

NEWSROUND

Principals Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

A big hello to you all once again. What a fantastic week it has been!

Upon reflecting this week I would like to thank and acknowledge our students from range of year levels from F-6 and school community for their energies in supporting and representing the school at the Mooroopna Anzac Ceremony that took place last Sunday. The combined efforts of all from the organisation of a wreath from 'Simply Stems Florist' based in Shepparton. Thanks Rachel along with involvement and the attendance of parents and extended family members was fantastic.

Congratulations to all students who represented the school and were able to attend over a weekend. Students once again outshone above and beyond expectations of behaviour and student leadership.

INDIGENOUS ART PIECE PRESENTATION

Artist: Melissa (Liss) Cowan parent and indigenous artist Yorta-Yorta Woman.

The school recognises the wonderful contribution to our school with the donation of an indigenous art piece by local artist Melissa (Liss) Cowan.

The painting titled 'Gaiyimarr Woka (Kangaroo Land) Melissa's (Liss) work depicts the kangaroo as motto in moving forward in life. Melissa (Liss) is a highly regarded artist known in our local area and her experiences and passion extends to working in schools with additional skills in ceramics, jewellery making, photography and weaving. We look forward to working alongside of her during the year as she continues her work alongside schools in the district as a visiting artist. Many thanks for her wonderful work!

INTERNATIONAL ARTS WEEK

As team we presently have been busily planning for a week of celebrations during education week that will take place in the last week of May.

Activities shall incorporate a week of art and cultural activities as we as a school celebrate 'International Arts' week. Parents are invited to join us over the period with workshops in arts and crafts. If you also have any talents to share or contribute please contact myself to add to the week.

DENTAL VISIT

Each student will have received information in support of attending a dental health appointments. The visitation shall take place on the Monday the 21st of June. Visitations with the dentist are by individual choice and are not mandated.

Please ensure you return the forms to the school no later than Monday the 10th of May.

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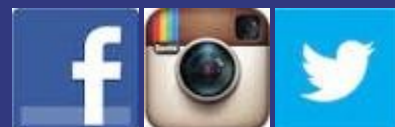
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BIKE EDUCATION

On Wednesday the 28th of April we were fortunate enough to have Declan from the Bicycle Network come and do a Bike Education session with both classes.

Many thanks to Mr Turner who organised the sessions this week on bicycle education. The students were provided with opportunity to explore bicycle care and safety. We are hopeful that Declan will return to our school at the end of May with the expectation of more students bringing in their bikes to help the running of the program and extension of more activities.

This program aligns with next week's booking 'Stop Think and Do' program for junior students on transport, pedestrian and road safety with a visit from Jenny Bends on Thursday afternoon.

STUDENT ATTITUDES TOWARDS SCHOOL

I would like to recognize the high expectations for learning and behaviour displayed by students this term. Our students have transitioned smoothly into learning the Ardmona way this term. We have already awarded a significant number of student of the week awards. This reflects the efforts and application of our "Awesome Ardmona Students!"

SCHOOL UNIFORM

As we are getting into the colder months and the mornings being colder, there is still a number of school jackets and school beanies available for purchase. At present we only have 9 jackets available with sizes available below.

3 x Size 8, 2 x Size 10, 2 x Size 14, 2 x Size 16

If your child is out of uniform, please don't forget to send in a quick note to classroom teachers stating as to why they are out of uniform.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES

Last week the team participated in a streamed state workshop evolving around the teaching of Music. This area aligns with our school context and existing improvement priorities linked to student health and wellbeing and positive attitude towards school. Some of the elements that have been a focus were curriculum delivery, planning, design of instruments and creativity.

Our school will be supported over the semester with the involvement of a musical coach to support quality education and teaching strategies in this area. This is a most exciting space in support of staff professional practice and student learning. The experience has been a welcomed opportunity for staff members Mr Tunks and Mr Turner who are working collegiality in instruction and curriculum delivery in Music!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19 Term 2 Day 1	20	21	22	23
26	27	28 Bike Education	29	30
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14 Queens Birthday Public Holiday	15	16	17	18
21 Life Ed Van Visit	22	23 Aboriginal History Excursion	24	25



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Grade F—3 Classroom News

This week has been a very busy week in the F-3 classroom with lots of wonderful work happening in the class. I would also like to say a big well done to Montannah and Indiana who both attended the Anzac Day Ceremony on Sunday morning. Such an amazing effort by some of our wonderful juniors.

Throughout the week we have been very busy testing students on the Fountas and Pinnell high frequency words. These words were also sent home with all students in F-3 last Friday but can also be found on the school website over the weekend. Further testing has also been happening in numeracy with our Number Fluency Assessments (NFA).

In Italian students have been learning about the landmarks of Italy such as the Colosseum, Leaning Tower of Pisa and The Grand Canal as well as many others.

It was also great to welcome Declan Napier into our space and do a bike education session with her. All students had a fantastic time and enjoyed a bit of bike riding here at school.

