



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 June 28, 2018

Dear Parents,

Students finish their first semester tomorrow. I would like to congratulate our students on their solid progress so far this year and staff for their tireless efforts in supporting every student to improve and develop.

Celebrating aboriginal culture

Although NAIDOC week starts over the holidays, we have used this last week of term to celebrate the culture of our country's original inhabitants.

The week has seen students learn the song 'Inanay' to sing at our end of term assembly. We ask that students wear yellow, red or black on Friday as part of our NAIDOC celebrations.

A group of senior students have spent several lunchtimes with Ms Handley and parent Dani Parisi, creating aboriginal style paintings. Pictured are students with their art work.



Thank you for attending the P-T interviews

Many thanks to parents who attended the interviews yesterday. Parents took advantage of the opportunity to share perceptions about their child's progress with the teacher. I wish to thank staff for their careful preparation in the collection of evidence for their written and verbal semester one reports.

Garden News

*On Friday 15th and 22nd of June, students from the Garden Club helped harvest our lettuce crop before school and **this was used in the school lunch orders.** We dug the lettuce up, snipped the roots and washed the dirt off. We hope you enjoyed your lunch orders!*

By Claire Ragusa 3/4B



Positive response to SMS for unexplained student absences

I am pleased to report that parents have responded quickly and gratefully to the SMS message that the attendance software automatically sends when an unexplained absence is entered onto the system. Messages are sent to parents at 10:30am, parents have until 12 noon to respond with a reason to avoid the absence being recorded as unexplained. Parents can reply to that text, or respond by phone or Flexi-buzz.

Last day timetable

Friday is the last day of term. Lunch orders will be available to students on Friday, however Di asks that option 1 and 2 are noted on the order in case the canteen runs out of particular foods.

Students start class and have recess at the usual time. Students will eat lunch at 12:45, play in the yard from 1pm returning to class at 1:45pm for the final clean-up. They will attend assembly at 2pm; we aim to dismiss students around 2:15pm. On behalf of the staff, I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 16 July to start the 10 week, third term.

Paul Mulroy



Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS



June

Fri 29 NAIDOC week colours day-gold coin donation
Last day term 2 students finish at 2:15pm

July

Mon 16 First day term 3
Tue 17 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
Thurs 19 Cookie dough fundraiser order forms sent home
Tue 24 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00
School council meeting 7:30
Thurs 26 Winter sport round robin
Mon 30 Curriculum Day-**No students to come to school**
Tue 31 Second hand uniform sale 8:30-9:00

Aug

Fri 3 Grade 5/6 STEAM Incursion \$20.00
Fri 10 Lab Coat Incursion-Grade Prep \$7.50
13-17 Science Week
Mon 13 Lab Coat Incursion-Grade 1/2 \$7.50
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 performance

Pupils of the week on Friday 22/6

Prep A - Willow M
Prep B - Julia T
Prep C - Luna S
Prep D - Victoria S

1/2 A - Isaac T
1/2 B - Aarav S
1/2 C - Taj W
1/2 D - Jacob J
1/2 E - Yodi A

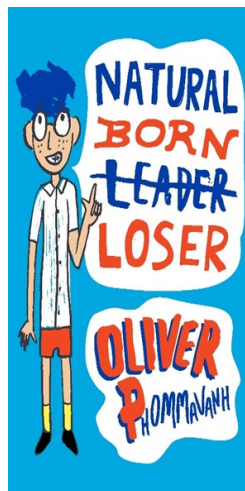
3/4 A - Dante L & Mikaela N
3/4 B - Angus D
3/4 C - N/A
3/4D - Rima M

4/5A - Sarah O
5/6 A - N/A
5/6 B - Keely B
5/6 C - Penny K

Book Reviews –Treasured and Tried Natural born loser by Oliver Phommavanh

The Barryjong Primary School is tired. The buildings, the teachers are uninspiring and they have a serious bully problem. Raymond has only Grade 6 to complete and he is out. He prefers to fade into the background and play soccer unlike his hotshot friend Zain. A new principal arrives and he is going to revive the school. Prefects are back to guide the school. Zain and somehow Raymond make the cut along with 2 other 'nobodies'. They survive the first week but somehow Raymond makes a crazy promise that they will get air conditioning in the classrooms. How? Where will the money come from? Raymond thinks 'Fundraising'. Unfortunately things don't go according to plan. With one fizzer down will the next one work? Raymond is inspiring and finds the will and the way to turn things around. Great read for 9 years plus.

By Liz Oruba



Science Week initiative: Wipe out Waste

We are supporting Moonee Valley City Council's program to *wipe out waste*.

Wednesday 15 Aug is waste free food day

- Lunch in reusable containers
- Drinks in reusable containers
- No plastic, foil or paper wrapping
- No disposable drink boxes or single use containers

Thursday 16 Aug is our Reusable Art Show

Come and view student art work utilising items that would otherwise be in the waste basket, from 3:15 to 3:45.



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
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