

AVENEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUR MISSION:

To inspire academic excellence, social and emotional growth and community contribution in a collaborative environment.

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Students of the Week

Recognising and celebrating achievement of our values



Be a Learner

Koen Mulraney - Demonstrating diligence when undertaking his independent reading each day. 😊

Stan Makysmov - For his outstanding ideas in his writing and organisation in paragraphs. 😊

Penelope Jenkins - For changing the sound at the beginning of words to create rhyming words. 😊

Remy Dean - For delving into her reading and asking a series of complex questions. 😊

Being a Mate

Ivy Hender - For being a mate and helping peers in need. 😊

Ruby Hannigan - For lending a hand and making sure students are playing safely in the yard. 😊

Eevo Soriano - For encouraging and cheering on his peers during Gnarly Neighbours. 😊

Bailey Dean - For engaging enthusiastically with his peers and inclusive during group activities. 😊

Carrye's Report



On Tuesday our fantastic Kids Teaching Kids group travelled to Yea Wetlands to present and learn from other students. The focus of Kids Teaching Kids is to determine a local environmental issue and suggest ways in which we can make a change. This year's team discussed food waste and a variety of different strategies to reduce our waste. The students did a fantastic job in organising and presenting their information and are to be commended on their fabulous efforts, an experience I am sure they will remember for many years to come. Many thanks to Mrs Mac and Ruby for coordinating the group.

This Friday the 8th of September is District Athletics we have a team of approximately 45 athletes heading to Kings Park, it is sure to be an action packed day and we wish every student all the very best and know they will represent Avenel Primary with pride and give their very best effort.

Final rehearsals, prop touch up and costume preparations are happening at the moment for the biannual 5/6 production, the students are looking forward to presenting to their fellow school mates at the matinee next Wednesday and their families in their evening. We wish them all the very best for their preparations over the next week.

Last week we had our last session for the term with the Gnarly Neighbours team, it has been incredible to watch the skills and confidence of our students grow throughout this program and we are looking forward to seeing how they continue to progress in term 4.

Next week we will be having a Sports Colours Day to celebrate the end of Term 3, our JSC will be running activities over the day and we will be providing a hot dog lunch, don't forget to get your orders in.

Your feedback is always welcome at carrye.malone@education.vic.gov.au or 0400 245 336.



Avenel Primary School acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the land and acknowledges and pays respect to their elders, past and present.

Education

TERM 3 PLC

What are PLC's? PLC's or Professional Learning Communities, are an approach to school improvement where teachers meet and work collaboratively regularly throughout the term to improve student outcomes. As a staff, we identify areas within our classroom practice that could be improved and work together to create a culture that is:

- focussed on continuous improvement by linking the learning needs of students with the professional learning and practice of teachers,
- Committed to professionalism,
- Fuelled by collaborative expertise.

This term, our PLC focus was writing. Teachers began by analysing the assessment rubrics that have been developed from the Victorian Curriculum and the 6 Traits of Writing (Organisation, Ideas, Sentence Fluency, Word Choice, Voice, Conventions). This allowed each year level team to identify the areas for improvement and set goals for their teaching approach to ensure that students were taught the next developmental skills.



PLC IMPROVEMENT CYCLE



Evaluate and diagnose – Teams used writing data from terms 2 and 3 to identify areas in need of improvement and why.

Prioritise and set goals – Teams discussed priority areas and how they could change their practice to improve student outcomes.

Develop and plan – Teams researched new practice and discussed how different these could be trialled in writing lessons. Teachers used this opportunity to modify their practice and used different resources to identify what practice was best for their students. All teachers were involved in lesson observations during this process.

Implement and monitor – Teams came together to share what worked well, what could be applied from other teams to other year levels and how teams can continue to build on this new practice in writing as well as other subject areas.

The goals set by each team were:

Prep Team:

- **Organisation** of a retell – students retelling in sequence using connective language to link ideas.

Grade 1/2 Team:

- Development of **Ideas** – elaborating an idea in a non-fiction text, including ideas that are relevant to the topic.
- **Word Choice** – using new and topic specific vocabulary.

Grade 3/4 Team:

- **Sentence Fluency** – constructing sentences beginning with different parts of speech.

Grade 5/6 Team:

- Individual goal setting using all **6 traits** and applying these goals to a free verse poem.

This style of practice and collaboration enables teachers to continue professional growth in order to promote student growth.

General Information



AVENEL MARKET BBQ – HELPERS REQUIRED. We are looking for helpers to assist at the Avenel Market on Sunday 10th September. Please complete the Helpers form at the end of this Newsletter.

SUBJECT CONTRIBUTION – School Council have set the Subject Contribution for this year at \$245 per student. This amount is usually paid in Term 1 but other arrangements can be made if you are struggling to make payment. The subject contribution payment covers the cost of subject expenses and class materials which have been purchased by the school and will be distributed to students throughout the year. This contribution can be paid either by cash or EFPOS at the school or by direct deposit to the school account BSB 063 545 Account No 10076513. Please insert 'sub cont' and family name in the reference field.



