ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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THE PURPLE PULSE



Key Dates

Author Workshop Grade 1- 3 Wednesday 3rd - 4th May

Police Visit Grade P/1, 4/5 & 6 Tuesday 9th May

Art Centre excursion Grade 6 Wednesday 10th May

Colour Explosion Fun Run Thursday 11th May 9:00am – 10am

Mother's Day Stall Friday 12th May

Education Week Sunday 14 May to Saturday 20 May

Wall to School Day Friday 19th May

Learning Through Lunch
Excursion
Grade 4/5 & 6
Monday 22nd May

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Welcome to the start of a new term. I trust everyone had a restful two-week break.

My family and I were thrilled to be able to head off for a very well overdue 4-week holiday to Europe over the recent Term 1 holidays. It was brilliant to spend some quality time with my wife's family in Northern Ireland, see London and explore the lovely sites that Malta had to offer.

Travelling abroad is always a wonderful experience, however, there is nothing truly like being home and enjoying the familiar creature comforts that we are all accustomed to.

Term 2 is shaping up to be a very eventful one. There is lots planned so continue to keep a close eye on Compass and the fortnightly school newsletter so that you are across the most up to date information.

Take care everyone. See you all in and around the school.

John Mifsud





ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear Families,

After a very busy Term 1, this term is also shaping up to be quite busy, with lots of exciting events including excursions and our Colour Run There are lots of excursions in the next few weeks as well as some incursions later this term. These opportunities continue to help provide varied learning experiences for students across the school. Please continue to keep an eye on Compass for upcoming information about these opportunities.

National Walk Safely to School Day 2023

Friday 19th May is National Walk Safely to School Day, and we encourage families to walk to school on this day. Breakfast Club runs every Friday, and we encourage students to join in on a healthy breakfast at school on the 19th May after walking to school.

Education Week

This year's theme for Education Week is 'Active Learners: Move, Make, Motivate'. On Monday 15th May, students will engage in a range of activities that relate to this theme.

Author visit

This week, we have had author and illustrator Anna Zobel visit our school and run whole-day writing workshops for selected students. Anna and Literacy Leader Mary Sanelli worked with students in junior grades on Wednesday and students from senior grades on Thursday to develop their story writing skills and publish their work. Students thoroughly enjoyed working with Anna and we thank her for her partnership with our school. I have included some of Anna's books below for you to check out.

Prep enrolments for 2024!

Spread the word! We are now accepting prep enrolment applications for 2024. If you know of any families with children transitioning into prep next year who would like to enrol at our wonderful school, please encourage their parents to contact the office to organise a school tour.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE (CON'T)

Attitudes to School Survey 2023

This term, students in grades 4,5 and 6 will complete a Department of Education survey about their experiences at school. This survey is conducted each year and helps our school gather important information about what we are doing well as a school, as well as some areas to work on. The survey will be administered in classrooms between May 22nd and June 2nd. If you would like further information about the survey or would not like your child to participate, please contact me via phone or email.

Christopher O'Brien

Assistant Principal

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY- FRIDAY 19TH MAY

What is Walk Safely to School Day all about? Walk Safely to School Day will be celebrated on **Friday 19th May 2023**. It aims to improve the environment and our daily exercise routines. Walking to school is the perfect way to start the day by getting some exercise and fresh air, ready to start school with a clear mind.

We encourage all students to walk to school on this day if it is possible to do so. We will have a shared healthy breakfast on Friday morning near the canteen to celebrate this day.







SCHOOL PHOTOS

As communicated last term, school photos will be held on **Thursday 25th May**. Information relating to this was sent out via Compass. The same information regarding the ordering process can be found in the newsletter below.



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2023 COLOUR EXPLOSION- SLIME THE PRINCIPAL

Thank you to all the families that have already contributed to our major fundraising event of 2023. Our exciting Colour Explosion Fun Run is fast approaching and will be held on **Thursday 11th May**. The event will take place on the oval between **9am-10am**. All families are very welcome to join us for this fun event.

