

## ARDEER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

### Term 3 - Week 6



**Weekly Whole School Assembly**  
2:45pm Wednesday

Curriculum Day  
**Friday 19th August**

Book Week Dress Up  
**Wednesday 24th August**

District Athletics  
**Thursday 25th of August**

Sausage Lunch  
**Friday 26th August**

Camp - Grade 5/6  
**29th - 31st August**

Father's Day Stall  
**Wednesday 31st August - Thursday 1st  
September**

Pupil Free Day  
**Friday 2nd September**

Italian Day  
**Friday 9th September**



As always my sincere gratitude to the staff and parents for all of the events that are taking place at school.

I am always overwhelmed by the comments about how our school feels like a community with every single individual committed to ensuring our children are given many opportunities to thrive.

This newsletter is always a showcase of those opportunities.

Happy Reading,  
Andrea.

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## CURRICULUM NEWS

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### Teaching and Learning - Curriculum Day

The teachers at ASPS work very hard to develop their professional skills, we're all learners too!



On Friday we will spend the day looking at what assessments we use to measure our student's learning. It's very important as teachers and as a school that we have good assessment data. This helps us to plan what to teach and how to teach it.

Assessments we use at the moment include testing for sound knowledge particularly in Grade Prep-2. We listen to students read and test their ability to read fluently and to understand what's being read, particularly in grades 3-6. In Maths we use a digital platform called Essential Assessment to test students at the beginning and the end of new learning. We also collect writing samples each term and we even gather data on student's attitudes towards school (see below).

### Attitudes to School

We were very pleased with the results from our recent Attitudes to School survey. Students from Grade 3-6 answered questions about their feelings towards school and we were particularly pleased with this result. Every single score was up around 5% !!

Framework factor	% Positive (n=87)
School connectedness (Sense of connectedness)	87%
I feel proud about being a student at this school	89%
I like this school*	91%
I am happy to be at this school*	88%
I feel like I belong at this school*	84%
I look forward to going to school	82%

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Book Week Dress Up - Wednesday 24th August - Parade @ 2.15 prior to Assembly

Finally a chance to dress up! In Week 7 we will be celebrating reading and books so come dressed as your favourite character, participate in a very bookish parade and be in the running to win prizes.



### Sausage Lunch - Friday 26th August

Back by popular demand !!! Halal Sausage in a roll !!!  
(Gluten free available).

The order form will go home with students (check bags).

Any parents wishing to assist (the more the merrier) please come to school on the day at 11.30.



### Father's Day Raffle

Win an amazing basket of gifts for Dad. Tickets are \$2 and are on sale from Wednesday the 25th of August, The lucky winner will be announced on Thursday the 1st of September.

Any donations to include in the basket will be gratefully accepted.






## Tissues

Due to the overwhelming cases of colds, flu and of course covid our school supply of tissues has been completely depleted for the year.


**We are asking that families kindly donate a box or two (if you can get them) to your child's classroom to see us out until the end of the year.**

## Book Club


Catalogues for Issue 6 2022 have been distributed to all students. Attached is information for parents on how to complete your orders online.



# How to order on Book Club



1. Your child will bring home a Book Club catalogue from school
2. Discuss with, and help your child pick the books they would like to read




3. Order online via the Scholastic Australia LOOP website or app and the school will take care of the rest! (LOOP orders are electronically linked to your school in an easy, secure online process)
4. The books are delivered to your child's classroom.

**LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.**

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card.





## CONGRATULATIONS Farmers and Foresters!

**Ardeer South Primary School is a finalist for a Community Champion award in the Premier's Sustainability Awards 2022 - Thriving environment category**

**Sixty little voices and sixty letters to a mayor led to a partnership with Brimbank Council which resulted in approximately 2500 trees being planted at Ardeer South. Students are driven to leave a legacy for both their school community and the planet, working hard to care for the urban forest they helped create.**

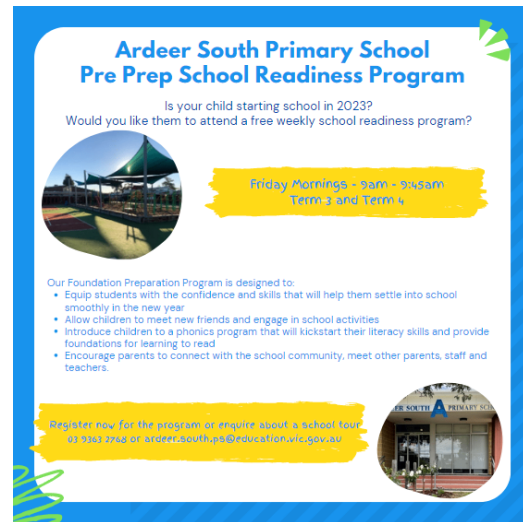




## 2023 Enrolments

If you have a child starting school in 2023 please see the office for an enrolment form. We have just started our Pre Prep program and we are enjoying getting to know some new children.

If you have a child that will be coming next year we would love to have them join us on Friday mornings.



**Ardeer South Primary School  
Pre Prep School Readiness Program**

Is your child starting school in 2023?  
Would you like them to attend a free weekly school readiness program?

**Friday Mornings - 9am - 9:45am  
Term 3 and Term 4**

Our Foundation Preparation Program is designed to:

- Equip students with the confidence and skills that will help them settle into school smoothly in the new year
- Allow children to meet new friends and engage in school activities
- Introduce children to a phonics program that will kickstart their literacy skills and provide foundations for learning to read
- Encourage parents to connect with the school community, meet other parents, staff and teachers.

Register now for the program or enquire about a school tour  
03 7363 2728 or [ardeer.south.p.s@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:ardeer.south.p.s@education.vic.gov.au)

## CHILD SAFETY

***To honour our commitment to Child Safety, our newsletter will feature information that helps parents and the community understand the policies and procedures in place at our school that ensure that all children learn and play in a safe environment. School Council looked this week at how we work within the guidance for Child Safe Standard 3***

***Student Empowerment Guidance: Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.***

