

Ardross Primary

An Independent Public School

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Wednesday 4 May

Kindy & Pre Primary -Josie Boyle Applecross Senior High School - Open Day

Friday 6 May

Interschool v Kardinya (Home)

Monday 9 May

NAPLAN Week Rooms 4 & 6 - Scitech Room 20 - Constitution Centre Incursion

Tuesday 10 May

NAPLAN - Language Conventions & Writing

Wednesday 11 May

NAPLAN - Reading Mapping - Ardross

Thursday 12 May

NAPLAN - Numeracy

Friday 13 May

Interschool v Palmyra (Away) P&C Quiz Night

Monday 16 May Year 6 Camp

Tuesday 17 May Assembly - Room 2

Principal's Message

Greetings to staff, students, parents and community members, welcome to the first edition of the newsletter for Term 2.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL SUCCESS

On the last Tuesday of term, the Interschool Swimming Team travelled to Challenge Stadium to compete in the "B" Division Swimming Carnival against Booragoon, Palmyra, Bicton, East Fremantle and Bateman. Since the school swimming carnival the Interschool Team has been training two times a week using the Applecross Senior High School pool. Over the last few years our swimming team has gradually improved through this extra training. This year the team put in another wonderful performance and came 2nd behind Bicton, CONGRATULATIONS to all swimming team members on your outstanding performance and sportsmanship. Also CONGRATULATIONS to our individual winners. I look forward to our swim team working hard again next year. Thank you also to Miss Davies and staff for their efforts in training the students.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS 1st **Bicton** 243 4th Booragoon

96.5 2nd **Ardross** 179.5 Palmyra 71 3rd East Fremantle Bateman 47 117

NAPLAN 2016

The NAPLAN materials have all arrived and are being securely stored ready for the testing program to commence next week. All parents with students in Years 3 and 5 would have received an information brochure outlining the NAPLAN program. Language Conventions and Writing will be tested on Tuesday, 10 May, Reading on Wednesday, 11 May and Numeracy on Thursday, 12 May. A catch up testing day is timetabled for Friday, 13 May should any students miss a test on these days. The NAPLAN testing program is an important part of our school year and provides us with a validation of our students' outstanding academic achievements. I ask that parents ensure that students arrive at school on time throughout this week and are well prepared for these tests. Should there be any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact either Mr Parker, Mr Holmes or your child's classroom teacher.

ANZAC SERVICE

Although it does seem a while back, I would like to acknowledge the outstanding ANZAC Remembrance Service we held on the last day of term. Mrs Bishop coordinated a very smooth service that helped us reflect on the meaning of ANZAC Day. The choir also performed to a very high standard and all students were extremely well mannered and respectful of the occasion. I know that many community members attended services on ANZAC Day to pay their respects to honour those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we can live as we do today in the Ardross School Community.

ANNUAL REPORT 2015

The Ardross Primary Annual Report for 2015 has been completed and provided to the School Board for ratification at the next meeting, Wednesday, 18 May. All going well the report will be made available on the school website and Schools Online shortly after this date. I would like to thank the Board members for their contribution in reviewing and ratifying the report.

YOGAZOO

This term students in Years one to six will participate in a 'Yoga and Mindfulness' program, called Yogazoo, as part of our Health and Wellbeing plan for 2016. We were fortunate enough to receive a Healthway grant for this program to subsidise the cost. The program will run for 8 weeks and each class will participate in a 50 minute session once a week. Each Yoga session will be run by a qualified Yoga instructor and all students will be given a yoga mat for the session.

The benefits of yoga have long been studied but only recently have been introduced to assist in a school setting. Some of the benefits of yoga and mindfulness to support the education of the whole child, thus maximizing the learning process include:

- providing students healthy ways to express and balance their emotions;
- promoting a more relaxed, comfortable state of being the perfect state for teaching and learnina:
- encouraging community engagement and connectedness within the classroom;
- helping to create an atmosphere of confidence, enthusiasm and non-competitiveness where everyone can succeed;
- easing anxiety and tension (such as pre-test or performance jitters);

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- enhancing focus, concentration, comprehension and memory;
- supporting social and emotional learning;
- improving posture, assisting students to sit comfortably for long periods;
- enhancing motor skills and balance;
- improving mind/body awareness and connection;
- improving confidence and self-esteem;
- creating a calm, harmonious and HAPPY classroom.

Thank you to Mrs Ellery and the Health and Well Being team for coordinating this wonderful program.

P&C TRIVIA NIGHT

Put your i-phones away and let's go back to some old-fashioned grey matter! On Friday, 13 May we're all looking forward to the P&C Trivia Night at Tompkins on Swan. Polish up on your general knowledge as teachers and parents go head to head with the teachers attempting to go back to back this year!! Make sure you come along. There are some amazing prizes, including a space in the school carpark for a year and a chance for your child to be Principal For a Day and work alongside me! Thanks to our wonderful P&C for all their hard work, especially Samantha Hickman and Rebekah Hannaford. It promises to be the social event of the school year!

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS

Interschool Sport begins this Friday with the students representing the school in Netball, AFL Football and Football (Soccer). If you can get along and cheer for our teams, please do. This week Ardross will play Kardinya with games commencing at 1.30pm. Good luck to all of our teams.

