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*Parent Navigator*

# EASY GUIDE TO ALL THINGS APPS

We know keeping up with school stuff can be hard so we've gathered some useful info for you to make it a bit easier.



# LET'S START WITH THE LINGO

## GLOSSARY of terms and acronyms

**APPS** = Antonio Park Primary School.

**ERRIC**= Our school values of Empathy Resilience  
Responsibility Independence and Confidence.  
Erric the chicken is our school mascot.

**FACE@APPS** = Fundraising and Community Engagement  
at Antonio Park Primary School - the school's parent club.

**Green Team** = Student Environmental Leaders.

**Honey and Lolly** = Our school goats :)

**House colours** = Each child is designated a House upon enrolling at the school and siblings are placed in the same house team. The system promotes a sense of belonging and pride in students, as well as connectedness with other students across the school. It encourages enthusiastic participation in House teams and sporting activities. Our school's House colours are Yarran Dheran (green), Mullum Mullum (red), Wattle Valley (yellow) Deep Creek (blue).

**JSC**= Junior School Council - Student School Leaders.

**OSHC** = Out of School Hours Care. At APPS this service is provided by Camp Australia.

**PAC** = Performing Arts Centre (building at front of school).

**Restorative Practice** = Implemented through the school's wellbeing team, it promotes respect for every member of our school community, encouraging responsible behaviour and actions and ensuring that personal pride and dignity are maintained. The Circle is used in classrooms to foster community, give every student a voice, share thoughts and feelings, give opinions, resolve issues and problem solve.

**School Council**= Provides governance in the school's financial management, strategic planning and policy development. Council also has sub-committees.



# WHERE CAN I GET FURTHER INFO?

## School website

For school information including educational programs and school annual reports: <https://www.antoniops.vic.edu.au/>.

## Your child's teacher

If you have something you need to discuss with your child's teacher the best way to catch them is after class finishes. If you can't make it into school, you can call the school to ask your teacher to call you back.

## APPS Parent Info booklet

The handbook given to families upon enrolment.

## School office

The school office staff are always happy to help with any enquiries you have. Call or visit the office.

## Year level blog

Find the link to your year level blog, which journals what your child's level is learning, in the school newsletter.

## School newsletter

The school newsletter is published fortnightly and is posted on Compass. Copies are also saved on the school website.

Our school supports diversity and inclusion, this means we strive for accessibility for all with regards to school engagement and information.

## Compass

Online portal where school notices are issued and where you can make online payments. If you don't know your login ask the school office.

<https://antoniops-vic.compass.education/login.aspx>.

## TeamKids

Providers of before and after school care and holiday programs. Requires registration before you can use the service. Registration and bookings can be made through their website: <https://www.teamkids.com.au>.

## Class Parent Liaison

Parents who email the class contact list with reminders and notices on behalf of the teachers.

## FACE@APPS

FACE@APPS is the school's parent club and its website gives you info about how to join parent noticeboards and forums. Go to <https://faceatapps.com>.



Did you know....if school expenses cause financial strain for your family the school can help with a suitable payment plan. Contact the school office to learn how.

## Check out the community calendar on Compass!

The school's Compass portal has a calendar icon that gives you access to your child's / children's school schedule and you can also bring up the school's calendar by clicking on the community calendar. Click through the months to see what's coming up to help you plan.



# HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

There are many ways you can be a part of your child's school experience. All parents and guardians are encouraged to participate in ways that fit in with their availability and preferences.

Getting involved helps you be connected with the school community and learn how to get the most out of our school.

A community thrives when diverse people contribute to ideas for improvement. Our school can only get better if we hear the voices of our whole community. It's important for the school to know how things could be done better for your family.

To provide feedback and suggestions, you can email [faceatapps@gmail.com](mailto:faceatapps@gmail.com). Also if a survey comes your way please take the time to fill it out. Your views matter!

## FACE@APPS Committee

Membership to FACE@APPS is open to all school parents and guardians. All are welcome.

## Working bees

Help keep our school tidy by joining our gardening and maintenance working bees. Notices for working bee helpers are made through Compass.

## Parent Liaisons

Parent Liaisons help keep us organised with class reminders and notices. Next time a call goes for parent liaison volunteers considering becoming one...particularly if you're a super organised person!

## Classroom helper


Your classroom parent liaison will send out a notice when your teacher is inviting parents to volunteer as classroom helpers. It's a great way to help your class and see your child working in their classroom.

## School Council

Nominations for school council are announced by the school when positions are available.

## Information forums

From time to time the school holds valuable information forums. Notices as to when these are held will come through Compass.



Some volunteering roles require a Working with Children Check. All visitors to the school must sign in at the office. Contact FACE@APPS to find out how you can volunteer.

## School fete

School fete is one of the school's biggest events and is the highest earning fundraiser. We are always in need of volunteers to help out on committee or with the stalls on event day. Keep your eye out for notices from the fete committee.

