

# ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## THE PURPLE PULSE

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**November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

### Key Dates

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Whole school Aboriginal Art  
Activity

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November

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P-2 Twilight Event

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November- 3:15pm-  
7:30pm

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Prep Transition Session #1

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
(Parent information session)

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Camp Grade 3-6

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> November

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Common PPD Day

(Pupil Free Day)  
(No students attending school)

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

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Prep Transition Session #2

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

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Step Up Day #1

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November

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Prep Transition Session #3

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December

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Family Quiz and Maths Night

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

5.30pm- 6.30pm

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

It is quite extraordinary just how rapidly this term seems to be moving at.

As staff and students look to next year, students will soon have the opportunity to meet their 2024 classroom teacher and classmates.

There will be two opportunities scheduled later in the term to do so through our Step-Up Days. The first Step Up Day will take place on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November** and the second session on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

As students transition to their next year of schooling, they can experience a mix of emotions due to the uncertainty that this process presents. It is vital that students are supported through this both at home and school. It is important that a consistent positive message is delivered by all parties. A message focused on a sense of optimism and reassurance that comes with seizing the opportunities that result from change. These changes may include working in a new classroom, working with different students, opportunity to form and extend existing friendship groups and the possibility of working with a new teacher.

Whilst this can seem daunting for some students, we have been working hard on ensuring consistent practices focused on learning and student wellbeing across the school. The aim of which is to support the seamless transition of students as they progress throughout their time at Ardeer Primary School.

A reminder that we will also be welcoming our newest members of the school very soon through our Big Steps Prep Transition program. Our current Year 6 students will also be going through their own transition as they move to secondary school. All government secondary schools will host a Year 7 Orientation Day (for Year 6 students) on Tuesday 12 December 2023.

If you have any questions regarding arrangements for next year, please feel free to reach out to the school.



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## **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE**

Dear Families,

Please see below for a couple of important updates!

### **SWPBS Family Night**

Ardeer Primary School is hosting a School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support family night, This will be happening tonight (9th November) and you'll learn about how we are promoting positive behaviour at school.

### **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 have been sent home and we'll look forward to having many of you here for a fun night of activities.

### **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 7.30pm after activities conclude.

### **Camp reminders**

Camp is fast approaching. We'll be departing APS on Monday the 20th November and returning at about 3pm on Wednesday 22nd November. Families are asked to pick their children up from school at 3.15pm on the 22nd following camp. If you have not yet completed the camp medical form, please complete the form and return the form by Friday.

## **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.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December



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## NEW DAILY STRUCTURE COMMENCING IN 2024

As of Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024, the school will introduce an ongoing change to our daily structure and internal bell times. **No change will be made to the start and finish time at the school. Our school day will continue to commence at 8:45am and will end at 3:15pm.**

Many factors shape how a school's daily structure looks. Some of these factors include:

- Ensuring that we remain compliant according to the 2022 VGSA and the minimum non-face to face teaching time of our teachers and the timing and duration of staff lunch breaks.
- Ensuring VRQA obligations are met in providing a minimum of at least 25 hours of student instruction per week.

To satisfy these and other considerations a new daily timetable has been developed and this can be viewed below.

### School Times

**Students must be in class, sitting down and ready to learn by 8:45am.**

8:45am – 8:50am	School begins- Quiet reading in classrooms.
8:50am – 9:50am	Session 1
9:50am -10:50am	Session 2
10:50am- 11:15am	Recess
11:15am-12:15pm	Session 3
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Session 4
1:15pm- 2:15pm	Lunch
2:15pm – 3:15pm	Session 5

**YARD DUTY COMMENCES FROM 8:30am NO STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE AT SCHOOL BEFORE THIS TIME UNLESS REGISTERED FOR BEFORE SCHOOL CARE. THE YARD IS**



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UNSUPERVISED BEFORE THIS TIME. AFTER SCHOOL YARD DUTY IS BETWEEN 3:15pm – 3:30pm.

If you require before or after school care, please contact TheirCare on 1300 072 410 for information regarding the registration process.

TheirCare OSHC program operates Monday – Friday, all pupil free days and school holidays

6:30am- 8:30am - Before school

3:15pm -6:30pm - After school



The poster is for a 'SWPBS FAMILY INFO NIGHT' held on Thursday 9th of November from 5:30-6:30 PM. It features three circular icons on the left: 'RESPECT' (a teacher and students), 'RESPONSIBILITY' (a student working), and 'SAFETY' (students playing basketball). The main text is in a purple box on the right. Below the icons, there is a paragraph about the event and a photo of two students looking at a book.

**RESPECT**

**RESPONSIBILITY**

**SAFETY**

**SWPBS  
FAMILY  
INFO NIGHT**

**THURSDAY 9TH  
OF NOVEMBER  
FROM 5:30-6:30 PM**

COME AND JOIN US FOR  
OUR SWPBS FAMILY  
NIGHT AND LEARN HOW  
WE ARE PROMOTING  
POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS AT  
OUR SCHOOL.  
YOU'LL ALSO HAVE INPUT  
INTO OUR BEHAVIOUR  
EXPECTATIONS AT  
ARDEER PRIMARY  
SCHOOL.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU  
THERE!



