



Important Dates

09/02/2023

2023 – Term 1						
Tuesday 14 th Feb	PARENT/CARER/TEACHER CONVERSATIONS (Book via COMPASS)					
Thursday 16 th	Year ¾ Radio incursion					
Friday 17 th	Year 5/6 Radio incursion					
Friday 17 th February	SSA Tennis – Individual entries					
Thursday 23 rd	School Council nominations close 4pm					
Friday 24 th Feb	Prep Welcome/Yr 6 Leadership positions announced at assembly					
Thursday 2 nd March	Parent/Carers Information session. 3.45pm					
Thursday 9 th March	SSA Soccer – Year 5/6					
Saturday 11 th March	VILLAGE FAIR – All hands on deck!!!!					
Monday 13 th March	Public Holiday					
Friday 31st March	SSA Cross Country - Seniors					
Thursday 6th April	Last Day of Term 1 (Friday is Good Friday Public Holiday)					
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PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

School Values: Respect, Responsibility, Kindness and Collaboration.

The learning spaces are calm and orderly. I've been meeting with the staff individually, and speaking to some parents at the front gate, and everyone is reporting that it's been a positive start to the year.

CHALLENGING AND EXTENDING STUDENT LEARNING. Our 2020-2024 School Strategic Plan includes the Goal 'Maximise the learning growth of every student' with a Key Improvement Strategy being 'Renew teaching and learning approach to challenge and extend student learning'. To achieve this in 2023 we will:

- Ensure our Readers, Writers and Maths Workshop Models (how we teach these subjects for an hour each day) to provide challenging tasks for students and an opportunity for them to have a say in their learning.
- Ensure our after school Professional Learning Community (PLC) teacher meetings focus on challenging and extending students in English and Maths.

- Provide professional development to teachers: The top 10 strategies to engage all learners (maths), Sounds write (spelling and writing), Close reading strategy.
- Purchase resources to engage students, including \$4,073 worth of books for them to read at school and at home.

We will also continue to teach the children to show our school values enabling a positive climate for learning. Staff will attend Berry St training to learn strategies enabling them to increase engagement of students and successfully improve all students' self-regulation, relationships, wellbeing, growth and academic achievement.

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING LEADER (MHWL). By 2026, every government primary school will receive funding to employ a mental health and wellbeing leader (MHWL) to implement a whole school approach to mental health and wellbeing. Barwon schools are in the first tranche of funding, so we are a part of the program in 2023. MHWL'S are employed as classroom teachers and work across the school to implement a whole-school approach to mental health and wellbeing for students, staff, and families based on a broad knowledge of the needs of the school community. MHWLs will receive evidence-based training in mental health literacy, supporting student need, building school capacity, and will receive ongoing professional development. The training program is developed and facilitated by the University of Melbourne.

In past years Ms Fleur Kukler was our Wellbeing leader. Fleur was also a full-time classroom teacher as we didn't have the funding to allow her to be a Wellbeing leader free from classroom teaching responsibilities. Due to this funding, Fleur does not have classroom teaching responsibilities meaning she has time to attend professional development sessions to build her knowledge and skills and build the capacity of our staff to support student mental health and wellbeing. Fleur also has time to support our students with additional needs through inclusion funding. This includes coaching our teachers and communicating with parents/carers about how we can collaborate and support students.

TUTOR LEARNING INITIATIVE. This year we are again employing a Tutor to provide additional support to the students. Ms Scholtes will work with small groups of children each Monday and Thursday.

PARENT PAYMENTS. A big thank you to the families who have made various payments so far this year and contributed to the financial running of the school. If you have any questions about how you can contribute to the school, or if you require another copy of the 2023 Parent Payment letter, please see Colleen in the Office.

NAPLAN. This year students in Grades 3 and 5 will sit the NAPLAN Tests from Wednesday 15 March to Monday 27 March. If parents/carers of these students have any questions, please contact your child's Home Group teacher.

