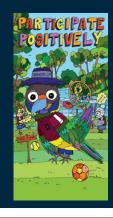


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Principal's Address

Dear parents and caregivers,

Year 5 Peacemaker Program

During Term 1, our Year 5 students have completed a series of training sessions to become our 2023 Peacemakers. Our successful Year 5 students are currently finishing their 'shadow training' with our amazing Year 6 Peacemakers. At the start of Term 2, our Year 5 aspirants will be fully trained and ready to take on their amazing new leadership positions for the duration of 2023.

Staff Car Park

Please be mindful not to park in the disabled bay and/or loading bay within the staff car park. We have many families who require the disabled bay and many deliveries throughout every day. The staff car park is not to be used by any parents, even if it is just a quick stop, please. We have some families that require special arrangements from time-to-time due to personal or medical reasons. If you have any such issues, please contact the school and we will be happy to assist where we can.

Welcome to Miss Jessica Pontre who began in Room 2 this Thursday. We hope you have a fabulous time in our community and look forward to you teaching our Year 1s. We wish Miss Di Lena a fabulous time at her new school where she was given a fulltime opportunity.

Goodluck to our Interschool crew on Friday the 22nd March!

NAPLAN

NAPLAN continues this week, our Year 3 and 5 students will continue NAPLAN testing in literacy and numeracy. It is important that our students feel very calm about the assessments and are not put under unnecessary stress. To prepare your child, please support them in having a good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and some fresh air and exercise after school. It is important to note that NAPLAN does not inform any of our individual reporting processes. Whilst we want all our students to do their best during NAPLAN, it is important to remember this assessment only reflects 'one test on one day' and does not reflect everything magnificent we already know about your child as a person and their wonderful achievements every day. We wish all our Year 3 and 5 students the very best next week. If you have any questions or concerns about NAPLAN please speak to your child's teacher.

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School Hours

Monday - Friday 8.45am - 2.45pm

Recess: 10.55am - 11.15am

Lunch: 1.15pm - 1.45pm

Final Bell: 2.45pm

Dates To Remember

<u> 22nd March</u>

- Assembly Room 4
- Office Display Room 14
- Summer Carnival

26th March

- Early Close 10.55am
- Parent Interviews

28th March

- Last day of Term 1
- Personal Best Reward Day
- Newsletter Room 10

<u> 16th April</u>

• Students Resume

<u> 17th April - 20th June</u>

Dance till you drop

<u> 19th April</u>

Newsletter - Room 15

School Board and P & C

We have fabulous caregivers and community members on each of these amazing teams. Both are currently recruiting for new members. Please consider joining a team.

The School Board roles and responsibilities examples- Determine the dress code, approve charges and contributions, review school objectives and financial planning.

The P & C roles and responsibilities examples- Promote the school in the community, formulate and participate in fundraising activities.

Throw back to 2022

Interestingly enough, it was around this time 2 years ago that the COVID protocols were lifted. This may feel like just yesterday to some or a thousand years ago to others. The sad fact is that our attendance rates have still not recovered since COVID.

Attendance is incredibly important for our students growth in achievement, well being and engagement. Please ensure your child is only absent when they are unwell. If you require any support, you are more than welcome to call the office and we will assist in any way possible.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Missing	<u>Equals</u>	School Career
1 Day Every 2 Weeks	20 Days Per Year	Nearly 1.5 Years
1 Day Per Week	40 Days Per Year	Over 2.5 Years
2 Days Per Week	80 Days Per Year	Over 5 Years
3 Days Per Week	120 Days Per Year	Nearly 8 years
Missing	<u>Equals</u>	School Career
10 Minutes Per Day	50 Minutes Per Week	1.5 Weeks Per Year 2.5 Weeks Per Year 4 Weeks Per Year
20 Minutes Per Day	1 Hour 40 Minutes Per Week	
30 Minutes Per Day	1/2 Day Per Week	
1 Hour Per Day	1 Day Per Week	8 Weeks Per Year



Positive Behaviour Support Focus Term 1 Week 8 & 9 is "Be Organised".

Week eight and nine of Term 1 the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is to "Be organised" and was taken from our focus area of Participate positively by Darmoorluk. Please support us by discussing this with your children and encouraging them to 'Be organised' both at home and school.

Avenues for Information

Please stay up to date with the latest information by ensuring you are connected to Connect. Both the Primary School and P&C are on Facebook, please find us there for updates and notices. The school website can be found at https://www.ashburtondriveps.wa.edu.au/

Kind Regards

Heather Fallo Principal



School Nurse

A Note From The School Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Jane Skoll and I am the School Health Nurse who visits your school.

School Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program. Additionally, the nurse can be contacted at any time throughout primary school if you have concerns about your child's health, development or wellbeing.

School Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. They also work in partnership with schools to support teachers in health related curriculum and can assist in the development of health care plans for students with complex and chronic health needs.

The services provided are free and confidential.

