

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

Chad Nicholson - For his persistence and positive attitude on Bike Hike. 😊

Maggie Aldridge - For displaying a conscientious approach to all learning tasks with perseverance and determination, challenging herself to further improve. 😊

Hudson O'Brien - For his deep reflection on his learning. 😊

Max Day - working on improving his reading skills and asking interesting questions in group work. 😊

Marc Gipson - For his engagement during guided reading sessions. 😊

Zeke Newell - For his fantastic writing efforts. 😊

Archie Shiner - Always using his manners and being polite to his classmates and teachers. 😊

Be a Mate

Layla Smith - for ensuring that all members of the class had a role to participate in during the instruction cooking lesson. 😊

Ross' Report



A huge congratulations to the grade 5 and 6 students who successfully completed the Bike Hike last week. Three challenging days, well over 100km completed and a massive sense of achievement for all of the students involved. Thanks to all of the parent volunteers who assisted by riding, driving support vehicles, preparing meals, ensuring safe road crossings and continuously providing encouragement to our kids. This event needs a lot of support to run so we couldn't have done it without you. Thanks to the staff who were another big part of this successful experience- Carrye, Abbey, Fiona and Peter- your efforts are greatly appreciated.

We are excited to be able to offer Before and After School Care from the start of next year. The school is working closely with Kelly Club, our care provider, to ensure everything is up and running from the start of next year. At the moment, we are offering Before and After Care on Monday through to Thursday each week. We are trying to get an estimate of the number of people who will use the service. We would appreciate families filling out the survey monkey to give us an idea of numbers in 2024. The survey can be accessed via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BKG8RQD>.

With our fete day fast approaching we are looking for donations of gourmet foods, outdoor items (gardening gloves, decorative pots, secateurs, potting mix etc), and entertaining/serve ware to bolster our raffle prizes. Items can be left at the office. Thank you.



Your feedback is always welcome at ross.davis@education.vic.gov.au or 0403 565 119.



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

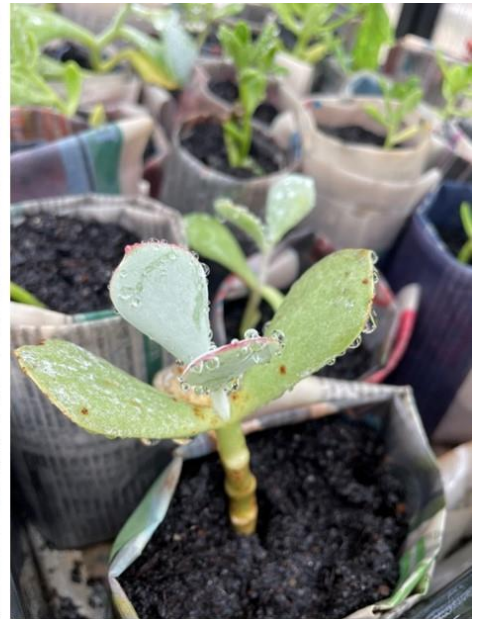
Science Term 4

The foundation students are learning about the basic needs of animals and plants, and comparing these to their own needs to survive. They discussed the difference between needs and wants, focusing on those items we can not do without. Their study was then directed towards plants and understanding what happens when their needs are not met or altered.

Year 1/2 students are studying various Australian animals. They discovered the unique features, habitats, and diets of a variety of Australian animals. Students were encouraged to sort animals by their covering and explored the different types of habitats that exist and where particular animals can be found in Australia. They explored diet and survival needs and how this relates to their habitat.

The year 3/4 students explored the concepts of living, once living and products of living things. Throughout the term the students participated in various activities which investigated the different products being studied. They learnt about the process these products take from the farmers paddock to our homes. They had the opportunity to do finger knitting with wool, bake bread with flour, sew with cotton thread, cook rice and recycle used paper.

In year 5/6 students studied animal and plant adaptations. They conducted various experiment to help them understand why plants and animals have particular features or behaviours helping them survive in their environment (blubber, camouflage, beak size and shape, frill on a lizard etc). They were given the opportunity to ask specific questions about their topic to guide their learning.



General Information



AVENEL PRIMARY SCHOOL - CLEANING CONTRACT

Avenel Primary School is seeking quotes from suitably qualified contractors to undertake cleaning duties at the school. The Contract is for the period 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2026. Interested parties are asked to obtain a copy of the relevant documentation from Mr Ross Davis – phone 03 5796 2264.

To be eligible to be appointed under this contract the cleaning contractor must have Panel Status with the Department of Education and Training. Tenders are required to be submitted by Monday November 6th, 2023. A school tour for potential applicants will occur on Thursday, October 26th 2023 at 4:00pm. The lowest or any quote will not necessarily be accepted.

Ross Davis, Principal

BOOK CLUB – Closing date for the current Book Club is 23rd October.

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.

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

- Slouch Hat - \$14.00



- Hybrid Hat - \$15.00



WANTED IN THE ART ROOM - Plastic lids like the picture below - not milk bottle ones. Also wanted cardboard tubes from paper towel/gladwrap etc. There will be a box in the office for these to be dropped into.



