



# Ardross Primary

An Independent Public School



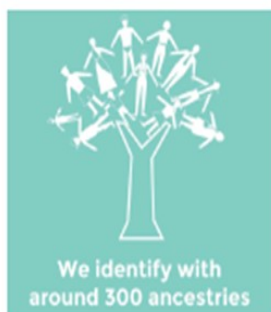
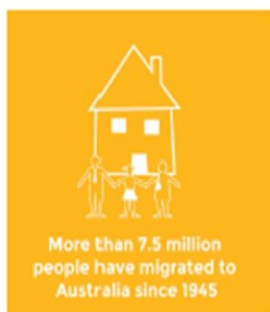
## Principal's Message

MOTIVATE - EDUCATE - CELEBRATE



Welcome to our school newsletter. This space is an opportunity to share and celebrate the wonderful things that happen on a daily basis at Ardross Primary School.

We are very excited about our new school logo. The timeline for the implementation of the logo is two years. We anticipate to be selling uniforms with the new logo from the beginning of 2020. I am very conscious that many of you have purchased school uniforms, with the previous logo and, intend these to last for many years. At no point will the previous logo not represent Ardross Primary School. For a period of time Ardross PS will be represented by both logos.



## HARMONY DAY - EVERYONE BELONGS

We will celebrate Harmony Day on Tuesday, 26 March. It's a day to celebrate our cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Australia is a vibrant and multicultural country — from the oldest continuous culture of our first Australians to the cultures of our newest arrivals from around the world.

Our cultural diversity is one of our greatest strengths and is at the heart of who we are. It makes Australia a great place to live. An integrated multicultural Australia is an integral part of our national identity. All people who migrate to Australia bring with them some of their own cultural and religious traditions, as well as taking on many new traditions. Collectively, these traditions have enriched our nation.

Did you know?

- ♦ Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Week. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.
- ♦ Nearly half (49 per cent) of Australians were born overseas or have at least one parent who was.
- ♦ We identify with over 300 ancestries.
- ♦ Since 1945, more than 7.5 million people have migrated to Australia.
- ♦ 85 per cent of Australians agree multiculturalism has been good for Australia.
- ♦ Apart from English, the most common languages spoken in Australia are Mandarin, Arabic, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Italian, Greek, Tagalog/Filipino, Hindi, Spanish and Punjabi.
- ♦ More than 70 Indigenous languages are spoken in Australia.

## LONG SERVICE LEAVE

I will be on long service leave from Monday, 8 April and returning on Monday, 6 May. Mr Marshall will be Principal for this period. Mr Mirabella will remain as Deputy Principal with other staff members taking on leadership roles.

**Sue Mikkelsen-Taylor**  
Principal



**Newsletter**  
**26 March 2019**  
**Issue 4**

**Wednesday 27 March**  
School Photos  
Year 6 Leadership Day  
Board Meeting - 7.15pm

**Thursday 28 March**  
Uniform Shop Open

**Friday 29 March**  
Year 4 Zoo Camp

**Tuesday 2 April**  
Faction Swimming Carnival

**Wednesday 3 April**  
School Photos

**Friday 5 April**  
Modcrosse Cricket Carnival  
Fathering Project Camp Out

**Monday 8 April**  
P&C Meeting - 7.15pm

**Tuesday 9 April**  
Interschool Swimming

**Wednesday 10 April**  
Year 6 - Angela Rossen

**Thursday 11 April**  
Uniform Shop Open  
ANZAC Service

**Friday 12 April**  
Last Day of Term 1

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**Monday 29 April**  
First Day of Term 2  
Swimming - Pre Primary to Year 2 commences

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## HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS



At the assembly held today the winners were:

<b>Room 20</b>	Sophia C, Julian K, Amanda K.	<b>Room 8</b>	Alexander B, Mya C, Bella S.
<b>Room 19</b>	Bardia B, Mira K, Ella M, Rory T.	<b>Room 7</b>	Aaron M, Kaan O.
<b>Room 16</b>	Noah A, Georgia V.	<b>Room 6</b>	Adam K, Peiling L.
<b>Room 15</b>	David C, Alana M, Elijah P, Ariella R.	<b>Room 5</b>	Chloe K, Insung M, Chloe K.
<b>Room 13</b>	Mya F, Joey V.	<b>Room 4</b>	Tom C, Tate J, Chloe M, Estelle S.
<b>Room 10</b>	Zachary C, Ava C, Toby C, Noah S.	<b>Room 3</b>	Holly B, Eu Jin C, Sehun P.
<b>Room 9</b>	Roger Cao, Tanya K.	<b>Japanese</b>	Henry B, Kenneth .