Please contact me on 9391 2289

Undescended testes

Screening for undescended testes is recommended for boys at school entry ($^{\sim}4$ -5 years of age). Around 2-4% of boys have an undescended testes at birth. But sometimes the testes (also known as testicle) is in the scrotum at birth but is pulled up into the groin or abdomen at around 4-10 years of age. This happens because the cord that attaches the testicle to the abdomen doesn't grow at the same rate as the child.

Undescended testes don't fully sit within the scrotum. The condition isn't painful but can increase the risk of several other health issues such as decreased fertility and testicular cancer. For those boys who develop an undescended testicle later in childhood, the 'ascending' testicle often needs surgery between 5 years and 10 years. Please read through the information about undescended testicles provided by Raising Children Network and encourage your child to check themselves as described there. If you have any concerns, please contact your General Practitioner or Community Health Nurse, Jane Skoll on 9391 2289

Colour Blindness

Children who are colour blind can see as clearly as other people but can't tell the difference between some colours or see colours differently from other people. Very few people who are colour blind are 'blind' to all colours – most often they see red and green as very similar.

It's good to know if a child is colour blind because they may have difficulty at school with activities that use colours, such as drawing and sorting blocks, and with computers. Please read through information on colour blindness provided by Raising Children Network.

If you have any concerns, colour vision testing can be performed by some General Practitioners (GP), eye specialists or optometrist. You can also contact your local Community Health Nurse, Jane Skoll on 9391 228



Room 4 - Newsletter

The Year 1's in Room 4 have been busy at work this term. We have begun our Talk 4 Writing Unit Handa's Hen. We are learning how to write a recount, and effectively incorporate key words, such as First, Next, Then and Finally. We went on a big hunt around the school to find the missing hen, and practised using these key words to write our own recount. In visual art, we have been focussing on texture and shape, allowing us to use our skills to create some amazing hen artworks to support our writing. In mathematics, we are confidently working with numbers to 20, and learning new games to help us practise.













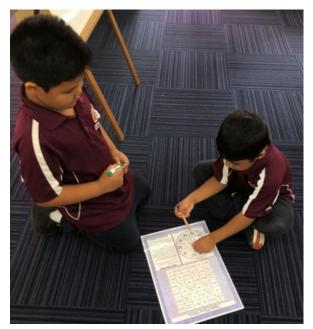


















Merit Certificate Winners - Term 1 - Week 6

Sindiswa Kamara Isacc **Trevor**

Aliesha **Angelique** Hannah **Amelia**

Lachlan **Tyler** Komail Vanessa

Imogen Jaylyn Imogen Samuel

Dakoda Joseph Sienna Isaac

Clair Yuvraj **Jayde** Tiarnah

Mikayla Ali Al Dakota **Byron**

Green Block



















P&C News

Easter Raffle

It's hopping into Easter soon and the P&C have an Easter raffle coming up!

If you would like to donate anything to make our raffle Eggcellent please hand donations to your classroom teacher by the end of school Tuesday 26th March. We thank you in advance for your donations 🙂

Raffle tickets have gone out and the raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 27th March. If you haven't received tickets, you can get a spare copy at the office or go onto our Facebook page and under files we have a word document you can print at home. Good luck 🙂

Payment for tickets can be cash or bank transfer our details are: BSB 633 000

Acc 119908325

(remember to use your child full name and classroom number as a reference)



Thank you

Yvonne: P & C Secretary



Uniforn Shop

All uniforms are back in stock! Online orders will be filled as soon as possible. *Old logo factions Polos reduced Kids \$15 Adult \$18 limited stock available*

Uniform shop open every Friday 8.30am to 9.15am





Community News









COSNELLS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Registrations for the 2024 Season are now open!

No experience required Pre-Primary through to Year 10 KidSport Approved Club | Payment Plans Available New this season - Girls Year 7/8 Team!







Maaraka Dabakarn Hands to Steady

Is your Koolanga under 6 years of age? Do you have any worries about their development?

JOIN US TO:

- Get an Ears2Learn ear screening.
 Learn about other activities and services in your community that can help you and your child.

 Get help from staff to refer your child to appropriate services.
- · Get information from a Speech Therapist, Occupational Therapist, Nurse, or Social Worker on ways you can help your child learn and develop.



THURSDAY 28 MARCH

GWYNNE PARK PS 11 Tijuana Rd, Armadale *Morning Tea Provided





FREE EVENT!

Community News







Early Close 26th March - OSHC After Care

Early School Finish Day

Experience the magic of inspiring programs at Your OSHC after Ashburton Drive Primary School's early finish!



Date:

Tuesday 26th March 2024



Time:

10:55am - 6:00pm



Location:

Camp Australia Room



Fees:

\$8.00 per hour from 10:55am- 2:40 pm. Usual After Care fees apply from 2:40pm onwards.

To book and view your fees, visit www.campaustralia.com.au and find your school's page.

Or call our Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343.

To attend our program your child must be registered.







Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 90% off your fees. Your eligibility is determined by your family's annual adjusted taxable income, the type of childcare you use, and your activity level. To find out if you're eligible, contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.



Tailored before and after school experiences that children love.

To book, visit www.campaustralia.com.au