FOR OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/ GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK! - Thank you to those who have completed this year's Opinion Survey. For those who haven't made the effort yet, we remind you that the Survey closes on **Friday 8 September 2023** so please make **your opinion count**. The survey is **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

HAT PRICE INCREASE – Please note that hat prices have increased as follows:

- Slouch Hat - \$14.00



- Hybrid Hat - \$15.00

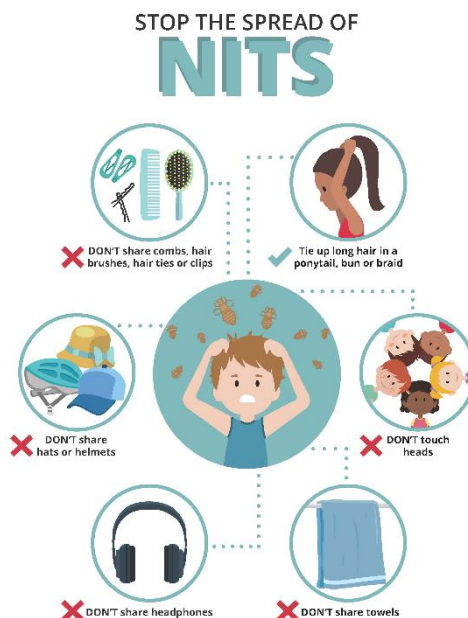


HEADLICE – There have been several cases of our 'unwanted school friends' reported. To help us curb the spread of these unwanted visitors we ask that you take the time to check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat where necessary. Students are not allowed to return to school until they have been fully treated.

More information on how to control headlice can be found at

[Treating and controlling Head Lice](#)

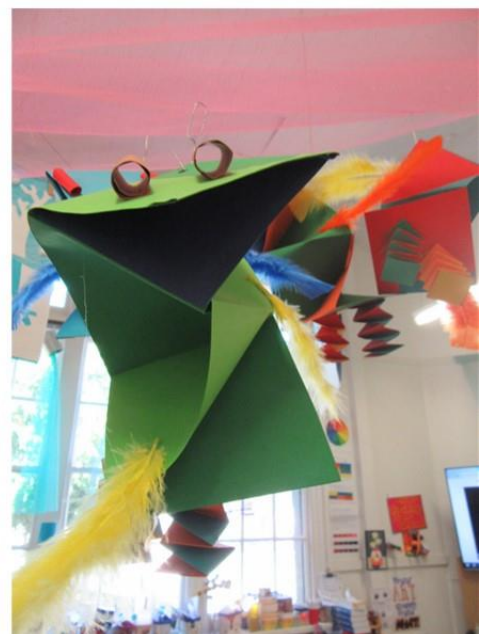
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
September	8 th	District Athletics
	13 th	Gr 5-6 Production
	15 th	Last day Term 3
October	2 nd	1 st Day Term 4
	18 th – 20 th	3 day bike hike
November	13 th 14 th & 15 th	Gr 3-4 camp
	18 th	School Fete
	22 nd – 24 th	Energy Break Through
	27 th	Smile Squad Dental Van visit
December	7 th	Gr 6 Gradation
	20 th	Last day Term 4

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – Nellie Van Horen, Alice Cram and Caspar Leunig



Student Reports

Kids Teaching Kids *Inspiring future environmental leaders*

On Tuesday, a group of 10 Year 4 students travelled across to the Yea Wetlands to participate in the Kids Teaching Kids program. They had researched about the impact of food waste on the environment and presented 2 activities about how our school chickens are helping.

- At KTK, I had lots of fun, and I loved all of it. **Audrie H**
- My favourite thing was the camera in the bird houses. **Hudson O**
- I learnt that stone stacking is bad for the environment. **Oliver M**
- A thing I learned was that Flowerdale Primary really wants to protect their creek. **Rayden H**
- I enjoyed doing the presentation and working with the other group. **Abby E**
- I enjoyed looking at bugs and snakes and having a great time with my team mates. **Ella K**
- My favourite thing was doing the play in front of everyone. **Tilly E**
- I learnt how to weave. **Neelix N**
- My favourite thing was collecting animal cards. **Nate S**
- I learnt about making a fire in someone's stomach. **Isla C**



Community Information

Avenel's Weekly Community Bus Get Me to the Shops!



Don't drive?
Need help with
shopping?

Enjoy social
shopping with
Avenel Active!

- Every Thursday morning
- Avenel to Seymour \$5 return
- Door-to-door transport from your home
- Pick up around 9.15am, return around 11.30am
- For shopping, appointments, library, swimming or meeting friends
- Join us for coffee and chat before returning to Avenel
- All residents welcome

For bookings call Jim Billings 0433 270 101



2023/24 UPCOMING TENNIS SEASON IS FAST APPROACHING

Anyone interested in playing Saturday afternoon senior competition tennis with the club in the forthcoming season are asked to message either Stephen Garner 0419 870 207 or Dee Wright 0419 438 949 as soon as possible so that we can organise how many teams we enter.