## BOARD UPDATE

Most of you know we have a board at Ardross Primary, but you probably don't know what it is doing at the moment. So we've introduced this short update for you in the newsletter to keep you informed of what the Board is considering or progressing.

At tomorrow's meeting the Board – among other things – will be considering the revised Sponsorship Policy for the school. There are some limits imposed by regulation and the Education Department around school sponsorships. Within those limits however, the school still has substantial discretion as to what sponsorship it will accept. It is quite a tricky exercise to decide what will be accepted as a promotional exercise. You need to balance the potential support for the school, parents or children against the administrative cost, reputational concerns and the inability to oversee or control the delivery of promoted goods or services. It is currently proposed that in this newsletter we will promote sporting, cultural, artistic or community events that will engage the students and or parents in community activities or endeavours - at no charge. However, we need to make it clear to readers that those services are not endorsed, vetted or supervised by the school – we simply are not equipped to do the necessary checks to provide any form of endorsement.

We're also looking at the 2018 Naplan results and the implications of those results for our teachers and students.

These are just some examples of issues that we consider. It is vital though that the Board members get feedback from other parents – so feel free to discuss any thoughts you have to share with the Principal, me (0406 893 955) or other fellow Board members.

**Geoff Cooper**  
**Chair – Ardross Primary School Board**



## COUNTDOWN TO CARNIVALS!

With only three weeks left in Term 1, we still have three carnivals! Next Tuesday, 2 April is our Annual Faction Swimming Carnival. Please have your Year 4 to 6 students to school by 8:10am so we can be on the bus at 8:25am and start our carnival promptly at 9.00am. All children in those age levels are expected to attend whether they are swimming in races, novelty events, or cheering their faction to victory! Please come to school with your faction T-shirt, hat and water bottles. We are still looking for several volunteers to help facilitate the carnival. If you are able to help out with timing, please contact Miss Brown this week! The Carnival will start at 9.00am going straight through until 12.00pm. Here is the schedule of events:

1. 50 metre Freestyle	6. Noodle Relay
2. Kickboard Relays	7. 25 metre Breaststroke
3. Freestyle Relays	8. 50 metre Breaststroke
4. 25 metre Freestyle	9. Open Butterfly Race
5. 50 metre Backstroke	10. Grand Relay

The Awards will be presented at a whole school assembly starting at 2:10pm in the undercover area. Awards presented will include: Champion Boys and Girls, Runner Up Boys and Girls, and the Faction trophy. The interschool team will also be announced at the end of assembly and those students will be provided information for the following week.

Please note that we will not have before school swim practice tomorrow as it is school photo day. The final day for practice before the carnival will be Friday, 29 March from 7:40 to 8:20am at Applecross SHS.

On Friday of Week 9, the Year 5 and 6 students will participate in a Modcrosse and Cricket Carnival. This year we have reached full participation in sending three Modcrosse teams and four cricket teams to this interschool event. If you would like to come down and watch, the students will be playing round robin fixtures at Tompkins Park from 9:30am until 2:30pm. The students participating in this carnival will need to bring their hat, water bottles, and food for the day.

Looking forward to seeing our whole community at these different carnivals.

**Hannah Brown**  
**PhysEd Specialist Teacher**

## P&C NEWS

### NEW SOCIAL MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS PAGE

The Ardross Primary School P&C are thrilled to announce the addition of a new social media page to keep our school community informed of news and events.

