



## 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.

## Principal's Report

Thursday July 26, 2018

Dear Parents

### Curriculum Day Monday 30 July.

Students do not attend school on Monday, teachers will be participating in two professional development programs: one is focussed upon further improving classroom culture to facilitate stronger student learning and the second is focussed upon developing staff skills in using video and audio applications for classroom use.

### Learning together with technology

Pictured are students in Grade 3/4A researching famous aboriginal people and making a presentation using PowerPoint. It is pleasing to see students share their knowledge with each other.



### National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

Information sessions are being conducted across the Western Melbourne Area for parents and school staff.

Attached is an information sheet detailing the session dates, times and locations. The sessions will provide information for families and students who live in Western Melbourne Area.

Students who are in one or more of the following categories have had their contact details provided to the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) to facilitate a smooth transition into the NDIS:

1. Students receiving Program for Students with Disabilities (PSD) funding for Vision Impairment;
2. Students enrolled at a Specialist School exclusively for students with Moderate to Profound Intellectual Disability;
3. Students with disability transport program (Specialist School Bus, taxi or conveyance allowance);
4. Personal care support at school (Program for Students with Disabilities (PSD) funding at level 4, 5 or 6; and/or Medical Intervention Support (MIS).

### Student leaders attend MVCC library courtyard opening.

On Tuesday, 19 of our student leaders gathered with local residents to witness Mayor John Sipek officially open the library courtyard. The courtyard is an additional reading area that residents will enjoy when the weather is conducive to reading outdoors. There was an African drummer who gave a 50 minute lesson to our students and residents on playing various beats together. I wish to thank the library staff for their invitation and kind welcome to our students.

### Prep enrolments for 2019

The school will accept the enrolment of students for Preps next year from families who live within the school zone (<http://melbourneschoolzones.com/>) or from families who have an older sibling currently attending Avondale Primary. There are already 75 students currently enrolled in Preps next year. If you know of a family who intends to enrol their child at Avondale Primary, and have not yet approached the school, please encourage them to do so. The transition arrangements for 2019 Preps is:

Wednesday 7 November	Parent Information Evening 7:30 – 8:30pm
Thursday 15 November	Prep transition morning - No 1 and parent information session - 9:15 – 10:15am
Thursday 22 November	Prep transition morning - No 2 and parent information session - 9:15 – 10:15am

### Attachments to today's newsletter:

1. Invitation to attend NDIS information session for families
2. Science Week 13 – 17 August
3. Reusable Treasures Art Show 16 August 3:15 – 3:45

I hope you have a great week.



# Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS



## July

- Mon 30 Curriculum Day-*No students to come to school*  
Book Club orders close at 9pm
- Tue 31 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00  
One hundred days of Prep  
Selected students to perform at *Ron Conn Centre*

## Aug

- Fri 3 Grade 5/6 STEAM IncurSION \$20.00
- Tue 7 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
- Fri 10 Lab Coat IncurSION-Grade Prep \$7.50
- 13-17 Science Week
- Mon 13 Lab Coat IncurSION-Grade 1/2 \$7.50
- Tue 14 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
- Wed 15 Nude food day
- Thurs 16 Lab Coat IncurSION-Grade 4/5 & 5/6 \$7.50  
Recycled Art Show 3:15—3:45pm
- Fri 17 Lab Coat IncurSION-Grade 3/4 \$7.50  
Grade 5/6 attending Essendon Keilor College Perf
- Mon 20 District Athletics
- Tue 21 Bully Zero Presentations Grades 3-6  
Selected students perform at the *Ron Conn Centre*  
School Council meeting

### Pupils of the week on Friday 20/7

Prep A - Audrey K  
Prep B - Sannus N  
Prep C - Aren C  
Prep D - India L

1/2 A - Dylan A  
1/2 B - Alexia R  
1/2 C - James R  
1/2 D - Chantelle D  
1/2 E - Jessica N

3/4 A - Liam C  
3/4 B - John K  
3/4 C - Tina P  
3/4D - George T & Christian B

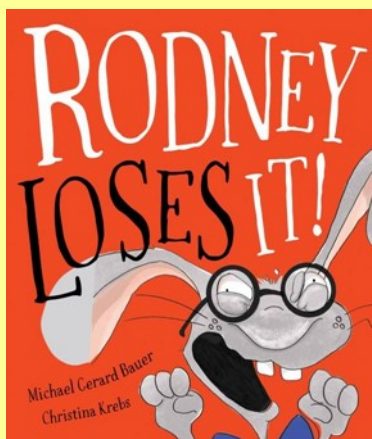
4/5A - Michelle G  
5/6 A - Elly C  
5/6 B - Tiana M  
5/6 C - Aaliyah Z

## Book Review

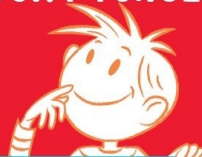
By Liz Oruba

### Rodney Loses It by Michael Gerard Bauer

'Rodney Loses it' is a funny rhyming book shortlisted in CBCA's Book Week 2018. Rodney the rabbit LOVES drawing. He draws all the time with his favourite pen 'Penny'. Suddenly his pen disappears. Rodney searches frantically and he loses it. He is very distraught, throws a tantrum. But as the viewer sees, his pen is never lost but rather stuck behind his ear. Recommended for children 4 to 7.



## DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC  
**Book Club**  
orders are due:

9 pm, Monday 30th July, 2018

## Enrolments 2019

If you are moving and your child/children will not be attending Avondale Primary School in 2019, please let the office know as we are currently looking at grade numbers for next year.  
Thank you

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

Sunday 21 October 2018  
Alexandra Gardens from 10am

Visit [www.buddyrun.org.au](http://www.buddyrun.org.au) for more information.

### 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.

## Make their day.



## Help at the canteen!