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 -](#)

[Health.vic - https://www.health.vic.gov.au > files > factsheets](https://www.health.vic.gov.au/files/factsheets)

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS - The Department of Education administers a number of scholarships that are available to eligible students who are enrolled in Grade 4 to Year 12 in 2023.

Applicants for these scholarships will be evaluated on their:

- participation in school activities
- community involvement
- academic achievement.

Scholarships are either one-off payments or cover the duration of the student's course or annual study. Many of these scholarships have specific eligibility criteria so please refer to individual applications for more information. Applications are open and close on Thursday 1 February 2024.

For more information and a list of available scholarships, refer to the 2024 Student scholarships for Grade 4 – Year 12 fact sheet - [Student scholarships for Grade 4 – Year 12 fact sheet](#). For information on how to apply, refer to [Student scholarships](#).

FETE RAFFLE DONATIONS

We are seeking a donation from each family to add to the raffle prizes for this year's Fete. The raffle traditionally brings in a huge revenue for our fete and we hope to make this year's raffle bigger and better than ever. We ask that each family provides a new quality item to be included in the prize bundle. Some suggestions are:

- Food items
- Household goods
- Home décor
- Self-care
- Beverages
- Toys
- Arts and Crafts
- Gardening items

Please bring your donation to the office by the 20th of October.

Many thanks,
Carrye Malone

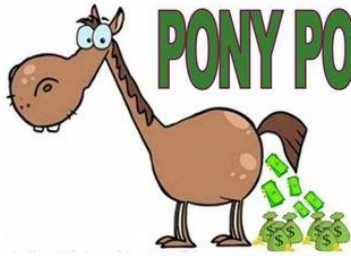


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
October	27 th	Gr 1-2 Excursion & Sleepover
November	6 th	Report Writing Day – Pupil Free
	7 th	Melbourne Cup public holiday
	10 th	Kinder Transition
	13 th 14 th & 15 th	Gr 3-4 camp
	14 th	School Council
	15 th	Prep excursion
	18 th	School Fete
	22 nd – 24 th	Energy Break Through
	24 th	Kinder Transition
	27 th	Smile Squad Dental Van visit
December	6 th	Volunteer morning tea
	7 th	Gr 6 Gradation
	9 th	Singing group at Avenel Market
	11 th	School Captains Speeches & interviews
	12 th	State Wide Transition
	13 th , 14 th 15 th	Swimming Program
	14 th	School Council Dinner
	18 th	Concert Night – 6.00pm
	19 th	Triathlon
	20 th	Last day Term 4

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – Harley Parce, Abby and Tilly Eagles, Griffin Boote and John Gipson





PONY POO LOTTERY

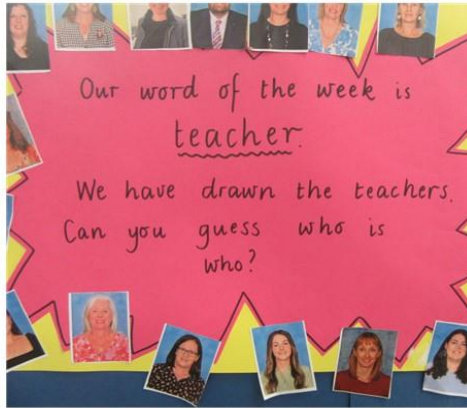
\$20 a ticket.

Grand Prize \$1000

0	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14

Contact the office to buy a ticket for this year's Fete's Pony Poo Lotto. Each square costs \$20, if the pony poos in your square you take out the \$1000 prize.

Get in early to secure the number square you want!



From the Prep room

Student Reports

5/6 - 3 Day Bike Hike Mountains to Murray – 2023

Last week our 5/6s attended a 3 Day Bike Hike from Bright to Wangaratta. The Bike Hike is a longstanding Avenel tradition and often reflected on by our students as a major highlight of the year. This year we boarded the bus at 9am on Wednesday the 18th of October, after loading trailers and trucks with our camping gear and bikes. We travelled to Bright where we began our ride from the Bright Recreation Reserve. The first day we rode approximately 31km from Bright to Myrtleford, a nice even terrain where we were able to soak up the scenery and chat with friends. When we arrived at the campgrounds in Myrtleford students set up their camp and enjoyed an afternoon full of playing and swimming.

On Day 2 we packed up camp and hit the road, it was a big day of approximately 48km riding from Myrtleford to Beechworth. The climb into Beechworth is mostly uphill and we all had to dig deep into our resilience and persistence banks to get to the top. Each and every rider managed to ride all the way to Beechworth, a massive achievement and something everyone can be very proud of. When we arrived at our camping destination, tents were again erected, play time was a little quieter on this day! Day 3 started with some fabulous downhill action and a cruisy 42km ride into Wangaratta where we were met by our transport to bring us back to Avenel.

