

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

Caspar Leunig - For his work with his suspense story, taking risks to try newly learned aspects of suspense writing. 😊

Oliver Misiti - For his enthusiasm towards his personal learning goals. 😊

Ivy Bassett - contributing actively in class lessons on reading strategies. 😊

Tilda Fowles - Her attention to detail in our letter writing unit, creating complex sentences. 😊

Bodhi Hore - For the improvement he has made when making learning choices. 😊

Marli Shiels - For the focus she is showing on her independent learning tasks. 😊

Ross' Report



The Food Fight was a huge success last week with the students (and staff!) having a brilliant time on the oval. The music was playing and everyone was in a great mood as our students, and a few brave parents, walked, ran or jogged around the course as "food" was hurled in their direction. Although I wasn't too sure when the cold green slime slid down my back, I am very proud of the school's fundraising efforts and how we really did achieve our aim of Giving Something Back, smashing the \$10,000 slime target! Anyone who raised some money has until tonight to select their prizes from the Food Fight website, otherwise the school will choose prizes for you. A special shout out to Riley from 3/4W (\$1610), Murphy from 1/2WB (\$1010) and Charlie from Prep (\$829) who were our three highest fundraisers at the event. In the end the money raised, of which 100% goes directly to Foodbank, was \$12,257.06- well done everyone!



We have a fabulous Old School 90s Day planned for Thursday with the JSC organising some fantastic activities which all students will be able to participate in. Students can dress up in their best 90s gear, or just come in casual clothes. There is still time to put in your special lunch order, with Hot Dogs, Donuts and Primas always a big hit on the last day of term. Special thanks to Shaun at the Avenel Café who has donated the hot dogs to the JSC which will help their fundraising efforts.

Last weekend Avenel Active hosted a fabulous Community Picnic at Jubilee Park, where there were some great activities for adults and kids to participate in. Our school leaders were invited to assist with the activities, and Charlotte, Bailey and Immy were wonderful helpers on the day. The Singing Group also kicked off the event performing four songs, which for over half of their group was their first public performance.



Term 2 is going to kick off with a bang for the 5/6 students who are off to camp on day 1! The Sovereign Hill camp is one of the highlights for our senior students, and this year they are extremely fortunate to be part of the Costume School which is only offered to a small number of schools each year. I am sure the 5/6s will have a brilliant time.

A reminder that school finishes at 2:20 this Thursday, as term 1 comes to an end. We will have an assembly to finish the term, commencing at 1:50 in the main building. This assembly will include the drawing of the Easter Raffle. It has been a fantastic term with some great events and settled classrooms providing a perfect learning environment for our students. I hope everyone has a lovely Easter and enjoys the holiday break. I look forward to seeing you on Day 1 of term 2, Monday 15th April.



Congratulations to Ella Cross for being this week's Principal Award winner.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
March	Thursday 28 th	Last Day Term 1 – 2.20pm dismissal. Drawing of Easter Raffle Hot dog lunch/JSC 90's theme dress up day. Gold Coin donation.
April	Thursday 11 th	Bulb Orders need to be placed.
	Monday 15 th – Wednesday 17 th	Start Term 2 Gr 5-6 Ballarat Excursion
June	Friday 28 th	End Term 2
July	Monday 15 th	Start Term 3
September	Friday 20 th	End Term 3
October	Monday 7 th	Start Term 4
December	Friday 20 th	End Term 4

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – Koen Mulraney, Imogen McAllister, Hudson O'Brien and Clancy Hull



*Don't forget Thursday's
90's Dress Up Day!!!*



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.

Wellbeing

Student Voice @ Avenel Primary School

Student voice acknowledges that students have unique perspectives on learning, teaching, and schooling, and should have the opportunity to actively shape their own education.

Student voice involves students actively participating in their schools, communities, and the education system, contributing to decision making processes and collectively influencing outcomes by putting forward their views, concerns and ideas.



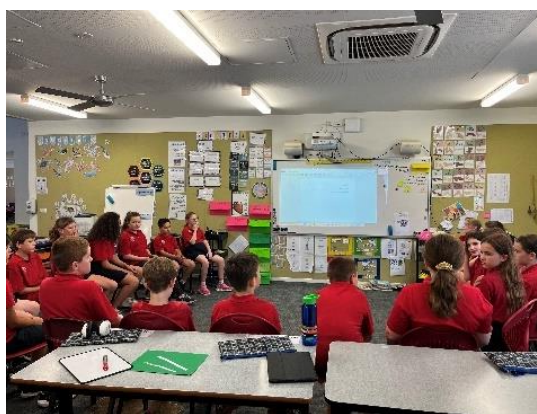
Determining ways in which we can ensure our students have a say in their school and their learning has been a key priority area for us for many years. At Avenel Primary school we have a number of processes and systems that ensure student voice is encouraged, heard and followed through on. Some of the ways we encourage student voice include:

One-on-One interviews.

