

ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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October 17th, 2024

Key Dates

Life Ed Program

Tuesday 22nd October and

Wednesday 23rd October

Grade 3 – 6 Camp

Wednesday 23rd October – Thursday

24th October

Prep – 2 Twilight activities

Tuesday 29th October

Professional Practice Day (Student
Free)

Monday 4th November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Tuesday 5th November

Prep Transition session 1

Friday 8th November

9am – 10.50am

Grade 5/ 6 Soul Sonics Incurion

Thursday 21st November

Prep Transition session 2

Friday 22nd November

9am – 10.50am

Grade 4/ 5 and 5/ 6 Old Melbourne
Gaol excursion

Monday 25th November

Prep Transition session 3

Friday 29th November

9am – 12.15pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

It's been so pleasing to see how excited students were to be back at Ardeer Primary School after the end of term break. Students have quickly settled back into their classroom routines and lunchtime clubs are back up and running and have been well attended.

Last week we had our prospective student captains deliver thoroughly planned and executed speeches to the whole school at a special assembly. I was so impressed with how confidently the students presented themselves and the content of their speeches was also thought provoking and very persuasive. All students and staff at the school then had an opportunity to vote using a Google form, the results of which will be shared at a special awards assembly later this term – stay tuned for updates!

Building works continue to take place at the McLaughlin Street side of the school – this includes replacing our tiger turf. Please continue to access the school via Suspension Street until later this term and I will continue to provide the school community with updates when needed.

Many of you have had the opportunity to meet or speak with our Acting Assistant Principal Shelly Scarbrough who will be with us this term, whilst I am Acting Principal. Please remember to call, or visit one of us if we can help.

Stay well,

Christopher O'Brien



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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Hello,

I would like to formally introduce myself. I am Shelly Scarbrough and I have the pleasure to be joining the Ardeer Primary School Team for the duration of Term 4.

I have already settled in, thanks to the amazingly welcoming staff and students. Because of the wonderful culture you have created here, it already feels like home.

I will be supporting Mr O'Brien though focusing on student wellbeing and learning. So please come and visit if you need anything. My office is across from his, in the Wellbeing Room.

I'm looking forward to meeting you.

Kindly,
Shelly

Acting Assistant Principal



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TERM 4 - SUNSMART

A reminder to all families that students must wear a blue bucket hat when outside during Terms 1 and 4. Hats are available for purchase from the school office if you are needing one. Please remember to write your child's name on the hat in permanent marker so that it can be reunited with your child if it is misplaced. Students who do not have hats will be required to play under the shade of the COLA during break times. If you are needing some support to obtain a hat, please contact Shelly or Chris.

TERM 4 STAFFING UPDATES

This term we are joined by Shelly Scarbrough in the Acting Assistant Principal role at Ardeer Primary School. Shelly joins us from another school within our Deer Park Sunshine Network of Schools and is really excited to be part of our school community this term!

Her base for the term will be in the 'Wellbeing Room' which is opposite the Assistant Principal's office. We also welcome Pina Burns to the Business Manager role from next week. I'd like to thank Kristy for her assistance in the office over the course of the last couple of weeks.



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2024 CAMP

Our 2024 camp for the students participating is fast approaching. If your child is attending, please ensure they bring all equipment shown on the packing list which was distributed last term. We will be departing at approximately 9.30am on Wednesday 23rd October and will return at around 3pm on Thursday 24th October.

If your child requires medication to be administered at camp, just a reminder that this needs to be provided to me in a clearly marked bag on the morning of camp, and can not be administered unless you have completed a medication authority form – these are available from me or the general office.

If you have any questions about camp, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Regards,

Christopher O'Brien



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NUMERACY TIPS

Helping your child develop their numeracy skills

Numeracy involves being able to understand how numbers work in everyday situations.

We see and use numbers daily. When reading there are numbers on the page, our house has a number and when we buy something we add and subtract numbers.

Help your child to develop a positive attitude towards numeracy.

It's important to build numeracy skills in your home language.

Counting with your child

- Count when you do things around the house or you are out and about, such as when at a footy match, ask them to estimate how many people there are. Cook simple recipes together and get your child to count out the ingredients.
- Encourage your child to help set the table for a family meal. Ask them to count the people, and the plates, cups, forks and spoons needed for the table.
- Count with your child the number of buttons as they do up their school shirt.
- Ask your child to count how many items are in their lunch box.
- Count forward. Count everyday items such as cars, houses, shoes and bags.
- Count backwards. Going downstairs then upstairs.

10, 9, 8

NUMERACY TIPS

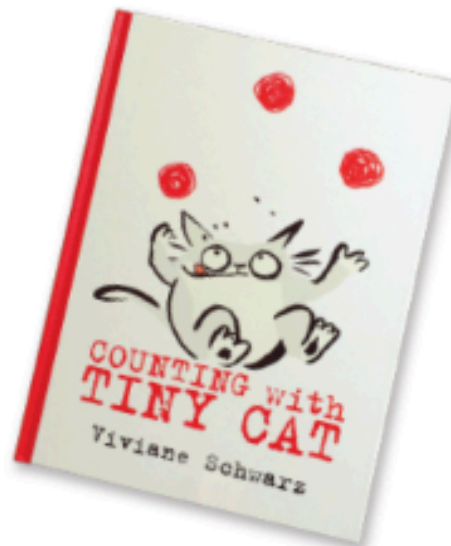
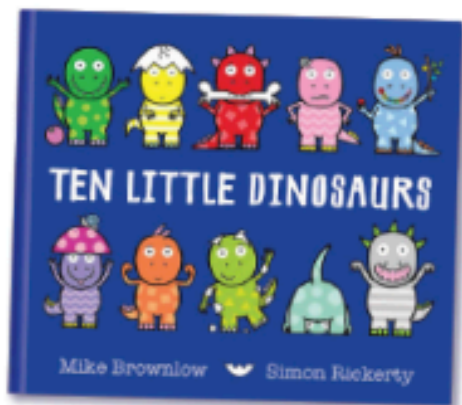
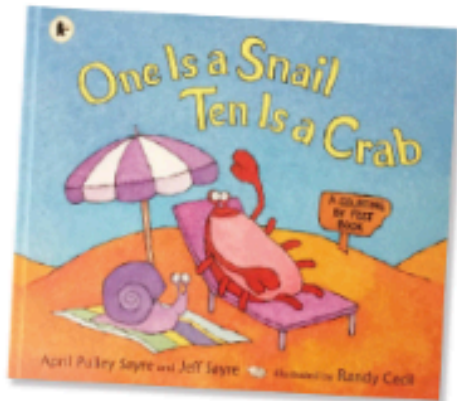
Counting songs for younger students

- Here is the Beehive
- Five Little Ducks
- The Ants Go Marching
- One, Two, Buckle My Shoe
- Five Cheeky Monkeys Jumping on the Bed
- Ten Green Bottles



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Books about numbers and counting



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LITERACY TIPS

Speaking and Listening

Speaking and listening skills build the foundation for your child's learning at school. These skills help a child to be able to talk with others, create friendships and actively participate in all activities at school.

If you speak a language other than English at home it's important you continue to support your child to use their home language.

Word building

- Use describing words when talking. If your child says "There's a dog", add descriptive words such as "That's a small, fluffy, white dog."
- Build on your child's language by teaching them new words. If your child says "The house is big", you could say "Yes, the house is large" "The house is enormous".
- When reading with your child, talk about the words used in books. Discuss





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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.



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