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## WILDLIFE XPOSURE INCURSION P-2

It's not every day that you come to school and get to hold a croc!! Thanks to Ardoch Youth Foundation our P-2 students were able to get close and personal with a range of amazing animals. Thanks to Ardoch and Wildlife Xposure for making it such an enjoyable experience.



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## **CHILD SAFE STANDARDS**

**Child Safe Standard 1 requires schools to make sure Aboriginal children and young people feel safe, respected and valued.**

All schools must meet this standard, even if there are no students enrolled at the school who have identified themselves as Aboriginal.

### **What Aboriginal cultural safety means**

Cultural safety means providing a safe, nurturing and positive environment where Aboriginal children:

- feel comfortable being themselves
- feel comfortable expressing their culture, including their spiritual and belief systems
- are supported by people who value and respect a child's Aboriginality and encourage their sense of self and identity.

A safe environment has positive, lifelong impacts for children that cannot be underestimated. Cultural safety is a key dimension of safety for Aboriginal children.

### **Actions your school can take to support cultural safety**

#### **Partner with your school community**

Schools will draw on the knowledge and experiences of their community – especially Aboriginal students and their families – by seeking feedback about what the school does well and what can be improved. This can inform an [Aboriginal Learning, Wellbeing and Safety Action Plan](#) or another policy or document, such as your Student Wellbeing and Engagement policy, Child Safety and Wellbeing policy or Child Safety policy.

#### **Build a strong school culture to support cultural inclusion**

Creating whole-school opportunities to celebrate and recognise Aboriginal culture is important for establishing a culturally safe school space.

- While only traditional owners can perform a Welcome to Country, anyone can provide an [Acknowledgement of Country](#). Begin events, meetings and classes with a Welcome to or Acknowledgement of Country and reflect on local Aboriginal culture.

Schools can also:

- fly the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags
- acknowledge traditional owners on their websites
- display plaques and signs to acknowledge and celebrate Aboriginal culture.



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## **CHILD SAFE STANDARDS (CONT)**

### **Build knowledge of Aboriginal culture into school planning and curriculum**

Show commitment to Aboriginal cultural safety by building schoolwide knowledge of Aboriginal histories, cultures, perspectives, values, skills and attitudes. For example:

- use quality-assured resources to teach Aboriginal content
- refer to Aboriginal experiences and knowledge when teaching subjects like civics, science, geography, maths and history
- provide professional learning for staff on Aboriginal topics.

### **Actively address racism**

Schools address all forms of racism and consider attitudes and practices that are a barrier to providing a culturally safe environment. Schools will address racism from students, staff, volunteers or visitors directly. Racist speech or actions will always be dealt with, and the culture of the school works to prevent incidents from occurring.

Clear processes have been developed to report instances of racism. This includes encouraging and supporting students, families and the school community to contact the [Report Racism Hotline](#): 1800 722 476 (open Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm).



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Ardeer P.S presents:

# 2023 SCHOOL CONCERT & ART SHOW

December 11 2023

Art Show Open From 4:45pm

Concert- 5:15pm - 6:30pm

**PACK A PICNIC,  
BRING A RUG & RELAX  
UNDER THE COLA**

BBQ AND DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE ON THE NIGHT



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## FUN CHESS LESSONS FOR KIDS!

Weekly classes will help improve:

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- Memory
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- Independent Decision Making
- General Aptitude for Learning
- Problem Solving
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or call us on 1300 CHESS MATES



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ARDEER PS

# FAMILY QUIZ AND

# MATHS NIGHT

TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2023  
5:30 PM- 6:30 PM

COME AND HAVE SOME FUN!



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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)**



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# YouthNow



**@ Ardeer Primary School**

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

**Where:** Library

**Contact:** Colleen Bergin- [colleen@youthnow.com.au](mailto:colleen@youthnow.com.au)

0400 865 103



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# ENROL FOR 2024

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personalised learning experience**

**CONTACT THE SCHOOL FOR A PERSONALISED TOUR**



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with the Child  
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We're getting ready for FUN!



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or call [1300 072 410](tel:1300072410)



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## GET CONNECTED



Please follow us on Instagram

**Ardeer.PS**



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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FILL QUICKLY  
BOOK YOUR  
CLASS  
TODAY!

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DROWN**  
TOLL IS OUR GOAL!

**LEARN FROM  
THE SURVIVAL  
SPECIALISTS**



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## Values-driven

- Humility, Helpfulness, Honesty, Hope and Honour – these FIVE values drive everything we do at Five Tuition.

## Impact-focused

- We focus on impact because we take our mission of helping students thrive in school and life seriously.

## Evidence-based

- Everything we do is informed by academic literature, learning theories and careful consideration of the evidence.

## Inclusivity-embracing

- We believe everyone should be entitled to a person-centered, values-driven, impact-focused, and evidence-based approach to learning.

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