

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

Oakleigh Kanters - For his engagement in group learning tasks and discussions. 😊

Abby Eagles - For her commitment and her attitude towards her learning each day. 😊

Ivy Hender - For her focus during phonics and working hard with her reading. 😊

Mack Wheeler - For staying focussed on his learning and completing all tasks. 😊

Be a Mate

3/4W - For welcoming our three new learners. You have all been so helpful and friendly. 😊

Kaka Ikeda - For his smooth transition to grade 1/2WB and actively engaging in class. 😊

Ross' Report



The trivia night was a huge success on Saturday night. The atmosphere at Fowles was fabulous with a fully booked out room providing a lot of laughs, chatter and frivolity. The night will be a financial success, with the exact money raised to be announced soon. The success is thanks to a number of organisations and families who contributed with sponsorship, donations or assisting either before the event or on the night.

A massive thanks to the following businesses; McPherson Wines, Elders, Katie Merritt Photography, Harvey Norman, Brave Goose, Portobellos, Fowles, Inari Sushi, Ferguson Plarre's Bakehouse, Elsie and Florence, Darley, Seymour Club, Shopper's Delight and Gnarly Neighbours. Thanks also to the families and individuals who assisted: Croxford Family, Hore Family, Dee Wright, Manning Family, Vicki Martin, Mel Kecskes, Leoni Eagles, Mel Schmidt and Emily Cross.

We were fortunate to have the services of auctioneer Will Phillips who provided great entertainment throughout the auction and ensured that it was a financial success. Finally thanks to everyone who booked a table and supported the event. Our school community thanks you!

Best of luck to Caspar Leunig and Charlotte McMaster who are heading to Albury on Friday to compete in the Regional Athletics Championships. Caspar will be running in the 200 metre and hurdles events while Charlotte has qualified for the 1500 metre run. I know they will try their best and represent our school, themselves and their families proudly.

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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
October	Friday 18 th	Regional Aths
	23 rd – 25 th	3 Day Bike Hike
	Friday 25 th	Kinder transition
	Tuesday 29 th	Prep excursion
November	Monday 4 th	Report Writing day – Pupil Free Day
	Tuesday 5 th	Melbourne Cup public holiday
	Wednesday 6 th	State Aths
	Friday 8 th	Kinder Transition
	12 th – 15 th	Gr 3-4 15 Mile Creek Camp
	Tuesday 12 th	School Council Meeting
	20 th – 22 nd	Energy Breakthrough
	Friday 22 nd	Kinder Transition
December	Thursday 5 th	Gr 6 Graduation
	Friday 6 th	1/2 Excursion and Sleepover
	Monday 9 th	School Captain Speeches & Interviews
	Tuesday 10 th	Statewide Transition Day
	Thursday 12 th	Volunteer Morning Tea
	Friday 13 th	Gr 6 Bid Day Out
	Saturday 14 th	Singing Group Avenel Market
	Wednesday 18 th	Christmas Concert/Awards night
	Thursday 19 th	Triathlon
	Friday 20 th	End Term 4 – 1.20pm dismissal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – Otto Leunig and Charlie-Dene Greenwood-Nicholson



***Congratulations** to Maggie Aldridge for being
this week's
Principal Award winner.*



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

Home Reading

Term 4 is always a busy one at school and for families so here is a reminder about the importance of home reading.

Home reading is a valuable part of student learning and allows for connections to be made between home and school.

'Australia Reads' conducted a research review in 2023 that investigated the benefits of reading for all ages and found its wide-ranging benefits in education, literacy, and health.

It also found the considerable influence families play in establishing reading habits, both by facilitating reading and demonstrating reading habits themselves.