## School production

School production is another large school event and volunteers are needed for costuming and selling raffle tickets and programs on the night.

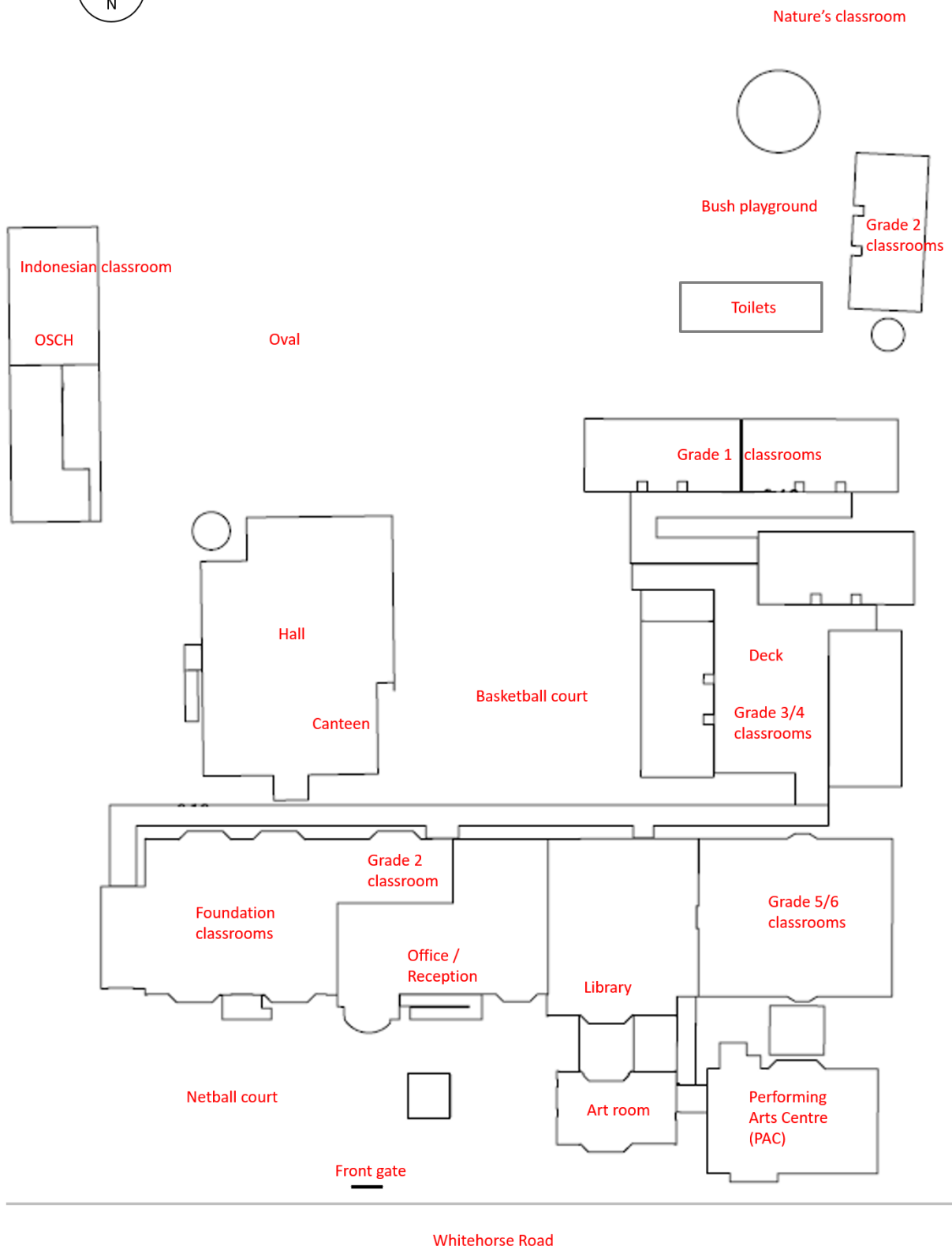
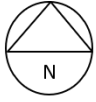
## School camps

School camps rely on parent volunteers to run as the safety of the children is paramount. Calls for volunteers are sent through Compass.

## Little APPS playgroup

There is a playgroup that runs for APPS parents with pre-school siblings. This runs on Wednesday mornings in the hall. Contact the school office to learn more.

# SCHOOL MAP





# HANDY CONTACT INFO

## School contact details:

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Website: <https://www.antiopiops.vic.edu.au/>

Compass portal:

<https://antiopiops-vic.compass.education/login.aspx>

## FACE@APPS contact details:

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631- 639 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham VIC 3132

Email: [faceatapps@gmail.com](mailto:faceatapps@gmail.com)

Website: <https://faceatapps.com>

## Canteen online ordering:

<https://myschoolconnect.com.au/antiopiops>

## TeamKids

<https://teamkids.com.au>

