

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

Immy McAllister - For her initiative and dedication to start mastering her understanding of percentages and finding percentages of whole numbers. 😊

Hudson O'Brien - For his focus and engagement when working independently. 😊

Mila Kelly - For applying herself during independent tasks and taking risks in her writing. 😊

Willa Leunig - For working to the best of her ability on all learning tasks. 😊

Be a Mate

Marlee Eagles - For being a mate, always ready to help others. 😊

Give Something Back

Darcy Misiti - For picking up rubbish around the school yard during recess. 😊

Ross' Report



All students across Australia in grades 3 and 5 in primary schools and years 7 and 9 in secondary schools will participate in NAPLAN assessments commencing next week, March 13th. Students will sit a test for Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy. We understand that this is a one-off assessment and the staff look at the results in collaboration with all of the other school based assessments completed by the class teacher. We complete the assessments with all students in a relaxed environment ensuring all students feel comfortable and able to do the best they can. If you have any concerns about NAPLAN, please feel free to contact me at school.

I have continued to be impressed with the swimming results of our students as they have progressed through the various levels. We had incredible success at Division in Wangaratta last Friday. Individually, we had Wren 1st in backstroke and 2nd in butterfly, Caspar 2nd in backstroke, Jack 7th in freestyle and 6th in breaststroke and Maggie 7th in breaststroke. The relay teams were also fabulous, with many of our students having to swim up an age group or even several age groups! Oliver, Aidan, Clancy and Harley swam in the 11 year old boys freestyle relay, finished 6th and knocked an incredible 21 seconds off their time from District the week before! Caspar, Jack, Wren and Oakleigh grabbed a 3rd placed ribbon in the 12 year old boys freestyle relay and Maggie, Wren, Jack and Caspar finished 2nd in the open age boys medley relay. Congratulations to the whole team of swimmers and the parents who came along to cheer our swimmers on. Good luck to Wren, Caspar, Jack and Maggie who are competing in the Regional Championships in Shepparton today.



We have had a great response to our Food Fight Family evening to be held on Thursday 21st March. Not only will it be a great evening to come along and watch the kids run and get covered in lovely "food" but it is also a wonderful fundraiser where we are giving something back by supporting Foodbank Victoria. There is still plenty of time to register and collect sponsors to raise some money for Foodbank.

Our preps commence school full time from next week. It will be great to have them here every day with their Wednesdays now a normal school day. Anne Tranter has done a great job in transitioning them to school and Anne Fahey has also had the class for several days as she will be the prep teacher on a Wednesday for the rest of the year.



Congratulations to Jack Stirling 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	Wednesday 6 th	Regional Swimming – Shepparton No Preps
	Monday 11 th	Labour Day Public Holiday
	Wednesday 13 th	Preps at school
	13 th – 15 th	NAPLAN testing Gr 3 and Gr 5
	Thursday 21 st	Family Night – Food Fight
	Thursday 28 th	Last Day Term 1 – 2.20pm dismissal. Drawing of Easter Raffle
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 – Easton Martin, Matilda Wintle and Leon Stockman



Uniforms from our old stock which we desperately need to get rid of. Please come into the office and collect.

Cargo Pants

Size 6	9
Size 8	6
Size 10	5
Size 12	3
Size 14	2

Shorts

Size 8	1
Size 16Y	5
Size S	1



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

Assessment Driving Learning



At Avenel Primary School we have a commitment to targeted and specific teaching driven by understanding our students, their current skills, and the next steps in their learning. We use a range of assessment tools to collect and triangulate data to plan for effective teaching.

Assessment data is used by:

- Classroom teachers – to guide planning, group students with like needs, set individual goals and track growth of students across the year.
- Leadership team – to track whole school data, identify trends and set school wide priorities that drive teacher professional learning.

At this time of year, we are undertaking assessments across key learning areas.

