



## 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, November 1, 2018

Dear Parents,

### Grade 5/6 Camp

The Grade 5/6 students are now into the 4<sup>th</sup> day of their Canberra Tour. By this stage they will have visited the new and former Parliament Houses, the Australian War Memorial, the Royal Mint, Questacon, the National Museum as well as the Electoral Education Centre. The tour has been a valuable learning experience building on all their studies at school this year. The regular Flexibuzz messages and photos highlight how much our students are enjoying their time away. I'm sure there will be some tired but very happy children step off the buses on Friday. Thank-you to Mr Barkell, Ms Heywood, Mr Lumby, Ms Handley and Ros Blake for organising such a valuable learning experience for our students.



### Canteen News

The canteen received its long awaited refurbishment this week. Di and her team of volunteers now have a much more functional work space with additional preparation and storage areas and a larger oven to prepare lunch orders for our students. Thank-you to Tom, from Tamar Cabinets, (Kaan's Dad), for supporting the school with a very competitive price.

### Grade 1/2s Visit ACMI

Grade 1/2A, 1/2C & 1/2 D had an exciting excursion to ACMI, the Australian Centre for Moving Images today. The students learned how movies are made and put together and then they were able to apply their knowledge of Fairy Tales to produce their own movie using the green screen technology. 1/2B and 1/2E will be going to ACMI on the 15<sup>th</sup> of November. Once all the 1/2s have been to ACMI, parents will be invited to attend a Grade 1/2 movie premiere in the BER, after assembly, on a Friday yet to be announced.

### School Uniforms

As the weather gets warmer children often take off and leave windcheaters and jackets on the ground which is leading to an overflow of uniforms in the lost property boxes. It is a shame to see so many clothing items not being used. Please check that all your windcheaters and jackets are labelled to make them easier to be returned to their owners.

Regards  
Joe Scarfo



# Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS



## Nov

- Thurs 1 Grade 1/2A,C & D - ACMI Excursion
- Fri 2 Grade 5/6 Camp returns 5pm (approx)  
Grade 2 Stay Late Night
- Tue 6 Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
- Wed 7 Prep 2019 Parent Information Night
- Friday 9 House Sports/ Athletics Day: Keilor Park  
Book Fair
- Tue 13 Second hand uniform sale 8:30–9:00  
Ron Conn Visit
- Thurs 15 Prep Transition Day #1  
Grade 1/2B & E - ACMI Excursion
- Tue 20 School Council Meeting  
Second hand uniform sale 8:30 –9:00
- Thurs 22 Prep 2019 Transition Day #2
- Mon 19– 30 Swimming Program (M.A.C.) 10 Day Program
- Friday 30 Disco—Fundraising Event

## Dec

- Thus 6 Christmas Carols
- Tues 11 2019 Transition—Year 6 to Secondary Colleges  
2019 Transition—Year 1 to 6 to APS
- Wed 12 Parent Thank You—Morning Tea
- Thurs 13 Music Concert—BER
- Wed 19 Year 6 Excursion / AMF Bowling  
Graduation Evening—St Bernards,

## Pupils of the week on Friday 26/10

- Prep A—Sahasta V
- Prep B—Poppy E
- Prep C—Vienne T
- Prep D—Henry S
- 1/2A—Danny T
- 1/2B—Lilie S
- 1/2C—James V
- 1/2D—Luki S
- 1/2E—Jessica N
- 3/4B—Jamie K
- 3/4D—Peta L
- 4/5A—Bronte D
- 5/6A—Lachlan P
- 5/6B—Eva Marie C
- 5/6C—Isabell N

Italian—Jasmyyn G



## Book Review—*Treasured and Tried*

### *Everything I've never said* by Samantha Wheeler



This is a powerful novel that gently explores disability in young people and how it effects their families. Ava has Rett Syndrome and even though she cannot communicate she hears, sees and understands what's happening around her. We see her frustration and that of her family with their day to day life. When tragedy strikes the family they must work together like never before. Written with great insight and empathy to the family's struggles and challenges. Recommended for children 10 plus. By Liz Oruba

### Want to try tennis?

Free introduction lesson at Essendon Tennis Club.  
Kids and Adult sessions available.  
Contact Ashleigh on 0422 240 269 or email  
ashleigh@vidatennis.com.au to organise your free lesson time.

### 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.*

**Canteen volunteers needed for Thursdays during Term 4. Can you please help?**

### School Office Hours

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

Every Thursday is Student Banking day, don't forget to bring along your bank book to deposit to your account.



### UPDATING YOUR DETAILS

Please ensure that you have all contact numbers for yourself and emergency contacts up to date. There are times when we may need to contact you urgently - ie: if your child is injured or unwell at school.

Should you have a new home address or workplace please notify us on these details too.

If you are unsure if the numbers are all correct please call at the office and ask us to check these details.

Thank-you  
Ros and Sue