

ARDEER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 3 - Week 4, 3rd August 2023

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WHATS ON

Footsteps - Wednesday every week

District Athletics - Changed date August 17th

Pyjama Day - Friday 11th of August

**School Council - Tuesday 15th August
Friday 18th - Parent Survey Meeting 9am**

Book Week Parade - Week 7 - Wednesday 23rd

Sovereign Hill - G1-4 - Tuesday 29th August

**Thriving Thursday (whole school day of
Wellbeing activities) - 14th September**

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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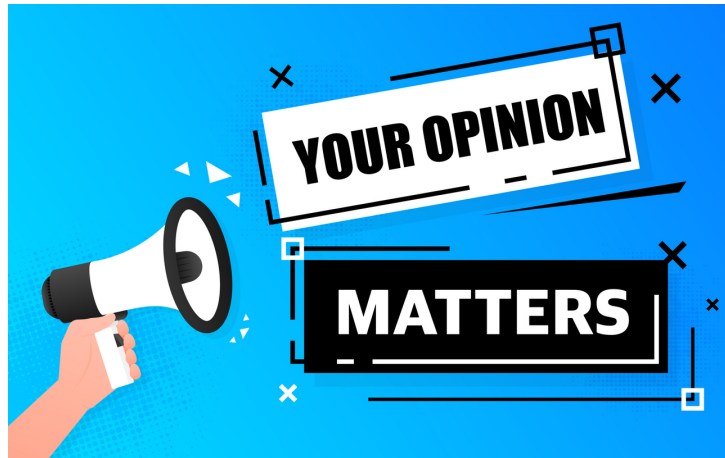
School Wide Positive Behaviour

It is gearing up to be a very busy Term as you can see by our newsletter and the events that are happening each week.

You may have noticed we have a whole school priority focussing on regular school attendance. Attending school regularly has a positive impact on student learning outcomes.

I am looking forward to seeing as many parents as possible in the coming weeks at our special events. I strongly encourage you to participate in the Parent Opinion Survey as we value your feedback on how to make our school a better place for your child to learn.

Andrea.



Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

"Khảo sát ý kiến của Phụ huynh / Người chăm sóc / Người giám hộ"

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023.**

Our School PIN number is 777331

Do it at home or come to the staff room on Friday 18th August at 9am.

If you are unable to do it at home, we will be holding a SURVEY GET TOGETHER, at this catch up we will provide laptops and ipads and help you log in and complete the survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

WELLBEING AND BEHAVIOUR NEWS



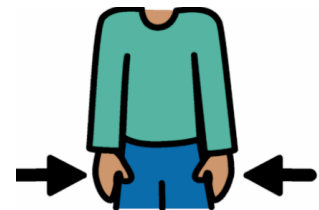
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Please remember that if your child is going to be away for any reason you must make a note on Compass (see us if you need help) or call the office on 9363 2768. Any unexplained absences are followed up with a phone call from our office.



School Wide Positive Behaviour - We Keep Our Hands and Feet To Ourselves

This week we are focusing on a very important behaviour expectation, keeping our hands and feet to ourselves. It is never ok to hit or kick or hurt someone else. If a student is having an issue in the yard or the classroom and they feel unsafe they need to immediately - STOP - WALK - and find a yard duty teacher to TALK to.



I keep my hands to myself

Hurting another person in our school is unacceptable. Students who do hurt others need to spend time with teachers or Principals learning about what they should have done, and alternatives for managing strong emotions. They will need to apologise to students affected, parents will be called and there will be additional consequences like missing activities.

Minecraft Club



Over the last few weeks our Junior School Council have been trialling running a Minecraft education club for students at lunch on Monday. The Department of Education has a safe and protected version of this game that we use. It has been very popular and we are looking forward to lots of our students being involved. Well done Junior School Council.

Pyjama Day - Friday Week 5

Get out your onesies, dressing gowns/robes and slippers!! On Friday the 11th we will be having a Pyjama Day. Bring a coin donation to fundraise for items for our Dojo Shop in Week 7.



Dojo Shop - Week 7

The Dojo Shop was a huge success! Well done to our students for earning so many points! It will be back in Week 7.

80 Points - Principal for the Day

50 Points - Soccer Balls - Rubiks Cubes - Craft Activities

35 Points - Casual Clothes Day, No Homework Week, Baking with Miss Lisa, Minecraft Afternoons (2 - 3.15pm)

30 Points - Gliders

20 Points - Yoyos, Fidget Toys, Lego

10 Points - Matchbox Toys, Fidget Toys, Plushies

5 Points - Small Fidget Toys, Packets of Chips

Come see Miss ST if you have other suggestions / Thanks very much to JSC and parent helpers.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT / ANNOUNCEMENTS / ACTIVE SCHOOLS



Save the Date - Thursday 14th September

We are going to have a whole school community day. This day will aim to build a sense of connection and we are inviting the wider community to attend wellness sessions.

Workshops will be conducted during the day including,

- Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationships (social and emotional learning)
- Gardening,
- Mindfulness (Tapping, Sound Healing),
- Art
- Healthy Physical Movement

We will also have some healthy additional things on offer for students to try for lunch, such as fruit and vegetables, rice paper rolls and sandwiches.

CANTEEN CLOSURE



Sorry for any inconvenience caused!

I have been informed by Tanya that unfortunately she will cease operating our school canteen at the end of Term 3.

School Council will discuss options moving forward at our next meeting. If you are a parent and would be willing to volunteer in the canteen for Term 4 please let me know as we could consider running it with parent volunteers for special lunches etc in Term 4. This will of course depend on if volunteers were available.