

# Ardeer Primary School

## Newsletter

June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### Key Dates

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AUSLAN Spelling Bee  
Select students P- 6  
Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>

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Fire Ed Visit P/1  
Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup>

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Last Day Term 2  
Early dismissal 2:15pm – (PJ  
Day)  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June

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Dental Van  
Monday July 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>

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P/1A- 100 Days of School  
Celebration  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

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Grade 5/6- Arts Centre  
Stories in the Wall

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Student Led Conferences  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1pm-  
6:30pm

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Next week we acknowledge Refugee Week, an important opportunity to recognise and celebrate the strength, courage and contributions of people who have sought safety and a new beginning in Australia.

At our school, we are proud to support diversity, inclusion and belonging for all members of our community. Through our involvement in the Refugee Education Support Program (RESP), we work closely with students and families from refugee and asylum seeker backgrounds to ensure they feel welcomed, supported and able to thrive in their learning.

The RESP program provides additional support to students as they settle into a new educational environment, helping them develop confidence, build connections and achieve success both academically and socially. We are grateful to our staff, students and families who contribute to creating a school culture that values respect, understanding and compassion.

Throughout Refugee Week, classes will engage in learning experiences that promote awareness of the refugee experience and celebrate the rich cultural diversity that strengthens our school community. These activities provide valuable opportunities for students to develop empathy, broaden their perspectives and deepen their understanding of the importance of inclusion.

We encourage all members of our school community to reflect on the positive impact that welcoming and supporting others can have and to celebrate the many ways diversity enriches our school.

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Please see below some more information about our upcoming swimming and camp events.

### Swimming Term 3

In 2026, students in Foundation, Grade 2, Grade 4 and Grade 6 will be provided with the opportunity to participate in the ten-day intensive in-water program at Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre. This program will take place from Monday 27th July – Friday 7th August. The cost for the 10-day intensive in-water program event this year will be \$90.

Parents can make the voluntary payment for the in water program to the office. This will help support the school's ability to deliver this program. A reminder that any CSEF or School Savings Bonus balances can be used.

### Camp Term 4

Our 3-6 students have the opportunity to attend our CYC camp in Phillip island from Monday 16th November - Wednesday 18th November. During this time, they will engage in a variety of activities to build their team-work and problem solving skills in a supportive environment. All food, transportation and accommodation are included in the cost for this camp.

If your child would like to attend, please sign and return their permission form to the office and pay the non-refundable \$100 deposit to reserve their spot.

If you have any questions about our swimming program or camp, please get in touch with me.

Hollie Winfield

## END OF TERM 2 ARRANGEMENTS

A reminder that on the last day of Term 2, is June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, students will be dismissed at the earlier time of 2:15pm. We kindly ask that families make suitable arrangements for the collection of their children at this earlier time. If required, please contact our OSHC (Outside School Hours Care) provider TheirCare on 1300 072 410 to discuss care arrangements. On this day the Student Voice Team will be hosting a special Pyjama Day. Students that would like to participate in this out of uniform day are asked to please bring along a gold coin donation. Students that do not wish to participate in the event are expected to attend in full school on the day as this is not a regular casual dress day.

## WHOLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting our annual whole school Athletics Day on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. A day that promises to be filled with lots of fun, teamwork and great times. Students are encouraged to dress in their House colours with shorts (weather permitting) and running shoes. If your child does not know what House team they are in, please see their teacher. Students are asked to bring their own drink bottle as they will be moving from one activity to the next.

## STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Student Led Conferences will take place on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026, 1:00pm- 6:30pm. More information will be available on Compass soon. All families are strongly encouraged to book in a time to meet with classroom teachers to discuss their child's progress this semester. As always, you can contact staff to discuss the learning and wellbeing needs of your child times throughout the course of the year and as required.

## DENTAL VAN

Early next term (July 12 and 13, 2026) the Australian Dental Foundation will be visiting our school to provide optional dental services to students. This is an opt in program, meaning that parents need to specifically provide consent for their child to participate, including consenting to specific treatments that you are happy for your child to participate in. A free dental check-up is included.

Information relating to the program will be sent home today. All forms need to be completed and returned to the office in order for your child to participate. All consent forms must be returned by Thursday 25th June 2026.

Please contact the school if you have any questions about the program.

## 2026 SWIMMING PROGRAM

A reminder that we will be running our annual in water and out of water swimming program in Term 3. The in-water program will be a ten-day intensive program at Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre, and this is scheduled to run from Monday 27th July - 7th August. The program is only available to students from Foundation, Grade 2, Grade 4 and Grade 6. All other students will have the opportunity to attend an out of water program run by Life Saving Victoria on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. More information regarding the program, including the cost will be sent out to families soon.