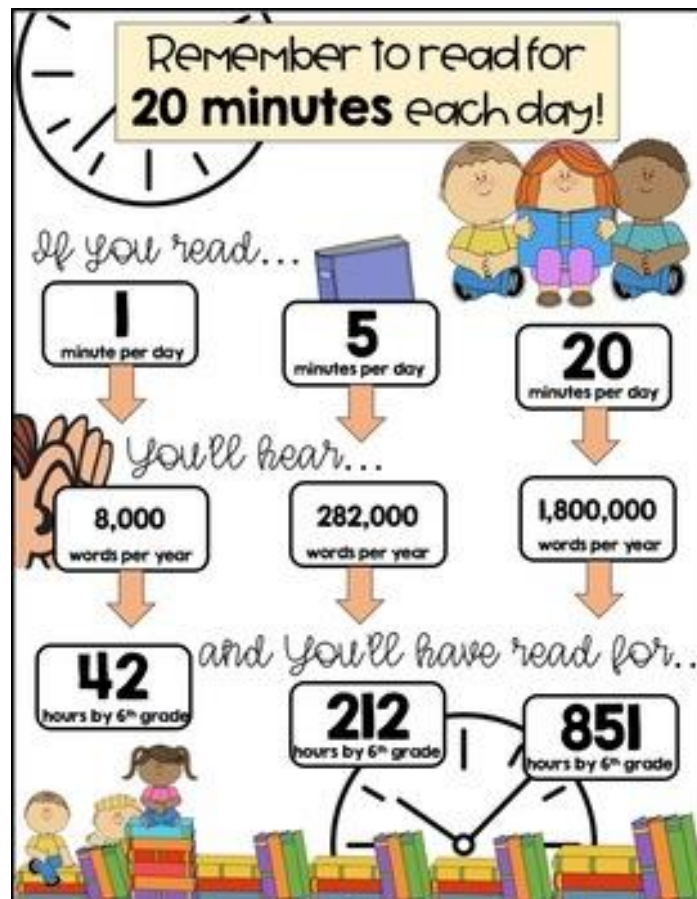
The research also showed that choice and autonomy are critical factors in reading motivation in children. The benefits of reading for just 20 minutes a day are shown in the graphic. The exposure to text and words helps to build vocabulary and language comprehension.

86% of children aged 6-17 said they loved being read books aloud at home and the main reason being because it was a special time with a parent.

We encourage families to complete home reading at least 5 nights a week to support children in their learning and also to build connections with your children.

Some tips for home reading:

- Find a time that works for you.
- Choose books from school or home that are of interest to your child. This will support motivation and encourage conversation about the text you share.
- Explore different text types – include fiction texts, news articles, recipes, instructions for games/ Lego, etc. Reading is everywhere – take the chance to explore its different forms.
- Make reading exciting – perhaps call a grandparent/ friend and share a story over the phone.
- Share the load – read together and model what reading looks like to your child.



From the 1/2 room

This term in 1/2 we have been learning about multiplication in maths.

We have focused on doubling, halving and using arrays to build a foundation for multiplication and division. We started by learning how to double numbers and use skip counting to quickly add repeated numbers. We have worked with arrays, by creating an array from a multiplication equation and skip count and find totals.

We enjoyed a maths lesson outside, investigating repeated addition. We used concrete materials we could find such as gumnuts, stones, leaves and flowers to create arrays, counting the totals by using repeated addition. We have built on our knowledge of repeated addition by using bar models to visually represent groups.

Over the next 2 weeks we will continue to embed our understanding of multiplication and the close relationship with division. These activities are developing our problem-solving skills and deepening our understanding of key mathematical concepts.



Fun with Maths.



General Information

2024 TERM DATES

Term 4 - 7 October - 20 December

LUNCH ORDER – TERM 4 - Attached the Term 4 lunch order form which should be used when placing lunch orders next term. **Please make sure you ring lunch orders through before 10.00am.** If you have any concerns, please direct these to Shaun at the Cafe on 57962536 or avenelcafe@gmail.com.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BONUS UPDATE - As shared with you previously, parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support. Soon the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools.



Please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and that your contact information is up to date by Friday 18 October 2024, The 2 emails from the Department of Education will:

- Confirm your email address between mid-October and late-November.
- Provide you with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code by the end of November.

If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact the school office if needed. You can read more about the [School Saving Bonus](#) on the Department of Education website.

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 classmaterials 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.

SCHOOL HATS – With the warmer, sunny days and higher UV levels students are reminded to bring their hats to school. Please note that hat prices are as follows:

- Slouch Hat - \$14.00
- Hybrid Hat - \$16.00



Kelly Club News



THEME: Minecraft

Term 4 Week 3 21st October 20

Weekly Activities Plan
Kelly Club Avenel

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7:00 - 8:30 am	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time
8:30 - 9:00 am				
9:00 - 9:30 am	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time
9:30 - 10:00 am	Intro & Afternoon Tea Fresh fruit Fish fingers	Intro & Afternoon Tea Fresh fruit Custard	Intro & Afternoon Tea Fresh fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Fresh fruit Sandwiches
10:00 - 10:30 am	GAME Zombie Tag 	DISCOVERY TIME Minecraft Lego 	COOKING Rice Bubble Creepers 	CRAFT Minecraft Characters 
10:30 - 11:00 am	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
11:00 - 11:30 am				
11:30 - 12:00 pm	Outside play Snack	Outside play Snack	Outside play Snack	Outside play Snack
12:00 - 12:30 pm				
12:30 - 1:00 pm	Quiet play	Quiet play	Quiet play	Quiet play

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Community Information

*** Note – Change of Date & Venue
from last week's advert.



NEW RESIDENTS MEET and GREET

Who: Residents who have moved in to Avenel in the past 4 years or less. Established residents bring along someone new to your street.

