



AVONDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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Dear Parents

Swine Flu Virus advice...

As parents would be aware there are currently a number of confirmed cases of H1N1 Influenza (Human Swine Flu) in Victoria. Appropriate measures are being taken in relation to these cases. Specific concerns from parents about H1N1 Influenza can be referred to any of the following:

- The Swine Influenza Hotline Tel. 180 2007
- Nurse-on-Call Tel. 1300 606 024 – for expert health information and advice (24 hours, 7 days)
- Your doctor (GP) – if you have an influenza-like illness (fever, cough and fatigue) and have travelled to Mexico or California, Arizona, New Mexico or Texas in the past seven days.

Families should continue with standard good general health hygiene practices, such as ensuring your children undertake **regular hand washing** and **cover their nose and mouth if sneezing and coughing**.

This practice is being reinforced with your children while at school.

If your children are unwell, you should seek medical attention and avoid public places and close contact with others.

The Department of Human Services is also asking parents of children returning from USA, Canada, Japan, Mexico and Panama to voluntarily keep their children home for seven (7) days from arrival back in Australia. This is a further precautionary measure to assist in managing the further spread of the virus. ***If a member of your family contracts the Swine Flu virus, please inform the school as soon as possible.***

Working Bee – much accomplished...

There was a lot of work completed last Saturday at the working bee. Over 250 indigenous grasses, shrubs and ground covering plants were placed into the new garden beds. In addition, trees planted last year were inspected, weeded with stakes and wind-guards were straightened. I thank the following parents: Beau and Christie Butcher, Elizabeth Elliott, Angelo Ramnac, Lindsay Grant and her son Zac and Kelly Stewart who made a magnificent contribution. Many thanks indeed.

Music program continues while Mrs Shell is on holidays...

Aeron Shell is a qualified music teacher and daughter of Maxine, our keyboard teacher. Aeron will take keyboard lessons between Tuesday 23 June and Tuesday 21 July; there will only be five lessons for each student in this period as the school holidays also occur during this time. I wish Peter and Maxine an enjoyable holiday.

Holiday Sports Camps

Victoria University is running Sports Camps over the coming term holidays. The camps are designed for children aged from 6 – 14 years. You can get more information and download the brochure/application from: <http://www.staff.vu.edu.au/sportscamps/>

Have a good week

DATES TO REMEMBER

(subject to change check regularly)

June

Friday 5th	Interschool Sport: Calder Rise (Away)
Monday 8th	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 9th	Tony's Pies order forms due back at school
Thursday 11th	Education Committee Meeting
Friday 12th	Curriculum Day (<i>No students to come to school</i>)
Friday 12th	Facilities Committee Meeting
Monday 15th	School Council Meeting 7:30pm
Tuesday 16th	3/4s Science Show
Wednesday 17th	Music students to visit Ron Conn Centre
Thursday 18th	Preps Zoo Excursion \$21.90
Friday 19th	Mid-year reports to be sent home
Friday 19th	Pies to be sent home /picked up by parents.
Monday 22nd	3/4 Western Treatment Plant Excursion
Tuesday 23rd	Aust Schools Writing Test
Wednesday 24th	Parent Teacher Interviews -students to attend school on this day
Friday 26th	Last day Term 2 - 2:15pm finish for students



July

Monday 13th	First Day Term 3
Monday 13th	Canteen Committee Meeting

*Newsletters can be found every Friday on our website - www.avondaleps.vic.edu.au.
You can also check this site for the term Calendar.*

Rebel Sport Fundraiser

When you purchase goods at *Rebel Sport Highpoint* and mention Avondale Primary School in the MVP program, the school receives 5% of the purchase price and you receive a 5% discount. Why not mention this next time you're there?

UPDATING YOUR DETAILS

We have had a few parents who have mentioned that we do not have their correct contact details. Please ensure that you have all contact numbers for yourself and emergency contacts up to date. There are times when we may need to contact you urgently - ie: if your child is unwell at school.

Should you have a new home address or workplace please notify us on these details too.

If you are unsure if the numbers are all correct please call at the office and ask me to check these details.

Thank-you
Ros Blake
Admin Officer

Advertisements

The advertisements in this newsletter are for community interest only. The school has no connection with, nor endorses, any particular business activity.

GUITAR LESSONS

**Due to Queen's Birthday
Holiday Monday, Guitar
Lessons will be held on
Wed 10th June**

*** Parents Please Note ***

With winter here we need more tissues to help prevent the spread of viruses. To keep costs down we ask that every child bring a box of tissues to school for their grade. If you could send one in it would be appreciated.

Thanks for your help.

