

Ardross PS Newsletter 22 September 2020 • Issue 9

Important Dates:

Thursday 24 September

Book Week Parade

Last Day of Term 3

Friday 25 September

Staff Development Day [NO STUDENTS]

Monday 12 October First Day of Term 4

Wednesday 14 October

Years 5 & 6 Dance

Thursday 15 October

Uniform Shop Open

Friday 16 October

Future Problem Solving Nationals [Sat / Sun]

Monday 19 October

Edu Dance P&C Meeting

Tuesday 20 October

Assembly - Room 4

Wednesday 21 October

Years 5 & 6 Dance

Friday 23 October

Lapathon

Monday 26 October

Edu Dance

Wednesday 28 October

Years 5 & 6 Dance

Years 5 & 6 – Cyber Safety

Parents Cyber Information Session

Thursday 29 October

Uniform Shop Open

Friday 30 October

Ride to School Day

Halloween Disco

Monday 2 November

Edu Dance

Tuesday 3 November

Interschool Athletics Carnival

Principal's Message



Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. It is hard to believe we have moved into Spring and are now ready for a holiday and Term 4. It certainly has been a busy Term 3 with children performing at assemblies, Athletics Carnival, nominated Year 6 leaders having pizza lunch with me, planting and bush walks, the Reporting to Parents afternoon, P&C and School Board meetings, all to name a few.

Thank you for your outstanding support of your child's education and of Ardross Primary School. The Reporting to Parents afternoon was very successful as well as the attendance and conversations at the P&C and School Board meetings. When speaking to children it is uplifting to share their insight into learning and how much they enjoy being at school.

Health and Well-being - Community Café - 14 October 2020

Student and staff mental health and emotional wellbeing is a focus area of the Department of Education and also at Ardross Primary School.

I would like to invite you to attend our next Community Café on Mental Health and Well-being. This will be held on 14 October, 2020 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Library. The Ardross Primary School 'Mental Health & Well-being Committee' will be there to share the following:

- Why Mental Health & Well-being is important at Ardross PS
- Programs and training being implemented at Ardross PS

- ➤ The Ardross PS Mental Health & Well-being Policy
- > The Ardross PS Mental Health & Well-being contact list for parents
- > The Ardross Primary School Mental Health & Well-being Committee consist of;
 - Kellie Foote, Sue Mikkelsen-Taylor, Cathy Riley, Nathan Hoyle, Jackie Loney, Isabel Mangion-Campbell and Jeanette Edward.

Please advise Tania or Gabby at reception if you're able to attend this event on 9364 2771. We look forward to seeing you there.

Personal Items to School

I understand that children love to bring along their treasured items to share at school. This can cause heartbreak for students when and if they are damaged, lost or traded. At the moment Ooshies are very popular. Please remind your children that these are not to be brought into school unless for an educational purpose such as news telling.

Magpies

It's magpie season. I have been notified of some magpies protecting their nest on the corner of Drew and Links Road. I have asked teachers to speak with the children about the behaviour of both magpies and themselves.

Please take extra care when visiting our parks and reserves during Magpie nesting season from August - November. Magpies swoop to protect their offspring during this time and can become aggressive if provoked.

Magpies are a protected native bird and it is illegal to harm them or remove nests without permits. The following tips will help you stay safe and reduce the impact of a swooping magpie:

- ➤ Look out for any caution signage placed in our parks and reserves, stay clear of nesting sites and plan alternative routes
- > Do not provoke magpies as they swoop to protect their young
- > Travel in groups if possible as the birds often target individuals
- > Wear sunglasses, a wide brimmed hat or carry an umbrella
- > If you are riding a bike, dismount and walk through nesting magpie territory.

More information can be found at the Melville Shire link below;

https://www.melvillecity.com.au/waste-and-environment/environmental-conservation-and-management/wildlife



Sue Mikkelsen-Taylor Principal



Ardross Primary School

2020 Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to all those who have paid their voluntary contributions this year.

This is a friendly reminder that these go towards valuable curriculum resources to further support our students' learning at Ardross Primary School. They remain at \$60 per child. Payments can be made at the front office, or via phone by credit card.

Denise Moore Manager Corporate Services

Honour Certificate Winners

At the Assembly on 8 September the winners were:

Room 20 Bryn F, Avery F, Lavaanya R. **Room 7** Laila B, Estelle S, Eric S.

Room 19 Chloe B, Sarah C, Kenneth C. **Room 6** Saket B, Ronghan B, Jun P.

Room 16 Antonia G, Brayden L. **Room 5** Liam B, Neve O, Isla R.

Room 15 Christopher B, Maya B. **Room 4** Javan L, Jamie R.

Room 13 Jasper A, Amy P, Nathan S. **Room 3** Jack B, Andrej C, Seraphina O.

Room 9 Ava C, Ellie F. **Room 2** Jacob B, Thomas H, Julia J, Shahra S.

At the Assembly on 15 September the winners were:

Room 20 Mason C, Amy D, Anneliese H. **Room 9** Elijah P, Noah T.

