

# ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## THE PURPLE PULSE

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**July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

### Key Dates

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Writer in Residence Program

Grade 4/5

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July, Thursday

1<sup>st</sup> August, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>

August

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Werribee Zoo Excursion

Grade 2/3 and 3/4

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July

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Robotics Incursion

Grade 3/4

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July

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Numeracy Buddy visit

Grade 5/6

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

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Arts Centre Excursion-Little

Murmur

Grade 4/5 and 5/6

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August

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Swimming Program

Grade 3/4, 4/5 & 5/6

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August –

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the start of term 3. It has been great to see students, staff and families in and around the school.

At Ardeer Primary School we maintain an unrelenting commitment to ongoing school improvement. We have a strong moral purpose focused on achieving our goal of delivering the highest learning and wellbeing outcomes for every student, every day.

We acknowledge the important positive impact that all past staff, students and families have made in shaping the Ardeer Primary School that we know today. We do so with pride, whilst maintaining a great sense of optimism for the future.

As communicated via Compass, we will soon commence a consultation process with the long-term goal of seeing the development of a new school motto and logo.

Through this process, we will seek to create a motto and logo that clearly communicates our school's vision, values and one that resonates deeply with our students, staff, and community. The development of a logo and motto that conveys the essence of our school's culture and aspirations.

To assist in the success of this important project we want to draw on the support of as many stakeholders as possible. This includes staff, students, families and wider community members.

We will be running a number of parent focus groups to try and engage as many families as possible as we embark on this process.

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE (CON'T)**

The following dates and times for the parent forums include:

**Friday August 16 - 9:00am- 9:45am**

**Monday August 19 - 5:00pm- 5:45pm**

**Thursday August 22 - 3:15pm- 4:00pm**

(\*The same information will be presented at each of the sessions so there is no requirement to attend more than one of the listed sessions)

If you would like to attend one of these sessions, we ask that you please RSVP by accessing the link provided in the Compass post.

If you are unable to attend one of the sessions, we would still very much appreciate your feedback by completing a short survey that is available at the office scanning a QR code and will be available shortly via Compass as well. Please see with Hang or John to provide you with details.

We look forward to working with you through this exciting phase in our school improvement journey. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 9363 1194.

## **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE**

Dear Families,

It was lovely to welcome all of our families back to the school for another exciting term. It's hard to believe that it is Term 3 already!

### **One Box Family Boxes**

As of week 3 of term, we will have a couple of weekly hampers available which get distributed on a Thursday afternoon. If you would like to have your name put down for a hamper (when they are available), please get in touch with me via phone.

### **Werribee Zoo excursion (Grade 2/ 3 and 3/ 4)**

Students in Grade 2/ 3 and 3/ 4 who have returned consent and made payment for this excursion will be going to Werribee Zoo on the 29<sup>th</sup> July. For those students attending, please ensure that students bring their lunch to school in a plastic bag to take on the excursion. Alternative arrangements will be in place for students not attending the excursion.

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE (CON'T)

### **Prep/1, 2/ 3 Swimming Program**

Students in Prep/1 and Grade 2/ 3 will be participating in a 10-day intensive swimming program in weeks 5 and 6 of term (12<sup>th</sup> August – 23<sup>rd</sup> August). Consent forms and event information were sent home early last week and payment/ consent is due by the 30<sup>th</sup> July. Please note that we do have limited places for this program due to bus capacity. There will be an alternative school-based program in place for students who do not attend swimming. If you have any questions about the swimming program, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

### **School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) update**

Each week at our assemblies, we acknowledge students who show our School Values of Respect, Responsibility and Effort, and these are documented on Compass Chronicle for the children's families to see. From Week 2 of Term, as well as receiving a certificate at the assembly, students will also receive a raffle ticket. One lucky student's name will be drawn out and they will be able to 'cash' their raffle ticket in for a prize from our new SWPBS shop the following week. Our Whole- School Rewards system will continue to evolve over the remainder of the year, so please stay tuned for updates from the SWPBS team.

Regards,

Christopher O'Brien

## SCHOOL GARDEN

We are continuing to see the development of our school vegie garden. Gerry has been doing a power of work to regenerate yet another pocket of our school located on the corner of McLaughlin St and Holmes St. I continue to work with students on a weekly basis during our lunchtime garden club and I really value those students that regularly attend and help to keep this space looking great. Once the weather starts to improve and we can get some machinery in, I look forward to seeing the installation of some pathways to make it more accessible. If there are any parents out there that would be happy to support this process later in the year please contact John Mifsud.

