ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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THE PURPLE PULSE



Key Dates

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

SWPBS Family Night Thursday 9th November from 5.30pm - 6.30pm

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

Whole school Aboriginal Art Activity Monday 13th November

P-2 Twilight Event Tuesday 14th November- 3:15pm-7:30pm

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

Family Quiz and Maths Night Tuesday 5th December 5.30pm-6.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well.

This time of year is always an extremely busy one in schools. Staff are busy developing high quality lesson plans, conducting assessment, report writing and of course managing the day to day demands that come with the profession.

We are currently engaging in extensive planning to ensure staffing for next year is in a good place and working on the development of grade structures. This information will be released to families upon its completion with opportunities later in the year for students to meet their 2024 teachers as part of our Step-Up Days.

It is also an exciting time from a leadership perspective as over the next few weeks we will see the development of our 2024 Annual Implementation Plan. This is a very important and comprehensive document that sets the strategic direction for the school over the next twelve months.

When this document is finalised it will be made available on our school website here. I would encourage all families to take the time to view this document to get insight into some of the key work that we will be engaging in to ensure we deliver consistently high academic and wellbeing outcomes for every child, every day.

Yours sincerely,

John Mifsud





ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear Families,

Please see below for a couple of important updates!

Upcoming events

SWPBS Family Night

Ardeer Primary School is hosting a School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support family night, and we'd love to have you along! You'll have the opportunity to hear about how our school is promoting positive behaviour at school and have input into our school behaviour matrix.

The session will take place on Thursday 9th November from 5.30pm - 6.30pm at Ardeer Primary School in our staff room. Please refer to the attached flyer for details. We hope to see you there!

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. RSVP slips will be sent home today so please return these forms as soon as possible so we know how many families to expect!

Prep-2 Twilight event

It's fantastic to see that so many of our Prep-2 students will be attending the Twilight Evening at Ardeer Primary School. Just a reminder that students attending will need to bring some comfortable clothes to change into after school and to ensure that students have their own water bottles. Students will need to be picked up between 7.15pm and 7.3opm after activities conclude.

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





WORLD TEACHERS DAY

This year, World Teachers' Day is on Friday 27 October. It is an opportunity to say thank you for the incredible contributions teachers make to our community.

We will recognise the passion teachers have, and how teaching has extended beyond the classroom to maintain connections through flexible learning.

You can get involved by sending a message of thanks to a teacher who is making, or has made, an impact on your life using #thanksvicteachers on social media. Don't forget to tag the Department of Education and Training (the department) so we can see all your messages.

Head to the department's World Teachers Day webpage for resources to help you celebrate World Teachers' Day 2023, including 'Thank You' card templates.

DONATIONS REQUIRED

As you may know, around six months ago, we planted several fruit trees in our vegie garden area. These trees are really thriving, and some are even starting to produce some fruit. I have purchased a large roll of bird safe netting to go over these trees to protect them.

We are seeking donations for any flexible tent poles or pipe that you may have around the house. The idea is to attach two fibreglass poles to some large star pickets to create a domed structure over each tree so that we can hang the netting over without damaging the trees. If you have any unwanted flexible tent poles or know where we could potentially purchase some in large quantities cheaply that would be great. We are looking at lengths of approximately 1.5- 2 m.

SAVE THE DATE

Once again, we will be hosting our end of year School Concert and Art Show on site. This event will be held on **Monday 11th December.** We look forward to seeing all students and their families here to help celebrate the end of another school year. More information regarding arrangements for the night will be distributed nearer to the date.





World Teachers' Day

27 October 2023

Recognise and celebrate the teachers who make an impact on our lives.

For more information, visit:

www.vic.gov.au/world-teachers-day









FIRE ED VISIT

The students in Grade P/1A and P/1B had a fantastic visit from the local fire brigade. The Fire Ed for Foundation program assists Foundation students to demonstrate an understanding of:

-Firefighters' roles within the community (Firefighters are Helpers)

-The difference between a safe fire and an unsafe fire ('Good Fires, Bad Fires')

-The purpose of and safe response to a smoke alarm

-The safest method to exit a smoky environment ('Crawl Down Low and Go, Go, Go')

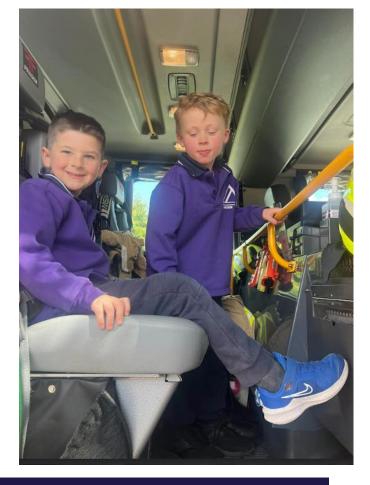
-Evacuation from the home in case of fire (Safe Meeting Place)

-Differences between mishaps and emergencies (What is an emergency?)

