

NEWSROUND

Principals Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Over the past few weeks of this term, it has been fabulous to not have the impacts and interruptions of remote learning that we experienced last year. This week has continued to show how amazing we are at Ardmona Primary School one of our year one students Fletcher, was an absolute champion stepping up into Literacy and Numeracy sessions with the year 3 group!

We also had our senior class engage in learning about the history of Valentines and researching the Frayer spelling model and meaning of words in Literacy. It was fantastic to see so many students interacting and engaging in conversations about learning and checking out at the end of the day reflecting on their individual learning successes in “What went well” sessions.

Noteworthy was student feedback with reflections of Numeracy success and outstanding results in Essential Assessment linked to Place Value, Gardening, Food preparations led by Mr Turner in the breakfast program and engagement in the online tutor learning program.

Excursion and Fundraiser

Walk for Autism Fundraiser will take place in March lead by Mrs Answer. Parents are most welcome to participate and join in the day! Student's shall be heading to Bendigo for the event where they shall attend Eaglehawks Mulga Bills Park for lunch and enjoying the wildlife as they walking the surrounding lakes. After this they shall head to Victoria Hill Reserve where we shall draw links with learning Past and Present concluding the day.

Daily Reading

This week all students will have received a reading log which should live in their school bag. Reading is encouraged daily at home for 10 minutes daily in supporting comprehension, fluency and word recognition. Please sign your child's log so to endorse that they have practiced.

OSHC Urgent Request

The students attending after school care are enjoying the 1-1 interactions and the program is up and running. We are stepping up over the next few weeks and are eager to commence morning sessions for students prior to the commencement of the day. I am seeking feedback from those of you who are eager to have their child in before school care sessions and would appreciate that you link with Miss Saunders or your child's class teacher so that we can commence early morning sessions as soon as possible.

Pupil Free Day

Please note that the 21st of February staff shall be working alongside of Vision Australia in professional practice and building their skills to support all students in learning. Part of the day shall be linked to technology and use of in supporting lessons and learning which will be opportunity to draw links with lessons. Students are not to attend school on this day.



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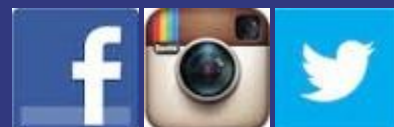
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Extra Ordinary School Council Meeting

School Councillors please take note that an extra ordinary school council meeting has been organised for Tuesday the 28th of February at 3.20pm. This meeting is to align with OSHC as spoken about in our previous meeting.

Cyber Safety

We have welcomed Victoria Police once again into our learning programs with Sargent Bull to attend over the semester drawing learning links to Cyber Safety. Information sessions shall be provided for parents and family members on how to understand, prevent and deal with online safety, the risks and where to go for help. Dates shall be confirmed in the next news.

School Council Update

Keep posted for our Trivia event that shall take place in the first semester of the year. We are looking forward to the return of inaugural event that is fantastic fundraiser and magnificent evening drawing connections with families and community members.

Student Leadership

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated and voted for as our student leaders for the 2023 school year.

Student Leaders: Fletcher Gribble, Indiana Blake and Macey Weidenbach

Junior School Council: Fletcher Gribble, Indiana Blake, Macey Weidenbach and Jayden Young

Newsletters

Information shall be placed on newsletters each fortnight and the use of Sentral is the link for parents to communicate online - the site being private and confidential in supporting your needs. If you are having difficulty accessing this please contact the school and we shall step you through the process.

Class Groupings

The creation of classes is determined by student numbers. As a team we are excited at the prospect of students working across curriculum areas for example students in year 1 working in Reading/ literacy at year 2 and 3 levels reflective of their individual abilities.

Uniform Orders

Once again we shall be placing a uniform order to Quality Teams in the next week. Please complete the information as per your child's sizes. Parents are advised that payment is not requested for these items.



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Child Safe Standards

Child safety and wellbeing at Ardmona Primary School: Information for families and the school community

The Victorian Government has announced new [Child Safe Standards](#) to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Ardmona Primary School has reviewed and updated our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These are available to our school's website and available at the school's front office upon request.

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.

Our child safety and wellbeing policies outline the measures and strategies we have in place to support, promote and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students:

- Bullying Prevention Policy
- Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
- Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Child safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedure
- Complaints Policy
- Digital Learning Policy
- Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Visitors Policy
- Volunteers Policy

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact Jean Varty or Nathan Turner.

Support Ardmona Primary School's Walk for Autism

We've stepped up to Walk for autism to help create a world where no-one on the autism spectrum is left behind.

We'll be challenging ourselves to each walk 10,000 steps a day from 25 March 2023 while raising much needed funds to support people on the autism spectrum.

Autism is a lifelong condition that affects how a person thinks, feels, interacts with others, and experiences the world.

An estimated 1 in every 70 people is on the autism spectrum. Along with their family members, this means autism is a part of daily life for over a million Australians.

By coming together and taking action, we can help provide opportunities for people on the autism spectrum to participate, engage and thrive in the world around them.

Help make our steps count and show your support by donating today!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				Jan 27
30	31	February 1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21 Pupil Free Day	22	23	24
27		March 1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13—Public Holiday Labour Day	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31
April 3	4	5	6 Last day of Term	

AWESOME ARDMONA AWARD



The AAA award is based of student votes in which they vote for their peers who follow our school values which are

Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be A Learner.

The Week 4 AAA recipient is Nate Weidenbach

Nate was nominated for Being a Learner as he focused really hard on his learning and doing an exceptional job with his handwriting.

Keep up the great work Nate!



