ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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October 12th, 2023

THE PURPLE PULSE



<u>Key Dates</u>

Scienceworks Excursion 2/3 & 3/4 Friday 13^{th} October

P/1 Fire Ed Visit

Monday 16th October

Wildlife Xposure Incursion P/1A, P/1B & 2/3 Friday 27th October

Curriculum Day Monday 30th October (No students attending school)

Reptile Incursion Grade 4/5 & 6 Tuesday 31st October

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday Tuesday 7th November (No students attending)

Whole school Aboriginal Art Activity Monday 13th November

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Common PPD Day (Pupil Free Day) (No students attending school) Thursday 23rd November

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the start of Term 4. It will be the longest term of the year but also the busiest one. We have lots to look forward to in the upcoming weeks including school camp, a range of incursions and excursions.

It has been a great start to Term 4 with pleasing attendance rates across the school. Students throughout the school have resumed the term very positively which has been great.

As we commence the final term of the year there are quite a number of activities earmarked throughout. This includes our annual school camp for Grade 3-6 students, twilight activity for Grade P- 2 students, various incursion and excursion opportunities, end of year school concert and art show and Grade 6 graduation event.

I look forward to seeing students participating in these activities as well as engaging in some productive learning over the remaining eleven weeks of school, building on the hard work over the last three terms.

Take care everyone.

Yours sincerely,

John Mifsud



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear Families,

It was so great to welcome all of our students back at the beginning of Week 1 after the September holiday break. We had lots of our students participate in the Outside School Hours Care holiday program and when I was here over the break, it was so nice to hear about some of the learning opportunities (including excursions) that the students had the opportunity to participate in.

Term 4 is set to be a busy one, and has started very smoothly. We had out Chess Club program kick off in Week 1 and this will continue each Wednesday (11am – 11.50am) during term 4. It was really nice to visit the library during both sessions (week 1 and week 2) to see the students actively involved in the learning of the art of Chess! I've received some really positive feedback from both students and parents, which is always pleasing to hear. If you are wanting to enrol your child in the Chess Club for the rest of Term 4, please refer to the brochure in this newsletter and posted to Compass.

Attendance

We'll again be celebrating our attendance HEROs (Here Every-day, Ready On-time) from Term 3 with a pizza lunch held in week 3 of term 4. It's so fantastic to see our students who are here consistently to maximise their educational opportunities. Just a reminder that if your child is going to be away for any reason, to please let the office know via phone. If your child is away for two or more days, then a medical certificate is required and must be submitted to the office following your child's return to school. Educational Research shows that students who are consistently at school and remain in education, have the best long-term outcomes, which is what Ardeer Primary School would like for all of our students.

Upcoming events

Family Maths and Quiz Night

There will be a family quiz night at school on the 5th December from 5.30pm. all families are welcome to come along and enjoy a fun hour of friendly competition! Light refreshments will be provided following the session. More information will be sent home very soon, including an RSVP slip for you to let us know if you will be attending and how many family members will be coming along. We hope to see you there!

Auslan Excursion Grade 4/5 and 6

Just a reminder that consent and payment for this excursion are due back on the 13th October. This is sure to be a fun excursion so we would not like anyone to miss out.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE (CON'T)

Reptile Encounters Incursion Grade 4/5 and 6

Just a reminder that consent and payment for this excursion are due back on the 20th October.

Prep-2 Twilight event

Just a reminder that consent ant payment are due back by 24th October.

Christopher O'Brien

Assistant Principal

UPCOMING PUPIL FREE DAYS

As communicated earlier in and throughout the year, this is a reminder of the remaining pupil free days for 2023. If required, please contact our OSHC provider TheirCare on 1300 072 410 to discuss care options that will be available on these days.

Monday 30th October

Thursday 23rd November

Tuesday 12th December

FOOTY COLOURS DAY FUNDRAISING

On the last day of Term 3 we hosted a Footy Colours Day. This event was aimed at raising money for the Fight Cancer Foundation. All students were encouraged to come to school dressed in their favourite AFLW, AFL, NRL, soccer, basketball or favourite team colours. We raised \$129.65 as a result of this event. All money going towards supporting children in their fight against cancer. Thanks to all the families for supporting this great cause.

FARM EXCURSION P/1

The students in Grade P/1A and P/1B attended a wonderful excursion to Animal Land Children's Farm on Thursday 31st August. This learning opportunity was in support of a science unit of study that they engaged in throughout the term focused on living things. This was a fantastic, shared learning experience that also supported some positive literacy learning outcomes through the development of shared writing and reflective pieces developed by the students.













