



Ardross Primary

An Independent Public School



Principal's Message

MOTIVATE - EDUCATE - CELEBRATE



Ardross Primary School students joined students around the country on 17 May by participating in National Walk Safely to School Day. Students and families were encouraged to walk from home or park further away and fit in a quick brisk walk before the school day. When they arrived at school, they were treated to a healthy morning snack including fruit and yogurt. Year 6 students encouraged everyone to join in dancing to a number of upbeat songs including a range of dance routines.

Ardross Primary School promotes the important message that active kids are healthy kids. The event encourages parents, carers and their children to build regular walking to and from school into their daily routine. Children need a minimum of 60 minutes exercise per day. Encouraging less driving and more walking aims to decrease dangerous vehicle congestion around schools and reduce carbon emissions from idling cars.

While walking to school is encouraged for school children, here are some hints for parents to follow to ensure your children enjoy a safe trip to and from school every day:

- ♦ where possible, walk to school with your children, especially if children are under the age of 10.
- ♦ arrange for another adult or a group of older friends to walk with your children.
- ♦ walk your children along the safest route to school and identify hazards and appropriate crossing locations along the way.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Students will not attend school on Friday, 31 May 2019. Staff members will be engaged in professional learning directly linked to our four pillars as outlined in our School Business Plan 2018-2020.

P&C DEMOCRACY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

On behalf of every child in the school I would again like to thank our wonderful parents, under the guidance of the P&C, who contributed to the 'Sausage Sizzle' on Saturday. Voters were treated to sausages, bacon, eggs in a bun as well as soup and a magnificent range of cakes. The money raised will help to support technology within the school.

Sue Mikkelsen-Taylor
Principal



SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2020

Friday, 26 July 2019 Is an important date in your child's education. You need to apply to enrol your children in a public school for 2020 if they are:

- ♦ starting Kindergarten - 4 years old by 30 June 2020
- ♦ starting Pre Primary (first year of compulsory school) - 5 years old by 30 June 2020
- ♦ starting Year 7 (first year of secondary school)
- ♦ changing schools.

All children from Pre Primary to Year 12 are guaranteed a place at their local public school. Come and see us to enrol your children today. **Apply by Friday, 26 July 2019.** Visit www.ardrossps.wa.edu.au or for more information visit education.wa.edu.au.

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Wednesday 22 May

NAPLAN continues
Year 6 Camp concludes
Kindy - School Nurse
Board Meeting - 7.15pm

Friday 24 May

NAPLAN finishes
Interscholar Sport v Palmyra

Tuesday 28 May

Assembly - Room 3

Thursday 30 May

Uniform Shop Open

Friday 31 May

PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 3 June

WA Day - Public Holiday

Tuesday 4 June

In School Planting
Assembly - Room 6

Wednesday 5 June

In School Planting
Kindy - School Nurse

Thursday 6 June

In School Planting

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FROM THE BOOK CORNER

It's been a busy start to the year in our Library and for our enthusiastic Literacy Captains.

On Wednesday, 8 May Tiana S and Isobel W attended the Scribblers Festival at Scotch College along with Mrs Jones and Mrs Riley. We were privileged to hear from three very informative and renowned authors - Celine Kiernan (Ireland), Christy Burne (WA) and Philip Ardagh (UK). We heard what first inspired them to write their books and what sparks their ongoing creativity. Our Literacy Captains will be presenting at our next assembly on their experience at the Scribblers Festival.

Our Literacy Captains have been busy introducing a 'Staff Book Review' initiative within the school. Three of our lucky staff members were given a book to read over the school holidays as chosen by the Literacy Captains. Our Captains will shortly be undertaking an interview with their chosen staff member and displaying the review in the Library as a way of showcasing some of the wonderful books we have available for students to borrow.

Lego Club is continuing to be a well enjoyed lunchtime activity for our Year 2 to 4 students with approximately 25 students attending each Wednesday. It's been wonderful to see so much creativity each week and the students all working so well together. We are still looking for any Lego donations, so if you are able to help grow our collection, please see Mrs Jones in the Library.