REMINDERS. As stated in the newsletter last week, the following events will occur in coming weeks:

- <u>Parent/Carer/Teacher Conversations</u>. These will be held on Tuesday 14th February. a Compass notification was sent to all parents/carers to book a time between 1:00 and 6:00pm. It included a questionnaire to complete and bring to the conversation.
- <u>Parent/Carer Information Session</u>. This will be held at 3:45pm on Thursday 2nd March to provide parents/carers a better understanding of the school. Please RSVP to Colleen in the office by Tuesday 28th February.
- Announcing Grade 6 leadership positions and welcoming our new preps. We have renewed our Grade 6 Leadership Program and Grade 6 students are encouraged to write and present a speech to Grade 3-6 students and staff for the following leadership positions: School Captain, Vice-Captain, House Captain, Student Voice Captain, Values Captain, Groundskeeper Captain and Sustainability Captain. We will announce the Grade 6 Leadership Roles at Assembly on Friday 24th February. This will also be our opportunity to officially welcome our 2023 Preps with the Grade 6s presenting them with the Welcome Packs they have made.

INTRODUCING GLOBAL STUDIES. In past years we have provided a Languages program focusing on Indonesian as part of our specialist subjects program. This year we will provide Global Studies along with Physical Education, Music/Performing Arts and Visual Arts. After having a conversation with some Senior students last year, and the teaching staff, Global Studies will allow our students to learn about many languages, cultures and celebrations during the year including Italian, Spanish, German and Indigenous Australia. To provide student voice, they will have a say in the topics they will research and learn about.

SCHOOL COUNCIL. Our school council meet eight times per year, twice per term. Our existing school council will meet on Wednesday 1st March at 6:00pm. As some members will retire from school council after this meeting, as of today

(February 9) we are calling for nominations to join our new School Council. More information about school council can be found in another section of this newsletter.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY. Assembly will be held in the Stadium on Friday at 3:10pm. All welcome.

Anglesea PS: great staff, great students, great community = great school!

Murray Surkitt Principal

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Junior Community News

Reminders

- Please label all personal belongings (including drink bottles and lunch boxes)
- Students to bring a school hat to wear during Recess and Lunch play
- Encourage your child/ren to put their bags into their locker and go outside for a play on the playground when they arrive at school
- Wear comfortable running shoes on Monday's and Tuesday's/Wednesday's for Bluearth and PE
 - **Could each family please donate a box of tissues as a donation to our learning space**





Your child/ren will bring home their Take Home Reader Folder by the end of the week. The folder will include an introductory letter, reading journal, word list, alphabet chart and handwriting chart. Students have also chosen some books to bring home in their folder. We encourage parents and students to use letter sounds (not names) when reading their books, word list and alphabet chart. We have included some prompts on the word list to help your child/ren with their reading.

Year 1/2 JRJ and JRU

Last week we focused on sharing our strengths, talents and interests to get to know each other better and build connections. To show this the students have been drawing portraits of themselves and writing about 'My Perfect Classroom'.





Preps - Bluearth

This week the Preps had their first Bluearth session with coach Mitch. The students practiced a range of copying movements and balancing/juggling with beanbags. Below are some photos of the students during the session.







Prep Assessment

Thank you to all parents for bringing your child to their scheduled prep Literacy Assessment this week. Next week's schedule:

Wed 15th Feb	Literacy Assessment
9am – 9:45am	Wendy Rankin: Rhys Lachlan Turner: Benjamin
10am – 10:45am	Wendy Rankin: Joe Lachlan Turner: Isaac

Value of the week - Collaboration, Kindness, Respect, Responsibility

Awards:

Junior J - Willow

Junior T - Joey

Junior R - Rhys

Junior U - Quinn

Notes Home:

Prep Assessment Schedule sent via Compass

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Jay, Lachlan, Wendy and Kelly (The Junior Team)

Physical Education News

Physical Education 2023

Hello everyone! If we haven't met before my name is Linda Wylie and I am fortunate enough to teach Physical Education to the entire school cohort.

To get the most out of PE classes your child/ren should wear footwear and clothing to PE that they can freely run, jump, and roll in.