BOOK WEEK 2023

We celebrated Book Week with a school event on Friday 1st September. This year the theme was 'Read, Grow, Inspire.' It was brilliant to see so many students that made the effort to dress up in celebration of their favourite book character. Families were invited to attend our morning parade underneath the COLA, and this resulted in an excellent turn out.













CHESS CLUB

Chris O'Brien has organised a company called Chess Mates to run an exciting lunch time chess club program on Wednesdays during lunch time. This program commenced last week and was well attended. Students will receive high quality instruction on how to play chess whilst interacting with fellow students across the school. If your child is interested in participating, please contact Chris at the school for further details.





STAFFING NEWS

Jennifer Cancino (ES staff) has made the decision to pursue job opportunities nearer to home and as a result her last day with us here at Ardeer Primary School will be next week. We wish her all the very best in her new role and thank her for her contributions to the school over the last twelve months.





MATHS IN DAILY LIFE

Maths is a subject that is used in daily life. Whether you are counting change at the grocery store, figuring out how much paint you need to buy for your room, or calculating how long it will take you to save up for a new laptop, mathematics is all around us. The good news is that with a little bit of effort, school students can use mathematics in their daily lives to make their lives easier and more efficient.

One of the most obvious ways that students can use mathematics in their daily lives is in the realm of budgeting and personal finance. Mathematics is an essential tool whether you are saving up for a big purchase, trying to stick to a monthly spending plan, or just trying to figure out how much you can afford to spend on eating out each week. For example, students can use basic arithmetic to determine how much they need to save each week or month from reaching a specific financial goal, or to calculate the interest they will earn on a savings account. Additionally, they can use simple percentage calculations to determine how much money they spend on discretionary items like entertainment, eating out, or shopping, and adjust their spending habits accordingly.

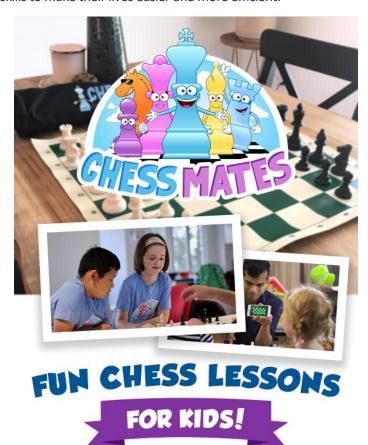
Another way that students can use mathematics in their daily lives is in cooking and meal planning. Whether you are following a recipe, trying to figure out how many servings you can make from a single recipe, or calculating the cost of ingredients for a meal, mathematics is essential. For example, students can use basic measurements and ratios to convert a recipe from serving 4 people to serving 6 people or to convert tablespoons to teaspoons. They can also use basic arithmetic to figure out how much a meal will cost, based on the cost of ingredients, and adjust the recipe as needed to stay within a budget.

Students can also use mathematics in their daily lives regarding home improvement and renovation projects. Whether you are trying to determine how much paint you need to buy for a room, figuring out how long it will take you to pay off a loan, or determining the cost of materials for a home renovation project, mathematics is an essential tool. For example, students can use simple calculations to determine how much paint they need to buy based on the square footage of the room they are painting or to figure out how long it will take to pay off a loan, based on the interest rate and the size of the loan.

Finally, students can use mathematics in their daily lives when it comes to time management. Whether trying to figure out how long it will take to complete a task, determining the best time to start a project, or figuring out how long it will take to save up for a big purchase, mathematics is an essential tool. For example, students can use basic arithmetic to determine how long it will take to complete a task based on the number of hours they have available or to determine the best time to start a project based on how long it will take to complete. They can also use basic calculations to figure out how much money they need to save each week or month to reach a specific financial goal, that will ultimately help them in preparing for International Maths Olympiad.



Mathematics is a subject used in daily life, and school students can benefit from using it to make their lives easier and more efficient. Whether you are trying to manage your personal finances, cook a meal, renovate your home, or manage your time, mathematics is an essential tool that can help you achieve your goals. With a little bit of effort, students can improve their mathematical skills and use these skills to make their lives easier and more efficient.



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SCHOOL:	Ardeer Primary School	
COORDINATOR:	Abagael <u>Namuangrak</u>	
Second In Charge:	Jesse Jamieson	
REPORT WRITTEN BY: Abagael Namuangrak		
AREA MANAGER: James Van Hlei		

Acknowledgment of Country:
I acknowledge the traditional Aboriginal owners of this land and pay my respects to their
elders past and present.

Overall Summary of Term 3:

We kicked off the term, through notification of Assessment and Rating at the service. A big thank you to Alex, James and Luke for their ongoing support and visit to the service prior to the assessment date. The service is currently waiting to hear back from the Department of Education about the results.