Ms Vanty

Grade 4—6 Classroom News

Welcome to week 2 everyone. This week in literacy we have been focusing on information reports. In particular we have been looking at the language features of information reports, distinguishing between fact and opinion and also the similarities and differences between narratives and information reports. In Maths this week we have been focusing on addition strategies and in particular we have been exploring doubles and near doubles to help with our addition.

In integrated studies this week we have been looking at commercial and recreational sustainable practices and how we can be sustainable in our everyday lives. In Italian we have been exploring the famous sights and landmarks of Italy.

This week we also met Katie from the Duet Program from Songroom who will be mentoring our teachers to teach a music program to our students. I am looking forward to working alongside Katie and providing some fun and interactive music lessons for our students over the next 2 terms!

A reminder for students to please bring back their Dental Van forms and also for Grade 6 students that their secondary college preference forms are due back to me by the 14th of May. The sooner I get these, the sooner I can send them off to secondary colleges.

Mn Tunks



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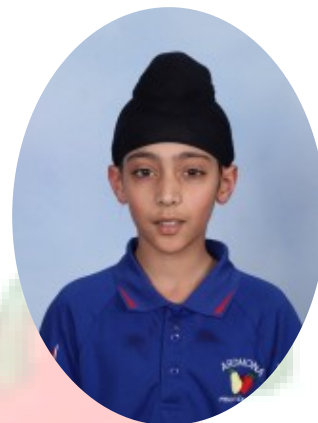
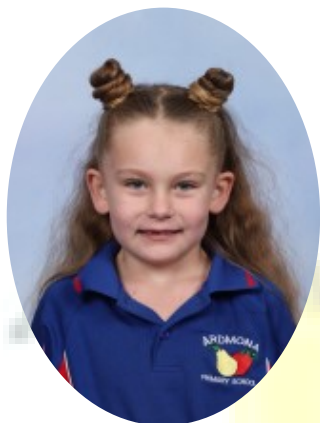


Awards

Stars of the Week!

Macey Weidenbach (P-3)

Mansehaj Bajwa (4-6)



Well done to Macey for showing great stamina with her writing. In the classroom Macey also gives everything 100% and often offers to help other students with their school work. Macey also done a fantastic job with her high frequency words assessment. Keep up the great work Macey!

Well done to Mansehaj for having a great work ethic. Mansehaj always works hard and makes effective use of his class time in all subjects. He sets a great example to his classmates and should be proud of his efforts. Keep up the awesome work Mansehaj!

Enrolments for 2021.

We are still accepting enrolments for the 2021 School Year. There are information packs at the front office. If you have a Prep or any year level student for 2021, or know someone who does please don't hesitate to contact the office to arrange to collect a pick up of the Enrolment Pack. Also please pass this information on to any interested families you might know.



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AWESOME ARDMONA AWARD

Awesome Ardmona



We welcome back the AAA award this term. The AAA award is based of student votes in which they vote for their peers who follow our school values which are

Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be A Learner.

This week the Awesome Ardmona Award returns after having no nominations last week, but it was a very different story this week after heaps of nominations which is fantastic to see.

The Week 2 AAA is Mansi Charquero.

Mansi was nominated for BEING A LEARNER in the school yard while playing sport. Mansi was upset after she had a fall but Mansi got back up, bounced back with resilience and joined back in.

Keep up the great work Mansi!

ROAR AWARDS

ROAR stands for “**Recognising Outstanding Attendance Rewards**” and we will be congratulating students who achieve 100% attendance for the week prior:

For the week of 22nd April to 28th April, the following students obtained 100% attendance:

Indiana Blake (Gr.1)

Chayton Charquero (Prep)

Mansi Charquero (Gr.1)

Montannah Cowan (Prep)

Tayler Lummas (Gr.3)

Hayley Oliver (Prep)

Maddex Snelling (Gr. 3)

Macey Weidenbach (Gr.1)

Blake Young (Gr.1)

Jayden Young (Gr.3)

Mansehaj Bajwa (Gr.6)

Lilli Blake (Gr.5)

Colt Cowan (Gr.5)

Beau Lummas (Gr.6)

Jamie-Lea Lummas (Gr.5)

Ruby Madill (Gr.6)

Ryder Matthews (Gr.6)

Sommer Owen-Scott (Gr.6)

Ariella Parker (Gr.5)

Xander Snelling (Gr.4)

Peter Traval (Gr.4)



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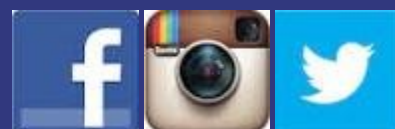
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UNIFORM ORDER

(Prices Include GST)



STUDENT NAME: _____

YEAR: _____

ITEM	SIZES	PRICE	ORDER		
			Number Ordered	Size	Total \$
POLO SHIRT – 'Aussie Pacific' – Short Sleeves	6-16	\$35			
POLO SHIRT – 'Aussie Pacific' – Short Sleeves	S & up	\$40			
SHORTS – Red – LWR	6-16	\$20			
TRACKSUIT – 'Eureka' – Jacket with Pants	4-16	\$85			
SCHOOL JACKET ONLY	4-16	\$45			
HAT – Bucket	S-M	\$15			
Pom Pom Beanie	One Size	\$20			
				TOTAL	

***Please note, all uniforms come including embroidery of logos.*

Any enquiries, please phone the office on 5829 0273. A payment plan can be set up for your payment if that would help you out.