Physical Education Timetable				
Tuesdays	Wednesdays			
Foundation	Year 5 + 6			
Year 3 + 4	Year 1 + 2			

Surfcoast Sports Association

Throughout the year students have an opportunity participate in a range of sports, games and activities. Below is a table outlining the Interschool Sports opportunities for each year level. Students are expected to attend each event applicable to their year level. The schools in our district that we participate with at a district level are Aireys Inlet, Mirripoa, Winchelsea, Moriac, Ceres and Mount Duneed Primary Schools. Students who excel at a particular interschool sport or event can progress to divisional, regional, and state rounds.

SSA EVENT	Tennis (select students) 5/6	Soccer 5/6	Swimming (select students) P-6	Cross Country 3-6	Athletics 3-6	Football & Netball 5/6	Basketball 5/6	Aths P-2	Nippers 5/6
Date	Friday	Thursday	Tuesday	Friday	Wednesday	Friday	Friday	Thursday	Friday
	17 th	9 th	14 th	31st	3 rd	2 nd	11 th	19 th	17 th
	February	March	March	March	May	June	August	October	November

Tennis

Congratulations to Mary Miller, Jack Davidson and Dylan Grundy who have been selected to represent Anglesea Primary School in tennis at the first SSA event for the year next Friday.

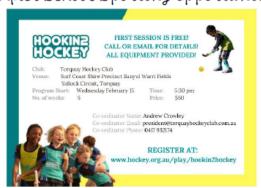
Swimming

The upcoming carnival is a combined Bellarine and Geelong North Division event. Competitors will be seeded into heats according to the submitted times, not which Division they come from. Parents/carers are required to supervise their child/ren at this event. Please send me an email if you would like further information about the event and/or qualifying times.

School Sports Victoria

SSV provides opportunities for elite primary school athletes to try out for the under 12 Victorian State Team in football, soccer, netball, basketball. If you think your child/ren fall into this category, please refer to the website www.ssv.vic.edu.au for further information about team tryouts and eligibility.

After School Sporting Opportunities





Hockey



On Wednesday the Year 1/2 and 5/6 students were treated to a hockey clinic delivered by three local coaches. The students had a fabulous time learning new skills and the coaches were very complimentary of the children's manners and behaviour.

Later in the term we will have a visit from Soccer Victoria and in Term 3 AFL Victoria will deliver a football clinic to the students during



Contact Me!

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the PE program or sport and recreation. It's my passion! I'm looking forward to a fun filled year with your child/ren.

Linda Wylie

linda.wylie@education.vic.gov.au (Monday - Wednesday)

The Village Fair



Dear APS Families,

We're introducing Sideshow games to this year's Village Fair which we believe is new & exciting. We need to create a prize table & would really appreciate it if each family could donate 2 small \$2 prizes i.e. think giant lolly pops, bouncy balls, water bubble sticks, anything pls!

Please place all gifts in the bucket outside the school office & thanks for everyone's support.





BREAKFAST CLUB:

EVERYONE IS WELCOME:

8.30am FRIDAYS

Our School Breakfast Club will run every Friday morning from 8.30am. Delivered by the Victorian Government in partnership with Foodbank Victoria, the program provides healthy meals to help students focus better and participate fully in their education. Our School Breakfast Club is also to help students make friends and strong social connections. For more information about the School Breakfast Clubs Program visit: www. foodbank.org.au/schools



Colleen Perkins

Co-ordinator

Senior News

A reminder that should you need to contact your child's teacher, please do so in the first instance via email. Teacher's email addresses are below or available on Compass. We look forward to meeting with you next week at the Parent/Carer Teacher interviews.

Specialists

Senior Specialists are on Tuesday afternoons (12:30pm-1:30pm & 2:30pm-3:30pm) and Wednesday mornings (9:00am-11:00am). Students will rotate through PE, Art, Music/Performing Arts and Global Studies. Can you please ensure that your child/ren wear appropriate footwear on these days to ensure that they are able to run and move comfortably and safely when doing PE.