One-on-one interviews are carried out by Mr D with the Year 6s at least once a year. These interviews allow students to communicate their successes as well as any areas of concern that they may have. It is part of our Annual Implementation Plan this year to carry out one-on-one interviews with all students in the school.

Class Meetings

This term we have rolled out class meetings across the school. Each class has a timetabled meeting once a week, discussing an area for improvement around the school. Thanks to this process we have developed lunchtime clubs based around student requests and improved classroom and playground resources. In the senior classes students chair the meetings as teachers take a back seat and allow each student to have their say.



Junior School Council

Our JSC are the voices for all our classes to feed to our Principal. JASC council members have weekly meeting to discuss what is happening in their classrooms and around the school and be the voice of their peers. Our JSC run multi-age days to develop peer relationships, fundraise for the school and charities and make connections with our wider school community.

Student Surveys

Student surveys are generally completed at the end of each term, these surveys allow students to anonymously voice their feelings in relation to their learning, their connectedness to school and their voice at school. These surveys are unpacked by leadership and the wellbeing team to determine areas for improvement, identify professional learning opportunities and set goals for the future.

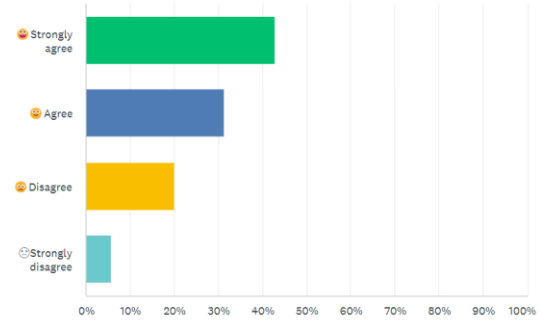
Student Survey 2 School Connectedness Term 1 2024

3. My teacher encourages everyone to have a say in our class.

I have the opportunity to share my ideas to improve our school.

Answered: 105 Skipped: 0

- 😄 Strongly agree
- 😊 Agree
- 😞 Disagree
- 😡 Strongly disagree



Building Peer Relationships

We are committed to developing peer relationships and trust across the school. Our leaders spend time in different classrooms to build relationships with the students, so they feel comfortable sharing their experiences. Our leaders listen to the ideas of others and bring the ideas back to the teaching staff.



EASTER RAFFLE!

\$1 PER TICKET

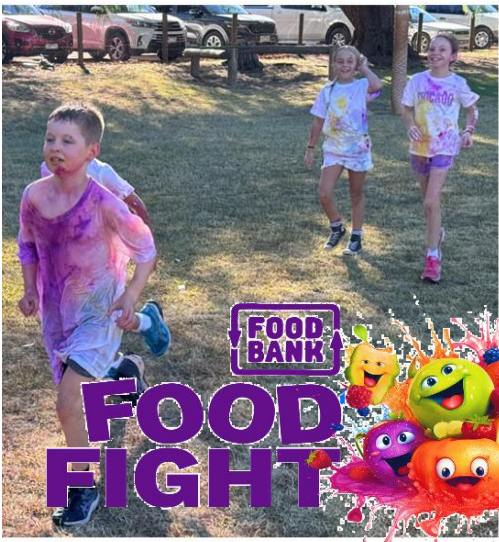
PRIZES GENEROUSLY DONATED BY APS FAMILIES!

ALL MONEY RAISED GOES TO THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, MELBOURNE.

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY AVENEL CFA

Some of the wonderful donations that can be won in the Easter raffle.
Thank you everyone for your support of this special fundraiser for the Royal Childrens Hospital Good Friday Appeal





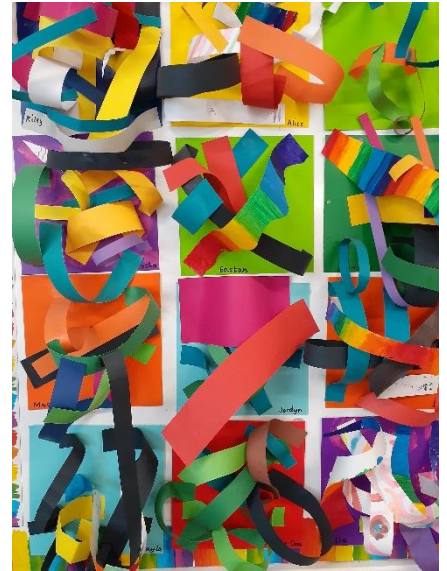
Student Reports

From the Art Room...