Room 19 Jayden L, Sophie M. **Room 7** Blane B, Massimo C.

Room 16 Diya S, Charlotte T. **Room 6** Taj P, Momo R, Anthony Z.

Room 15 Savi B, Yuchen Z. **Room 3** Kein P, Jerome T.

Room 13 Ashley F, Andrew J, Ahmed M. **Room 2** Ryan F, Rose T.

Room 10 Anabela C, Mya F, Carly Y.

At the Assembly on 22 September the winners were:

Room 20 Mitchell B, Harshita M, Kaan O. **Room 8** Alison C, Indiana E, Niamh F, Samuel W.

Room 19 Jessica C, Sophia C, Joseph D. **Room 7** Chloe K, Paulson H, Estelle S.

Room 15 Louis L, Nelson S. **Room 6** Juan L, Max L.

Room 13 Macy B, Alana M, Luke W.

Room 3 Filip J, Matthew S.

Room 10 Oscar H, Abigail O.

Room 2 Haydn G, Sam H, Matthew L, Jessica T.

Room 9 Emily A, Owen D, Ariella R, Aidan T.

Lapathon 2020

This year's Lapathon will be held on Friday, 6th November at 1:10pm. All children from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be involved in running laps around the school oval. The maximum number of laps that they will complete is thirty.

Sponsorship forms will be sent home today. Children are encouraged to collect sponsors over the next few weeks from family and friends. For every \$4.00 that the children raise they will receive a raffle ticket which will be placed in the draw for some fabulous prizes. The major prize is a new bike for both the junior and senior years. The junior and senior class that raises the most money will share in a free lunch.

As this is the school's major fundraiser for the year all children are encouraged to participate. Your help and support is greatly appreciated.

Glenn Hill

Library News



What a HUGE success!!! The Ashton Scholastic Book Fair held in the Library during Week 8 was the most successful Book Fair we've ever had here at Ardross during the 30 years that we've been hosting Book Fairs. It was wonderful to see such excitement on our students faces as they walked through the Fair and to see so many families purchase new books to satisfy their eager book worms.

I'm so pleased to say this year we sold \$7,579 worth of books – a staggering amount. Your generosity is very much appreciated! Our school library receives 20% of this total which Mrs Jones will put towards securing author visits and other library initiatives for the benefit of our students.

A special thankyou goes to our volunteer Mrs Lois Bowden and our Year 6 Literacy Captains who helped make this Fair such a success.

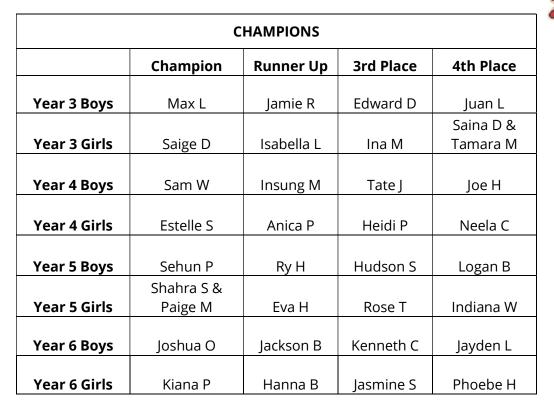
Book Week Parade - Thursday, 24 September 2020



This year, our school will be celebrating Book Week during Week 10 (21 to 24 September). Our annual Book Week parade will take place on the last day of term – Thursday 24 September. The theme this year is **'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'**. We encourage students to get creative and colourful with their costumes and consider ways to embrace the Book Week theme. The parade will start at 9.15am.

Natalie Jones Library Officer

Sports News



| GOOD SPORTS AWARDS | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|--|
| | Butler | Lukin | Waylen | Wellard | |
| Junior | Indiana W | Chase D | Nicholas Y | Georgia V | |
| Senior | Jasmine E | Annie H | Ryan F | Risha S | |

| OVERALL SCORES | | | | | |
|----------------|--------|-------|--------|--|--|
| Wellard | Waylen | Lukin | Butler | | |
| 956 | 858 | 800 | 701 | | |

Well done to everyone on such a fantastic Sports Carnival. With the Pre-Primary students starting us off in the sprints, it was a very busy and full day. After speaking with the students, it is clear that the hurdles were a big hit and I am excited that we were about to rotate around in the games while every student had the chance to fly over the hurdles!!

All of the students went out and gave their best efforts, illustrating the best of Ardross sportsmanship and camaraderie. Thank you to all of the parents who came out to support and help. Tuesday was particularly volunteer heavy and I want to thank all of the volunteers who came out to rake pits, and record data so all of the students could focus on their events. Thank you to all of the teachers for giving up your time and learning the new activities involved in the carnival.

I can't believe it's almost Term 4 and we are headed into a very interschool heavy term. Students are currently trialling for a spot on the passball and leaderball teams. Interschool students will be announced in Week Two. Please note the Interschool Competition is on Tuesday, 3 November (Week 4).

