



What's the hAPS?

7th November 2024

Dear parents/caregivers

We are looking forward to tonight's Visual and Performing Arts Family Picnic. The event starts at 5.30pm with classrooms open to view artwork. The performances commence at 6.00pm. FOS will be providing a free sausage sizzle. Parents are welcome to bring along a picnic, picnic blankets and outdoor chairs for this occasion. The event will be held on the new courts and adjacent classrooms.

A few reminders from previous newsletters :

- To assist with 2025 class placement if there are any extenuating circumstances that may require consideration (such as twins or cousins not to be in the same class) **please email my PA, Lisa Elder, in confidence (email: lelder@albany.school.nz) by Friday 8th November**. If you have already submitted a request to class teachers then please email this to Lisa Elder.
- If your child will not be returning to Albany Primary School next year or will be leaving before the end of the year (with the exception of Year 6 2024 children who are moving onto Year 7 in 2025) please contact the school office to advise—by person, phone 09 415 9668 or email admin@albany.school.nz.
- **Our school uniform consists of a yellow polo shirt, and navy sweatshirts**. These are able to be purchased through Argyleonline (or check our donated uniform box at the front of the school office). **Navy blue leggings/trousers/shorts/culottes/skortz** may be worn and purchased through any supplier—**these need to be plain navy, not denim**. Shorts must be mid thigh length. Sports shorts (available for purchase through the school office) are also able to be worn. Teachers will be notifying parents if students are not in correct uniform.
- School uniform sun hats are compulsory for all students in Term 4 (and Term 1). These are available for purchase through Argyleonline, or through the school office for \$10 . The school office does not accept paywave transactions.
- We are aware of a number of students playing on our playgrounds after school. Any student that is on site after school must be actively supervised by a parent. Supervised students must play on their own age appropriate playground only—we have been advised of a number of middle and senior students playing on the junior playground.

We urgently require parent helpers to supervise our Road Patrol students on the Bass Road crossing each Thursday and Friday afternoons (2.50pm-3.15pm). Full training will be provided. If you are able to assist or require further information please contact Lida Bredenkamp, lbredenkamp@albany.school.nz.

Some end of year celebration dates have been announced (see over). For those that are online a link will be emailed to parents at 6.00pm on the day. We are yet to confirm the location of the Year 5/6 end of year celebration and will advise parents as soon as this date is available.

Together in learning

Maree Bathurst
Principal

TERM 4 2024

Term dates: 14th October—18th December

7th November	Visual and Performing Arts Family Picnic, 5.30pm—7.30pm
8th November	Year 0/1 trip to Stardome—Areas 21, 23, 24, 25
14th November	Board meeting, 6.00pm
19th November	Year 3-6 athletics day
22nd November	Kapa haka performance at Oneopoto Festival (rainsaver 25th November)
28th November	Year 2 clip n climb trip
2nd December	Northern Bays Cluster athletics day (rainsaver 4th December)
5th December	Board meeting, 6.00pm
6th December	<i>Year 0/1 and Year 2 end of year celebrations—online</i>
9th December	Year 0/1 and Year 5/6 Auckland Zoo trip
11th December	<i>Year 3/4 end of year celebration, online</i>
12th December	<i>Year 3-6 sports end of year celebration, 5.00pm-6.00pm in the staffroom</i>
13th December	Year 0-2 fun day at school, 9.00am-2.30pm
18th December	Term 4 finish—school closes at the earlier time of 12.30pm

Dates for 2025

Term 1

Monday 3rd February - first day of Term 1

Thursday 6 February - Waitangi Day - school closed

Wed 19 February - partnership meetings 3.30 - 5.30pm

Thursday 20 February - partnership meetings 1.00 - 6.30pm (school closes at 12.30pm)

Thursday 10 April - last day of Term 1

Friday 11 April - teacher only day - school closed

Term 2

Monday 28 April - first day of Term 2

Friday 30 May - teacher only day - school closed

Monday 2 June - Kings birthday - public holiday - school closed

Friday 20 June - Matariki - public holiday - school closed

Friday 27 June - last day of Term 2

Term 3

Monday 14 July - first day of Term 3

Friday 19 September - last day of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 6 October - first day of Term 4

Monday 27 October - Labour Day - public holiday school closed

Wednesday 17 December - last day of school for the year (12.30pm finish)



Many thanks to our school community for your outstanding support of Gumboot Friday. We raised \$900! Gumboot Friday is an initiative by the I Am Hope Foundation, a fundraising and advocacy organisation that supports young people who are struggling with their mental health.

HELP REQUESTED – YEAR 3-6 ATHLETICS DAY

The Year 3-6 APS Athletics Day will be held all day on Tuesday 19th November (rainsaver on Monday 25th November). We are looking for parent helpers that can help on the day. If you are available please contact Desirae Lagerwall (dlagerwall@albany.school.nz).



Free sausage sizzle provided
by our FOS Team
(limited numbers)

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS FAMILY PICNIC

Performances by our school
Choir and
Kapa haka groups

Thursday
7th November
5.30pm-7.30pm

with performances
commencing at 6.00pm

Albany Primary School
(no rainsaver)

We encourage you to come along to this relaxed and collaborative community event.

Tour through classrooms to view student's visual art.
Enjoy your family picnic whilst watching student performances
in an outdoor setting.

Parent supervision
required for all
students on site

Bring along a family picnic.
You may also like to bring along outdoor chairs and
picnic blankets for seating.

