



ARDEER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4 - Week 1 10/10/2024

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What's on in Term 4!

Week 3

Year 5/6 Lady Northcote Camp!
Wednesday 23rd- Thursday 24th October

Week 4 and 5

Swimming
28th October - 8th November
(No Swimming: Tuesday 5th November- Melbourne Cup Day)

Week 5

Melbourne Cup Day
Tuesday 5th November
(School Closure day)

Week 7

School Fun Run
Friday 22nd November

Week 8

Curriculum Day: Monday 25th November
(Pupil Free Day)

Week 9

Professional Practice Day: Monday 2nd December
(Pupil Free Day)

Week 10

Year 6 Graduation: Tuesday 10th December

Week 11

Last day of school: Friday 20th December

Ardeer South Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the land the school is located upon, and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We are all very excited to be back for the final term of 2024. The calendar is very full - refer to the What's On to keep dates recorded in your diary.

Swimming notices went home this week. The program is a great opportunity for students to build water safety skills in addition to personal independence in many ways including being responsible for their belongings, dressing themselves and organising their things.

See below for details in relation to Swimming, Camp and all of our other news.

Looking forward to a fun, productive and exciting term of learning.

Andrea.

HATS - SUNSMART ☀️



Can everyone please remember that in Term 4 we need to wear a hat every single day. It doesn't need to be an expensive hat, but it does need to protect your child from the sun.



Swimming and Water Safety Program

Once again Ardeer South will be running a whole school Swimming Program giving the opportunity for every student from Foundation to Year 6 to participate in the swimming & water safety program.

The school has allowed this program to be fully funded through the school equity finances; therefore making this opportunity FREE for all students to attend.

Students will travel by seat belted bus to and from the school to the Sunshine Leisure Centre in allocated groups throughout the day, for the duration of the program.

Each day, students will need their swimming gear, a towel and clean underwear as well as a plastic bag for their wet swimming gear. Students are to come to school wearing their swimwear under their uniform ready for their lesson. Please label your child's clothing so it is easy when things get misplaced to find their owner.



On 23rd October the Grade 5/6 students will be heading to Lady Northcote Discovery Camp. This is a bush adventure camp located in the

picturesque Rowsley Valley, less than an hour from Melbourne. Grant will be sending out information to families in the next few days!



IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY



Make your child's school attendance in Term 4 a priority. Attending school on a regular basis is vital for all students in Prep to Grade 6 so that they can access all they need to learn throughout their 7 years of primary schooling.

Students missing a lot of school will be at risk of not achieving their potential and therefore limit their life choices. Also, other real consequences are:

- ***Social isolation***
- ***Gaps in their learning of knowledge and basic concepts***
- ***May feel insecure in the school environment***
- ***More likely to leave school early***
- ***Could lead to school refusal further in their education***
- ***May place themselves at risk of harm while absent***
- ***Could get too easily involved in socially unacceptable and / or illegal activities***

How many days of school has your child missed this semester?

0-6

This is within normal range. A child with this attendance rate is able to take full advantage of the teaching and learning opportunities available to them.

7-10

This attendance rate is below average. A child with this attendance rate could miss over one year of schooling between prep and Year 10

11-20

This is a poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate days could miss out on up to two years of schooling between prep and Year 10

20+

This is a very poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate could miss over two and a half years of schooling between Prep and Year 10



School Wide Positive Behaviour - Social Skill Week - We look after all our property

Over the next few weeks we will be focusing on students looking after their property and the property of others. This becomes very hands on learning when we are attending swimming.

TOP 5 WAYS TO LOOK AFTER PROPERTY

1. If it's yours, put your name clearly on it.
2. If it's someone else's and you find it, return it or take it to lost property.
3. If you take something somewhere, bring it back with you.
4. If it's someone else's, be respectful.
5. Treat everything in your environment respectfully.

Please speak to your child about this 👍

OPTIONS FOR LUNCH ORDERING

Classroom Cuisine

Every Monday and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Classroom Cuisine provides “take away” lunches for our students.



Classroom Cuisine delivers healthy lunches to our school which parents can order directly through the website.

Sushi Lunches - <https://sushiatami.com.au/>

Sushi Atami deliver fresh sushi lunches to our school on a Friday. You can order online before Thursdays at 3pm.





ICY POLES ARE BACK FOR TERM
4!

\$1 ZOOOPER DOOPERS EVERY
DAY FOR TERM 4

FUNDRAISING PROFITS GO BACK
TO OUR KIDS FOR A SPECIAL END
OF YEAR WHOLE SCHOOL
CELEBRATION!



**ALERT: GET READY FOR THE BEST SCHOOL DAY
EVER!**

We are holding School Fun Run's Crazy Colour Day this year. We will be raising much needed funds in the lead up to our event for **soft playground mulch** with a target of **\$500**, so we're asking all families to pitch in!

We are super excited to announce that we will be holding our event on **22nd November** at **Ardeer South Oval!**

What is the School Fun Run?

It is an online fundraising program, where all families go home and create their own online profile. You then choose your target prizes and work towards hitting your target! In your profile you will have a unique cyber safe link to share with your family and friends to donate to get you close to your target.

What do we need you to do?

All we need you to do this week is create an online profile at funrun.com.au. The class with the most profiles by **Friday 25th October** will all get a free icy pole!

This is an inclusive fundraiser we would love you to be a part of! If you would like to come down and watch your kids run, we would love to see you there!

More details to be communicated in the coming weeks!