Upon returning from camp, our Year 6's will be participating in a Mystery Book Challenge. Mrs Jones and our Literacy Captains have been busy wrapping approximately 55 books from our senior fiction section in brown paper. Students from Rooms 19 and 20 will be given time to read their mystery book and then asked to present a book review in class.

A reminder that Before School Reading takes place in the Library from 8.30 to 8.50am every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday - all are welcome.

Natalie Jones
Library Officer



PHYS-ED NEWS

What an exciting Cross Country Term we have ahead of us! While the schedule is not yet set for the day, I wanted to send out some preliminary information about the Cross-Country Carnival as well as inform all of our community members the different ways we are training.

First of all, our carnival will be held in Week 8 on Tuesday, 18 June! The distances for the varying year levels are as follows:

- ◆ Years 1 to 2 - 1 ½ laps around our course @ 1km
- ◆ Years 3 to 4 - 2 ½ laps around our course @ 1.7km
- ◆ Years 5 to 6 - 2 ½ laps around our course/ an extra lap around the oval @ 2km.

The students have already begun their training in a variety of ways. Every Monday and Tuesday, Years 1 to 6 come out and practise the whole course from 9:00-9:15am with their class teachers. This gives them a chance to practise on the different surfaces and to get used to the course.

During Physical Education time, each class is working on endurance and pacing during timed running and focusing on their form. We are also talking about the mental side of Cross Country and sharing various strategies to help each student find success.

If you drop your students off before 8:30am, you may have seen the start of our morning fitness. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday - students that arrive early drop their backpacks off at class and walk/run laps of the oval between 8:00am and 8:30am. We invite the community to join us in this morning fitness. The students love when their parents walk or race them around the oval!

Starting in Week 5, there will be a final opportunity for students to focus on specific running skills by working on their form. **Let's Run Perth** is a running club open for Years 1 to 6 that is hosting training on our oval from 7:45-8:30am on Wednesday mornings! If you would like more information on that, email info@letsrunperth.com. They have advertised in our newsletter this week.

Looking forward to seeing all of the improvement throughout the term. If you have any questions regarding Cross Country, please don't hesitate to approach me. Thank you for your continued support.

Hannah Brown
PhysEd Specialist Teacher

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY & P&C DEMOCRACY SAUSAGE SIZZLE



ZERO WASTE LUNCHES

During Term 1 the Year 1, 2 and 3 students did a zero waste challenge as part of our school sustainability program. The aim of the zero waste lunches is to reduce the waste going into landfill. The students conducted waste audits of their lunches on a regular day and then on their zero waste challenge day. The results were made into tables and graphs and classroom teachers followed up with projects. The results showed the largest totals of waste were with plastic packaging. Plastic items included such things as yoghurt squeeze pouches, chip and biscuit packets, alfoil and glad wrap. The students were overwhelmingly supportive and very proud of their zero waste lunches.

We thank the parents of the classes involved for their great support. In Term 2 we will challenge the Year 4 to 6 students with the overall aim to introduce zero waste Tuesdays across the whole school in Semester 2.



LUNCH POUCHES

Another sustainability initiative we would like to introduce at Ardross Primary School is the use of reusable lunch pouches. We invite students to purchase a lunch pouch to order their lunches from Sensations Café.

The pouches are very durable and include zipped areas for money and the written order. The use of the pouches will help to reduce the amount of paper used in the lunch order. The Sensations Café are very supportive of the initiative. The pouches are \$8.50 and will be sold by our Year 6 Environmental Councillors before school near the lunch ordering desk, each day of week 5 (27 to 30 May).



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 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

P&C NEWS

P&C TREASURER

Thank you to everyone who spread the word far and wide, encouraged any hesitance in a friend and supported our search for a new P&C Treasurer. I am pleased to introduce Paul Teoh as our new Treasurer for the P&C. Paul is a very welcome addition to the team and we are all excited to get stuck into some fierce fundraising and commitment of funds for the benefit of all the children.

