

Ardeer Primary School

Newsletter

November 13^h, 2025

Key Dates

Prep Transition Day #2

Friday 14th November

9:00am – 10:50am

Prep Transition Day #3

Friday 14th November

9:00am – 12:15pm

Step up Day #1

Grade P-5 Students

Monday 24th November

Step up Day #2

Grade P-5 Students

Monday 1st December

School Concert and Art Show

Monday 8th December

4:30PM – 6:30PM

Curriculum Day (pupil free day)

Tuesday 9th December

2025 Awards Assembly

Wednesday 10th December

9AM- 10AM

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

As we approach the end of another exciting year here at Ardeer Primary School, I am proud to reflect on the wonderful progress we are making together as a learning community. Guided by our 2025 Annual Implementation Plan, we continue to strengthen the quality of teaching and learning across all year levels, wellbeing practices and ensuring that every child is supported to achieve their best.

We recently met as a leadership team to reflect on our school improvement achievements over 2025 and commenced planning our key actions for 2026. It is a very exciting time at the school as we commence implementing our new four-year strategic plan in 2026. Our focus on evidence-based, high-impact teaching strategies is leading to measurable improvement in literacy and numeracy will remain. Teachers continue to work collaboratively through professional learning communities, using data and evidence to tailor instruction and provide meaningful feedback that helps each student achieve learning growth and approach their learning with confidence.

We have also deepened our commitment to inclusion and targeted support through our Response to Intervention framework, ensuring that learning opportunities are both challenging and accessible for all students.

These achievements reflect the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our students, and the partnership we share with families and the wider community. Together, we are creating a culture where every learner can thrive. I am excited to continue leading the school through its next phase of school improvement, as we work together to ignite minds and inspire excellence in all that we do.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

I hope you're well,

Late last week we hosted the Sunshine College band who did an absolutely outstanding performance for our school. This was a great opportunity for our students to see some of the exciting extra-curricular opportunities that our students have access to when attending Sunshine College.

Throughout this term, students in Grades 3/ 4 and 5/ 6 have had the opportunity to build their skills in Science Technology Engineering and Maths through a robotic coding program. This has been a weekly incursion which our students have had a wonderful time participating in. Just another example of one of the fantastic opportunities that our students get to experience at Ardeer Primary School.

On Monday afternoon, we had our prospective school captains for 2026 deliver speeches to our whole school student cohort at a special assembly under the COLA. These students in Grades 4 and 5 had to nominate themselves and plan a speech to present outlining why our students should vote for them and what they would aim to achieve as school captains next year. Yet again, I was impressed by the thought provoking and persuasive speeches presented and a huge congratulations to those who nominated and presented speeches. These students did a wonderful job. Our students and staff completed a voting process later that day and our school captains will be announced at our awards assembly on Wednesday 10th December. Best of luck to all our candidates.

Subway Lunches:

A reminder that we have one more Subway lunch planned for this term, on Wednesday the 3rd December.

Order and payment can be completed through the link in the flyer attached or [here](#). If you already have an account from ordering previously, simply click on 'Log in'. If you are new to ordering Subway lunches for your child at our school, click on 'sign up'.

Ordering for lunches now close at 10am the day prior to delivery (Tuesday) so please ensure orders are placed by then.