Hannah Brown Phys Ed Teacher

Room 13 News

Kite Making Activity

We really enjoyed having our dads, grandparents and mums come for our kite making activity on Thursday afternoon of 3 September. We were really excited about constructing the kites in the Makers Space and flying them on the oval. It was delightful to have all the dads, grandparents and mums making the kites with the children. It was such a buzz and what made it extra special was how everyone helped out wherever needed. I would like to acknowledge Rachel Sawford from Bunnings who provided and donated all the tools and materials (except newspaper) and instructions for this activity.

Year One - Room 13 and 16 Assembly

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of Beatles Group we learned the lyrics of two Beatles songs Yellow Submarine and Octopus's Garden and made two wall murals depicting the yellow submarine and sea life from the story of Octopus's Garden using recycled materials.

We were very excited and a little nervous in front of all the parents, teachers, girls and boys, taking our turns reading into the microphone. Miss Chung and I are so proud of the girls and boys for their beautiful and clear reading into the microphone and singing the songs loudly and proudly.

Isabel Mangion-Campbell Teacher





P&C News

Thank You

We have an outstanding parent community at Ardross PS and throughout the year there are more occasions than we can formally recognise, where parents regularly step up to the plate and give so generously of their time to help our P&C complete many tasks and events. Since the last newsletter however, there are a few special thank you messages that we would like to communicate:

On 3 September, a group of mums came together to run a fantastic Father's Day Stall, where the students were able to visit throughout the day in their class groups and purchase a small gift for their someone special. Thank you to Simone Palmer, Susan Pringle, Gemma Jahn, Justine Penno, Estabelle Teoh, Jelena Prijic, Alison Hall and Marnie Langford for giving your time so generously, we couldn't have done it without you. The unwavering support from the whole school community also enabled us to raise a fantastic \$550.20, which will go straight back into our school and benefit all of the children.

On Friday, 11 September, the P&C held our Annual Cake Stall during the Faction Sports Carnival. The generosity of sweet treat donations and the outstanding support for the stall and the special raffle raised a staggering \$2,327.30 throughout the day. The P&C look forward to sharing with you in the future, exactly what this money will go towards in the school, for all the children to enjoy. Thank you so much to everyone who baked, donated and purchased anything on the day. We are so very grateful for your support.

On Friday, 18 September, a small group of willing parents from the 'book covering volunteer pool group' came into the Library and covered a stack of newly purchased home reader books. These behind the scenes acts are what keep the wheels turning and both the teachers and students are very grateful for your efforts. Thank you Penny Brown, Caroline Cristobal and Annie Naing.

Whole School Playdate - Thursday, 24 September

The weather is looking superb for our end of term playdate at Wireless Hill and we look forward to seeing you there after the 3.10pm siren has rung – all age groups are welcome; please bring along a picnic blanket, some snacks and drinks as we celebrate the end of another term and start our two week break in the best possible way.

Cyber Safety with Paul Litherland - Wednesday, 28 October 2020 @ 7.30pm

Please keep an eye out for details coming out via your class parent contact and on our P&C Facebook page regarding the upcoming talk from cyber safety expert Paul Litherland. There will be no charge for our parent community, but the event will be ticketed, to ensure we are still complying with the social distancing regulations that are in place,

Disco - Friday, 30 October

The P&C are thrilled to confirm that a Halloween themed disco will be going ahead in Term 4. More information will follow via your class parent contacts and our P&C Facebook page very soon. Stay tuned and save the date!

P&C Meeting for October

Once we're all refreshed from the break and settled back in for Term 4, the P&C will meet on the Monday of week 2, 19 October 2020 from 7.15 to 8.30pm in the staffroom, accessed via the main front office from Links Road. Everyone is welcome. We hope to see you there.

Stay safe and enjoy a wonderful end of term break.

Charlotte Oliver P&C President

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 / children is enrolled you then have the comfort and reassurance of knowing that your child will be cared for in a safe, fun and friendly environment.

Val Maiorana Program Coordinator

After School & Saturday Mandarin Club



Mandarin Stars provides immensely enjoyable Mandarin Language classes for children. After-school Mandarin Club is available in the Library on Tuesday and Thursday from 3.15pm to 4.05pm and 4.10pm to 5.00pm (Kindy to Year 6).

Saturday morning classes for children aged 1 to 12 years are held in the Senior Block. To enrol for a free trial class, please contact perthsouth@mandarinstars.com.au or call 1800 181 118 for more details.



Keyed Up Music will be running keyboard lessons at Ardross Primary School.

Prices start at \$18.65 per lesson held after school.

To enrol go to www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form or for more information please contact Therese 1300 366 243



Tennis Excellence along with our coaches are delighted to offer our 'Before School Program' for Ardross PS, at the AXSHS tennis courts. Parents can drop off children, and the coaches will escort them to school after the class has finished. We cater for red, orange and green ball level kids (ages 6-10+). Term 3 is in full swing, but here you will find the links to our Term 4 School Programs and our October Holiday Clinics on our website:

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