FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

NEW TEACHER = NEW CLASSESS

Due to increased enrollments, we were granted another teacher. This is fantastic for everyone at Alexandra Hills State School, which has provided smaller classes with carefully selected class members.

This term we welcomed Rebekah Mihill and Hayley Harding to the staff and are confident that they will be outstanding acquisitions for the school as we move into 2016. Both have had access to an extensive induction program and have settled in seamlessly. Last week a meet and greet was organised so that parents could meet with their child’s teacher which was a positive start to what is hoped to be a productive partnership between the school and home.

ONE TO ONE LAPTOP PROGRAM

The reintroduction of our 1:1 XO program, which will see every child in Prep-Year 2 receive their own XO Learning Device at no cost to the students. The XOs will be used both at school and at home and are designed to positively enhance learning opportunities and reinforce core skills. Next week, all P-2 teachers and teachers-aides will be receiving training in preparation for the rollout early in Term 3.

SPORTS CARNIVAL

In unbelievable weather conditions, the annual Alexandra Hills State School Athletics Carnival took place on Friday last week. While it was miserable on every level for participants in terms of weather, all students were fantastic, striving for their own personal best. It was the first time Wattle and Banksia locked horns in athletics, with a close battle seeing Wattle succeeding and receiving the Des James Cup. A great job by Nikitta Beath and Sarah Pertzel for organizing a fantastic event.

NAIDOC DAY

Yesterday, the school community came together to celebrate NAIDOC Day. Mere Leota, our Community Liaison Facilitator did an outstanding job coordinating community organisations to come together to assist us in providing a diverse and meaningful program. NAIDOC Day is always keenly anticipated and is a fantastic opportunity to build awareness of our indigenous history and celebrate our own cultures and how they contribute to a dynamic multicultural community.

3-DAY SCHOOL REVIEW

Last term, the school participated in a 3-day school review, which saw three auditors look at every aspect of the school’s operations including curriculum, communication, community perception and school management. It was a fantastic process, which has resulted in a school report (which is currently on the website). This will assist the school to create a 3 Year Action Plan, which will be specific in its intent, with meaningful goals and set timelines. There is no doubt this will set our school up for continued growth. We are currently working on the 3 Year Action Plan which will be released to the school community on completion, which will inform all aspects of the school over the next three years.
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FINANCIAL AUDIT
This week Alexandra Hills State School participated in a four-day financial audit. This process provided an opportunity for all aspects of the school’s recordkeeping to be reviewed to ensure that they are compliant with DET (Department of Education and Training) best practice. It will result in a more streamlined and effective running of the school across all areas.

Have a great weekend!

TUCKSHOP now open MONDAY & FRIDAY

SCHOLASTIC ORDERS
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Orders close next Friday 31 July

Student of the Week
PREP Orange - Ayden
P-1 Pink - Pantawan

CHAMPION ATHLETICS HOUSE
WATTLE
Captains - Kye and Rylee

Our Athletics Age Champions