Have a wonderful week,

Regards,
Christopher O'Brien
Assistant Principal

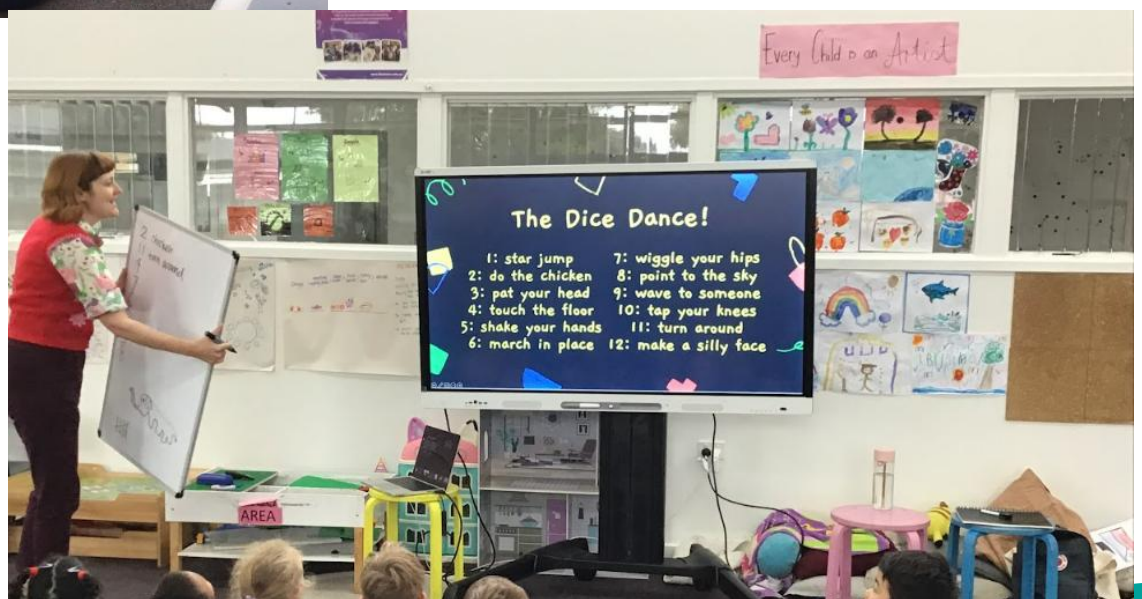
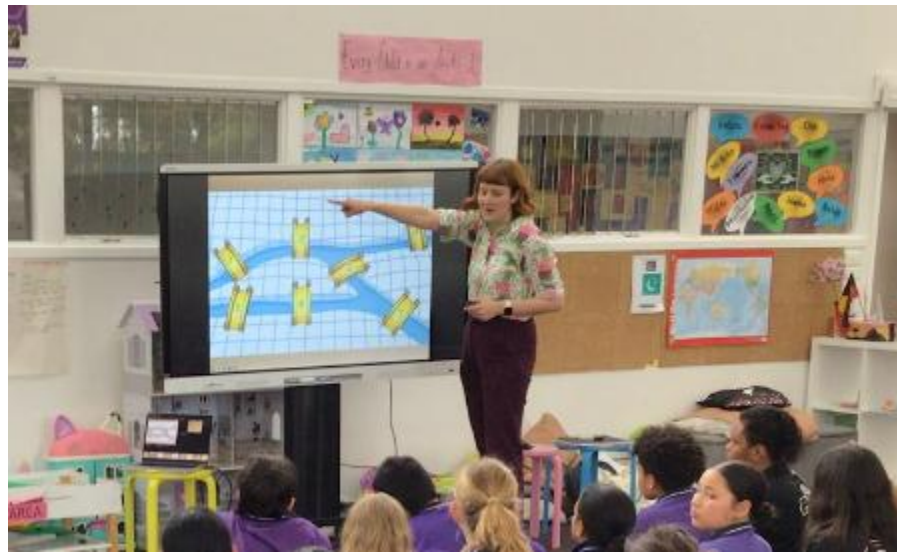
SUNSHINE COLLEGE BAND VISIT

Thanks to Sunshine College for the very special performance this week. Their travelling band performance was just brilliant! Such talented students at our local secondary school!



FELSTEAD EDUCATION- MATHS SHOW

Thanks to Felstead Education for their incredible Maths Show. The program was a live show, aimed to engage students with mathematics through magic, history, and puzzles. The shows were interactive, entertaining and increased students' interest and confidence in maths.



