

ARDEER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2 - Week 2

Dates to Remember

NAPLAN - See schedule below

Tuesday 17th May

School Council Meeting 3:45pm

Thursday 19th

Prep - 2 Art Centre Excursion

Friday 20th May

Walk Safely to School Day

Saturday 21st of May

Election Day - Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Tuesday May 24th

School Photo Day

Thursday 26th May

Whole School Art Centre Excursion

Friday 27th May

Curriculum Day

Weekly Events

This week we have been so busy, events have included:

- Mothers Day Stall
- Installation of Food Cubes
- Installation of AFL goals on oval
- Resurfacing of oval grassed area
- Soil and mulch delivery
- Further planting of Urban Forest by Brimbank Council

Principal's Message

So much has been happening at school since returning for the new term. This newsletter is jam packed with achievements and celebrations. As always I feel proud and thankful. Proud of the work that happens in our school every single day with the one main aim of making our school community a great place for our students to learn. You will read in this newsletter of the \$474,100 funding we have been given to update our toilet facilities. This has definitely been the highlight of a busy week.

There is no greater feeling of achievement and satisfaction than walking away from school every day and knowing that we (staff, parents and students) are making an incredible difference to so many children, families and our local community.

Keep happy and healthy,
Andrea

CURRICULUM NEWS

Teaching and Learning

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

- This term our whole school from Prep to Grade 6 are learning about different aspects of Biological Science. Students will be learning about animals and plants and what they need to survive. Scientific knowledge is so important for our students' future and best of all, they LOVE these activities and lessons.

Please ask your children what they are doing each week and check out the Class Dojo pages for photos.



NAPLAN

- NAPLAN testing starts next week for Grade 3 and Grade 5 students. We look forward to all opportunities for our students to demonstrate their learning and for us to get a clear understanding of where they are at. We have done some preparation for NAPLAN over the course of Term 1 and the beginning of this term and students have no reason for anxiety. We wish them every success.



Dates for Grade 3 and Grade 5

Week 3	Week 4
Tuesday 10th of May - Writing	Monday 16th of May - Grade 5 Numeracy
Wednesday 11th of May - Reading	
Thursday 12th of May - Language Conventions	Thursday 18th of May - Grade 3 Numeracy

WELLBEING - Positive Start

- We couldn't be more pleased with how well our students have returned to school. They have been very well behaved, following the school values and there has been a noticeable reduction in students needing to have RT (responsible thinking) conversations with Mrs ST and Mrs Markham. We continue to celebrate student achievement in all areas across the school with verbal praise, dojo points and student of the week awards. Well done ASPs !!



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Budget Day Win for Ardeer South

Katie Hall MP informed us in her budget announcement of a major financial win for our school. Katie has secured us an investment of \$474,100 to refurbish our student and staff toilets. At the end of last year we submitted an application to the Department for a grant for this, Katie was aware and has worked hard to make this a reality for us. We have passed on our sincere gratitude and Katie understands the positive impact this will have on the environment our students learn in.

Before and After School Care

Unfortunately we were informed that SchoolsOUT our current before and after school care provider will no longer be servicing our community. They have offered to kindly stay on whilst we are in the process of transferring to a new provider. We are working hard to try and secure a different service and will keep you updated and informed as this process unfolds.

Westlake Nursery - Thank you!

A sincere thank you to Westlake Nursery for an extremely kind donation of hundreds of dollars worth of plants for our gardening group. We appreciate this so much and can assure you that the plants will be used to support our student learning in biological sciences, sustainability and plant care.



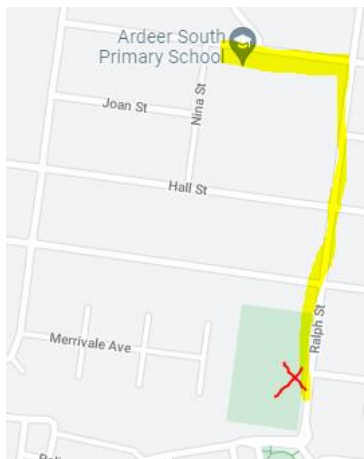
Eid Mubarak

Ardeer South Primary School would like to wish its Muslim students, colleagues, families, and community members a very happy and safe Ramadan. Many families celebrated on Monday and Tuesday and students have shared their experiences with classmates.



Walk Safely to School day - Friday May 20th

Meet at **8.15 am** at the Ralph Street Reserve to walk to school with Mrs Markham and Mrs ST. We will walk safely together and have some toast and milk when we arrive at Breakfast Club. Parents are more than welcome to join. There are also stickers !!



Election Day Sausage Sizzle - Seeking Volunteers

Democracy Sausages - As Australians always vote on a Saturday and voting is compulsory, there is always high voter turnout at polling booths. We are taking advantage of the large number of people coming through our school to vote by setting up a sausage sizzle. The finer details will be discussed later however firstly we are putting together a roster of volunteers. If you have 1 or 2 hours to spare on Election Day (Saturday May 21st) and can help staff sell sausages your time would be much appreciated.

Sandy is keeping a roster at the office, ring the school or come in and place your name in a time slot.

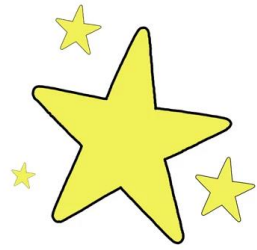
Cross Country

District Cross Country

Congratulations to Emine, Mandje, Alim, Bekim, Kaan, Noah, Mohamed, Vlera, Henry, Jacob, Harry, Ahmed, Anika, Brandy, Chimamanda, Arielle & Kha for successfully competing in the District Cross Country Carnival on Friday, April 29th at Sassella Park, Deer Park.

Mandje finished 1st, Kaan 8th and Emine 10th, and have progressed to the District Finals.





YOU ARE A SUPERSTAR!