All students who wish to participate must have a white t shirt or white long sleeve top on the day. A letter was sent home earlier in Term 1 for those parents who wish to opt out from their child participating.

As announced at an assembly in Term 1, every \$10 raised by a student will receive 1 ticket that will go into the draw to be the lucky individual that gets to slime the principal on the day of the Colour Explosion. E.g., if you raise \$50 = 5 tickets in the draw, \$100 = 10 tickets.



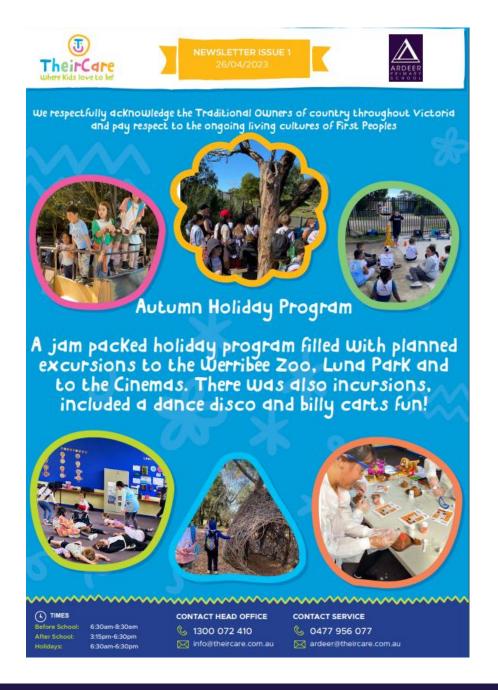






THEIRCARE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

We were thrilled to see the running of a OSHC school holiday program for the first time here at our school. The program was able to run because of a Department of Education OSHC Establishment Grant that we were successful in obtaining last year. The holiday program was a huge success and we have received some extremely positive feedback about it. We look forward to seeing the program also running during our Term 2 school holidays.





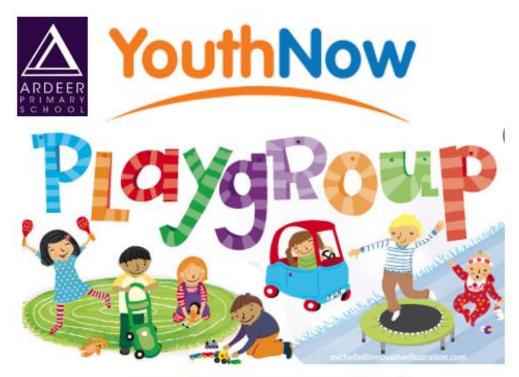


EDUCATION WEEK

Education Week is an annual celebration of education in Victoria.

This year Victoria will celebrate Education Week from Sunday 14 May to Saturday 20 May. This year's theme is 'Active Learners: Move, Make, Motivate', which celebrates physical activity, hands-on learning and student voice in education.

To join in the fun, check out the free, curriculum aligned excursions, incursions, online events and classroom activities provided by some of Victoria's leading cultural and education organisations. For information can be found here.



@ Ardeer Primary School

When: Thursday mornings @ 9:30am - 12pm

Where: Library

Contact: Colleen Bergin-colleen@youthnow.com.au

0400 865 103





ARDEER P.S KINDERGARTEN

We are really fortunate to have an amazing state of the art onsite kindergarten. I would encourage all parents of children who are kinder age to contact Karen on 9989 9458 to organize a tour of the incredible facilities and discuss the high-quality educational program that is on offer.

