Principal’s Message

Greetings to staff, students, parents and community members, welcome to the last edition of the newsletter for Term 1. It has been another outstanding term of learning opportunities with so many in class and out of class activities happening around the school. I am super impressed by the continued excellence in behaviour and academic performance of our students together with the commitment and professionalism of the staff. Tomorrow we will be celebrating with a pizza lunch, supported by Crust Pizza in Applecross. More information about this activity further in the newsletter.

COMMENCEMENT - TERM 2

Parents and community members are reminded that the start of Term 2 for students is on WEDNESDAY, 27 APRIL. STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND ON MONDAY (ANZAC DAY) OR TUESDAY. On Tuesday, 26 April staff from our local schools - Applecross, Brentwood, Mt Pleasant and Booragoon will be participating in a network day around the Western Australian Curriculum. Specialist teaching staff will be working with the same schools and Applecross Senior High School staff in their areas of physical education, Japanese, Art and Music.

APPLECROSS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Over the last four years we have watched the transformation of Applecross Senior High School. It has been an amazing effort with their building program being undertaken while still continuing with an academic program of excellence! The building program has now been completed, and the traffic issues have started to improve, as builders are not taking up the bays on Links or Ardessie Street! Applecross Senior High School will be holding an Open Afternoon on Wednesday, 4 May from 3.00pm – 4.30pm. This is a great opportunity for community members to see the completed project and get a feel for the school. Currently around 75% of our students go on to Applecross Senior High School.

CYGNET STRINGS STUDENT ENSEMBLE

Each year students from several local primary schools get to try out for the Cygnet Strings Student Ensemble, which combines with students from the high school. This year I would like to congratulate Ryan Ewington who has been selected to play the violin and Sofie Simpson who has been successful in being selected to play the cello. Tomorrow the high school will be bringing their concert band to perform for the school in the undercover area. We look forward to this performance.

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Good luck to Miss Davies and the interschool swimming team who compete at Challenge Stadium today in the annual interschool swimming carnival. Over the last two weeks they have been training well at the Applecross Senior High School pool. Thanks AXSHS for allowing us to use your pool!

ANZAC SERVICE

Just a reminder that we will holding our ANZAC DAY commemorative service on the quadrangle from 2.30pm this Friday. The service is a solemn affair with no clapping or hats to be worn. ANZAC Day falls on 25 April, which is just over two weeks away, however we would like to commemorate before the holidays. Our service will be concluded by 3.10pm. There will be no hat throwing to conclude the term.

PREF PRIMARY TO YEAR 2 SWIMMING LESSONS

Congratulations also to the Pre Primary to Year 2 students who have been attending swimming lessons over the last two weeks. I am always amazed to see the maturity and behaviour of our early childhood students during swimming lessons. It is a big task to get ready for swimming, hop on the bus, participate in the lessons and return to school and get changed again! I have been most impressed how all students have handled this change to their routine!! Well done.

PIZZA REWARD

Tomorrow we will be providing 100 pizzas to students from Pre Primary to Year 6. I would like to acknowledge Crust Pizza Applecross who have provided these pizzas at an exceptionally low price! The pizza reward is to acknowledge and celebrate the recent recognition from ACARA which I communicated in a newsletter several weeks ago, for being a continually high performing school over the last three years. There will be 3 types of pizzas, with a gluten free option. Should your child not be able to eat pizza, please provide their lunch.
**STAFF CHANGES TERM 2**

There will be minimal staff changes to Term 2, however I would like to advise the school community that Mrs Jade Davies, who has been working in our early childhood is moving to London at the end of this month. Mrs Davies has been teaching with us since 2015 and was doing an amazing job in both the kindergarten and pre primary rooms. We wish Mrs Davies all the best with the big move!

Mrs Stockman our Manager of Corporate Services will retire at the end of this term. Mrs Stockman has been the “Registrar” (now retitled ‘Manager Corporate Services’ by the Department this year) at Ardross for the past 15 years and employed by the Department for 21 Years! This will leave a huge position to fill, as Mrs Stockman has been an integral part of the staff over a long period of time completing an amazing job. Due to issues with the current Government freeze and the appeals process I am not in a position to formally announce her replacement but will do at my first opportunity. Due to the timing of this position, Mrs Stockman will be continuing in a casual basis for the first 4 weeks of next term. Even though Mrs Stockman will not be leaving straight away, we wish her all the best for the next phase of her life!

Have a refreshing and safe holiday.