**Before**



**After**



## SCHOOL GARDEN

Over the school holidays I organised for a large planting project to occur in our school garden. This saw the planting of 70 native plants in the corner of the garden located on Holmes St and McLaughlin St. My thanks to AzkoNobel for funding the cost of the soil and mulch and for the various volunteers from the company that helped on the day to move 10 cubic metres of soil, 5 cubic metres of mulch and plant all 70 plants. I would also like to acknowledge the amazing support by TheirCare, our OSHC provider who paid for all the plants for this project. We look forward to monitoring the progress of these plants this year and beyond.

**Before**

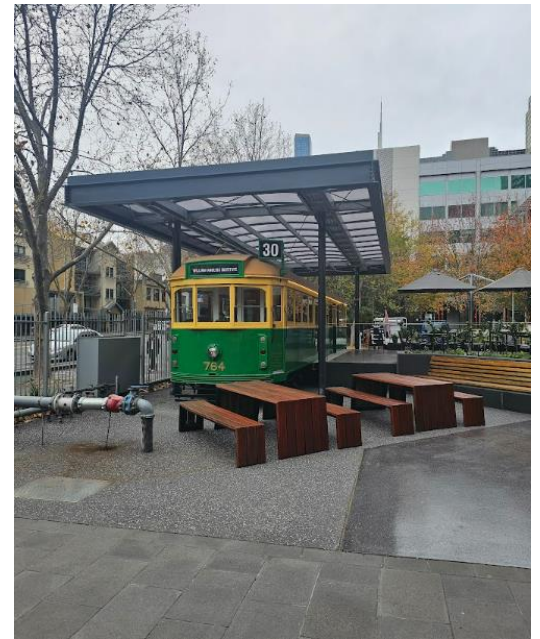


**After**



## LEARNING THROUGH LUNCH PROGRAM 2024

At the end of term 2, the students in Grade 4/5 and 6 attended an excursion to the William Angliss Institute. The students were treated to a delicious three course meal and a tour of the wonderful educational facility that showcased the largest specialist centre for foods, tourism, hospitality and events education and training in Australia. This experience was aimed at broadening student understanding about possible pathways for students beyond high school as well as supporting a range of aspects of the Victorian curriculum. This includes Critical and Creative Thinking, Intercultural and Personal and Social capabilities. This opportunity was organised and paid for as a result of our partnership with Ardoch Youth Foundation.



## NAIDOC WEEK 2024

"Keep The Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud"

The students from across the school were involved in a range of activities in celebration of NAIDOC Week this year. Below is an amazing whole school art creation that all students contributing to.



Wominjeka  
Wurundjeri  
balluk yearmenn  
koondee bik.

Welcome to the  
traditional lands  
of the Wurundjeri People.

## ROBOTICS INCURSION

The students in Grade 3/4 were involved in an amazing STEM and robotics incursion recently. They learnt to code Edison bots and developed a range of other important cross curricular skills.





## **PARENT/CAREGIVER/GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY**

**WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK**

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what families think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent /Caregiver/ Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 29 July and Friday 30 August**.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

Last year we used the survey results to plan a range of initiatives to support improved parent and school partnerships.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

**Information including the school Pin to access the survey will be sent out to families via compass soon.**

## **SUBWAY LUNCH ORDERS**

The school will be continuing its partnership with Canteen Hub and Subway in term 3.

Parents will have the opportunity to place an order from a limited Subway menu for their child which will then be delivered to the school at 1PM. Orders will then be distributed to students in readiness for the school's lunch break at 1:15PM.

There will be two opportunities scheduled this term and these will take place on:

**Wednesday 14th August & Wednesday 11th September 2024.**

Parents will first need to create a Canteen Hub Account -

<https://app.canteenhub.com.au/register> register and register as a new user.

-Ordering closes – 11.00PM the Monday prior- **(12th August & 9th September)**

-All orders will be delivered in separate class cartons and each lunch will be clearly labelled. Parental Support is available via the link below or using the HELP function on the website –

A user guide for your reference can be found [here](#).

## CHILD SAFE STANDARDS



**School Wide Positive Behaviour Support**

The SWPBS team has been very busy starting our new reward system and ordering amazing prizes based on what the students have said they would like to see in our SWPBS prize shop.

