Dear Parents,

We have reached the half-way point of the final term and teachers are now undertaking a series of assessments which will inform your child’s end of year report. Most students have made solid progress in their studies and will be advanced to the next grade for 2014.

In a few cases where there are concerns about the suitability of progress due to low academic achievement, a meeting will be arranged with the students’ parents to discuss options. If you wish to discuss your child’s options for 2014, please contact your child’s teacher or Kerry Gribbin the student welfare coordinator.

Wine Tasting Night
The fundraising committee is having a FREE wine and cheese tasting night on Monday 18th November. It will be in the BER building from 7pm to 9pm. This is your chance to taste the wines before selecting purchases. There are two red wines: Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon and Barossa Merlot; two white wines: Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Grigio, a sparkling Moscato Bianco and a tawny port. You can order on the night or order through the office until Friday 22nd November.

Tass Hatzikides to retire at the end of the year
Tass Hatzikides has taught at Avondale Primary for the last twenty years. In that time Tass has taught all specialists areas and most grade levels. We value the contribution Tass has and continues to make to the lives of our students. There will be a retirement function for Tass on Wednesday 11th December from 3.30 to 5pm, parents are welcome to attend. More information will be provided in early December.

Exiting students can go down in history
It is our vision to have the front path to Avondale Primary filled with commemorative bricks that celebrate the attendance of every student. Bricks can be printed or hand written with a picture. The cost is $35 for a single brick or $75 for a double brick. Families can put several names onto the same brick. Examples are provided on the order form. This offer closes on Thursday 19th December and bricks will be laid early in 2014.

House Sports at Aberfeldie

Congratulations Blue House for winning the Avondale House Athletics Sports. The weather was quite benign for the duration and students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to compete in a range of events. Vivian, Red House Captain enjoyed the 100 metre sprint and won her event easily, however she still was quite nervous before the race.

Chloe, Green House Captain, mentioned that there were several parent helpers who assisted on the day, Danni assisted with the long jump and Paul assisted with the high jump. Many thanks.

Maccy, Green House Captain, stated that the best part of the day was undoubtedly the shuttle relays. Students in the relays tried their best while all other students barracked very, very loudly from the side. Many thanks to Mr Cleary for organising the day.
DATES TO REMEMBER
(subject to change check regularly)

November
Monday 18th  Wine and Cheese Evening Fundraiser 7-9pm
Tuesday 19th  Grade 1/2 Queenscliff Discovery Centre Excursion
Wednesday 20th  Prep 2014 Transition Afternoon 2-3pm
Thursday 21st  Grade 5/6 Shrine and Art Gallery Excursion
Friday 22nd  Grade 5/6 Interschool Sport - Away - Kensington PS
Tuesday 26th  Treasure Hunt Dress in House Colours—Donation
Wednesday 27th  Music Concert

December
Wednesday 4th  Music Students to visit Ron Conn Centre
Thursday 5th  Multicultural Day
Tuesday 10th  Grade 6 students visit Secondary Schools
Wednesday 11th  Parent Helper Morning Tea; Mr H’s retirement function
Friday 13th  Student Reports go home
Wednesday 18th  Grade 6 Graduation
Thursday 19th  Last Day for Students 1:30pm Finish

Pupils of the week last week were:
Prep A - Lucas C
Prep B - Stephanie G
1/2 A - Miles L
1/2 B - Juan Carlos G
1/2 C - Deanna H
1/2D - Jeremiah D
3/4 A - Danielle C
3/4 B - Heidi M
3/4 C - Vienna C
5/6 A - Steven L
5/6 B - Anastacia P
5/6 C - Vivian L

A Colour version of this newsletter can also be found on our website at www.avondale.ps.vic.edu.au

Avondale Primary School
Wine Fundraiser!!

Forms were sent home with last week’s newsletter to purchase bottles of wine which will have the school label on them. Replica’s of the bottle are available for viewing at the School Office along with spare order forms. We will also be holding a Wine & Cheese evening free of charge on the 18th of November in the BER building between 7pm - 9pm where you will be able to sample the wines that are available to purchase.

Thank you, Fundraising Team

School Uniform Savings!!

Our new School Uniform supplier is having a Sale!!

Date: 27th November 2013
Day: Wednesday
Time: 9am to 5.30pm

Discount: 20% Off

Everything – including School Uniform

Layby service available

LOWES-Highpoint

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

School Office Hours
8:45am to 9:30am
2:30pm to 3:15pm

Please limit visits to office to these times only.

Notice to Parents
The school yard is supervised by a teacher on duty until 3:30pm. Students are expected to be picked up by this time.