



## ARDEER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Term 1 - Week 5 - March 2022

### Dates to Remember

Tuesday 8th March  
Principal / Parent Coffee

Monday 14th March  
Labour Day Public Holiday

Monday 21st March - Harmony Day

Tuesday 22nd March  
School Council and Annual General Meeting

Friday 8th April - Last day of Term 1

### Parent Payments

If you have yet to pay your school voluntary parent payment you can do so at the office or by direct bank deposit. These funds go towards essential school resources for our students.

DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT  
Account Name: Ardeer South  
Primary School  
BSB: 063—172  
Account number: 10166979

Please ensure you include family name and payment description as reference

**JUNIOR REGISTRATION  
COME & TRY**  
**WEDNESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY**  
5:00-6:00PM AT AINSWORTH  
RESERVE  
**GIRLS AND BOYS AGED 6-12**  
**MEMBERSHIP ONLY \$199**  
Joyce: 0421 379 493  
**PLAY FOR FREE IF  
ELIGIBLE WITH:** in2sport

Ardeer South is proud to connect with Sunshine Heights Football Club to provide an opportunity for our students to participate in football outside of school.

If you have a son or daughter that is interested in playing AFL please contact the office for information. The school will be funding membership (valued at \$199) for any interested student through our Sporting Schools Program.

## **Key messages from the Principal**

I am currently writing our 2021 Annual Report to the school community and have been reminded of the challenges we have faced in the past 12 months and the vital importance of the links between home and school. Covid19 lockdowns and remote learning reminded us of the crucial role that home school partnerships play in ensuring student success at school. I strongly believe in ensuring time is allocated to build relationships and support families to enhance family engagement.

## **Parents and Friends Association**

Come along at pick up time on Tuesday 8th March to have a coffee with us. We are excited to have parents back actively involved in school events and would like to meet parents that are interested in working with the school council and staff in a Parents and Friends Association. United as a community we have one goal and that is to actively help the school and our children.

The aim of having an active Parents and Friends Association is to provide a platform for our greater school community to:

- Invest and contribute to the well-being of parents and children
- Actively participate in the life of the school and the education of their children
- Provide opportunities for parents to get to know each other, and to be informed about their child's school
- Provide opportunities for all parents of students of the school to discuss issues concerned with the school, and to assist in the development of a shared parent view
- To work in cooperation with the school council and the principal
- To raise funds for the benefit of the school.

I look forward to working more closely with the parents and carers to create opportunities for collaboration that will benefit our children.

Continue to take care of your health and wellbeing,

Andrea.

***Parents and Friends - Meet and Greet - All welcome  
Tuesday 8th March - School pick up time - 2:45 - 3:15***



**Key Messages  
from the Assistant  
Principal - Olivia**

## Sinclair-Thomson

It's been a great couple of weeks at school. Everything feels very settled. I have really enjoyed meeting the families who have been coming back into the playground before and after school. We have such a lovely community 😊

### Respectful Relationships - Emotions

This Semester across the whole school, we are learning about emotions. This is part of our weekly Social and Emotional Lessons. We are learning to recognise when we feel them, name them and learn strategies for managing them. When students are comfortable with emotions they are much better equipped to deal with day to day difficult issues.

You can support this at home by,

- Naming the emotions when you feel them. For example *"I feel pretty happy right now"* - when family comes over - or - *"I feel frustrated right now"* when you can't take the lid off something.
- Discuss the emotions that characters might be feeling in books, tv shows, or movies.



**DO YOU HAVE SANDPIT TOYS THAT YOU COULD DONATE TO SCHOOL?** - Particular trucks in good working order. Our Preps - Grade 2s have a huge sandpit and they need some more toys.

## Dynamic Young Citizens - Student Report

On Wednesday the 2nd of March, four students from Grade 5 travelled by bus to the Brimbank council offices in Sunshine. The students involved were Jemimah, Johnny, Hayley and Nawal.

We had a great day visiting the Brimbank council chambers! We got to meet the mayor and the other councillors and discussed the many services that they provide.

We hope to go back in Term 2 to discuss what we can do as students, the youth, to make our council a better place for kids to live in.

### Jemimah and Johnny