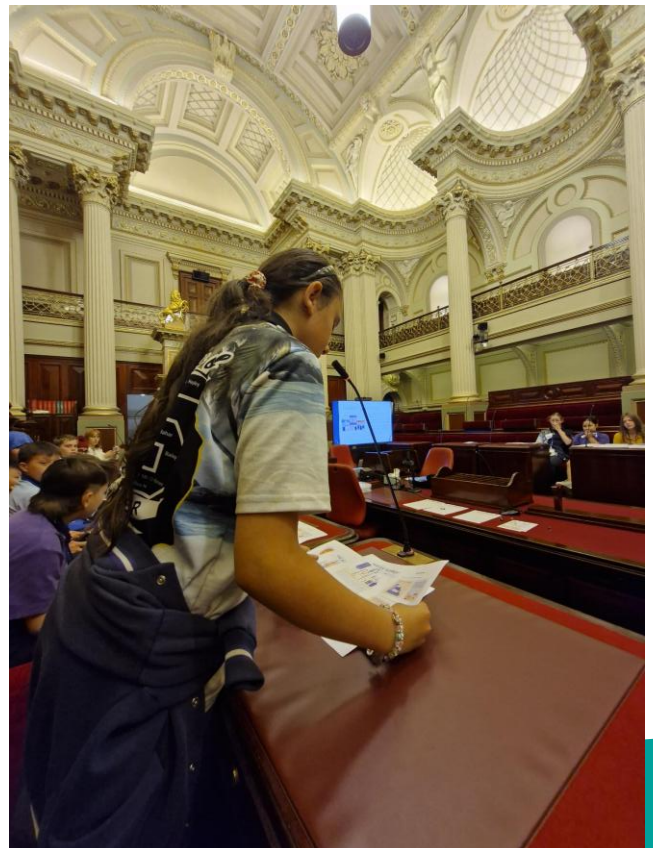
ROBOTS IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM

Grades 3/4 and 5/6 participated in a fantastic robotics incursion provided by Good Shepherd. Inspiring young minds through hands-on learning and creativity at school. The program is aimed at fostering creativity, problem-solving, and confidence while celebrating students' achievements.



PARLIAMENT VISIT

What an absolute privilege it was to take along four aspiring leaders to a special day at Parliament House last week. Four students were selected from the school to attend a leadership day along with four other schools. The students had a tour of Parliament House of Victoria, completed a debate in the Chamber of the Legislative Council and a range of other activities aimed at building their leadership skills.



SAVE THE DATE- END OF YEAR CONCERT AND ART SHOW

Please save the date for our annual school concert and art show!

We cannot wait to see all students and families celebrate under the COLA on Monday 8th December 2025, 4:30pm- 6:30pm.

More details to follow.

SPECIAL SUB WAY LUNCH

The school will be continuing our partnership with Canteen Hub and Subway in Term 1.

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 5th November & Wednesday 3rd December 2025.

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 – 10.00am on the day prior (Tuesday).

-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 –

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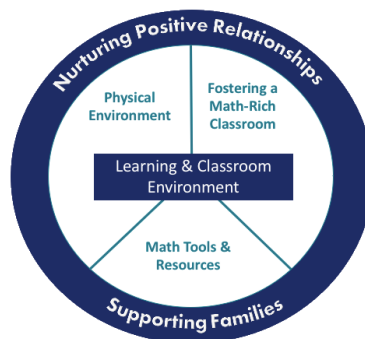
<https://parentsupport.canteenhub.com/portal/en/kb/canteenhub> and register as a new user. (Attached is a user guide for your reference)

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING AT HOME- (NUMERACY)

The Power of a Purposeful Maths Classroom Environment

A well-designed classroom environment is more than just a tidy space — it's a powerful teaching tool that directly shapes how students think, feel, and learn mathematics. The way a maths classroom is organised can either support or hinder focus, reasoning, and confidence.