## PYJAMA DAY

The Student Voice Team has organised a fun out of uniform pyjama day for the last day of term 2. Students can come dressed in their pyjamas on this day and asked to bring along a gold coin donation. The students will also be running a hot chocolate stall from the school canteen on this day. Hot chocolate will be available for students to purchase for \$1.00 during lunch time on this day.




PYJAMAS  
  
all day

**A fun day where everyone gets to wear pyjamas!**



**PYJAMA DAY!**



**Friday, 26th of June**



**You can also bring your favourite teddies!**

**And make sure to bring a gold coin!**

## TEACHING AND LEARNING SPOTLIGHT- (NUMERACY)

Here are some ways to help your children develop some Measurement skills at home from Foundation to Grade 6.



### Foundation (Prep/Foundation)

Focus: Comparing and describing size, length, mass, and capacity.

- Compare household objects: Which spoon is longer? Which toy is heavier?
- Sort objects by size (smallest to largest).
- Fill and pour water between cups and containers.
- Use everyday language such as "longer," "shorter," "heavier," "lighter," "full," and "empty."
- Measure using informal units (e.g., "How many blocks long is the table?")
- Cook together and discuss full, half-full, and empty containers.

### Grade 1

Focus: Measuring with informal units and understanding time.

- Measure furniture using hand spans, footsteps, or toy blocks.
- Estimate and then check lengths using informal units.
- Create a daily schedule and discuss morning, afternoon, and evening.
- Use calendars to count days until special events.
- Compare capacities by filling containers with cups of water.

### Grade 2

Focus: Introduction to standard units.

- Use a ruler to measure small objects in centimetres.
- Measure ingredients while cooking.
- Compare the masses of groceries using kitchen scales.
- Read analogue and digital clocks together.
- Estimate lengths before measuring.
- Track plant growth weekly.

## TEACHING AND LEARNING SPOTLIGHT- (NUMERACY)

### Grade 3

Focus: Length, mass, capacity, and time using standard units.

- Measure rooms, furniture, and toys using metres and centimetres.
- Read recipes and discuss millilitres and litres.
- Plan a trip and calculate travel times.
- Compare product weights while shopping.
- Use timers for cooking, reading, or exercise activities.
- Create a measurement scavenger hunt around the house.

### Grade 4

Focus: Perimeter, area, and more complex measurement.

- Measure and calculate the perimeter of rooms or garden beds.
- Find the area of rectangular surfaces using square units.
- Compare the sizes of different rooms.
- Estimate and measure distances walked during family outings.
- Read maps and discuss scale.
- Use online weather reports to compare temperatures over a week.

### Grade 5

Focus: Converting units and solving practical problems.

- Convert between centimetres and metres during home projects.
- Compare prices using unit rates (e.g., cost per kilogram).
- Follow recipes that require converting measurements.
- Calculate the amount of paint needed for a wall.
- Measure sports fields or play areas and calculate perimeter.
- Plan a budget for a shopping trip using weights and quantities.

### Grade 6

Focus: Volume, capacity, conversions, and real-world applications.

- Calculate the volume of boxes and containers.
- Design a bedroom layout using scale drawings.
- Compare fuel consumption and travel distances on family trips.
- Investigate water usage at home and estimate daily consumption.
- Convert between units (mm, cm, m, km; mL, L; g, kg).
- Complete real-life projects such as planning a garden, building a model, or redesigning a room.

## TEACHING AND LEARNING SPOTLIGHT- (NUMERACY)

### General Tips for All Year Levels

- Use measurement vocabulary naturally in everyday conversations.
- Encourage estimation before measuring.
- Ask open-ended questions such as:
  - "How do you know?"
  - "What unit should we use?"
  - "Can you estimate first?"
- Involve children in cooking, shopping, gardening, and DIY tasks.
- Make measurement visible by using rulers, measuring tapes, scales, clocks, and measuring cups regularly.
- Celebrate effort and reasoning rather than just correct answers.

The most effective measurement learning happens when children see measurement used for real purposes in everyday life.

## TEACHING AND LEARNING SPOTLIGHT- (LITERACY)



### VMS Readathon: Reading for a Wonderful Cause

This term, our school is excited to take part in the MS Readathon, a wonderful initiative that encourages students to develop a love of reading while supporting people living with multiple sclerosis.