2022 saw our first incredible Art show here at Avenel Primary School. After such success we decided that we celebrate all of the children's amazing artworks in this format every second year, with this being the year for our **second show!** I am not sure how we will top the first one, however we will try our best! This will be held towards the end of term three. As a result, you will not see any of your children's work arrive scrunched up in the bottom of their school bag over the course of this year, as I will be storing it all in preparation for our Art Show.

Our Prep students have explored drawing, painting and construction this term. We have experimented with different drawing tools to create different types of lines. These were used to create the bristles of a paintbrush we constructed and also a crazy background. We have constructed our own sculptures from paper strips, followed directions to draw Pigeon, from the story 'Don't let the pigeon drive the bus,' by Mo Willems and also used shapes as stencils to flick paint around the outside of.

Grade 1/2 students have been working on their drawing skills for most of this term. We began by revising the colours of the rainbow, creating gorgeous vibrant crayons and then looked at the story 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas, followed directions to learn how to draw a monster, then created images to match our colour monster, cutting this out and creating a collaged collection. Lastly we squeezed in some painting to model some hearts off the work of Jim Dine.



Term 1 has seen the grade 3/4 students complete a directed drawing of some stunning Toucans, (currently on display in the office). We have then used the rest of the term to create our own radial printing plate design, paint a radial background in colours, then pull black prints from our printing plates, over the colourful background. This was a big project, but worth all the effort.



Our 4/5 class began the year with a construction and lettering activity, where they created their own fence made from pop sticks, then practised writing their name in a graffiti style and transferring this to their fence. These are currently on display on the shelves under the TV in their main building. We then looked at the work of Victorian artist Grotti Lotti. Grotti has a very busy art style, which we had a go at painting parrots. These are probably my favourite creations this term! We have finished the term creating a loom on a paper plate for us to weave on. These are going to be turned into Woven Jellyfish next term.



Lastly, our grade 6 students also began by focussing on lettering, also creating a little fence with their name graffitied on it. I then challenged their cutting skills by creating a collage of their silhouette, exploring the Art Principal of Movement in their work. Printing has also been a focus, creating a birch forest and they have created a background reminiscent of a checkered tablecloth in preparation for some doughnuts next term!



General Information

2024 TERM DATES

Term 1 - 29 January (teachers) (31st January Gr 1-6 students start & 1st Feb Preps) - 28 March

Term 2 - 15 April - 28 June

Term 3 - 15 July - 20 September

Term 4 - 7 October - 20 December

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 still recovering from Christmas and holidays! 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.

VISY RECYCLING CENTRE at **Avenel Café**. At school, students place the containers collected from lunch and snack time into the red container provided outside the big building which will then be taken to the shop, with the funds going into the school's bank account towards Junior School Council fund raising.



We are again raising money for the **Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal**. We are asking our families to please donate an Easter item for our Easter raffle which will be drawn at our final assembly on Thursday 6th April at 2:00pm. Donated items can be left at the office up until Thursday afternoon of the last week of term 1. Raffle books have been sent home so get out and sell them to all your friends, neighbors, etc. so that we raise heaps to support this worthy Appeal. More books are available from the office if you require them.

Please get on board our latest fundraiser.

IT'S BULB TIME.

Tesselaar Fundraising with Bulbs

2024 CATALOGUE

80 YEARS of experience is ours.

40% OF SALES is yours.

ORDERING YOUR PRODUCTS:
The unique website to order your products and make payment for your fundraising campaign.

Go ON-LINE to place your order at:
www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/AVENELPS
Campaign end date: **11/4/2024**
Products available to order until this date unless sold out prior.

Don't forget, there are even more bulbs to choose from online. Visit your unique website above to see the full range. The hardest thing about spring bulbs is choosing your favourites!

Get your family and friends involved to support your worthy cause. Spring bulbs are a great choice for beginners and an easy one for the pros! All our products are 100% guaranteed and come with detailed growing instructions. There is a downloadable order form available online if you need one.

