Albany Village Library,
Massey University.

albany
community
action trust

albany
baptist
church



FREE FAMILY FUN!

SATURDAY 30TH MARCH

2PM-4PM

KELL PARK, ALBANY

**COME HUNT FOR AN EGG TO EXCHANGE
FOR A CHOCOLATE ONE
(ONE PER CHILD)**

**GIANT BUBBLES AND COLOURING IN
COMPETITION.**