Some of the key assessments include:

- **English Online Interview** – a one on one assessment for Foundation and Grade 1 students to identify student skills in speaking and listening, reading and writing.
- **Fountas and Pinnell Reading** – to assess fluency and reading comprehension skills.
- **Lexile** – a test of reading comprehension to assign books for readers at their appropriate level.
- **Essential Assessments** – an online assessment for maths, reading and writing that is aligned to the Victorian Curriculum outcomes.
- **DIBELS** – assessment of basic early literacy skills – including alphabet naming, decoding, oral fluency and comprehension.
- **NFA** – number fluency assessment to identify mathematical understandings and strategies in place value, counting and the four operations.
- **Writing Moderation** – assessment of written piece against a rubric that outlines the different elements of writing.



Sharing assessment data with students is part of student voice and agency in our school, whereby students understand their current skill level and can take part in negotiating the next learning path for them through conferencing and goal setting.

Our strong assessment schedule and consistency and rigor in completing and analysing data supports our ongoing tracking of student growth across their years of schooling.

Student Reports

3/4 Wonderful

3/4W learners have worked hard to recognise and learn that it's OK to be different!

Although we are all roughly the same age and live in the same district, we are twenty three different individuals and that's OK! We're each unique. Our Positive Ed lessons have helped us unpack the ways we are different, then helped us learn ways we can work together as a class. We practice co-operating with learners who might not always be our friends and even practice strategies we can use when other's differences distract us.

We apply this learning in each of our learning activities.



General Information

WANTED FOR THE VEGIE GARDEN – We have a group of parents interested in reviving the vegie gardens. They are looking for donations of Poo or garden mulch. If you can assist please contact the office.



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 will be sent home shortly.



Tesselaar
Fundraising with Bulbs
2024 CATALOGUE

80 YEARS of experience is ours.

40% OF SALES TO CHARITY

LILY These flowers smell of honeysuckle and the bulbs are tough as they come, ideal in a sunny spot. CODE: AAMBPK 3 bulbs for \$16.00 6 bulbs for \$29.50 12 bulbs for \$57.00 Height: 75cm Width: 20cm Flowers: Sun-Aut	BETHLEHEM A low growing sensation with prolific, silver stars. All they need is well drained soil, some sunshine and they can naturalise with ease. CODE: OONUSB 20 bulbs for \$18.00 40 bulbs for \$34.00 80 bulbs for \$65.00 Height: 10-30cm Width: 10cm Flowers: L. Spr-Sum
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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/AVENELPLS
Campaign end date: **11/4/2024**
Products available to order until this date unless sold out prior.

**Your order will be delivered to your nominated address for distribution. A fixed postage and handling fee of \$6.50 will be charged for your total fundraising order (TAS and WA will incur an additional \$6 quarantine fee per total order).

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 contact 1300 555 555 or www.tesselaar.com.au

Flyers for our Bulb fundraiser have been sent home. 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 GOLF CLUB NEWS



Attention Juniors - Our Saturday morning junior 6 hole competition has returned for 2024. Please arrive by 9:30 for a 9:45 tee time. Cost is only \$2. All welcome.

Hi everyone, if you haven't been playing golf it's time to dust off the clubs as **Opening Day** is fast approaching - **Saturday April 6th**.

Needless to say, we need to have a few working bees to get the course ready and also the fellas have a home pennant match on Sunday the 24th March - the week before opening day.

A working bee has been set for **Sunday 17th March** from 9.00 am onwards. We'll have a sausage sizzle lunch and refreshments. If you are unable to help on the appointed days - feel free to go out to the course at any time and do what you can to help.

There's been a bit of tree damage from the last storm so if anyone is able to get out there with a chainsaw and trailer that would be fabulous. There's always cleaning up to do under the trees and around the tee signs and markers- anything you can do assist will be much appreciated. The front garden needs a good weed. The sands need to be refreshed and oiled and the surrounds chipped and tidied.