Two years of kindergarten are better than one



Starting a quality kindergarten program at an **earlier age** leads to even more **positive effects** on child development



Children who attend a kindergarten program are less likely to be developmentally vulnerable at school



Quality play-based learning is a powerful way to support learning and development



At kindergarten, children learn key skills for life, including creative thinking, social and emotional skills, and early literacy and language skills





TREE REMOVAL WORKS

You may have noticed the removal of two established trees here at the school recently. This was based on the recommendation of a qualified arborist through the completion of our annual tree assessment earlier this year. Through this process, it was identified that two trees located within the school boundaries were identified as being of medium and high risk. As a result, to ensure the utmost safety of all staff and students, they were removed. We value the number of very established trees that we are fortunate to have on our school site and appreciate the number of native birds that these trees attract. The safety of our staff, students and community does however take precedence in instances such as these.



CHILD SAFE STANDARDS- PROMOTING POSITIVE SLEEPING PATTERNS FOR CHILDREN

Guidance on Child Safe Standard 1: Establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children are respected and valued.

Overview

Standard 1 applies to all early childhood services even if no children attend the service that identify as Aboriginal.

It asks services to create a culturally safe, environment for Aboriginal children. An environment where they:

-feel comfortable being themselves

-feel comfortable expressing their culture, including their spiritual and belief systems -have educators who respect and encourage their sense of self and identity.

Understand identity

Identifying as Aboriginal is one part of a child or young person's identity. Like everyone, Aboriginal people have different life experiences and characteristics. Each person is unique with their own characteristics, strengths and challenges.

The term 'Aboriginal' includes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Services should ask children and families how they wish to refer to themselves.

Respect culture

Being able to express their culture makes Aboriginal children stronger and safer. If children don't feel strong they may be less likely to report abuse.

Australia's colonial history has caused significant trauma and hurt. This pain is still felt by individuals, families and communities today. Services should show respect for the deep resilience of Victorian Aboriginal communities.





PLAYING games

- 62. Play I Spy or other games to identify shapes, numbers and patterns.
- 63. Dice are a great addition to any toy collection. Roll the dice and say, make or write the numbers identified. Roll the dice and add the numbers together to find the total.
- 64. Play number games online with your child.

 Try this website: http://www.abc.net.au/countusin/



MAKING patterns

Recognising and making patterns are important maths skills for exploring numbers, shapes and symmetry.

- Identify and explain visual patterns on clothing, wrapping paper, crockery, cards and furniture.
- 66. Use coloured pegs, blocks, beads or cutlery to begin a pattern for your child to continue. For example, red, blue, white, red, blue, white.
- 67. Encourage your child to draw, create and describe their own patterns. Use them for borders or greeting cards or on material.



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EXPLORING MATHS WITH YOUR CHILD

You may feel that the maths your child is doing at school is different from how you were taught, but you will still be able to support your child in many ways.

There are lots of activities you can do at home, using everyday items to help explore maths with your child.



SPORTS scores

- 159. How does your favourite sport tally the score? What maths is presented on the tally?
- 160. How do other sports tally the score, for example, tennis, golf, cricket, netball, football?
- 161. What maths do you use to find the total of the scores?
- 162. Are there other ways to record the score?
- 163. How long do your favourite sport games go for in minutes and seconds?
 Are they divided into halves, quarters or something else?
- 164. What are the shapes of different playing fields and courts? Talk about edges and angles.
- 165. How can you estimate the perimeter and area of a playing field?







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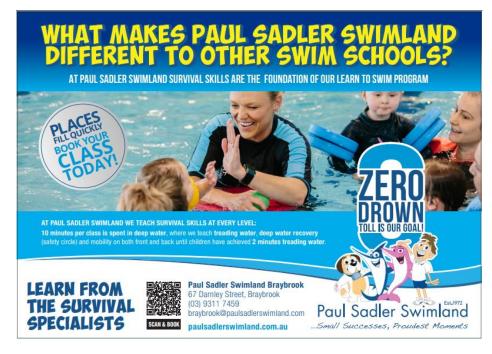


All families were sent letters with their own unique code. Please download the Compass app and connect ASAP. Important reminders, updates, letters, notes etc. will be circulated via this platform throughout 2022. Please contact the office if you require a new sign in.



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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