

# ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## THE PURPLE PULSE

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**May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

### Key Dates

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Mother's Day Stall

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May

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Book Fair

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 17<sup>th</sup>  
May

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School Photos

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

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Police Incursion- P/1A and B

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May

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Maths Family Night

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May

5:30PM- 6:30PM

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Melbourne Museum- P/1A

&P/1B

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

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Curriculum Day (Pupil Free  
Day)

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

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King's Birthday Public  
Holiday

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

I hope you are all keeping well.

It has been great to see progress continue with regards to the inclusive building works here at the school. We have received a preliminary handover of the most recent works located to the side and rear of the MP Room and Library.

The renewal of the paths and new ramps in these areas are looking absolutely fantastic. A reminder that whilst the contractors are working on the next stage of works, access to the MP Room and Library can only be obtained via the rear of these buildings using the new stairs or ramps.

We look forward to seeing further progress across the school as the works continue to unfold over the next few months.

We are always seeking ways through our commitment to continuous school improvement to ensure that the physical spaces around the school mirror the high standards that we expect from all staff, students and families here at the school. The creation of a learning environment that promotes high levels of school pride, a great sense of belonging and one fit for purpose is vital.

We seek to ensure that the staff and students have access to the best facilities and that they are equipped to deliver the most innovative and effective teaching and learning practices.



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## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear Families,

Please see below for some important information regarding upcoming events at Ardeer Primary School.

### **Upcoming events:**

#### **APS Book Fair**

Our annual book fair is back! It presents a great opportunity to purchase a book or two for your child or to purchase a book that can be donated to our school library/ classroom library. Please refer to the flyer posted to Compass this week and also included in this week's newsletter.

#### **Attitudes to School Survey**

Each year, students in Grade 4 – 6 complete the Attitudes to School Survey. This survey is organised the Department of Education and helps to identify how students are feeling about their experience at school. It covers both student learning and wellbeing questions and these responses are completely anonymous. The completion of this survey helps schools to know what they are doing well and in which areas they can improve. Further information about the Attitudes to School Survey has been posted to Compass this week for families of children in Grades 4 – 6. If you are not wanting your child to participate, please notify me by phone on 93631194.

#### **Prep/1 IMAX excursion:**

Students in Prep and Grade 1 will be able to visit IMAX for an excursion scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Consent forms and payment must be finalised by May 9<sup>th</sup> (this week).

#### **Learning Through Lunch – 24<sup>th</sup> June (Grade 4/ 5 and 5/ 6)**

Consent forms were handed out to students on 22<sup>nd</sup> April – please return all consent forms to the general office by 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

#### **Grade 3 – 6 Camp – 23<sup>rd</sup> October – 25<sup>th</sup> October**

Expressions of interest were distributed in week 1 of Term 2. Please remember that a \$50 deposit is required to secure your child's place for camp and must be returned with the expression of interest slip by 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024. A reminder that places are limited.

#### **Grade 6 transition:**

Planning for transition from Grade 6 to Year 7 has already begun and I am writing to advise you of the process and timeline for Grade 6 – Year 7 transition.

If you are wanting to enrol your child in a Victorian Government School for Year 7, please ensure that you complete section 4. Your local designated neighbourhood school must be listed as one of your three preferred options. I have written your child's designated neighbourhood school on your individual form based on the address we currently hold for your child on our records. If your address has changed, please ensure that you update this with our school office and also let me know.

If you have/ are intending to enrol your child in a non-government school, please ensure that section 4 and 5 are completed.



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## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL UPDATE (CON'T)

All families must complete the attached forms and return these to me by the 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

If you need any help completing the forms or have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to give me a call or come and see me.

### **Chess Club**

Chess Club is still running on a Wednesday each week for the whole of lunchtime. This club is still a paid service, so please remember to enrol your child using the instructions in the advertisement contained in this newsletter if you would like your child to attend for the remainder of term 2.

### **Compass access**

As mentioned in our last newsletter, Compass is the main platform we use for sharing important information with families. Last week I posted a Compass User Guide for parents to the Compass newsfeed, and this has also been published on our school website. Please check this out if you would like to learn more about how Compass can be used to support your child at school. If you have any Compass related questions, please let me know.

If you are having difficulty in navigating your way around Compass, or need your password reset, please don't hesitate to give me a call or come and see me.

Christopher O'Brien

Assistant Principal



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## SPECIAL SUB WAY LUNCH

The school will be commencing a trial partnership with Canteen Hub and Subway in Term 2.

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. Order 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 8th May & Wednesday 29th May, 2024.

Parents will first need to create a Canteen Hub Account -

<https://app.canteenhub.com.au/register> register and register as a new user. (Attached is a user guide for your reference)

-Ordering closes – 11.00PM the Monday prior.