At Home Reading

We encourage every child to read for at least 20 minutes at home every day. This helps to build fluency, reading skills and strategies that your child is working on in class and also helps to foster a love for reading.

Reminders - Hats

Please ensure that your child/ren have a <u>named</u> broad brimmed hat to wear during outdoor learning activities and at recess and lunchtime. These are available to purchase from the office if required. Students who do not have a hat will need to remain under the covered spaces at recess and lunchtime.

Donation Requests

Could we please request families donate a box of tissues for the learning space that their child/ren are in. Thank you to those families who have already donated.

Grade 3 and 4

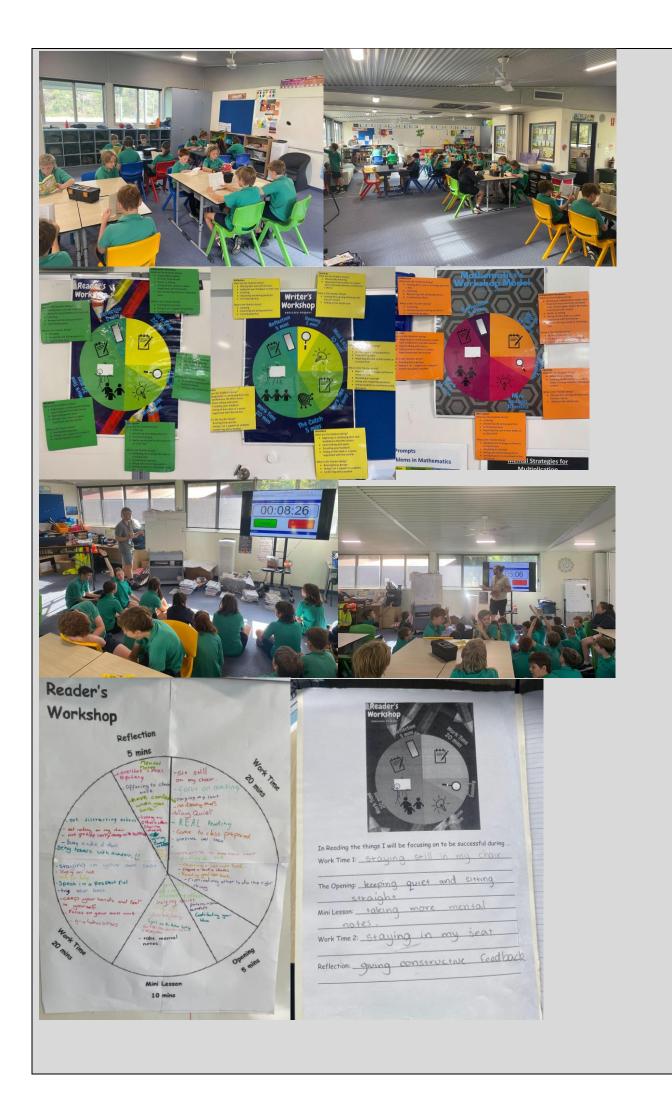
Hacking our Happy Chemicals

This week students learnt about the 4 chemicals (dopamine, oxytocin, serotonin and endorphins) that are produced by the brain to create happiness. Students explored ways to harness these chemicals and linked this to the Emotional Thermometer (maintaining blue/green emotions). For example eating a healthy diet and getting sunlight and fresh air will release serotonin the mood stabiliser.



Grade 5 and 6

This week, the Grade 5s & 6s have been unpacking each of the workshop models for Reading, Writing and Maths. Students have been discussing the role of the student and the role of the teacher in each part of the lesson in order to completely understand the structure and routine of these core curriculum lessons. Students have then set a goal/something to focus on during each part of the lesson to help them be successful. Below are some photos from our space during Independent reading, our lessons on unpacking the workshop models, our workshop models for Reading, Writing and Mathematics and some examples of the goals students have been setting to be successful.