The MS Readathon gives students the opportunity to read as many books as they can, set personal reading goals, and enjoy stories in a fun and meaningful way. Whether students are reading picture books, novels, comics, information books or sharing stories with family members, every page helps build confidence, imagination and a lifelong love of literacy.

At the same time, students are learning about kindness, empathy and helping others. Funds raised through the MS Readathon support families affected by multiple sclerosis, including providing services and support for children who have a parent living with MS.

We encourage families to support their child by setting aside time for reading at home, talking about books together, and celebrating their child's reading achievements. Every book read is something to be proud of.

Thank you for supporting this important cause and helping our students make a positive difference through the power of reading.



**Ardeer**  
Primary School

*Igniting Minds. Inspiring Excellence.*

# Taking 2027 Enrolments Now

- Safe, caring and inclusive environment
- Strong literacy and numeracy outcomes
  - Dedicated, high-quality teachers
  - Individual attention for every child
  - Outstanding wellbeing supports
  - A welcoming school community

✓ Small class sizes

✓ Before, after school and school holiday care program

✓ Onsite kindergarten



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# Enrol for before and after school care now

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Whether you're working, have an appointment, or something unexpected comes up, TheirCare supports parents with outside hours school care that's easy to book, inclusive and fun for kids.

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Foundation House  
The Victorian Foundation for Survivors of Torture Inc.

- **WALKING**
- **ART**
- **INFORMATION SESSIONS ON HEALTH & FINANCE**



# WOMEN'S WELLBEING GROUP

FOR COMMUNITIES FROM BURMA



**JOIN US WEEKLY  
WEDNESDAYS 10AM - 12PM  
WYNDHAM PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE**

*Free program Open to ALL women from Burma, starting on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2026. To register, please contact Ruth 0487 082 753 or Diana 0426 970 828.*

# New Arrivals Road Safety Program

South Kingsville Community Centre

## Now Enrolling!!!

South Kingsville Community Centre is now enrolling for Road Safety program.

This program is supported by VicRoads Community Road Safety Grant.

The participants will get 2 practical driving sessions! Also will learn theories in 5 theory classes (Once a week class): how to drive safely, traffic signs & road rules and how to share the road as driver, pedestrian, cyclist or public transport user.

### Who can join:

- Aged over 21 years of age
- Learner permit (L) holders
- Newly arrived people living in Australia for 5 years or less (considerable in some cases)



### Course Details:

Date: 7/05/2026 - 4/06/2026

Time: 5pm – 7 pm

5 Weeks class

2 Driving sessions

Cost: **Free**

Class venue: 12 Crown street,  
Laverton, Vic 3028

Contact: (03) 9399 3000

E: [programs@skcc.net.au](mailto:programs@skcc.net.au)

Web: [www.skcc.net.au](http://www.skcc.net.au)

43 Paxton St, South Kingsville



# STEPS TO SUCCESS: PREPARING FOR WORK



## LEARN

Build confidence and independence with our Steps to Success: - Job Readiness course! Learn to find your strength, create resumes and cover letters, practice interviews, and gain the skills to start and succeed in work, all in a supportive, inclusive, and practical learning environment.

## OVERVIEW

Steps to Success empowers you to move into your future with confidence! This practical & supportive course helps you discover your strengths, build work skills, & prepare for work.

### Topics include:

- Identify your personal strengths, skills, & possible barriers to employment
- Explore different jobs and growing industries in Australia
- Learn how to search for work effectively
- Review your social media & how it can impact job opportunities
- Create a resume and a list of referees
- Write a cover letter and practise sending job applications
- Prepare for interviews, including mock interviews, communication, and presentation
- Understand workplace rights, responsibilities.
- Learn strategies to keep a job

## WHERE

**South Kingsville Community Centre**  
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**SOUTH KINGSVILLE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE**

## DATES

**Day** - Mondays & Tuesdays  
**Time**: 10 am - 3 pm  
**Term 2 dates**: 4 MAY – 29 June  
(8 weeks)  
**Total classes**: 16 classes  
(2 days x 8 weeks)

### PLEASE NOTE:

*This is a ACFE funded/ Learn Local course & eligibility applies*

**COST: \$40**

Please contact SKCC at 0393993000

## TO ENROL, PLEASE CONTACT:

**South Kingsville Community Centre**  
[programs@skcc.net.au](mailto:programs@skcc.net.au)  
0393993000



This course is delivered by South Kingsville Community Centre. Funded by Learn Local.

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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.