TOM CURTAIN

WHY WE LIVE OUT HERE TOUR

KATHERINE OUTBACK EXPERIENCE,
CHRIS MATTHEWS, MELISSA FRASER & LAURA FRANK

Family friendly event:

- 1hr National award-winning Outback Horse & Dog Show
- 2hrs Live music



NAGAMBIE

SUN 24 MAR 2024

NAGAMBIE PRIMARY SCHOOL
GATES OPEN 3:00PM | SHOW 3:30PM-6:30PM

ONLINE TICKETS: ADULT: \$40 | SENIOR: \$35 | STUDENTS (6-17YR): \$25 | KIDS (5YR&U): FREE | FAMILY: \$117
COMPANION CARD ACCEPTED | *SMALL ONLINE BOOKING FEE | DOOR TICKETS \$10 MORE | DOOR FAMILY: \$135
FOOD AND DRINKS AVAIL | BYO CHAIRS | OUTDOOR EVENT

TICKETS: WWW.TOMCURTAIN.COM.AU

TC TOM CURTAIN Katherine Outback EXPERIENCE 

Avenel Kindergarten are looking for people with enthusiasm and fresh ideas to join our Parent Advisory Group in 2024.



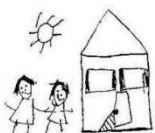
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AT AVENEL KINDERGARTEN

Wednesday 13th of March

7.30pm



SAT 16TH MARCH



THE GIANTS ROCK 'N' ROLL

@ THE ROYAL HOTEL SEYMOUR



GOLD COIN DONATION
ENTRY



Black Dog Ride



Junior Football & Netball

Register now!

Football

<https://www.playhq.com/af/register/5dc499>

- Under 9's (born 2015 - 30/04/2017)
- Under 10's (born 2014)
- Under 12's (born 2012)
- Under 14's (born 2010)

Netball

<https://registration.netballconnect.com/appRegistrationForm>

- Under 11's (born 2013)
- Under 13's (born 2011)

Training is set to start at the beginning of March.

Follow our Facebook page for important updates.



Avenel tennis club members invite the general community, especially our social members, to join them for a fun social hit of tennis on Wednesday nights from 6.00pm or Thursday nights from 5.30pm. As it gets darker, we will turn the lights on so that you can continue having a hit.

It doesn't matter if you haven't played for some time, it's all about having fun, getting some exercise, and more importantly making use of this wonderful facility the whole year round. 😊

**Saturday
16th March,
5-7 pm
Jubilee Park,
Avenel**

Avenel Community Picnic

Come together with other Avenel residents to enjoy a relaxed BYO picnic event with fun & games for the kids and a free BBQ. Welcome newcomers to our great town.

BYO Picnic

Free BBQ & Super Doopers!

Kids Games

Try a new sport

Proud supporters
Avenel Community Picnic
Nagambie
Bendigo Bank

Event major sponsor

Other sponsors:
Woolworths Seymour
Goulburn Valley Water

Proudly organised by Avenel Active Inc

MY FUTURE ACADEMY MIGHTY MOVERS PROGRAM

Our Mighty Movers program is coming to Nagambie these upcoming school holidays!

We are proud to present with the Strathbogie Shire and Vic Health a **FREE** School Holiday program for anyone aged 3 - 12 years old!

Our awesome program allows young people to participate in physical activity, play and recreation whilst underpinning a clear focus on positive social and wellbeing outcomes.

Location - St Joseph's Primary School Oval, Nagambie.

We will play games, activities, challenges and have a go at an obstacle course at your own pace to improve participation and to help develop lifelong healthy habits.

- 1hr session on Wednesday 3rd April 10am - 11am
- 1hr session on Wednesday 10th April 10am - 11am

To book in please head to:
<https://www.myfutureacademy.com/book-online>



HOW NOW is back with fresh dairy products.

Great new stall with Easter Wreaths!



Amazing French bakery.