We sadly said our goodbyes to Alex Guthrie. We excitedly welcomed our new Area Manager James Van Hlei.

We celebrated our achievement of the WECARE initiative through a glow in the dark party on the last week of term. This term charity was the Smiths Family.

Theircare held a free BQQ and non-alcoholic drinks for all the children and families in the community. To give back to the community and build connections within the wider community.

The team joined in the school's book week parade. It was a great experience to witness the children <u>all</u> dressed up in their book character. The educators also got involved and got dressed up.

We welcomed newly enrolled children into the service. Our number of attendances has continued to increase. We are excited to meet and greet many more new faces in the upcoming holiday program.



Our Weekly Themes (A Summary)

Week 1 Welcome Back To Term 3: The children created post cards to detail what they did over the school holidays. We introduced the compost project into the program. We continued with the buddy system for our newly enrolled children.

Week 2 Friendships: This week, children got creative and made various friendship gifts. We explored what being a good friend looks like. We continue to welcome those new children into the service through our buddy system.

Week 3 Cultures Around The World: Children were invited to learn new cultural dance moves, listen to music in other languages and engaged in cultural group games.

Week 4 Cyber Safety: Children learn about being safe while being online. We spoke about how to safely engage with scammers and strangers online. Theircare held a BBQ for all the wider school community.

Week 5 National Dental Health Week: Children explore the importance of dental hygiene. We engaged in science experiments in relation to germs and bacteria.

Week 6 National Science Week: Children conducted various science experiments within the indoor and outdoor environments. Children brought in their gadgets from home to share.

Week 7 National Book Week: Children dressed up in costumes based on a character from a storybook.

We celebrated this year's theme: read, grow, and inspire. The team joined in the school's book week parade.

Week 8 All Things Duck (Children Voices): The children choose the weekly theme which was all things Duck! We had a movie night, a photo booth, where children had the opportunity to bring along their costumes or Pjs that were duck related.

Week 9 National Superhero Week: Children acted out being superheroes. We created various masks and capes. We celebrated Theircare WECARE initiative through a glow in the dark party. This term charity was the Smiths Family.

Week 10 All Things Pug (Children Voices): The children voted on this week theme to be all about pugs. We created various pugs using recyclable materials. Children brought in their pig the pug storybook from home.







Other Highlights/Photos





























Children's Voice:

"I don't want to go home" Jonah

"I want to stay with Abby" Audrie

"We can wear casual clothes" Connor

"The cakes are delicious" Shantee

"We have a say in the weekly themes" Molly

"I like being a leader in Theircare" Jeminah

"We can make fun things and take it home" Kendra

"The group games are fun!" Victoria

"I can write my ideas onto the child's voice wall" Ellie

"Playing with my friends a bit longer" Gabriel

"Playing chess with Jessie" Joel





ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL BIG STEPS TRANSITION PROGRAM

A PARENT INFORMATION SESSION WILL RUN FROM 9AM -9.45AM ON 17.11.23

PREPTRANSITION DATES

17.11.23(9AM-11AM)

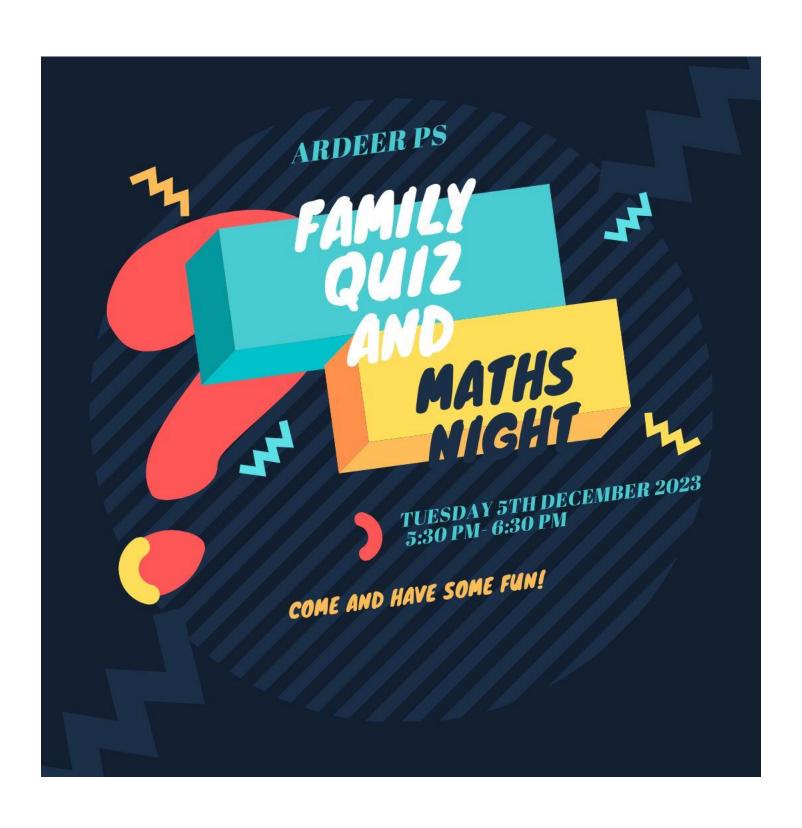
24.11.23(9AM -11AM)