So many memories were made, and a great time was had! A big thank you to all the volunteers that assisted us over the 3 days. Thanks to those families who provided baked goods to assist in keeping us sustained for the 3 days. Thank you to Scott for transporting our bikes up and back, as well as Mark and Hayley for picking the truck up. Many thanks to Belinda, Deb and Bec for meeting us with fresh fillings and beautiful rolls for lunch on day 2 and 3. Big thanks to the crew in our support vehicles, Fiona, Grant, Abbey and Jamie. And finally, thanks to those adults who rode with us: Sam, Lauren, Brent, Pete, Damian, Adrian, Gus, Leonie, Ivan and Shane. This camp relies heavily on the support of the community, and we are extremely grateful for everyone's efforts.





Community Information

Avenel Kindergarten

Santa Photos

Avenel PAG is thrilled to partner with Kerrie from KLK Eye Photography to offer Santa photos, suitable for the whole family!

For \$60, you will receive 4 emailed photos, perfect for Christmas gifts. \$25 from each session will go towards new resources for the kinder.

Friday 10th November 1pm-4pm

Saturday 11th November 10am-4pm

Bookings essential and do book out!

Book via QR code



Attention Cricketers

The Blasters program this Thursday will not run due to our two coaches being away. We will begin again next Thursday 2nd of November. See you then.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

TUESDAY, 31 OCT

Proudly supported by



FUN | MUSIC | GAMES

Mechanics Hall, Nagambie

6pm- 8pm

Entry: \$5 per child or \$10 max for a family (supervising adult/s free)
Photo opportunity: \$2 per child or \$5 per family. Images will be edited as below.



All ages welcome

WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR AFTERNOON TEA

CHINA & LACE

The Lions Club of Seymour Goulburn



Proudly raising funds for our community

Sunday 12th November 2023
Seymour Bowling Club, Tallarook Street
1.30 - 4.00pm
Tickets: \$25 per person
To make a booking please call:
Leonie: 0439 308 055; or
Regina: 0417 329 981

COMPLIMENTARY DRINK ON ARRIVAL
RAFFLE AND LUCKY GIFT DRAWS
FASHION PARADE



Little Athletics Victoria | Nagambie

SEASON 2023-24

NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS

WE ARE LITTLE ATHLETICS

Nagambie Little Athletics - Registrations open!
Season will commence on Saturday 21st October 9am at St Joseph's Primary School in Nagambie
www.lavic.com.au/membership
Clare Garrett – 0439 269 182
Facebook – Nagambie Little Athletics

The **Visy Recycling Centre** is coming to **Avenel Café**. The following is a list of which containers can be recycled. Students can bring their containers to school so that they can be recycled, along with other containers collected from lunch and snack time, with the funds going into the school's bank account towards Junior School Council fund raising.



Eligible Vs Ineligible Containers

Which containers are eligible for a refund?

Drink containers ranging from 150ml to 3 litres are eligible for a 10-cent refund if they're made from:

- Glass
- PET clear/coloured
- Aluminium
- Steel
- Liquid paperboard (small juice boxes or flavoured milk containers).
- HDPE

To check if a container qualifies for a refund, look for the '10c' mark on it.

Eligible Containers



Ineligible Containers



Containers must be in good shape.

Containers cannot be crushed, or damaged, and the label or barcode should still be intact.

Which containers are ineligible for a refund?

These include:

- Plain milk containers
- Cordial, syrup, concentrated fruit, or vegetable juice bottles
- Glass containers that contained wine or pure spirits
- Large containers (1 litre or more) that contained flavoured milk, pure juice, cask wine or cask water
- Registered health tonics
- Highly contaminated aluminium such as pet food, tuna tins, or alfoil trays.

Why are some beverage containers eligible for a refund and some aren't?

Eligible containers are often found as litter in streets, beaches, waterways, and parks and are typically used when people are on the move, outside, or away from home. Containers not accepted are commonly used at home, making them better suited for regular household recycling.

Can lids be left on?

Leave lids on and they will be made into new products as well.

Can I refuse to take containers?

Yes, you can refuse to take any ineligible or contaminated containers and only accept suitable eligible containers.

What do I do with ineligible containers?

Ineligible containers may still be recycled. Advise customers to take these containers home and recycle them in their kerbside bins.

Need some help?

Contact the Visy Customer Service team, email cpo@visy.com or call 1300 220 815

Operating Monday to Sunday 9am-5pm AEST (except public holidays)

AVENEL PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE

Saturday 18th November



10am-2pm

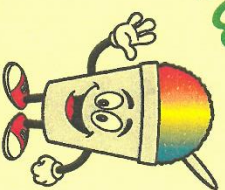


School Oval

Jumping
Castle



Market Stalls



BBQ & Coffee Van



Showbags

Live Music

Carnival Games



Pony Rides



Bric-a-brac

Pedal Cars



Face Painting



Ninja Course



Dunking Tank



Popcorn & Fairy Floss



AND MUCH MORE! For further info phone 5796 2264

Avenel Cafe

Dine In or Take Away

School Lunch Orders Term 4 2023

Name: _____ Grade: _____

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

Available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Term 4 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.

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