Our reward system is still in the early stages of development. In the meantime, in recognition of positive student behaviour and demonstrating our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Safety, students will continue to receive school awards each week.

When students receive an award, their name will be placed in a draw using raffle tickets. A raffle ticket will be drawn out each assembly, where the chosen student will be able to choose a prize.

We are looking forward to this system being put into place and it is extremely pleasing to see the fantastic behaviour shown by the students so far.

## Bullying No Way: National week of action



The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence has a new name—Bullying No Way: National week of action.

Bullying No Way Week, 12 to 16 August 2024, is Australia’s key bullying prevention initiative and connects schools and communities to find workable solutions to prevent bullying.

The week gives schools and supporters flexibility to plan activities that suit their schedule—whether it's spreading awareness throughout the week or focusing on an impactful day or two.

Purple is the new hero colour representing Bullying No Way: National week of action and our commitment to standing against bullying.

GET CONNECTED



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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.

# Tuning in to Teens™

A free six-week parenting program  
for parents/carers of adolescents aged 10-18yrs

**Would you like to learn how to:**

- be better at talking with your teen?
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- help reduce challenging behaviours?
- teach your teen to deal with conflict?



*Tuning in to Teens™* shows you how to help your teen develop *emotional intelligence*.  
Adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

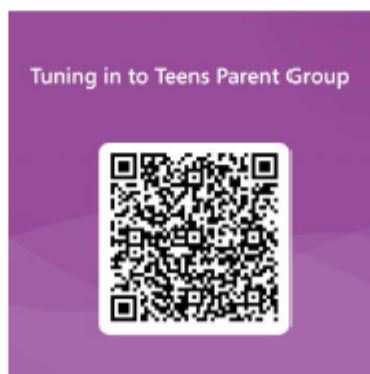
- are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success making friends & are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to cope when upset or angry
- have fewer mental health & substance abuse difficulties
- have greater career success (emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!)

**Where:** Brimbank Aquatic & Wellness Centre (90 Taylors Rd Keilor Downs)

**Dates:** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August to Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Time:** 10:00am – 12:00pm (a light morning tea will be provided)

**Register your Interest:** Via the QR code below or call Lynda or Rachel on 8312 8800



# Native Grassland Planting Day

**WHEN?** 10AM - 1PM, Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup>

**WHERE?** The GREEN Lab @ Iramoo Reserve, St Albans

**MORE INFO?** To find out more [CLICK HERE]

*Interested in saving Victoria's critically endangered native grasslands?*

*The Iramoo Young Stewards and the Friends of Iramoo are working hard to return missing native plant species to Iramoo Wildflower Reserve.*

*Volunteer with us this Sunday to plant native grass and wildflower seedlings, followed by a free lunch!*



Keen to find out more about helping to protect native grasslands?

Visit the Friends of Iramoo on Facebook or send an email to [iramoo@vu.edu.au](mailto:iramoo@vu.edu.au) for upcoming events and ways to get involved!





Are you interested in playing Basketball?

*Would you like to join*

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for all new players**

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- Tailored Programs

*We would love to hear from you*  
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## WHAT MAKES PAUL SADLER SWIMLAND DIFFERENT TO OTHER SWIM SCHOOLS?

AT PAUL SADLER SWIMLAND SURVIVAL SKILLS ARE THE FOUNDATION OF OUR LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM



**ZERO DROWN**  
TOLL IS OUR GOAL!

AT PAUL SADLER SWIMLAND WE TEACH SURVIVAL SKILLS AT EVERY LEVEL:  
10 minutes per class is spent in deep water, where we teach treading water, deep water recovery (safety circle) and mobility on both front and back until children have achieved 2 minutes treading water.

**LEARN FROM THE SURVIVAL SPECIALISTS**



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At Five Tuition, we believe learning happens most naturally and effectively when someone you respect sits humbly beside you, helps you with something, speaks honestly to you, has hope for you, and honours their commitment to bring about positive changes for you – in school and life.

Everything we do at Five Tuition supports that learning process. It sounds simple because learning is simple! Learning doesn't require complex programmes, a detailed curriculum, or the latest technology – as helpful as they might be. Learning simply requires someone with the competence to teach, the character to model, and the commitment to pass on their knowledge.

We recruit and train the nicest, brightest, and most talented university students living in Melbourne's West. All our tutors have attained exceptional VCE scores, have a heart for younger people and a passion to share their knowledge, skills, and experiences with others.

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