The Facebook page will communicate news, information and issues to its members and the public. We will also use the page to organise and promote school community and P&C events. We look forward to the page developing into a space where discussion topics, raising questions and research within our school community can be shared.

All users of a social media account representing a P&C association must adhere to the following code of conduct:

- ◆ Comments, post and responses to the page must be related to the P&C, the school community or in reply to a post left by the administrator on behalf of the P&C;
- ◆ Discussion must remain professional and personal topics are not to be discussed;
- ◆ As Facebook pages are public spaces, comments relating personally to any individual or group are not to be discussed;
- ◆ Defamatory or derogatory comments are not permitted;
- ◆ Swearing, obscene and abusive language is not permitted;
- ◆ NO identifying information or photographs of students or school staff will be/can be uploaded to the account without explicit prior permission;
- ◆ All advertisements posted on the page should be in relation to the P&C.

This Facebook page is not replacing any of the other forms of communication we already use, you will continue to receive all school communications and updates from your Class Parent Reps.

To find our page, search for **Ardross Primary School P&C** and click like to follow.

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER

Support our fundraising efforts by pre-ordering your 2019 / 2020 Entertainment Membership through Ardross Primary School. For every book sold through us, Ardross Primary School P&C will receive \$14.00, so please encourage everyone you know to purchase through us.

### HARMONY DAY HONEY JOYS

Thank you to everyone who purchased a honey joy to celebrate Harmony Day at Ardross Primary School. The P&C raised a fabulous \$150.

### WINTER UNIFORM ORDERS

The winter uniform order form was sent home with your child last week. Please place your completed order form with payment in the letter box in the office by **Friday, 29 March**. The Uniform Shop carries only limited winter stock and **this is the only winter order placed** this year. Please have cheques made payable to Ardross Primary School P & C. If paying by EFTPOS, please fill in your card details on the order form. Delivery of orders should be within the first few weeks of Term 2.

**Charlotte Oliver**  
P&C President



### HELP!

We desperately need some more sand play equipment so when you are cleaning out your kitchen cupboards please think of us before throwing out any plastic bowls, cups and spoons or any pots and pans. Toys such as buckets, spades and sand moulds are also very welcome. Donations can be left at Room 9. Many thanks.

**Miss Cooper**



### LOOKING FOR LEGO!

The Library is still looking for any Lego donations to grow our current collection to assist our new Lego Club initiative for our Year 2 to 4 students. Lego Club runs every Wednesday lunchtime in the library. Complete or incomplete sets would be appreciated - please see Mrs Jones in the Library if you have any Lego you would be happy to donate.



### ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Calling all Parents, Grandparents and community members. We invite you to attend our ANZAC Day ceremony details of which are:

**Date:** Thursday, 11 April 2019

**Time:** 9.30am

**Location:** Ardross Primary School Quadrangle.

### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

#### SORRY!

#### PART 1 - THE LANGUAGE OF APOLOGY

Helping children to know when to apologise and how to apologise might be a little trickier than we first thought. It seems that the word 'sorry' translates slightly differently for everyone who says or hears it. In fact, when I help children resolve a conflict that's happened between them at school, we often talk about what 'sorry' means – is it a solution? Or an admission of wrong doing? Or a commitment to working things out together? Or a 'line in the sand' that tells us that what happened is already behind us?

It turns out that it probably means all of these in general, but usually only one or two to us individually. Gary Chapman and Jennifer Thomas (The Five Languages of Apology) have looked at what we are trying to say when we apologise and have distilled the language down to five categories of apology. Now, I hasten to add that it's simply a guide and not a script-book, because every child and every family is wonderfully unique ... but I reckon they have come pretty close to deciphering what we are trying to say.

According to Chapman and Thomas, the five languages of apology are:

- expressing regret at what happened;
- accepting responsibility for what happened;
- making amends for what was done;
- genuinely changing themselves and how they behave;
- requesting forgiveness from the wronged person/people.