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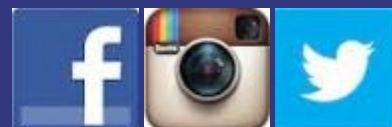
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Grade F—3 Star of the Week

Stars of the Week!

Ethan Johnson
(F-3)



Well done to Ethan for being organised and striving to do his best in all areas, especially his numeracy where he has mastered counting by 5s. Keep up the great work!

Grade F—3 Classroom News

It has been a busy two weeks in the junior room with lots of great learning happening. All students are focused and trying their absolute best. The happy faces when they succeed is amazing to see and watch. There are times when we are working all together and its great watching them step up to that next level.

Its great to see students bringing their red bag everyday with spelling and reading books and diaries. Most students are following the expectations of reading every night and doing spelling words. Please continue to encourage your child to this as it does really help their learning in the classroom.

All students are collecting bee tokens and when their chart is completed, we will be heading on an excursion. This is helping to reinforce our routines and positive behaviour in the classroom.

In integrated studies we have been focusing on what is a good friend and how to be a bucket filler at school, at home and in the community. This is a great topic to start the year and remind students about the positive ways to treat others and contribute to school and the wider community.

The children enjoyed library with miss Smith last week and got to borrow some great books. In art this week they drew Clifford the dog. We have some great artists in our midst.

Last week I enrolled us as a school to do the Walk for Autism. A cause close to my heart having 2 boys of my own on the Autism Spectrum. Our goal is to raise \$500.

Mrs. Answer



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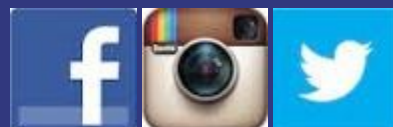
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Grade 4-6 Star of the Week

Stars of the Week!

Indiana Blake

(3-6)



Well done to Indiana for showing enthusiasm to her independent learning and completion of her Smart Spelling homework! Fantastic work ethic Indiana! Keep up the great work!

Grade 4-6 Classroom News

Once again, we have blasted into an exceptional week of learning and students are now developing links with learning at home and school with SMART Spelling and reading logs being sent home. All students are required to attend to the minimum of 10 words a week with testing taking place at individual learning space Fridays. Tasks are set in their home spelling booklet. Reading logs have been provided and it is essential that these are returned daily with the recommendation that both books live in your child's bag.

Numeracy notebooks have commenced with a requirement by all students to check out daily their learning successes in Numeracy and reflect on what they learnt linked to the tasks set. Numeracy focus presently has been numerations and Place Value.

General research has taken place linked with history and recounts written reflective of the class reading articles.

Students will be required to interview a family member over the next week to continue with research about history and change. A template shall be provided to lead the conversation which shall need to be returned to school after completion.

Students have been absolutely unreal with their work stamina and I am delighted to celebrate the learning successes of all. Star of the week in the senior room was difficult this week due to so much enthusiasm however I would like to celebrate the independent learning efforts of Indiana Blake in completion of home work and spelling of the entire word list! Well done Indiana!

Notable effort also to Macey who works with untiring energy having a zest for learning.

Ms Varty



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ARDMONA PRIMARY SCHOOL



Be Safe

Ardmona Primary School is located just 4km from Mooroopna and is amongst beautiful orchards and provides a great place for students to learn and grow. At Ardmona Primary each of our students learning is considered to be of the highest importance with learning programs and activities that are carefully planned and monitored to ensure the very highest standards are maintained.



Be Respectful

The students of Ardmona Primary School are organised into learning ability groups and can transition across the classes depending on the area of learning with targeted learning programs that support individualised student growth.



Be a Learner

We offer a varied and individualized learning program that includes Literacy, Numeracy, Art, Library, STEM, Italian, and Sports Programs. Our schools student Safety and Wellbeing programs are priority focus areas which are supported by staff and outside organisations that also link with our school values of Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be a Learner.

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UNIFORM ORDER

(Prices Include GST)



STUDENT NAME: _____

YEAR: _____

ITEM	SIZES	PRICE	ORDER		
			Number Ordered	Size	Total \$
POLO SHIRT – 'Aussie Pacific' – Short Sleeves	6-16	\$35			
POLO SHIRT – 'Aussie Pacific' – Short Sleeves	S & up	\$40			
SHORTS – Red – LWR	6-16	\$20			
Hoody	4-16 & XS—XXXL	\$65			
TRACKSUIT – 'Eureka' – Jacket with Pants	4-16	\$85			
SCHOOL JACKET ONLY	4-16	\$50			
HAT – Bucket	S-M	\$15			
Pom Pom Beanie	One Size	\$20			
				TOTAL	

***Please note, all uniforms come including embroidery of logos.*

Any enquiries, please phone the office on 5829 0273. A payment plan can be set up for your payment if that would help you out.

Feel free to either email, the school at ardmona.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Please make cheque payable to **Ardmona Primary School** or

Direct Deposit

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Support our team today!

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 or call 1800 288 476 (AUTISM)



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Could \$500 help with next year's back to school costs?

Learn tips and tricks to grow your budget and saving skills. Save for 10 months. Get up to \$500 of matched savings for school expenses. Just in time for 2024.

Must meet all eligibility criteria:



Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card AND an eligible Centrelink payment*



Be studying yourself OR have a child in school (can be starting school next year)



Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*



Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible



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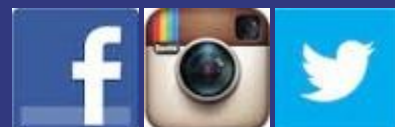
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Junior Registrations for 2023 are NOW OPEN!



Returning and new players welcome.
Registrations online via Play HQ.
Queries to the Junior Coordinator on 0417 145 890.



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