



Term 3 / NL 30/ Wednesday 26 August 2026

## *Raising Good Human Beings*

As parents, we naturally want our children to succeed. We want good marks, sporting achievements and a bright future. But perhaps our greatest responsibility is even simpler:

### **To raise good human beings.**

Children learn more from what we **do** than from what we **say**. If we want respectful children, let them see respect at home. If we want honesty, let us model honesty. If we want kindness, let us show kindness.

Teach your child to:

- **Say please and thank you.**
- **Respect teachers, parents and others.**
- **Take responsibility for their actions.**
- **Help others and show kindness.**
- **Accept that mistakes are part of learning.**
- **Work hard, even when nobody is watching.**
- **Stand up for what is right.**

Discipline with love. Set boundaries. Praise effort and character, not only results. Give your children your time, your attention and—most importantly—your example.

We cannot protect our children from every difficulty in life. But we can prepare them to face life with **courage, resilience, kindness and integrity.**

**We are not just raising children. We are raising the adults and citizens of tomorrow.**

**Let us raise children who are not only successful—but good people.**

— The Bugle | Alston Primary School

**Alston Primary is a fee-paying school – fees are payable in advance.  
Let's stay committed together.**

Let's cut out the noise and continue to serve.

"Together We Improve. Together We Serve. Together We Succeed."

## What's Buzzing at School?

### Wednesday 26 August 2026

- Revue practice in the Hall 14:00 – 15:00

### Thursday 27 August 2026

- Revue practice in the Hall 14:00 – 15:00
- Scrabble 14:00
- Soccer Girls and U/14 Boys

### Friday 28 August 2026

- School close 13:00

### Saturday 29 August 2026

- No activities

### Monday 31 August 2026

- Revue practice in the Hall 14:00 – 15:00
- Soccer Girls and U/14 Boys

### Tuesday 01 September 2026

- Revue practice in the Hall 14:00 – 15:00
- Scrabble 14:00
- Soccer Girls and U/14 Boys

### Wednesday 02 September 2026

- Revue practice in the Hall 14:00 – 15:00

### Thursday 03 September 2026

- Revue practice in the Hall 14:00 – 15:00
- Scrabble 14:00

### Friday 04 September 2026

- Gr 1 Excursion Acro Branch. Sport Attire
- School close at 13:00

## Let's Celebrate the Good! ☀️

At Alston Primary, we know that the **vast majority of our learners are respectful, well-mannered and caring young people.**

They greet, listen, help others, respect their teachers and take pride in their school. Yes, a small percentage sometimes make poor choices — but **they do not define Alston!**

To our respectful learners:

**We see you, we appreciate you, and we are proud of you! ❤️**

**Good manners. Good choices. Good people. That's Alston!**

Sport Shirt – Link  
[www.laurenblue.co.za](http://www.laurenblue.co.za)



## Grade 1 Excursion – Acrobranch

**Friday is Excursion Day!** 🌳 Grade 1 learners, please remember:



**Be at school by 07:30 sharp!**



**Dress in your sports uniform.**



**Come prepared and ready for an exciting day!**

**Friday**

**28 August 2027**

**Let's have a fantastic Grade 1 adventure at Acrobranch!** 🌳 🎉



**DATES TO DIARISE:** Please take note of these important upcoming school dates:

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|-------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| • 28 August 2026        | Gr 1:     | <b>Acrobranch</b>                |
| • 1 or 2 September 2026 | Grade 2:  | <b>Lion &amp; Safari Park</b>    |
| • 13 or 14 October 2026 | Grade 3:  | <b>The Johannesburg Zoo</b>      |
| • 19–23 October 2026    | Gr R – 7: | <b>Alston Primary Revue 2026</b> |
| • 26–28 October 2026    | Grade 4:  | <b>Adventure Camp Kwalata</b>    |
| • 28–30 October 2026    | Grade 5:  | <b>Adventure Camp Kwalata</b>    |
| • 27 November 2026      | Grade 7:  | <b>Sun City (Farewell)</b>       |

📌 Parents and learners are encouraged to diarise these dates and take note of all further information that will be communicated by the school.



## Tips for David Roux & the SGB 🤔

*Tongue firmly in cheek... but seriously!*

We're here to **serve you, our learners and our community** — and we want to know how we're doing!

So, here's your opportunity to tell **David Roux and the SGB** what we can do better. What should we improve? What would make Alston an even better school?

*This is your chance to have your say — and you have until 10 October 2026!* 🕒

Your feedback forms an important part of our **Whole School Evaluation (WSE)** process. We want to listen, reflect honestly and identify where we can improve.

So, don't be shy... **tell us!** Compliments, ideas, suggestions and constructive criticism are all welcome.

✉️ **Send your suggestions to:** [enq@alstonps.co.za](mailto:enq@alstonps.co.za)

**Subject:** For the attention of the SGB

**We're listening. We're learning. We're improving. We're here to serve!**

And yes... David really does want to know what you think! 😊

## We're listening. We're learning. We're improving.



Annual General  
Meeting  
26 October 2026

Let's cut out the noise and continue to serve.

**"Focus. Improve. Serve. Excel."** ★

**2027 ONLINE ADMISSIONS**  
FOR GRADE 1 AND 8

**WARNING!**

Using fraudulent documents to apply for your child could lead to your application being **DISQUALIFIED** and may result in **CRIMINAL PROSECUTION**.