Feel free to either email, the school at ardmona.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Please make cheque payable to **Ardmona Primary School** or

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RIDE2SCHOOL ACTIVE TRAVEL BINGO

As part of the Ride2School Active Travel Bingo that was sent home on Wednesday, Declan was kind enough to donate 5 brand new helmets as an incentive to get students more active outside of school hours.

All the students are required to do is, if they go for a family walk, bike ride or any other type of physical activity, cross off 5 things in a row that they see to get bingo and return the sheet to Mr Turner to go in the running to receive one of the 5 helmets. If a student can tick off all of the bingo sights then there may be an extra incentive in the future.

A copy of the Active Travel Bingo is also attached on the next page.



EXCELL DANCE CENTRE



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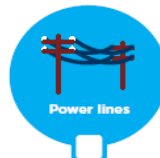



Ride2School Active Travel Bingo!

Whenever you are next out riding with your family, why not give this fun Active Travel Bingo a go!

Take this sheet with you and whenever you see any of the items below, mark them off. Once you have five items marked in a row (either up, down or diagonal) you're an active bingo champion!

For an extra challenge see if you can find every item. Send in a pic of your completed sheet to ride2school@bicyclenetwork.com.au - we'd love to see your bingo fun!

 Police car <input type="checkbox"/>	 Church <input type="checkbox"/>	 Bridge <input type="checkbox"/>	 Train/tram crossing <input type="checkbox"/>	 Petrol station <input type="checkbox"/>
 Library <input type="checkbox"/>	 Picnic table <input type="checkbox"/>	 Bus <input type="checkbox"/>	 Dog <input type="checkbox"/>	 Motorcycle <input type="checkbox"/>
 Speed limit sign <input type="checkbox"/>	 Post box <input type="checkbox"/>	 Ride for 5kms to get a free space here <input type="checkbox"/>	 Red car <input type="checkbox"/>	 Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>
 Other bike riders <input type="checkbox"/>	 Traffic lights <input type="checkbox"/>	 Public toilets <input type="checkbox"/>	 Birds in a tree <input type="checkbox"/>	 Drinking fountain <input type="checkbox"/>
 Blue car <input type="checkbox"/>	 Road crossing <input type="checkbox"/>	 Power lines <input type="checkbox"/>	 Someone running <input type="checkbox"/>	 Train/tram <input type="checkbox"/>



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Loved Hookin2Hockey and looking for more?

STICK2 HOCKEY

Stick2Hockey is an opportunity to develop game skills.

In 2021 GVHA will be running Stick2Hockey on Saturdays at 9am at
McEwen Reserve Hockey Pitches on:

24th April
1st May
8th May
22nd May
29th May
5th June
19th June

If you already registered for Hin2H in 2021 and would like to do
Stick2Hockey, there are no fees and you can register here
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/gvha/registration/118113/>

If you did not register for Hin2H but would like to jump into
Stick2Hockey please register here <https://bit.ly/3dGbB39>

Contact gvhajunior@gmail.com with any questions.



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Victorian Chief Health Officer message to Victorian schools and their communities

I would like to take this opportunity to thank students, staff, teachers, parents and carers for ensuring a safe and successful start to the 2021 school year and to thank you for your cooperation during the short period of remote learning in February during the circuit breaker restrictions.

As Term 2 commences, schools continue to be able to operate with a largely normal program of activity, enabling important on-site activities to return, such as school open days and working bees, with appropriate health and safety measures in place.

Throughout the pandemic, Victorian schools have rapidly and successfully adapted to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, embedding COVIDSafe principles by reinforcing good behaviours, creating safe spaces, adapting activities, and responding quickly to COVID-19 risk.

While we have seen outbreaks emerge in Victoria, we have also witnessed our capacity to respond quickly to limit the impact of these outbreaks.

Given the current very low risk of COVID-19 transmission in the community, continued high rates of testing and wastewater monitoring, and continued observance of health and safety measures in schools; those with medical vulnerabilities or their carers can feel reassured to continue to safely work and learn on school sites, and enjoy the benefits of doing so.

It is crucial, however, for everyone to remain vigilant by staying home when unwell, performing regular hand hygiene, wearing a mask when required and maintaining physical distancing from others when practical.

Should cases of COVID-19 increase again in the community, I am confident that with COVIDSafe plans in place, alongside our ability to quickly identify and respond to cases, schools remain safe places for all staff and students. I also continue to be reassured by evidence that children are less impacted by the virus and are less likely to develop severe illness.

The school community continues to have an important role to promote COVID-19 testing when a student or staff member has any symptoms, no matter how mild, and ensuring they remain home until they are well. Getting tested and staying home until results are known is critical to limiting community transmission.

Adj Clin Prof Brett Sutton

Victorian Chief Health Officer



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