1.12.23(9AM - 12PM)











CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Victoria's Child Safe Standards

Plain language summary

Your organisation welcomes Aboriginal WELCOME children. You support them to express their culture and to enjoy their rights. You don't allow racism.

Child safety is important to everyone at all levels in your organisation. You document how you find, avoid, and stop risks of child abuse or harm.



Your organisation supports children to know their rights to be safe from abuse, informed, and involved. You help them to talk openly and take part in decisions that affect them.

Your organisation tells families and the community about what you do, and how you keep children safe from harm and abuse. You help families to have a say and to take part in decisions that affect their child.

Your organisation understands that every child is different and has different needs. You make sure that they can get the information and help that they need.

Staff know what they must do to keep children safe from abuse and harm. They record, report, and share information about child safety when they should. Staff who work with children have had the background checks they need.

Children and their families know how to make a complaint and what happens when a complaint is made. Your staff know how to respond properly to complaints.

8 Your organisation trains and supports staff to keep children safe from abuse and harm. Your staff know the signs of child abuse and harm and what to do if there are issues of abuse and harm.

Your organisation makes sure children are safe when they use your services, settings, and activities. This includes when children are online.



10 Your organisation checks and improves the ways you keep children safe from abuse and harm.



Your organisation has written policies about how you keep children safe from abuse and harm. They are easy to understand, and all staff follow them.



For more information, contact the Commission for Children and Young People

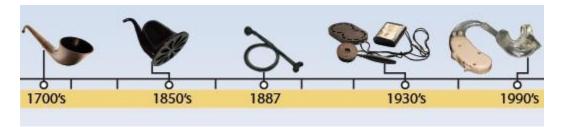


Interesting facts about hearing aids!

Did you know that your Auslan teacher wears behind the ears hearing aids in both ears? They are tiny and look like this:



Hearing aids were not always that easy to wear. Check the timeline of how enormous hearing devices were and how they eventually became smaller over the years!!



Enjoy googling this link over the holidays for more information! ©

https://fixyourears.com/the-history-of-hearing-aids/

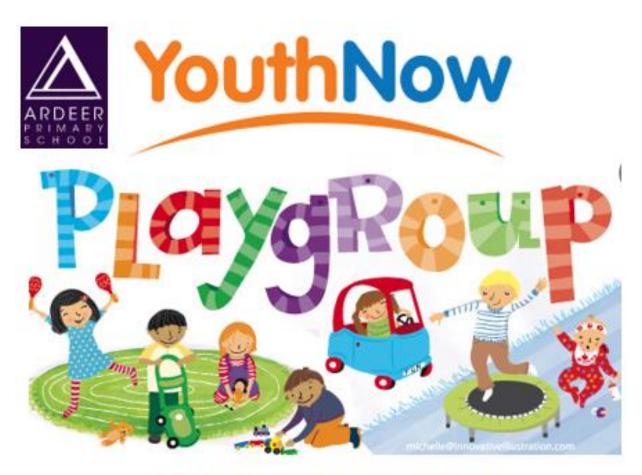
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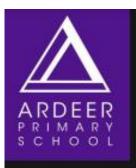
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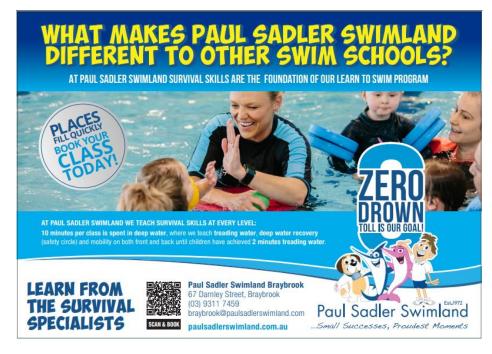


All families were sent letters with their own unique code. Please download the Compass app and connect ASAP. Important reminders, updates, letters, notes etc. will be circulated via this platform throughout 2022. Please contact the office if you require a new sign in.



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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