ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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PURPLE PULSE

August 11th, 2022



Key Dates Term 3

- Responsible Pet Ownership P/1A & P/1 B Thursday 11^{th} August

-100 Days of Prep celebration Friday 12th August

-Pupil Free Day Friday 26th August (No students attending school)

-Melbourne Museum Excursion-P/1 A & P/1 B Thursday 1st September

-Learning through Lunch

-Grade ³/4,4/5 & 6 9-day Swimming Program Monday 5th September -Thursday 15th September

Last day of Term 3 Friday 16th September Early Dismissal 2:15PM

Term 3 School Holidays Saturday 17th September – Sunday 2nd October

> First day of Term 4 Monday 3rd October

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

By: John Mifsud, Principal

With the days getting slightly longer, some improving weather and the murmurings of AFL football finals, this is certainly one of my favourite times of the year.

It has already been such a fantastic start to the term and there is still a lot more action planned over the remaining 5 weeks. This includes a responsible pet ownership program, Melbourne Museum excursion, swimming program, learning through lunch experience for grades 4/5 and 6 and of course how could we forget the upcoming and very exciting 100 days of prep celebration!

It is such a privilege leading this wonderful school and working alongside so many committed staff. As a small school we are very proud of the varied experiences and opportunities that we provide to our students.

Have a brilliant rest of your week everyone. I look forward to seeing you all in around the school.

Kindest regards

John Mifsud





ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Swimming program Grade 3/4 - 6

Thank you to all the families that returned notes and money on time for the upcoming swimming program for the grade 3/4, 4/5 and 6 students, it is greatly appreciated. In doing so, it really supports our ability to plan for events of this nature ensuring that we have adequate staffing for students both attending and not attending. It also allows us to make suitable arrangements regarding transportation and the costs associated with this. As communicated in previous correspondence, we will not be accepting any late submissions for this or any future events after the cutoff dates.

Doxa Camp 2022

A reminder that all medical and consent forms for the upcoming Doxa camp are due by **Friday 19th August**.

Christopher O'Brien

PUPIL FREE DAY- FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST

As previously communicated via Compass, the department received very positive feedback from principals in relation to the option for schools to hold a common professional practice day in Term 2, 2022, including staff electing to use the day to collaborate with their colleagues.

The department is recommending schools hold one of the 2 further 2022 professional practice days on the same day for all staff. This information was only provided to schools recently and a consultative process required to be undertaken with staff to determine the nominated day.

As a result, the nominated day for this Professional Practice Day at Ardeer Primary School will be on **Friday 26th August.** This means that students are not to attend school on this day and parents will be required to make alternative arrangements for their care and supervision.

If required, please contact our OSHC provider School's Out! on 1300 329 106 to discuss care options that may be available for your child on this day.





NEW CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Ardeer Primary School, we are committed to the care, safety and wellbeing of our students and see this as a central and fundamental responsibility of our school.

In July 2021, the Victorian Government announced new Child Safe Standards (CSS) to further strengthen child safe environments and protect children from abuse. The new CSS came into effect on Friday 1 July 2022. From 1 July 2022, 11 new Victorian Child Safe Standards will replace Victoria's seven current Child Safe Standards and principles in place since 2016.

The following principles underpin our commitment to child safety at Ardeer Primary School:

- All students deserve, as a fundamental right, safety, and protection from all forms of abuse and neglect.
- Our school works in partnership with families and the community to ensure that they are engaged in decision-making processes, particularly those that have an impact on child safety and protection.
- All students have the right to a thorough and systematic education in all aspects of personal safety, in partnership with their parents, guardians and carers.
- All adults in our school, including teaching and non-teaching staff, volunteers, and contractors, have a responsibility to care for children and young people, to positively promote their wellbeing and to protect them from any kind of harm or abuse.
- The policies, guidelines, and codes of conduct for the care, wellbeing and protection of students are based on honest, respectful, and trusting relationships between adults and children and young people.
- Policies and practices demonstrate compliance with legislative requirements and cooperation with the government, the police, and human services agencies.
- All persons involved in situations where harm is suspected or disclosed must be treated with sensitivity, dignity, and respect.
- Staff, volunteers, contractors, parents, and students should feel free to raise concerns about child safety, knowing these will be taken seriously by school leadership.
- Appropriate confidentiality will be maintained, with information being provided to those who have a right or a need to be informed, either legally or pastorally.

2023 PREP ENROLMENTS & TRANSITION PROGRAM

Planning is already underway for 2023. If you have a child eligible to start Prep next year, please let the school know ASAP. For a child to be eligible to start Prep in 2023, they must turn 5 before 30th April of the year they start school.





STAFFING UPDATE

We are thrilled to welcome both Maryam Demiri and Kim Nguyen to our school. Both were appointed after we ran two recent recruitment processes to fill Education Support positions at our school. Maryam commenced working as an Education Support in the Grade 6 class at the start of term 3. Kim will commence her role as an Education Support in the grade 4/5 class later in term 3. We are sure they will both really enjoy their time working here at Ardeer Primary School.



2022 PARENT/CAREGIVER/GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

WE WANT OUR FAMILIES TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what families think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. We encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

While previously a random sample of approximately 30 per cent of families have been selected to participate, this year, all families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 15th August** to **Friday 16th September.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

We use the feedback from the survey results to support our unrelenting pursuit of continuous school improvement. This is focused on delivering the highest academic and wellbeing outcomes for our students, every day.

Information regarding the survey including the link and login details will be sent out via Compass.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

Yours sincerely John Mifsud and the APS Team

FATHER'S DAY STALL

We will be holding a Father's Day Stall on **Wednesday 31st August**. All gifts will cost \$6.

There will be a selection of gifts specifically for dads and some neutral gifts available as well that are suitable for uncles, grandfathers, or someone special in the absence of a father. If you would like your child to participate, please enclose \$6 in the envelope attached and return to school by **Wednesday**31st August.

If your child is buying more than one gift, please write that on the envelope and include the correct money.



ARDEER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

AUSKICK PLUS

3:30PM THURSDAYS
SIX WEEK PROGRAM -\$55
FULLY SUPERVISED AT SCHOOL
ALL WELCOME



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STARTING THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST

REGISTRATION LINK:
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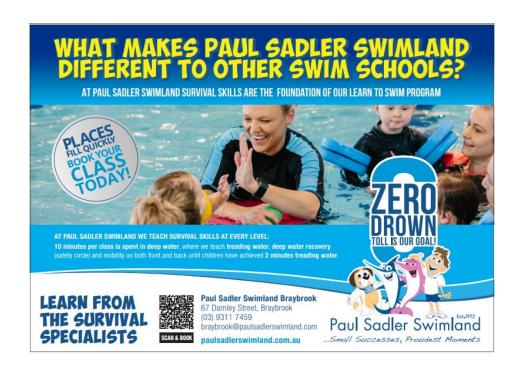
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We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.











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All families were sent letters with their own unique code. Please download the Compass app and connect ASAP. Important reminders, updates, letters, notes etc. will be circulated via this platform throughout 2022. Please contact the office if you require a new sign in.



All families should now be connected to their child's 2022 class. This is a wonderful platform to see your child's learning progression as you connect with their learning portfolio. If you have not connected and require a new sign in code, please see your child's teacher ASAP.