



Newsletter 2019 #2

Thursday 7 February 2019

Dear Parents,

Students develop their voice

Did you know that the Friday assembly is planned, organised and presented by students? School and house captains take turns to collect information, discuss the order of presentation, develop the script and then (gulp) speak in front of 500 people!! They distribute the weekly student achievement awards and ensure grades are ready for their class teacher to lead each class inside.

Prep Testing

Prep testing started this week. As many of you may remember, this means our youngest students attend on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The Wednesday is set aside for teachers to meet one on one with each student to complete a series of activities that determine the conceptual and hand-eye development of the child.

Instrumental music lessons

Many thanks to parents who returned the permission note. Lessons will start next week. Guitar lessons will be on Tuesdays with Gary Butler while keyboard lessons will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with Maxine Shell.

Garden Club News

The staff and students at Avondale Primary School would like to extend a warm thank you to all the parents and families who came in to care for the garden at various times over the summer holidays. Your care and time is greatly appreciated by the Garden Club and school community. Many thanks.

In 2019, the Garden Club will be running on Tuesdays over the lunch break from 1.30 until 2.15pm. I am hoping to hear from any parents who would like to volunteer some time occasionally at this time to assist me in managing the students and activities. Please feel free to contact me via email at boffa.nicholas.v@edumail.vic.gov.au or to see me in person outside class hours. Thanks in advance, Nick Boffa.

Out of Hours School care

This is run in the BER daily. The morning session starts at 7:15 am, while the afternoon session finishes at 6 pm. You can enrol your child to attend daily or occasionally. Phone 0468 859 473



OHS Induction and Working with Children Check applications for canteen volunteers

An induction session will be held on Wednesday 13th February at 9am in the staffroom for all parents who are able to volunteer in the canteen this year. All volunteers are now required to hold a current Working with Children Check and have attended this session. Due to OHS requirements we request that all visitors to the school sign in and out at the front office.

Long Service Leave

I will be going on five weeks Long Service Leave from Monday 11 February. He will return to school on Monday 18 March. Joe Scarfo is acting principal in his absence.

Yard Duty reminder

Teachers are on yard duty at the following times:

- 8:40 – 8:50 Play area and oval
- 11am – 11:30 Recess – All areas
- 1:30 – 2:15 Lunch – All areas
- 3:15 – 3:30 Students not accompanied by a parent should report to the office after 3:30

LOWES Uniform news

We have been made aware that there has been a glitch in the supply and availability of the new school polo tops. Lowes apologises for any inconvenience and has assured us that these will be available from Saturday 16th February. See the attached flyer for the Lowes, 3 day, Avondale Primary school exclusive offer on these shirts. Please note the current yellow polo shirts are still part of our uniform and may be worn.

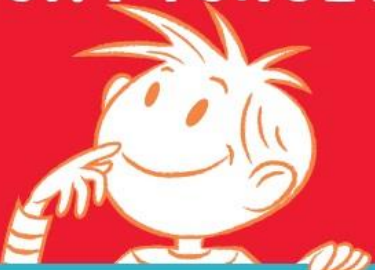
Many thanks to parents who ensure their children are here on time for the start of the school day.

FEBRUARY SCHOOL DIARY

Fri 8	Second hand uniform shop open 8:30-9am
Wed 13	Prep Parent BBQ 5-7pm
Fri 15	5/6 Interschool Sport (Home)
Tue 19	School Council Meeting 7:30pm
Wed 20	Grade 3/4 Healthy Eating Presentation Prep Parent Information Session 7pm BER
Thurs 21	Grade 1A, 1B, 1C and grade 1 parents of 1/2A Parent Information Session 7pm BER
Tue 26	Grade 2A, 2B and grade 2 parents of 1/2A Parent Information Session 7pm Library
Wed 27	Grade 3/4A, B, C, D and grade 4 parents of 4/5A Parent Information Session 7pm BER
Thurs 28	Grade 5/6A, B, C, D and grade 5 parents of 4/5A Parent Information Session 7pm BER



DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club
 orders are due:

9 PM. 13TH FEBRUARY, 2019

- Pupils of the week on
Friday 1st Feb
- One A – Olivia B
 - One B - Victoria V
 - One C - Sura T
 - 1/2 A - Sina K
 - Two A - Jax S
 - Two B - Cathrine L
 - 3/4 A - Ethna C
 - 3/4 B - Oscar C
 - 3/4 C - Himank S
 - 3/4D - Jaiden N
 - 4/5A - Krishna P
 - 5/6 A - Lina Y
 - 5/6 B - Daniel W
 - 5/6 C - Samuel D
 - 5/6 D - Ashleigh L
 - LOTE - Mikaela

Please note:

CHANGE OF DAY FOR SECOND
HAND UNIFORMS

Second hand uniform day is now
 Fridays at 8:50 - 9:10am to pick up a
 bargain!

Short Sleeve Polo shirts - \$3
 Skirts - \$5 Jackets - \$6
 Jumpers - \$5 Shorts - \$4
 Track pants - \$5

IMPORTANT NOTICE
to
Health Care Card Holders

Parents/Guardians of students at Avondale Primary who hold a Health Care Card are eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). The card must be current on the first day of school—January 29th 2019.

If you did not fill out a yellow application form at the time you picked up your child’s book pack, please come to the office with your card and fill one out as soon as possible.

If you are unsure if you are eligible or whether you filled out the form please contact me.

Ros Blake General Office