Members are advised that we will be holding a working bee on Sunday 10th September commencing 9.00am which will be followed by **Open Day**. All members of the community are welcome to come and have a hit. This is the same day as the Avenel Market so you can grab a bargain, coffee and lunch after your workout on the court!

A demonstration of the new craze in tennis 'Pickleball' will be given and anyone interested in learning more about the game or having a go are welcome to come and join in. If sufficient interest is shown, we may look at

AVENEL COMMUNITY MARKET

At Jubilee Park.

Sunday 10th September

9 am – 1 pm.

Tony Gill will be playing!!



Support Avenel Primary School



Enjoy a sausage in Bread.



Looking forward to seeing you there!

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Twilight Market

SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER

3.45 to 8.15 pm.

Junior cricket update!

The Avenel cricket club will be running a registration/information day next Thursday 14th from 3:30-4:30 at the cricket nets!

This event will mark the official beginning of our junior cricket calendar for the season as we look to fill our under 11's, 13's and 16's sides. We warmly encourage all students who share a love of cricket and team sport to come down and have a go. We are always seeking involvement from parents to help assist and coordinate the kids on training and match day. If you feel that you can help out in any way then please don't hesitate to have a conversation with us on Thursday!

Keep an eye on the Avenel Cricket Club Facebook page and the newsletter for updates and information on the upcoming Blasters program.

If you are unable to make it and wish to talk further about the up-and-coming junior season, please contact Gus Leunig 0421805027 Jamie Kanters 0409500762



Avenel Cafe

Dine In or Take Away

School Lunch Orders Term 3 2023

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Sandwiches, Wraps and Rolls		Fried Food (FRIDAY ONLY)	
Wrap chicken, ham or Egg & salad	7.00	Hot Chips (Small)	5.50
Roll chicken, ham or Egg & salad	7.00	Dim Sim	1.40
Sandwich 1 filling	4.00	Potato Cake	1.30
Sandwich 2 fillings	4.50	Dino Nugget each	1.00
Sandwich 3 fillings	5.00	Battered hot dog	3.30
Sandwich Ham/chicken and salad	6.50	Cheese Burger	8.00
Sandwich Schnitzel and salad	9.50	Kids Pack (Ext 5ml Chips & 3 Nugs)	5.70
Toasted Sandwich 1 filling	5.00	Kids Pack (2 Potato Cakes & 3 Nugs)	4.70
Toasted Sandwich 2 filling	5.50	Gravy	1.10
Toasted Sandwich 3 filling	6.00	Tomato Sauce	0.30
		Iced Donut (<i>Limited Numbers</i>)	2.50
Pie (Avenel Newsagency)	4.90		
Sausage Roll (Avenel Newsagency)	4.50		
		Icy treats	
Fruit		Frozen Zooper Dooper	1.00
Piece of fresh fruit (Banana/apple/pear)	1.40	Lifesaver Ice Cream (Avenel Newsagency)	2.60
		Icypole (Avenel Newsagency)	1.50
Dairy		Drinks	
Chocolate milk	2.80	Water	3.00
Strawberry milk	2.80	Apple Juice	2.70
TOTAL			\$
Amount enclosed			\$

Available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Term 3 2023.

Please note: whether you are paying with cash in an envelope in the office drop off, in store or by phone, payment must be received at 10:00am on the morning of the order to ensure delivery.

Chip Shortage: This has extended beyond term 1. As a result of the price of chips has increased.

Feel free to keep this copy at home and just simply write your lunch orders on an envelope with your money for order.

AVENEL MARKET BBQ HELPER REPLY SLIP

I (Ph No.....) can assist at the Avenel Market BBQ on Sunday 10th September.

Set-up		Pack-Up	
7:30am -8:45	8:45am – 10.00	10.00am -11:30	11:30am – 1:00pm



Avenel Primary School

"Creating learners, Growing Good People, Giving Something Back"

Sport Colours Day - Friday the 15th September 2023

JSC Council Fundraiser

Lunch Order Form

<p>Please write how many you require in the box provided.</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Grade: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog \$3.50</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Juice Box \$2.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon Donut \$2.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Combo \$7.00</p> <p>Total \$ enclosed _____</p>	<p>Please write how many you require in the box provided.</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Grade: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog \$3.50</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Juice Box \$2.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon Donut \$2.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Combo \$7.00</p> <p>Total \$ enclosed _____</p>	<p>Please write how many you require in the box provided.</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Grade: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog \$3.50</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Juice Box \$2.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon Donut \$2.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Combo \$7.00</p> <p>Total \$ enclosed _____</p>
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