Fake documents also negatively impact on the Department's planning and budget allocations.

**Play Your Part and apply only using authentic documents.**

To apply, login to:  
[www.gdeadmissions.gov.za](http://www.gdeadmissions.gov.za)  
#2027OnlineAdmissionsGP

PLAY YOUR PART!  
APPLY ONLINE!  
APPLY ON TIME!

For more information and queries contact us on:  
WhatsApp on 082 000 0000  
or Email on: [admissions@gauteng.gov.za](mailto:admissions@gauteng.gov.za)

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GROWING GAUTENG TOGETHER

**“CUT THE NOISE.  
FOCUS. IMPROVE. SERVE.”**

## VERIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES

It has come to our attention that some parents may be providing **false or incorrect residential addresses** in an attempt to secure placement at the school.

Please note that, in line with the **Gauteng Department of Education (GDE)** requirements, **all residential addresses will be electronically verified before an offer of placement is made.**

The MEC for Education has emphasised the importance of accurate information and a **fair, transparent and equitable admissions process**. Parents are therefore urged to provide only genuine and accurate proof of residence.

**False information may result in the application being rejected or placement being withdrawn.**

Alston Primary School remains committed to following GDE regulations and ensuring that all applications are treated fairly and consistently.



## REGISTRATION 2027: KNOW THE RULES!

It's that time of year again!  
If you are planning ahead for 2027,  
please take note of the admission process  
and, most importantly, the dates.



### GRADE 1 ADMISSIONS – 2027

Grade 1 admissions are not managed by the school. The process is determined and managed by the MEC for Education through the Gauteng Department of Education (GDE) Online Admissions System.



APPLICATIONS  
OPEN:  
**5 AUGUST  
2026**



APPLICATIONS  
CLOSE:  
**4 SEPTEMBER  
2026**



Parents must apply online through the official GDE Admissions Portal when the application window is open. Placement is processed centrally by the GDE.

#### TYPICAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDE:



Learner's unabridged birth certificate



Parent/guardian ID



Proof of home address



Clinic card/immunisation record



Proof of work address, where applicable



Upload the correct documents, make sure they are certified where required, and check your application carefully. A missing document can create unnecessary delays.



### GRADES 2-7

Alston Primary is a high-pressure school with limited capacity. Vacancies in Grades 2-7 are extremely limited, and we seldom have places available in these grades.



Applications for these grades  
open from:  
**17 AUGUST 2026**

Placement is subject to available space, our approved Admission Policy, capacity norms and applicable GDE regulations.



### AND YES... THE RULES REALLY ARE THE RULES!

We know that everyone has a favourite cousin, neighbour, friend, uncle, auntie or "person who knows someone who knows someone" — but unfortunately, that person cannot secure a place at Alston! 😊  
Alston Primary follows GDE admission policy and the South African Schools Act. We do not offer special favours, shortcuts or preferential placement.

**THE RULES APPLY TO EVERYONE.  
NO EXCEPTIONS.**



Please do not wait until the last minute. Get your documents ready, apply through the correct system and follow the process.



For assistance, contact our Admissions Team:

[admissions@alstonps.co.za](mailto:admissions@alstonps.co.za)

**ALSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL – FAIR, TRANSPARENT AND FOLLOWING THE RULES!**





# ALSTON

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Strive and Achieve*

• SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS •

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|  | <b>SCHOOL TELEPHONE</b><br>011 865 1506      |
|  | <b>ADDRESS</b><br>91 Heather Road Leondale   |
|  | <b>EMERGENCIES</b><br>Mr Roux – 082 556 8898 |
|  | <b>GENERAL</b><br>enq@alstonps.co.za         |

DEPARTMENTS & CONTACTS

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| <br><b>FINANCE</b><br>078 279 4199<br>finance@alstonps.co.za | <br><b>PRINCIPAL</b><br>roux@alstonps.co.za    | <br><b>SGB</b><br>sgb@alstonps.co.za |
| <br><b>DISCIPLINE</b><br>discorn@alstonps.co.za              | <br><b>ALTERNATIVE CONTACT</b><br>068 093 4370 |                                                                                                                         |

Strive and Achieve

## On Time Means On Board! 🕒 🚌

There is a very good reason for **cut-off dates and deadlines**—especially when it comes to school trips!

When the payment deadline passes, the bus has been booked, the numbers have been confirmed, tickets purchased and companies have been paid. Unfortunately, we cannot simply say, *“Please squeeze in one more child!”* 😊

Safety comes first. Every learner needs a confirmed seat, the correct transport arrangements, tickets and proper supervision. We also cannot expect a learner who paid on time to suddenly share a seat because someone else missed the deadline.

And it’s not just schools! **Most companies want payment before you arrive**, not on the morning of the trip with a hopeful smile. 😊

The same principle applies to **school registration and admissions**. If you leave things until the last minute, you may discover that the opportunity has already passed.

So, parents, please remember: **Deadlines are not suggestions—they are there to make sure everything runs safely, fairly and smoothly.**

**Pay on time, register on time, and your child is much more likely to be “on board”!** 🚌 🛒



*Let's cut out the noise and continue to serve.*

**“Our Vision. Our Plan. Our Improvement. Our Alston.”**