GET WELL SOON

Unfortunately our school gardener, Mr Felstead has not been well over the last couple of weeks, and presently may be off work for an extended period. Mr Felstead does an amazing job as our gardener and we hope that he gets well soon. In the meantime, Mr Ivers will be picking up some of Mr Felstead's general duties to ensure that our school continues to look amazing – thanks Bruce.

MRS STOCKMAN'S RETIREMENT

As you are aware, the staff celebrated Mrs Stockman's retirement at the end of last term. We were very fortunate to be able to appoint another experienced Business Manager to the position, Mrs Denise Moore. Denise comes to us from Port Hedland, and I am sure that the school community will learn more about her when she arrives. Due to the huge change required to move down to Perth and the need to appoint a new Business manager to Port Hedland, Denise will commence on Monday, 16 May, the beginning of Week 4. Mrs Stockman will officially retire on Friday, 13 May after 15 years at Ardross!! I am sure that the school community wishes Mrs Stockman all the best in her retirement and will welcome Mrs Moore.

As usual, it promises to be another busy term. Already several classes have visited SciTech, senior students have commenced training for Interschool Football, Soccer and Netball, NAPLAN is around the corner and staff and students continue to be involved in outstanding learning and teaching opportunities. Should you have any issues or concerns throughout the term, please don't hesitate to contact your classroom teacher or make an appointment to see administration. I look forward to another rewarding term.

Andrew Holmes Principal

P&C NEWS

P&C Trivia Night - Friday, 13 May 2016 at 7.00pm

Tickets are still available – call Samantha Hickman 0433 382 208 to get your tickets. \$20 each which includes 3 Crust pizzas delivered to your table on the night. Over 250 prizes will be won on the night. Cash bar at members' prices. Bring cash for fun games as there is no ATM.

Trivia Night Prizes include (thankyou to all our sponsors):

- 1st, 2nd, 3rd & last place tables all win prizes with a total value over \$2,000.
- 200 Lucky Envelopes on offer every envelope a winner.
- Silent Auction too many items to mention see attached flyer.
- Live Auction see attached flyer.
- **Diamond Tennis Bracelet** half carat total weight F-G colour stones. 14 pieces.18 carat white Gold. RRP \$3,750AUD reserve price. Thanks to OQ Diamonds.
- Daniel Hechter Mens Suit Thanks to "Daniel Hecter" to the value of \$899, Superfine 100 pure Australian wool including personalised tailoring. Colours to choose from are black, navy or charcoal.
- Electric Guitar Thanks to "Mega Music". Squier Bullet Strat by Fender with case.
- Property Settlement thanks to Settlewise. Selling or buying a home you will need Settlewise.
- Your child could be a "Principal for the Day"
- Parent Car Parking space in Staff Carpark

Graphic Designer Needed

If you know a graphic designer who can lend some time to assist with the Year 6 Yearbook please call Rebekah Hannaford on 0407 612 812.

Canteen

The Canteen is now open Wednesday, Thursday & Friday each week. Please see the school website for the Winter Menu. Also a special thanks to Richard Diver from 'Ignia' who donated a laptop to the canteen. We are now one step closer to online ordering.

Samantha Hickman P&C President

OSHCLUB NEWS

There are a number of children with health and allergy requirements at the program. We ask all parents/guardians to please make sure updated action plans are given to me. If your child requires an Epipen, please make sure the Epipen is stored at the program with us. If you would like a copy of Anaphylaxis Policy please feel free to ask me.

Val Maiorana Program Coordinator



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 4 May	Sahara <mark>Bhetwel</mark>	9-1.00pm
Thu 5 May	HELP NEEDED	9-1.00pm
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Fri 6 May	Mel Smith	9-1.00pm
	Eleanor Cl <mark>easby</mark>	9-1.00pm
	Dessy Nugr <mark>ahanto</mark>	9-11.15am
	HELP NEEDED	11.15-1.15pm
Wed 11 May	Sahara Bhetwel	9-1.00pm
Thu 12 May	HELP NEEDED	9-1.00pm
	HELP NEEDED	9-1.00pm
Fri 13 May	Mel Smith	9-1.00pm
	Eleanor Cleasby	9-1.00pm
	HELP NEEDED	9-11.15am
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UNIFORM SHOP

12 May 2016 9.00 - 9.30am 26 May 2016 9.00 - 9.30am

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

All winter uniform orders except for the long sleeve polos have been supplied to students. Our uniform supplier has informed us that our order of long sleeve polos has been delayed. We expect to receive them in a couple of weeks. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Alison & Kim

2016 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

The new Entertainment Book is coming to Ardross Primary School next week! This book gives you access to thousands of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for Perth's best restaurants, cafés, attractions and more. Order forms have been sent home, and can be safely placed in the secure mail box in the front office. Books (both hard copy and digital: can also be ordered online at the following link: https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/833r95. A sample book is now on display in the front office. For any enquiries contact Tracy Thillainath on 0438 364 236.



WATERWISE TIP - SPECIALISTS

As climate change continues to affect the amount of rainfall we receive, we can no longer rely on rainfall to charge our dams and ground water storage. This is why the Water Corporation is developing water sources, like desalination, that will not rely on rainfall in the future. As a community, we too are doing our best to teach our children to conserve our most precious resource.

You can do your bit by using a Water Corporation endorsed Water Specialist wherever possible. Our Waterwise Specialists have been trained in the latest water saving techniques and can help you save water and money. Call 131039 or visit www.watercorporation.com.au to find a Waterwise Specialist.

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