-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 –

Parents will first need to create a Canteen Hub Account -

<https://parentsupport.canteenhub.com/portal/en/kb/canteenhub> and register as a new user. (Attached is a user guide for your reference)

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# P/1A Teddy Bear Picnic



The P/1 children will be hosting a Teddy Bear's Picnic at school on Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> June 9.00-9.45. This is an opportunity for both grades to have a bit of fun in coming together to celebrate friendships we have made this year. It is also an opportunity for families to socialise with each other.

We encourage children to come to class as usual in the morning with their special Teddy ready to introduce to new friends. Activities and snacks will be provided for all. We look forward to sharing this special morning with families.



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# NUMERACY TIPS

## Prep-2

### Doing maths together at home

#### Talking about maths

It is important for children to develop specific language skills related to maths. Visits to the playground, or helping at home, provide rich and meaningful contexts to develop these skills. It might take time for your child to use these terms and language effectively, but exposure to this mathematical talk is a strong support for future learning.

Some activities to develop mathematical language:

- Use specific terms when asking for items. For example, ask your child to get the 'one litre' milk bottle from the fridge, or the 'one kilo' bag of flour from the cupboard.
- When cooking, talk about different measurements used, such as teaspoons, millilitres, litres, and cups. Discuss ideas about empty and full.
  - As you walk, talk and play together describe your child's movements as they climb 'over' the fence, slide 'between' the poles, and swing 'under' the monkey bars. This helps your child understand language related to spatial awareness.
- Sorting activities support your child to understand concepts such as 'same' and 'different'. Use recycling as an opportunity to sort items to place in the rubbish. For example, paper, plastic, food waste and general waste

## Grade 3-6

### Watching the Weather

Because it changes daily, the weather can be a great topic to discuss maths with your child. Try these activities:

- Visit the website <http://www.bom.gov.au/vic/>
- Use a thermometer and/or rain gauge to keep graphed records of your local weather conditions.
- Ask your child the difference between each day's minimum and maximum temperatures. Do they notice a pattern or trend in the weather changes?
- Find a seven-day forecast, then record the actual temperature for each day and compare. Ask your child if the forecast was accurate. Ask them what similarities and differences they notice.
- Use the information on the weather website to explore differences in weather between your area and other areas. Ask your child how much rain you get compared to other areas. Ask your child to identify differences in temperature between your area and



other areas. Who might be affected by an increase or decrease in rainfall?

## LITERACY TIPS

### Helping your child to read

Here are some tips to encourage reading:

- It is recommended that you continue to read together in all year levels in the primary years, even if your child is reading independently.
- Take your child to the local library often so they can choose, borrow and renew books. Taking children to the library at the beginning of school holidays encourages weeks of independent reading.
- Look for non-fiction books on craft or activity topics that your child enjoys. Most libraries have well stocked sections (e.g. under the Dewey decimal number 745).
- Encourage your child to borrow from their school library as well.
- If your child likes an author, find another book or a series of books by the same author.
- Encourage your child to read about their favourite author or illustrator at their website.
- Introduce your child to read different genres such as fantasy, science-fiction, action and adventure.
- Introduce your child to reading different types of texts, such as poems, music lyrics, and short plays.



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- Encourage your child to read non-fiction. The newspaper or an online encyclopaedia might be a good start, but your child might also be interested in history books or autobiographies of their favourite sportsperson or celebrity.
- Encourage your child to use a dictionary to look up words they might not understand.
- Allow your child to play age-appropriate video games that require reading.



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## CHILD SAFE STANDARDS



### School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

**Focus:** Responsibly

**Setting:** Classroom

Students have been focusing on demonstrating responsibility in the classroom.

At Ardeer Primary School, students show responsibility in the classroom by:

- using our time wisely
- being accountable for our learning and actions
- keeping our classroom and resources neat and tidy
  - being prepared to learn
- helping others where appropriate

Staff and students work together to model and learn about how to take and show responsibility.

By being responsible, students will be able to show initiative in order to become independent learners.



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### ***Exciting News!***

Our popular Book Fair is back for 2024 and will be located in the library.

Sales start on Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup> and items can be purchased using cash or card.

Opening times are below:

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May- 8:30am - 8:40am

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May- 3:15pm- 3:40pm

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May- 8:30am - 8:45am

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May- 8:30am - 8:45am and 2:50pm – 3:30pm

(open during assembly for parents only)

If you would like to purchase a book to donate to the school library or your child's class, we can help you with that. Just let us know at the time of purchase.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Bags, strollers, etc must be left outside due to space.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me or the office.

Regards,

*Janette Cronin*

Book Fair Coordinator



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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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# SUNSHINE BASEBALL CLUB TEE BALL



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FREE TEE BALL  
PACK AND CAP!

Sessions start on Tuesday May 7th at 4.30pm

Contact: Glenn Letts / Winter Baseball Coordinator  
Sunshine Baseball Club  
[glennjmg@hotmail.com](mailto:glennjmg@hotmail.com) / Ph. 0421 970 767  
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FILL QUICKLY  
BOOK YOUR  
CLASS  
TODAY!

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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.

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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.

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