SO MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR ...

The parent volunteer community has been in full force these past two weeks and we couldn't be more grateful.

Mothers Day Stall

The Mothers Day Stall held on Friday, 10 May was a fantastic success and we hope everyone enjoyed their gifts and the few minutes of peace you got while your gift giver enjoyed them too. The children were exceptionally well mannered and polite when visiting the stall and showed some spectacular mental math skills while they were at it.

Thank you in particular to the following parents who gave up their time to make it possible for us to run this stall: Alice Brennan, Anna Belton, Cindy Webster, Cristabel Elliot, Paul Crawshaw, Emma Stoyanov, Simone Palmer, Maria Mota and Justine Penno. A huge thank you also to Bruce Ivers for his generous supply of potting mix that was included in some of the planting gifts.

Democracy Sausage Stall

We would like to express an enormous thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, donated soup or sweet treats, came down to vote/say hi/purchased something, shared our notices and encouraged friends and family to come to our democracy sausage stall. The team effort that went into the day was an outstanding display of the amazing community spirit present at Ardross Primary School. Thank you also to Woolworths Booragoon and Bakers Delight for their generous donations towards our stall. We raised a staggering \$1,458.20 profit. Well done everyone – amazing!

A special thank you Alice Brennan for all that she did in co-ordinating the event and managing the roster.

FUNDRAISING TRIVIA NIGHT

Do you have a business or know someone who does and would like to donate something towards our Trivia Night? We need prizes to fill many different categories and will be so grateful for the support:

- ◆ Table prizes for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners
- ◆ Auction Items
- ◆ Gift Vouchers
- ◆ Raffle Prizes.

Your sponsorship for this fantastic fundraising event will ensure that you receive public thanks throughout the whole school community before, during and after the event, promotion in the schools sponsor booklet on the night and live screen presentation with your company logo throughout the evening. We will feature your company logo on our school website and also specific thanks for the donation and continued promotion in the lead up to our event on this wonderful Facebook page.

Donations can be dropped off to the main office for collection or please contact Charlotte Oliver at ardrosspspandcassoc@outlook.com or by phone on 0404 674 546 at anytime if you would like to discuss this further

WE'RE COLLECTING

In addition to our large fundraising events, we also sign up for many of the fundraisers that give a portion of profits back to schools, please don't forget us when you're purchasing products from the following places:

- ◆ Woolworths: Earn & Learn Stickers
- ◆ The West Australian, The Weekend West and The Sunday Times Newspapers: Classroom Cash Tokens (available from 25 May)
- ◆ Entertainment Book - the 2018/19 book will expire soon. You can purchase your new 2019/20 book through us. See your Class Parent Rep for details or follow the link on our Facebook page

Stay safe and enjoy the long weekend everyone.

Charlotte Oliver
P&C President



UNIFORM SHOP 2019

30 May 2019 8.30am - 9.15am
13 June 2019 8.30am - 9.15am



ARDROSS RUNNING CLUB - CROSS COUNTRY

Let's Run Perth will coach your children on running technique and posture for cross country
Suitable for Years 1 to 6. Payment by bank transfers to Let's Run Perth.

Every Wednesday, 29 May to 3 July 2019 - 6 sessions
7.45am to 8.30am - School oval

Early bird registration fee: \$72 per child (if paid by 29 May 2019)
Late registration fee: \$82 per child (if paid after 30 May 2019)

Registration link:

<https://forms.gle/dYzx6MFu2RUqiYLqA>

Or text "ARDROSS" to: 0402 784 225

For more info, please contact:

Email: info@letsrunperth.com

Phone: 0402 784 225

Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/letsrunperth



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 or for more information please contact Therese 1300 366 243.



Grasshopper Soccer is running programs for Ardross Primary School in Term 2!!

Grasshopper Soccer is Australia's most participated non-competitive soccer program for children aged 2 to 12

Classes start Monday, 6 May 2019

To enroll or for more information go to:
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