**Expressing Regret** – Personal regret is a negative emotional response to a decision or action of our own and it leads us to feel remorseful because someone else was hurt. It says "I did something that I wish I didn't do." It's different to disappointment, mainly because it's about things we have control over – the weather might be disappointing, but it's out of a child's control, whereas lying or saying something hurtful are linked to regret, as both are actions the child can control. Regret also hints at our values - we have fallen short of who we think we really are. Regret is about a choice we made, or didn't make

**How Do We Say It?** "I'm sorry" is the norm, but other phrases might include "I wish I hadn't done that" and "That's not who I am; I'm sorry I did that." Inside, we're saying "You're hurt because of what I did, and I'm sad to see that."

Next column, we'll delve into the other 4 styles of apology. But let this question linger: **what do** you want to hear when you have been wronged? What does it mean? And within your household, who is different, and how can we nurture their own language of apology?

In Harmony.

**Nathan Hoyle**  
Chaplain



#### UNIFORM SHOP 2019

28 March 2019 8.30am - 9.15am

11 April 2019 8.30am - 9.15am

### OSHCLUB NEWS

Enrolling your child in OSHClub is easy and free. All you need to do is complete an enrolment form online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) where you will have the option of booking as either a permanent or casual user. Once your child is enrolled you then have the comfort and reassurance of knowing that your child/children will be cared for in a safe, fun and friendly environment.

**Val Maiorana**  
Program Coordinator





### KAPTURE PHOTOGRAPHY - SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING [27 MARCH & 3 APRIL 2019]

Class group and individual photos will be taken on either Wednesday, 27 March or Wednesday, 3 April details of which can be obtained from your child's classroom teacher the week prior.

Approximately two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a Kapture Photography flyer to bring home. The only method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time.

#### SIBLING ORDERS CAN ONLY BE PLACED ONLINE: LATE REQUESTS CANNOT BE GRANTED

You have the option to order a sibling photo package, however please note **sibling orders will close @ midday sharp on Tuesday, 26 March**. We suggest you place your sibling order as soon as you receive your flyer with your order instructions.

**SIBLING PHOTOS** will take place before school each day, according to the first letter of the family surname or in the case of Kindy and Year 6 students according to their day of attendance as follows:

**Surnames A - M      Wednesday 27 March**

**Surnames N - Z      Wednesday 3 April**

**Please present with your children to the school Library on your designated day by 8.00am sharp.**

You can place an order online for class or individual photographs at any time for the remainder of the current school year however a \$15 fee will apply if you order more than 10 days after photography.

If your child is in a sports or special group photo, you can use the same school code on your flyer to view and order these photos on Kapture's website, around the time that school photos are ready to be delivered. Please note - class group, individual and sibling portraits are not available to view online.

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email [enquiries@kapture.com.au](mailto:enquiries@kapture.com.au).

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo, available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot - please contact the school office.



Keyed Up Music will be running keyboard lessons this year at Ardross Primary School. Prices start at \$17.55 per lesson. To enrol go to [www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form](http://www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form) or for more information please contact Therese 1300 366 243.

## Kids!! Have fun learning to speak Mandarin

**mandarin stars**  
Fun mandarin for kids

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**FUN School Holiday Program at Ardross Primary School!**

**The Mandarin Stars program offers:**

- Specialist Mandarin programs for both native and second language learners of Mandarin.
- An engaging program that will inspire a love for learning Chinese.
- An immersion based program that teaches strong listening and speaking skills in Mandarin.
- Language building activities such as role play, Chinese songs, rhymes and games!
- The teaching of Chinese characters, reading, writing and Pin Yin.
- The discovery of Chinese history, culture, festivals, Calligraphy, Tai Chi and even Kung Fu!

**2nd, 3rd, 4th, 7th & 8th January 2019**  
**9.30am to 11.30am (\$239 per course)**  
**5-day PinYin program for Year 1 to 6**  
**5-day SuperSTARS Mandarin program for K-Y6**

**12.00pm to 2.30pm (\$45 per session)**  
**Immersion-based Mandarin Workshop each day**

To book or to find out more details, please email [rachael@mandarinstars.com.au](mailto:rachael@mandarinstars.com.au)

