

ARDEER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THE PURPLE PULSE

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September 19th, 2024

Key Dates

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First day Term 4
Monday 7th October

Life Ed Program
Wednesday 22nd and 23rd
October

Camp Grade 3-6
Wednesday 23rd – 24th
October

World Teacher's Day
Friday 25th October

Twilight Activities P-2
Monday 29th October
3:15pm – 6:30pm

Common PPD (Pupil Free
Day- (No school)
Monday 4th November

Melbourne Cup Public
Holiday (No school)
Tuesday 5th November

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

As communicated earlier in the year, we are undertaking a process that will see the renewal of our school logo and motto here at the school. All school stakeholders including staff, students and families have and will continue to be part of a consultation process in support of this work. With the aim of canvassing a range of perspectives in support of its development.

The surveys have now closed, and the review of the feedback has been completed. I was thrilled to see that 27% of our family population completed the survey and 72% of our students from across the school.

Through the consultation process there were some very clear themes, and these will now be used to help shape some preliminary designs. These designs will then undergo further refinement and will be taken to our school community for further consultation.

As you can appreciate, it is simply not possible to incorporate every idea and suggestion that was provided. It is however about ensuring that our logo and motto are strong communication tools for expressing the things that make Ardeer P.S unique, can articulate our shared hopes, dreams and aspirations for our students and wider school community and is consistent with our school's strategic direction and identified priorities as shaped by the leaders of the school.

Pleasingly, what has become very evident through this process is a shared desire by all members of our school community in the pursuit of continuous growth and excellence. There was consistent recognition that our sense of community is strong and highly valued. There were also certainly strong themes around a desire for our logo to incorporate our local Ardeer area, whether through its historic and or geographic features. I look forward to seeing this process continue to evolve and sharing in the exciting phase in the school's school improvement trajectory.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Camp reminder

A packing list has been sent home this week to assist in preparing for camp. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about what to bring.

If your child is attending camp, consent forms, medical forms and payment must be finalised by Thursday 19th September. We do have a wait list for camp so we will start contacting those families if forms and payment are not made by this date.

Old Melbourne Gaol excursion – Grade 4/ 5 and 5/ 6

Students in Grade 4/ 5 and 5/ 6 have the opportunity to attend an excursion to the Old Melbourne Gaol in Term 4 on the 25th November. Consent forms were sent home last week. Please note that consent and payment for this excursion are due to the General Office by the 4th November. If you have any questions about this excursion please let me know.

Prep -2 Twilight!

Students in pre, grade 1 and 2 are certainly excited about the upcoming Twilight evening happening on October 29th. Please return consent and dietary forms as well as organise payment for this exciting evening if you would like your child to attend.

Wishing all of our families are very happy and safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing you all in Term 4.

Regards,

Christopher O'Brien

R U OK DAY 2024

We recognized R U OK DAY? with staff and students alike last week.

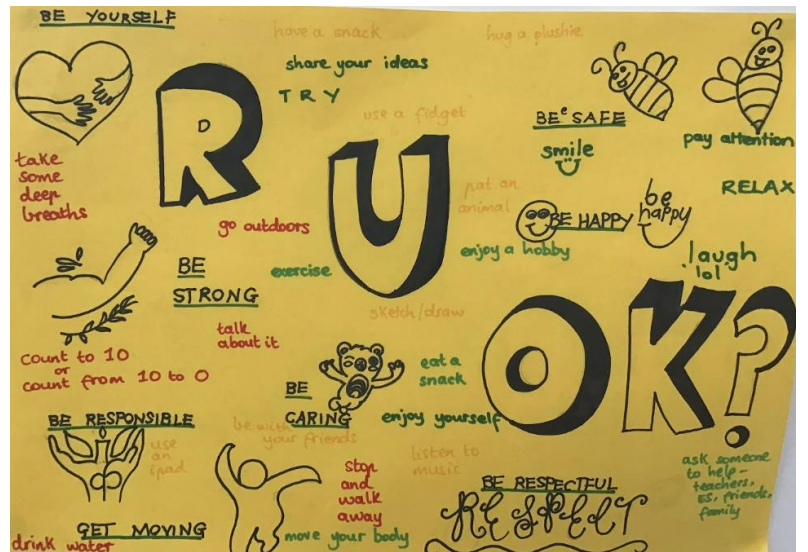
The day recognizes that importance of having regular, meaningful conversations, in doing so you build trust and normalise talking about what's really going on, so when the people in your world find themselves struggling, they know you're someone they can talk to.