SUNDAY 10 MARCH
9 am – 1 pm
JUBILEE PARK



Avenel Market
Make it, Bake it, Grow it

McIvor Meats will be at our March Market!

Listen to Neale Williams live music!!



VERDUCI fresh fruit & veg

Don't forget to bring along your knives, gardening tools to be sharpened!



Cultural tour for curious kids

wawa biik Taungurung Cultural Experiences are led by Taungurung guides on Taungurung Country.

This new 2.5 hour wawa Euroa wayilak (young people) experience provides children aged 5-12 years with an introduction to Taungurung culture, giving them a fun, hands on learning about cultural use of plants for food, medicine and tools, all within the wonderfully engaging setting of the Euroa Arboretum.

Next tour: Tuesday 9th April 2024 (school holidays)

Includes time with Taungurung guides, an art class, Welcome Smoking Ceremony and bush tucker tastings.

Adults \$90 per person
Children: \$60 per person
Time: 10am - 12.30pm



Book via:
www.wawabiik.com.au

For more info: hello@wawabiik.com.au
Phone: 03 5784 1466



THEME: Furry Friends!

Term 1 Week 6, 4th March 2024

Weekly Activities Plan
Kelly Club Avenel

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3:00 – 3:10 pm	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	
3:10 – 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Corn Thins	Intro & Afternoon Tea Rainbow Fresh Fruit Platter	Intro & Afternoon Tea Rainbow fresh fruit Platter	Intro & Afternoon Tea Rainbow Fresh Fruit Platter	
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Master	Game: Space Invaders	Game: Scatter Balls	
	GAME Animal Round Up	DISCOVERY Electric Furry Friends	CRAFT	COOKING Animal Puffs	
3:45 – 4:30 pm					
4:30 – 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	
4:35 – 4:50 pm	Snack Time Vege Chips	Snack Time Popcorn	Snack Time Biscuits	Snack Time Baking	
4:50 – 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	
5:15 – 6:00 pm	Game: Hornet Tag & Projects	Game: King of the Ring & Projects	Game: Mexican Kick Ball & Projects	Game: Pirates Basketball & Projects	

Avenel Cafe

Dine In or Take Away

School Lunch Orders Term 1 2024

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Sandwiches, Wraps and Rolls		Fried Food (FRIDAY ONLY)	
Wrap chicken, ham or Egg & salad	7.50	Hot Chips (Small)	6.00
Roll chicken, ham or Egg & salad	7.50	Dim Sim	1.50
Sandwich 1 filling	4.50	Potato Cake	1.40
Sandwich 2 fillings	5.00	Dino Nugget each	1.00
Sandwich 3 fillings	5.50	Battered hot dog	3.50
Sandwich Ham/chicken and salad	7.00	Cheese Burger	8.25
Sandwich Schnitzel and salad	10.00	Kids Pack (Ext Sml Chips & 3 Nugs)	6.20
Toasted Sandwich 1 filling	5.50	Kids Pack (2 Potato Cakes & 3 Nugs)	5.00
Toasted Sandwich 2 filling	6.00	Gravy	1.20
Toasted Sandwich 3 filling	6.50	Tomato Sauce	0.35
Pie (Avenel Newsagency)	4.90	Iced Donut (Limited Numbers)	2.50
Sausage Roll (Avenel Newsagency)	4.50		
		Icy treats	
		Frozen Zooper Dooper	1.00
Piece of fresh fruit (Banana/apple/pear)	1.50	Lifesaver Ice Cream (Avenel Newsagency)	2.60
		Icypole (Avenel Newsagency)	1.50
Dairy		Drinks	
Chocolate milk	3.00	Water	3.00
Strawberry milk	3.00	Apple juice	2.80
TOTAL			\$
Amount enclosed			\$

Available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Term 1 2024.

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Chip Shortage: This has extended longer than expected. As a result of the price of chips has increased.

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