-Calling for emergency assistance using a telephone (Zero, Zero, Zero)

-The appropriate action to take if clothing catches fire ('Stop Drop Cover Roll')





FIRE ED VISIT (CON'T)













CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Australia's independent regulator for online safety, <u>eSafety</u>, has issued guidance for schools about dealing with distressing online content.

The guidance is in response to disturbing content that may be circulating on social media in connection with the situation in the Middle East.

eSafety has contacted social media companies about this content and will continue working with them to identify and remove illegal and restricted material wherever possible.

To support this work, eSafety encourages schools to be aware of its guidance on what is illegal and restricted online content, and to report content where appropriate.

It recommends schools avoid raising the issue of specific distressing online content with students explicitly, unless it's clear that they are already aware of it or have been exposed to it. Drawing students' attention to the content may cause unnecessary worry or distress and increase exposure.

Family resources

The eSafety website has <u>resources for parents and carers</u> about online safety. These include information on extra precautions parents and carers can take to protect their children from seeing disturbing content online.

Resources to support young people

The department has developed a range of resources for schools, teachers, students, families and carers to support student mental health and wellbeing.

The department's Mental health and wellbeing toolkit includes:

- mental health support at times of an emergency or natural disaster
- advice for teachers on supporting student mental health and wellbeing during uncertain times.
- guidance for parents and carers to help strengthen their child's mental health and wellbeing and parenting support.

The <u>Schools Mental Health Menu</u> provides a selection of <u>trauma informed programs</u> that schools can access using their fund.

The Alannah and Madeline Foundation provide:

- <u>Care programs</u> to help children and young people who have experienced violence or trauma to recover, heal and grow.
- <u>Prevention programs</u>, such as <u>eSmart</u> to empower children and young people to be positive digital citizens and change the culture of bullying.





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- Independent Decision Making
- Memory
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ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL BIG STEPS TRANSITION PROGRAM

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

PREP TRANSITION DATES

17.11.23(9AM-11AM)

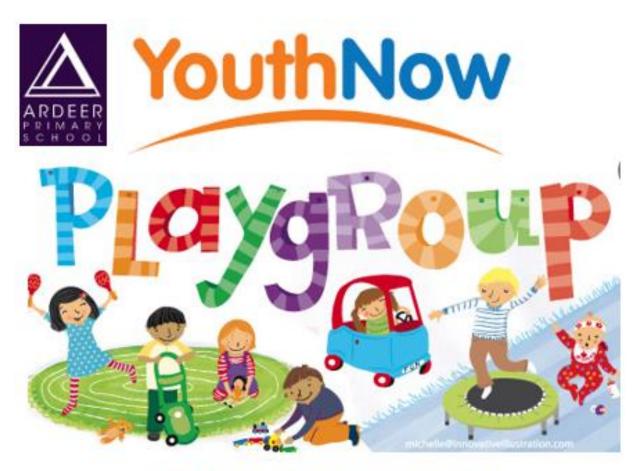
24.11.23(9AM -11AM)

1.12.23(9AM - 12PM)









@ Ardeer Primary School

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

Where: Library

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

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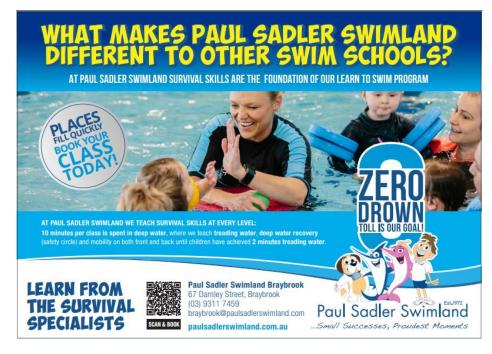


All families were sent letters with their own unique code. Please download the Compass app and connect ASAP. Important reminders, updates, letters, notes etc. will be circulated via this platform throughout 2022. Please contact the office if you require a new sign in.



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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