

NEWSROUND

Principals Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Hi to you all and welcome to the week 5 edition of the weekly newsletter. It's crazy to think that we are already half way through the term which seems to be flying by very quickly. Be sure to check out the calendar of events and keep up to date with everything that is happening around the school.

Visitors to schools (not performing work)

Service Victoria QR code check in is no longer required at schools. Routine school visitor record keeping arrangements will continue to apply.

In Victorian government schools, parents, carers and other adult visitors (excluding students who visit a school to complete a secondary school subject) who enter school buildings must be able to **show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine or have a valid medical exception.**

The following limited exceptions also apply:

- when attending to administer medical treatment to their own child when the treatment cannot be administered by the school.
- when attending to collect their child who is unwell and cannot leave the school building unaccompanied by their parent/carer.
- when attending for a momentary period that does not involve any sustained contact with staff or students, for example, to collect a completed art project, collecting a packet of rapid antigen test or similar.

Proof of vaccination can be checked by a COVID-19 digital certificate (Service Victoria app or smartphone wallet) or printed copy of a digital certificate or immunisation history statement.

It is essential that we all abide by government and schools operations guide in the best interest of all key stakeholders of the school.

School Council Sub Committee

We are looking for some new faces to join our wonderful School Council Sub Committees. If you can spare a couple of hours a month and you would like to help us fundraise or discuss buildings and grounds as well as exploring endless possibilities for the school, please let one of the staff members know. We have been meeting via webex so you can still be home with the children while we work together. Looking forward to meeting and working with you!

Breakfast Club

The breakfast program is up and running and in full swing for the rest of the term much to the organisation of Mr Turner. For those unable to attend we have a surplus supply of cereals etc so please contact Nathan if you are interested in additional supplies for home.

OHS

Many thanks to Mr Travis Matthews for the adjustments to the surfacing of the ramp onto the deck last week addressing a slip hazard. The support of our parent members is exceptional within and outside of school hours.



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Special School Council Meeting

Annual General Meeting will take place on the 15th of March. It would be wonderful to welcome new faces. Nomination forms available at the office. The more the merrier with this fabulous group.

Dental Forms

Attached to this week's news is the school dentist form for you to complete if you are interested for your child to attend. Please can you return these promptly. The Dental van is an exceptional team and provide a wonderful service to schools. Many thanks for this.

Uniform

It is terrific to witness the arrival of our uniform order with the correct colours on the logo. Apologies to those of you who have been wondering about the delay. Thanks to Mr Turner for organisation of the pick up and the delivery of items to families. Our next order shall be place prior to the end of the semester around mid-year for those families planning for purchase of additional items.

Parent and Family Information Session

Parent and family information evening shall take place directly after school next Monday with class teachers who shall present an overview of curriculum and operations in the classroom. The period is not for individual student interviews however a meet and greet with our new staff who are looking forward to sharing their plans for the year.

Individual student lead conferences teacher interviews shall take place in June.

Do remember that we are available via appointment to discuss your child's progress. It is essential that appointments are made with the teacher or myself so to avoid interruptions to learning and delivery of programs.

Reminder

Sun Smart

It is expected that students wear a school uniform broad brimmed hat, at recess and lunch otherwise they will have to play undercover. Hats are to remain at school over the summer months and clearly labelled. Many thanks for your support.

Drink Bottles

Students need to bring a named drink bottle that they can drink from during class time. These can be filled with water from our never fail freshwater units at school.

Sick Students

Students who are showing symptoms are not allowed to attend school. Please be aware that if your child is showing symptoms (e.g. running nose, cough, sore throat) you will be asked to collect them from school. While potentially disruptive, this is vital to slowing the spread of the virus and keeping everyone safe.

If you have any questions at all, please contact the office or myself and we will be happy to help!

I cannot help but reiterate with you all that we have made a great start to a wonderful year ahead with an abundance of positive community activities! Take time to look around at our many Artists in schools' projects taking place! These are led by our parents and family members and are witness to the sense of community that we are all proud! Thank you!



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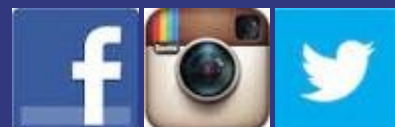
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31	1	2	3	4
7 February	8	9	10	11
14	15 School Council Meeting	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	1	2 Brave Hearts Visit	3	4
7 March	8	9	10	11
14 Labour Day Public Holiday	15 School Council AGM	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	1
4 April Athletics Sports Day	5	6	7	8 End of Term 1



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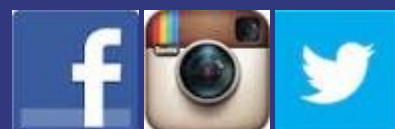
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Grade F—3 Star of the Week

Stars of the Week!

Hayley Oliver (F-3)



Well done to Hayley for trying really hard to stay focused, complete her work and for being a fantastic listener! Keep up the great work Hayley!

Grade F—3 Classroom News

Welcome to week 5!

Today we had a very special visitor come and talk to us – Ditto from Bravehearts. Ditto told us all about how to keep our bodies safe and how to recognise good and bad feelings. We were also lucky to get a class photo with Ditto. Check out our class photo with Ditto at the back of the newsletter!

In Literacy we are beginning to learn how to write a narrative. To help us learn how to do this we are reading lots of different stories and using different story prompts to give us ideas for characters, setting and the problem in the story.

We are also learning how to use our reader's notebooks after we have done independent reading.

In Numeracy we are continuing our learning to count and recognise numbers up to 100. The students are doing great work with this and getting better every day. All students now have a book bag, reading log diary and should be bringing this home every night to practice their reading. Reading log diaries are checked daily.

The Foundation students had library for the first time this year which was also a very exciting way to finish the day!

In Integrated we are continuing to look at what makes us unique and contributes to our identity.

Mrs. Answer



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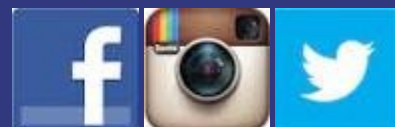
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Grade 4—6 Star of the Week

Stars of the Week!

Hudson Matthews (4-6)



Well done to Hudson for applying his thinking to new problems and asking very inquisitive questions about our learning. He has worked hard to make sure that he attempts tasks even when he is unsure of them. Great work Hudson!

Grade 4—6 Classroom News

Busy week this week in the senior room this week.

We have been working on our narratives and looking at what parts of a story are needed for a fairy-tale. We have also started designing characters for our own fairy-tale we will be writing in the coming weeks.

In mathematics we have been learning about rounding and some of the students have been pushing themselves to apply their understandings to much larger number and beginning to work into decimals.

A most exciting end to our week, we had a visit from a very large Katydid, a type of insect like a large grasshopper, and the students created diagrams of it and then conducted some research about it.

What a great way to end the week.

Students were reminded this week to make sure they are keeping up with their reading at home and filling their record sheets.

Mr. Story



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Photos of the week!



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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			
TRACKSUIT – 'Eureka' – Jacket with Pants	4-16	\$85			
SCHOOL JACKET ONLY	4-16	\$45			
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

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