Where: "Chaarlong" 18-22 Scobie Street South, Avenel

When: Tuesday 22nd October 2024

Time: 10:30-12:00

Morning Tea provided.



For more details contact Anne Douglas – 0400594838 or Carol Steers.

Organised by community members and supported by Avenel Active Inc.



We're looking for Lifeguards with a passion for making everyone safer around water.

Apply Today!

BECOME A LIFEGUARD WITH US!

Our lifeguards play a crucial role in providing a safe and enjoyable atmosphere for everyone around the water, while delivering exceptional customer service. Join us in our mission to create a safer environment around water, one lifeguard at a time. No experience is necessary - we'll help you become qualified and ready to start. Learn more or express your interest today at

<https://belgravialeisure.com.au/become-a-lifeguard/>

Tap off and tune in this Water Night in the Goulburn Valley

Have you ever thought about just how many times a day you reach for your tap? It might be more than you think!

Goulburn Valley Water is urging people to sign up to Water Night, a free event similar to Earth Hour, which encourages people to become more aware of their household water use.

Water Night asks people to turn off all non-essential taps from 5pm to 10pm on Thursday 24 October, which is during National Water Week. That's right – no dishwashers, showers, or running water, but we do encourage you to set aside water for drinking, cooking and sanitation.

People who sign up will go in the draw to win prizes specific to Goulburn Valley Water customers, including VISA gift cards and stainless steel reusable drink bottles. There are also national prizes to win, including a dishwasher, coffee machine, wireless headphones, a smartwatch and more.

This year, the Water Night theme is 'Tap off, tune in', encouraging people to turn their taps off autopilot water use to help save energy and water, and tune in to learning how climate change could impact Australia's water supply.

Water Night is also designed to help create more awareness of how people can save water at home – you can find more tips, or calculate your house's water usage, at www.gvwater.vic.gov.au/everydropcounts

People can sign up at www.waternight.com.au and nominating Goulburn Valley Water as their water utility, or find more information at www.gvwater.vic.gov.au/water-night.



★ EUROA JUNIOR ALL-STARS ★ LOCAL BASKETBALL FOR JUNIORS

TUESDAYS	5:30-6:30	2010-2017
DAY	TIME	AGE

EUROA SECONDARY COLLEGE
15TH OF OCTOBER - 10TH OF DECEMBER
ONLY \$8 PER WEEK!

OUR WELCOMING, FUN PROGRAM IS PERFECT FOR BEGINNERS AND YOUNG ATHLETES LOOKING TO IMPROVE THEIR FITNESS, MAKE NEW FRIENDS, AND GROW TOGETHER AS PART OF A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY.

JOIN THE EUROA JUNIOR ALL-STARS AND START YOUR BASKETBALL JOURNEY!

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED—EVERYONE'S A STAR WITH US!

FACEBOOK OR EMAIL TO SIGN-UP!



EUROA BASKETBALL

EUROABASKETBALLASSOCIATION@GMAIL.COM

Turn off your taps on 24 October 5pm-10pm and join Australia in improving water knowledge

REGISTER NOW!

waternight.com.au

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WATER NIGHT

Avenel Cafe

Dine In or Take Away

School Lunch Orders Term 4 2024

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Sandwiches, Wraps and Rolls	Fried Food (FRIDAY ONLY)	
Wrap chicken, ham or Egg & salad	8.00	Hot Chips (Small) 6.50
Roll chicken, ham or Egg & salad	8.00	Dim Sim 1.50
Sandwich 1 filling	5.00	Potato Cake 1.50
Sandwich 2 fillings	5.50	Dino Nugget each 1.10
Sandwich 3 fillings	6.00	Battered hot dog 3.50
Sandwich Ham/chicken and salad	7.50	Cheese Burger 8.50
Sandwich Schnitzel and salad	10.50	Kids Pack (Ext Sml Chips & 3 Nugs) 6.50
Toasted Sandwich 1 filling	6.00	Kids Pack (2 Potato Cakes & 3 Nugs) 5.50
Toasted Sandwich 2 filling	6.50	Gravy 1.20
Toasted Sandwich 3 filling	7.00	Tomato Sauce 0.35
		Iced Donut (Limited Numbers) 2.60
Pie (Avenel Newsagency)	4.90	
Sausage Roll (Avenel Newsagency)	4.50	
		Icy treats
Fruit		
Piece of fresh fruit (Banana/apple/pear)	1.50	Frozen Zooper Dooper 1.10
		Lifesaver Ice Cream (Avenel Newsagency) 3.00
		Icypole (Avenel Newsagency) 1.75
Dairy		
Chocolate milk	3.00	Drinks
Strawberry milk	3.00	Water 3.10
		Apple juice 2.90
TOTAL		\$
Amount enclosed		\$

Available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Term 4 2024.

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.

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