



# The Purple Pulse

## What's happening at Ardeer PS?

Ardeer Primary School

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Valuing Difference

We now accept



Are you connected to us on Seesaw?

If not, see your child's teacher ASAP.



### Absences Notification

It is a requirement that you inform us of your child's absence immediately

Please phone the school before 9:00 on the day of absence

## EXCITING NEWS TO SHARE!!

### Welcome!!!

We would like to say a big welcome to all our new students and their families. We have 30 new students (22 preps and 8 across grades 1-6) and are now sitting on 158 students!!! So close to the 160 mark.

We would also like to welcome Mary Sanelli – teacher P1C, Kirsty Kellett – ES P1B, Thu Nguyen – ES 2/3/4

We look forward to a sensational year for all

### Urgent Reminders

\*Swimming starts next Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb for Grades 3/4. 4/5 and 5/6

\*Meet the Teacher is also next Monday 5-6:30

\*School Costs, in full, were due last week. Thank you to all who have paid and to those who have set up plans. We ask other families to come and organize payment.

\*Interschool Sports has started but won't be played next Friday due to swimming

\*Bushfire Fundraiser at The Jungle – please return notes and money by 21<sup>st</sup> Feb to assist in planning and catering. (copy attached)

\*Gr3-6 Sunnystones Camp – please return form and deposit Please see your child's class teacher or the office for further information.

### Change of Details

Please ensure the school has a contact phone number of someone who can accept calls and will answer calls from the school. Already this year we have had significant difficulty contacting parents in urgent situations. Please check your emergency contacts and ask their permission to be listed as we have also called emergency contacts who tell us there's nothing they can do.

### For Your Information ...

What languages do our children speak?

First language listed only

English 84

Amharic 1

Arabic1

Dari 4

Hindhi 2

Kirundi 2

Kurdish 2

Malayam 1

Mandarin 2

Mongolian 2

Oromo 1

Pashto 2

Persian 4

Punjabi 5

Romanian 2

Samoan 11

Swahili 2

Tagalog 3

Telugu 1

Tok Pisin 1

Tongan 8

Turkish 1

Urdu 2

Uygur 1

Vietnamese 13

**Some children have one language, some have four. It is very important to read, speak and celebrate all languages .**

## How to stay in touch

### SEESAW



This information went out to each grade by the teacher last week. Seesaw was introduced last year and was incredibly popular. Make sure you connect with us this way as many of the notes / reminders will be sent this way and not by paper copy.

### COMPASS



New this year, COMPASS is our electronic roll marking system and will allow parents to be contacted by SMS for absences and other matters. When fully rolled out it will allow for permission forms etc to be sent electronically.

### FACEBOOK



Search for **Ardeer Primary School Current Staff and Parents** and we will approve you. As the name suggests, it is for parents, please don't try and add someone who is not a current parent at the school.

This is a great place for reminders and last minute questions.

### Website



Our new website went live last year and we're very excited.

**<https://www.ardeerps.vic.edu.au/>**

Make sure you check it out. There's a translator feature at the bottom of the home page in case you'd prefer to read it in another language.



For additional information or support on any of these platforms, please see your child's teacher or ask at the office.