Legend of the Week

Legend of the week forms part of our school's wellbeing program. Each week, every class has a student (this week their teacher) who is the Legend of the week. Through negotiation with the teacher, the student may wish to bring in something to share (photos etc.) to help everyone get to know each other. At the end of the week, a poster is created with messages from all of the students.

Senior G - Miss Isabella

Senior S - Ms Sampson

Senior A - Mr A

Senior L - Mr Lester

<u>Awards</u>

Senior G - Aya

Senior S - Addi

Senior A - Luca

Senior L - Lilli E

Notes home:

Duncan, Tom, Isabella, Julie

Senior Team

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OSHC – Before/After School Care Kelly Club

As you would be aware Kelly Club are now running our OSHC program. Please see the attached leaflet or follow the link to enrol your child. It is a good idea for everyone to enrol incase you need the service in an emergency (late collecting your child for various reasons)

https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment v2/centre/4m8mmh8KGI994231LwRc24356zNVug

BOOKINGS can be made by texting 0432 222 301 or on the XPLOR HOME APP You must enrol before you can use the booking app.

SCHOOL COUNCIL – Call for nominations

SCHOOL COUNCIL. The Constituting Order of Anglesea Primary School states the composition of the Council is:

- EIGHT elected parent members.
- FOUR elected DET employee members. The principal who is executive officer is included in this number.
- Up to TWO community members.

This year our retiring parent members are Luke Grundy and Twiggy Finemore. Our retiring DET Employee is Lachlan Turner. Members retire at the end of their term, however parents are welcome to nominate for membership again if still eligible (eg. still have children here.)

Our continuing parent members are Sandy Martin, Peter Crowcroft, Rebecca Shaw, Kate Stanley and Cameron Shaw. Our continuing DET Employees are Linda Wylie and Murray Surkitt.

This means we currently have the following vacancies to be filled.

- Three x two year elected parent positions.
- Two x two year elected DET employees.
- Two x two year community members.

The timeline is as follows:

9th February: Call for nominations. Nomination forms can be collected from the office.

23rd February: Nominations close (4:00pm).

If nominations do not exceed vacancies, the new council will be formed.

If nominations exceed vacancies, the list of candidates and nominators will be displayed and the process

will be:

27th February: Distribute ballot papers.

6th March: Close of ballot. (4.00pm).

9th March: Count votes and declare the poll.

29th March: New school council Annual General Meeting at 6:00pm

If you would like to join school council, please complete a nomination form from the office. Further information about school council is below, and please feel free to come and see me for more information.

What is a school council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the broad direction of a school in accordance with their constituting Order and the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006*.

Who is on the school council?

For most primary school councils, there are several possible categories of membership:

- · A mandated elected Parent member category.
- · A mandated elected DET employee member category. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members
- An optional Community member category members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is parent membership so important?

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help inform and shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?

Each member brings their own valuable life skills and knowledge to the role. However, councillors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them. It is important to have an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

COMMUNITY NEWS



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www.atschoolmusic.au

ANGLESEA GOLF CLUB KIDS CLINIC







Lions Club of Anglesea

Invites

You and your spouse/partner and friends

Information Night

Complimentary Finger Food and Drink

Anglesea Bowling Club

6pm to 7.30pm

Wednesday 22nd February 2023

Anglesea Lions and Lionettes would like to take this opportunity to meet community members and explair a little about what the club does

ou are interested in being involved in your community with whatever time you have available, then eeting some likeminded people may appeal to you.

No commitment or obligation is expected

You will be surprised with what Anglesea Lions does and donates to our community each year.

RSVP by Monday 20th to anglesealions@gmail.com with your name and contact number

THE ANGLESEA ART **HOUSE**



AAH ARTY CRAFTERS

6 week program for Primary School

Starting Tuesday 28th February 4-5pm 3 projects over the 6 weeks

All materials and tools included at the introductory offer of \$120.00

We welcome Terese Panczel as tutor.

Terese is a primary art teacher and a committee member.

Limited to 8 participants.

Bookings available from Eventbrite via our website classes link.