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**P&C NEWS**

**Trivia Night** - Friday, 13 May @ 7.00pm

These are the hottest tickets in town, so don’t delay. Many tables already sold out. See your Class Representative to secure your ticket as this amazing fun night will sell out. If you would like to support the school and donate in any way to the night, goods or vouchers, please call Rebekah Hannaford on 0407 612 812.

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**OSHCLUB NEWS**

It’s hard to believe we are coming to the end of Term 1 for 2016.

Our OSHClub Holiday Programs are now online, so be sure to check them out, as we have many programs running over the holidays. I will be at the ‘West Leeming’ program these coming holidays and would love to see our children there for lots of fun activities, excursions and incursions.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

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**HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS**

At this week’s assembly the winners were:

- Room 20: Milly Lupi, Regan Somerville.
- Room 19: Ryan Ewington, Kaylee Fong, Addie Foster.
- Room 16: Trent Brown, Murray Somerville.
- Room 13: Seraphina Ong, Lochlainn Richards.
- Room 11/12: Insung Moon, Heidi Palmer.
- Room 10: Filip Jukanovic, Kelly Palmer.
- Room 9: Yoona Kim, Ovita Wibowo.
- Room 8: Joseph Dias, Jasmine Soh.
- Room 7: Kieran Ho, Phoebe Hudson, Marcus Motton.
- Room 6: Greece Benjamin, Lucia Van Rensburg.
- Room 5: Marvellous Adigun, Caden Hart, Anson Rez, Nathanael Suryana.
- Room 3: Emily Chan, Evelyn Stenton.
- Room 2: Tayha Cole, Jarrod Fong, Erin Park.
- Music: Ryan Ewington, Sofie Simpson.
BUDDY BENCH

Recently, Room 4 students were involved in building and painting a new bench for our playground. This will be known as the Buddy Bench and will give children an opportunity to make a new friend if they are feeling lonely or excluded. Please talk to your children about the rules for the Buddy Bench and encourage them to use the bench if they ever need to.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Bunnings Melville for providing all of the materials for this initiative and for assisting us to build the bench. It will be a great asset to our playground and one we can use for many years to come.

Denelle Ellery
LOST PROPERTY
The lost property basket is located by the door to the front office. As Term 1 draws to a close, the basket is brimming with items of clothing, towels and water bottles. Please stop by and have a look… you may be surprised at what you find!

ANAPHYLAXIS
There are several students in our school who have severe allergies to nuts. Please be mindful when packing school lunches that we are a ‘nut aware’ school. Some food items to be cautious of include muesli bars, store bought cakes and Kinder products eg: Kinder Surprise eggs which contain hazelnuts. Please also remind your child to never share food with other students. Thankyou for your support to keep our school safe for everyone.

Denelle Ellery
Health Committee

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CONGRATULATIONS
Lucas Ho (Room 19) competed at the Karate State Championships and emerged State Champion for the 10 to 11 year old Kata (pattern). Congratulations Lucas!

2016 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK
The new Entertainment Book is coming to Ardross Primary School. The Entertainment™ 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 will be coming home with your children today, and can be safely placed in the secure mail box in the front office, or ordered online.

A sample book will be on display in the front office at the start of next term. For any enquiries please contact Tracy Thillainath on 0438 364 236.

VIOLIN FOR SALE
Gliga violin 3/4 outfit, case plus shoulder. Excellent condition - valued at $600. Wanting $350 negotiable. Contact me via 0433 192 364 or my email eva.yellow@hotmail.com.

WEEBIX KIDS TRYATHLON
The greatest challenge facing our kids today are obesity and mental health issues. Each year the research we do with parents confirms that around 91% of all kids’ self esteem is improved as a result of participating in a Kids TRY event. If 15 or more students from the school register as part of a Group for any event, the school could win a $5,000 cash grant to put towards a healthy initiative. Refer to the brochure that has been sent home with students.

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WATERWISE TIP - TAKING SHOWER
Long, hot showers not only waste water but heaps of energy too. Showers account for 36% of all water used inside the home, so an easy way to save is to keep your showers short. A 10 minute shower each day in a conventional 12 litres a minute shower uses approximately 43,000 litres of water each year. A 7 minute shower would use approximately 30,000 litres of water a year, a saving of approximately 13,000 litres a year. If you swap to a water efficient 3 ‘Star’ 9 litre a minute shower, the saving would increase to approximately 20,000 litres a year.
Ardross Primary School would like to thank all of the sponsors listed here for their support of the school. We encourage all parents to use their services where feasible.

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