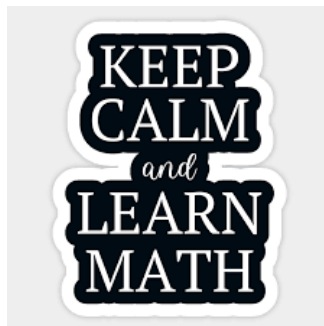
A purposeful maths environment is calm, structured, and predictable. Clear routines and uncluttered spaces reduce distractions and cognitive load, allowing students to direct their mental energy toward problem-solving and understanding new concepts. Visual displays are intentional — showcasing worked examples, key vocabulary, number lines, and success criteria — rather than cluttered walls of information. These supports help students anchor their thinking and see connections between mathematical ideas.



Equally important is the emotional climate. Maths anxiety is real, and students learn best when they feel safe to take risks, explain their reasoning, and make mistakes. A positive environment is built through warm teacher-student relationships, collaborative discussion, and celebrating effort and growth, not just right answers.

When the classroom environment and teaching approach work together — through explicit instruction, visible thinking, and consistent routines — students gain the confidence and clarity they need to engage deeply in mathematical learning.

Key message: A purposeful maths classroom is calm, focused, and supportive — a space where every learner feels capable of thinking mathematically and achieving success.



Exploring Different Genres and Authors!

Do you ever find yourself or your child picking up the same kinds of books again and again? Maybe you love funny stories, or books about animals, or exciting adventures. That's great — it means you know what you enjoy! But did you know there's a *whole world* of stories out there waiting to be discovered? Exploring new genres and different authors is like opening a door to a brand-new world. Each type of book — or *genre* — has something special to offer.

📖 Love excitement? Try an *adventure* or *mystery* story — you might find yourself solving clues or exploring faraway lands.

🪄 Enjoy make-believe? Step into *fantasy* books full of dragons, magic, and impossible worlds!

📺 Curious about the future? Try *science fiction* to imagine what life could be like on another planet or in the year 3000.

💬 Want to feel something real? *Realistic fiction* and *biographies* tell stories about people and emotions you might recognise from real life.

😄 Love to laugh? Humorous books can brighten your day and make reading feel like playtime!

And don't forget — every author has their own unique voice. You might discover a new favourite author who tells stories in a way that feels made just for you!

Here are a few fun ways to explore new books:

💎 Ask your teacher or librarian for a recommendation in a genre you haven't tried.

👂 Try reading the first page or two — sometimes it only takes a few lines to get hooked!

🎧 Listen to an audiobook or read aloud with a friend or family member.

📖 Pick a book at random from the shelf — you might be surprised!

When you step outside your usual reading zone, you grow as a reader — and as a thinker! You might even discover a new passion or a story that sticks with you forever.

So this week, challenge yourself: pick up a book by a *new author* or in a *new genre*. You never know what amazing adventure is waiting inside those pages.



GET CONNECTED



Please follow us on Instagram

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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.

**ARDEER PRIMARY
SCHOOL**
**'SMALL SCHOOL - CREATING
BIG FUTURES'**

**PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2026 NOW
OPEN!**

Contact our friendly staff to organise a tour
with our Principal or Assistant Principal

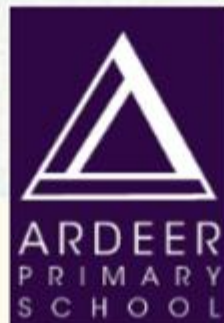
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**ARDEER PRIMARY
SCHOOL
BIG STEPS TRANSITION
PROGRAM**

A PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
WILL RUN FROM 9AM -9.45AM ON
7.11.25

**PREP TRANSITION
DATES**

7.11.25(9AM-10.50AM)

14.11.25(9AM -10.50AM)

21.11.25(9AM - 12.15PM)



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Person-centered

- Five Tuition complements school-based approaches by providing personalised help for each student.

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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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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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

PLACES
FILL QUICKLY
BOOK YOUR
CLASS
TODAY!



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.

**ZERO
DROWN**
TOLL IS OUR GOAL!

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