WHAT OUR SYMBOLS MEAN

- Full sun
- Full sun/ light shade
- Great in pots

Need Help? For further information regarding Tesselaar Fundraising call 1300 428 527 or visit www.bulbfundraiser.com.au

CODE: AAMBPK 3 bulbs for \$16.00 6 bulbs for \$29.50 12 bulbs for \$57.00	CODE: OONUSB 20 bulbs for \$18.00 40 bulbs for \$34.00 80 bulbs for \$65.00
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One bulb is tough as they come, ideal in a sunny spot.
Height: 75cm
Width: 20cm
Flowers: Sun-Aut

All they need is well drained soil, some sunshine and they can naturalise with ease.
Height: 10-30cm
Width: 10cm
Flowers: L-Spr-Sum

Don't forget to get your orders in for our Bulb Fundraiser. Please ask your friends, neighbours, relatives etc if they would like to brighten up their garden this Spring by purchasing some bulbs. Orders close online on the 11th April.

Community Information

Avenel April Community

Market



Sunday April 14

9 am – 1 pm

JUBILEE PARK

All your favourite stalls & more!



Madeleine Lezon

Avenel Library Holiday Program



Jellyfish Suncatchers



Wednesday
3 April,
10:30am

Don't forget to pick up a #takehome craft pack so that you can craft on, no matter where you are.

For more information

Phone 1300 374 765 or email avenel@gvrlibraries.com.au.

Go to gvlibraries.com.au/holidays to find the complete holiday program.

EUROA HOCKEY

2024

Senior - Men
and Women

Junior- u10s,
u12s, u14s
and u16s.



GVHA COMPETITION TERM 2 AND 3

Please contact Euroa Hockey Club on 0401642753 if interested in playing for Euroa in the Shepparton (GVHA) Competition.

Details regarding local junior development will be available soon.

AVENEL GOLF CLUB NEWS

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Opening Day will be on Saturday the 6th April. We will be playing a 2 person Ambrose. Members/guests are asked to assemble at 11am. The season will be officially opened at 11.30 and we will hit off straight after.

There will be a draw for partners, however you may arrange your own and players from other clubs are most welcome to join us as well.

If you have any questions, please contact President Dale (0447 980 837), Jed (0407 546 917) or Lyn (0427 985 268).

Euroa Secondary College invites you to participate in our annual....

WRITING COMPETITION



DATE: 1st March until 31st May.

WHAT TO WRITE: A short story between 600-2000 words.

THEME: "Including Others".

PRIZE: \$50 voucher for each division winner.

There are 3 divisions:

- Primary School
- Junior School • ESC
- Senior School • ESC

WHAT IDEAS DO YOU HAVE FOR AVENEL?

JUNIOR AVENEL ACTIVE

Good Ideas to make our town awesome for you and me!

COME ALONG TO OUR MEET UP!

AGE LIMIT: 10 YRS +

DATE: WEDNESDAY MARCH 27TH

WHERE: AVENEL LIBRARY/COMMUNITY HUB

TIME: 5:30 - 6:15



JOIN THE PARKRUN FAMILY

WALK, JOG, RUN, VOLUNTEER
or simply come and watch - it's up to you!

FRIENDLY, ENJOYABLE 5K EVENTS

Every Saturday morning

FREE & EASY TO TAKE PART

No need for special equipment or clothing

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

Prams and dogs can take part

YOU DON'T HAVE TO RUN

Volunteering is a great way to get involved

IMPROVE HEALTH & FITNESS

Be active in the open air

BE PART OF A COMMUNITY

Make new friends and socialise

DEVELOP NEW SKILLS

Opportunities to volunteer

BUILD CONFIDENCE

Track progress and achieve new goals

Register at parkrun.com.au

notes:

1st Seymour Scout Group

Scouts are amazing!

Check them out!

Joey Scouts are girls and boys aged 5-7

Cub Scouts are aged 8-11

Scouts are aged 11-15

Venturers are aged 15-17

Rovers are aged 18-25

They enjoy adventure, imagination, and being outdoors during their weekly meeting, and occasional sleepovers and camps.

Less screens - and more action, more fun, more friends, and more social skills! Looks good on a resume too!

Enquiries:

Go to <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/locations/> to find your closet group!

1800 726 887





Avenel Primary School

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

Junior School Council Fundraiser

Lunch Order Form

Thursday 28th March

Please write how many required in the box provided.	Please write how many required in the box provided.	Please write how many required in the box provided.
Name: _____	Name: _____	Name: _____
Grade: _____	Grade: _____	Grade: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog \$4.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog \$4.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog \$4.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Juice Box \$2.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Juice Box \$2.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Juice Box \$2.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Donut \$2.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Donut \$2.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Donut \$2.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Combo \$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Combo \$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Combo \$8.00
Total \$ enclosed _____	Total \$ enclosed _____	Total \$ enclosed _____
Please return by Tuesday 26th so that we can place orders. Thank you.	Please return by Tuesday 26th so that we can place orders. Thank you.	Please return by Tuesday 26th so that we can place orders. Thank you.

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