It was communicated to families earlier in the year that the school was approached by a production company to see if they could use our school to complete some filming in the creation of a short educational film to help promote this wonderful cause. I am really pleased that we were able to support this great initiative and would like to share the link to the finished product here

<https://www.ruok.org.au/education>

I know the students from across the school are really proud that their school was chosen as part of this project. I am too!





MATHS COMPETITION

Congratulations to our amazing students who participated in the recent Australian Maths Trust Competition. We had 7 students participate in this event and we are so proud of all of them for the resilience and effort shown to tackle some really challenging maths questions. Well done!



CHILD SAFE STANDARDS



School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

Focus: Values Artwork

The students are practising to be responsible outdoors by keeping the yard clean and tidy.

Teachers have discussed this topic with students and are reinforcing this in the yard.

The student leadership team have come around to each classroom to explain that bins will be placed around the school to ensure that students can easily access them.

Staff all use this statement, directly taken from the Ardeer PS SWPBS Matrix, when communicating with the students

We...

Keep our school clean

We will continue to work on this with the students to ensure that our fantastic school continues to look amazing.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Student Supervision

Student safety at Ardeer Primary School is our highest priority and the safe and appropriate supervision of students is an important element of our duty of care to students. Part of this duty is ensuring parents and students are aware of our student supervision arrangements before and after school.

Before school: School grounds are supervised at 8:30am until 8:45am and includes all areas of the school with the exception any out of bound's areas.

After school: School grounds are supervised at 3:15pm until 3:30pm and includes all areas of the school with the exception any out of bound's areas.

Students on school grounds outside these times will **not** be supervised (unless they are attending a before or after school care program or supervised extracurricular activity).

Parents/carers are requested to ensure that students do not attend school outside of these supervised times unless they are attending before or after school care, or a pre-arranged supervised activity (i.e. sports practice).

Families are encouraged to contact TheirCare on 1300 072 410 for more information about the before and after school care facilities available to our school community or if you would like any further information about our student supervision arrangements.

For a copy of our school's Yard Duty and Supervision Policy please contact the school office. This policy includes Ardeer Primary School's student supervision arrangements across the school day, including before and after school.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Student Attendance

It's Not OK to Be Away!

It is the parent's responsibility to ensure their child is attending school. Please help your child do their very best by making sure they are at school every day and on time (except when they are unwell).

Attendance rolls are marked twice a day. Unless contact is made between the family and the school, students are marked as absent without an explanation. This is not a good thing as all absences need to be explained.

Please help us by informing the school if and why your child cannot attend by contacting the school on 9363 1194.

School starts at 8:45am. Be on time each day. Be ready to learn!

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

8:45



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

School Holidays...Visit the...

[Brimbank Libraries](#)



- African Drumming Workshop
 - Auslan Storytime
- Afro Beats Dance Workshop
 - Aussie Wildlife Show
- Author Workshop with Chris Humfrey
- Illustration Workshop with Sue De Gennaro
 - Holiday Movie Screening
 - Zoo Party Theatre Show
- Crafty Adventures- Jungle Animal ...and more!

Take the time to check out what's happening at the local library and borrow some books while you're there.



**ARDEER PRIMARY
SCHOOL
BIG STEPS TRANSITION
PROGRAM**

A PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
WILL RUN FROM 9AM -9.45AM ON
8.11.24

**PREP TRANSITION
DATES**

8.11.24(9AM-10.50AM)

22.11.24(9AM -10.50AM)

29.11.24(9AM - 12.15PM)



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.

PLAY CRICKET FOR SUNSHINE UNITED TODAY

INFORMATION PAMPHLET

COME DOWN AND JOIN IN ON THE FUN AT SUNSHINE UNITED CRICKET CLUB!

Season Start	11th October, 2024
Juniors Fees	\$50 Registration Plus \$36 CA and WRJCA Fees
Junior Sides	Under 10s Mixed, Girls, and Boys teams Under 11s Mixed, Girls, and Boys teams Under 13s Mixed team
Training Nights	Monday and Wednesday Nights. Commences Monday, 2nd of September 5pm

Woolworths Blast

Woolworths Cricket Blast is Cricket Australia's entry level program for kids aged up to 10. Through game-based activities, kids will learn the skills of cricket, makes new friends, and experience the thrill of being part of a team. Plus, they receive an awesome Cricket Blast pack. All this for the low price of **\$99!**

CRICKET BLAST PACKS

Participants will be provided with the choice and the ability to build their skills and their connection with cricket.

Scan the QR Code and register now!



Starter



- Shirt
- Bucket Hat
- Ball
- Bat

Progression



- Shirt
- Swing ball
- Ball on a string
- Sticky Wickets

Match Day



- Carry bag
- Shirt
- Hat
- Clappers
- Plastic Drink Bottle





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Club President
Paul Cini
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