



Avondale Primary School Philosophy

The philosophy of Avondale Primary School is based upon the premise that every student can attain high levels of academic achievement and be a responsible community member. We aspire for students:

- To have an enthusiasm for learning
- To develop a broad and strong base of knowledge and skills
- To think and act with competence, objectivity and creativity
- Through their experience in living in a learning community, show respect and sensitivity to others
- Show a capacity to lead, to share and cooperate with others
- To accept responsibility and discipline
- To find reward in participating and doing one's best.

Dear Parents,

Principal's Report

Thursday August 9, 2018

Celebrating our Education Support Staff

There are 13 non-teaching staff at Avondale Primary School. They are classified as Education Support (ES) staff within the department. Our ES staff perform a range of duties; some provide additional assistance in classrooms, several are involved with administrative functions including monitoring student attendance, Di manages the canteen, Liz manages the library and Peter maintains the school's gardens and equipment.

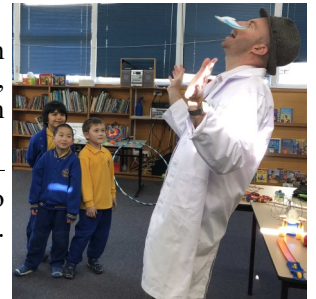
Every ES staff member has a personal commitment to our students and frequently contributes beyond his or her industrial conditions and employment hours. I wish to acknowledge and thank each ES staff member for their good will and dedication.

Science Week Wrap



It is Science Week at Avondale Primary School. Students have been involved with activities with a science focus all week. Sam Harrison, teacher and science enthusiast has provided each grade with wonderful activities to assist students understand their world.

Maria Roach has also used this week to focus upon litter and waste – we have undertaken several litter audits and I am very pleased to report that we have reduced our yard-litter in excess of 68%. Congratulations all.



Art Show of recycled materials – BER today

A fantastic Art show is on display in the BER today. Students and teachers have created highly inventive installations from materials that have already served their original purpose. I am genuinely impressed with the quality of the work and the creative thinking that preceded it. A beautifully coloured butterfly and rainbow from bottle tops, lava lamps, picture frames through to squeeze and relax therapy units are only part of the display. Why not pop into the BER this afternoon before collecting your child? **You can see more photos of our exhibition at the school's website**

(<http://www.avondaleps.vic.edu.au/>).



Book Week celebrations

Book Week will be celebrated during the final week of this term. The Book Week Parade will be in the gymnasium on Wednesday 19th and the performance by Meerkat Productions will be on Thursday 20th September. *We are looking for student made costumes.*

Aftercare - The wait is over!

Commencing 27th August Community Out of Hours School Care (OHSC) Services will be on site at Avondale Primary.

- Located in the BER room
- Before school care 7:15 – 9am
- After school care 3:15 – 6pm

If you are already enrolled we will transfer your enrolment and current bookings. So there is nothing for you to do. If you would like to enrol or for more information please email: office@communityoshcservices.com or call Sonya 0405529972



Community OSHC Services

Have a great week



Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS



Aug

- Thurs 16 Recycled Art Show 3:15 - 3:45pm
 Fri 17 Lab Coat Incursion-Grade 3/4
 Grade 5/6 attending Essendon Keilor College Perf
- Mon 20 District Athletics - selected students
 Tue 21 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
 Bully Zero Presentations Grades 3-6
 Selected students perform at the *Ron Conn Centre*
 School Council meeting
- Wed 22 P-2 Bravehearts presentation: Keep safe program
 Thurs 23 Preps Pet Ownership presentation
 Tue 28 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
 Thurs 30 Fathers Day stall
 Fri 31 Grade Prep/1 Fathers Day Breakfast
 Second chance Fathers day stall

Sep

- Tue 4 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
 Thurs 13 Instrumental Music Concerts-times to be advised
 Parent Helper Information Session 9:00am
 Fri 14 Annual Sports Day - Information going home next week
 Tue 18 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
 Wed 19 Book week parade
 Thurs 20 Meerkat productions book week performance \$8.00

Pupils of the week on Friday 10/08

Prep A - Arden N
 Prep B - Eleni K
 Prep C - Olivia B
 Prep D - Braydon R

1/2 A - Arad P
 1/2 B - Isabel N
 1/2 C - Chris T
 1/2 D - James B
 1/2 E - Derek L

3/4 A - Iggy M & Mikaela N
 3/4 B - Alex H
 3/4 C - Xavier P
 3/4D - Jerry N

4/5A - Kya C
 5/6 A - Priya V
 5/6 B - Tomas B
 5/6 C - Johanna R
 Italian - Dee Jay



Step up to the Buddy Run and say no to bullying!

Sunday 21 October 2018
 Alexandra Gardens from 10am

Visit www.buddyrun.org.au for more information.

LOST PROPERTY BOXES

These are overflowing! Please check them if your child has lost items. Unclaimed clothes will be given to charity. School uniforms will be donated to the second hand uniform shop, at the end of term 3.

Camp Payments

Reminder to parents that both 3/4 Sovereign Hill and 5/6 Canberra camps are approaching quickly.

Payments for these camps can be made by Bpay, EFT Pos (at the office only) or by cash. Please bring the camp booklet with you at the time of payment.

Final payment dates:
 3/4 Sovereign Hill – 31 August
 5/6 Canberra - 19 October

Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding amount due.

Important Notice to Parents

Procedure for sending cash to school:

As per department regulations we would appreciate that when all families make cash payments to school for excursions, camps and other activities, please place money in envelopes clearly marked with your child's name, grade and what the money is for. (School envelopes are always available at the office please feel free to ask for some.) These envelopes are then handed to the class teacher by the student first thing in the morning. Should you need to pay a large amount and wish to pay directly to the office please do so before 9.30 am or between 3-3.30pm. We thank-you for your support in this matter it will help with management of office procedures. Thank you, Maria and Ros

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.

School Office Hours

8:30am to 9:30am
 2:30pm to 3:15pm
 Please limit visits to office to these times only.

