TERM DATES

2021

T1: 28 JAN**–** 1 APRIL T2:19APRIL-25 JUNE T3: 12JULY-17 SEPT T4: 4 OCT**–** 17 DEC

EVENTS

TERM 1

MARCH

18th March – Thurs SSA Soccer

19th—22nd March Life Education P-6 Incursion

26th March—Fri Grade 4,5,6 Anglesea Golf Clinic



Aireys Inlet Primary School Newsletter

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Principal's Report Jennifer Abel

I am currently on leave until Thursday, but last week I had the opportunity to spend some time in the classrooms. This is a highlight for me, particularly at the

moment when a lot of my time is spent overseeing the contractors on site.





Our annual Meet and Greet meetings were well attended as was Chai Café last Friday.

It is wonderful to see so many parents in and around our school now.

I also delivered the classroom helpers course with a number of parents attending.

We welcome and rely on our parent helpers. If you were unable to attend the classroom helpers course, I can arrange a session for you, or if you have some spare time to assist in or around the school in any way I would love to hear from you.

As you are aware, there is a lot of building works going on around the school. There are a number of contractors who are fixing our roofing, guttering and replacing the external cladding around our shelter in place rooms. Our large shade sail is being repaired and it is hoped that our new shade will arrive shortly. In term 2 the development of the two new playground areas will begin and with the generous voluntary contribution funds collected from the booklist, we will landscape these new play areas.

It is disappointing to return after another long weekend to again see damage done to our school. This time the glass window in the Eco Kitchen has been smashed and there was a number of broken glass bottles found around the grounds. If you are on school grounds on the weekends or holiday periods and you see individuals not respecting our buildings and grounds, please notify me and call the police. Thank you for your assistance.

Last Friday our School Captains had the opportunity to participate in the Barwon School's Leadership Conference. Jude, Zara, Peg and Toby learnt about leadership behaviours, being proactive and were able to develop their leadership skills. They also had the opportunity to hear a presentation from Jason Caine a guru in student voice, agency and aspiration and learn lessons on leadership from senior students at Grovedale Secondary College. We look forward to our school captains applying these skills over the year.



On Tuesday Rupert and Peg played in the Division Tennis Championships. Although I am yet to know the results, I know these two talented students will have made us all very proud.

On Tuesday Maggie, Hannah, Evie, Nina, Pippa, Eric, Leo and Jude represented the school in the Bellarine and North Geelong Division Swimming Championships. We wish the very best.

I thank the parents who attended these events with their children.

Bellarine and North Geelong Division Swimming Championships





On Thursday many of our senior students will be competing in the Surfcoast Schools Soccer competition in Torquay. This is always a fun event with our students usually doing very well.

Friday is Pancake Day! The students will have the opportunity to purchase a delicious pancake for \$2.50 after school at the hall. This is always a popular event each year.

Student Voice Team

Congratulations to Alby, Jarli, Grace, Chloe, Nina, Zoe and Hannah for being chosen to represent their class on the Student Voice Team. Miss Delaney has been working with the team on some fun events. Watch this space!

School Council Elections 2021

Congratulations to Dave Mullen, Ash Arney, Carl Gray, Liz Bremner and Mara Winthorst who will join Liz Flower, Michelle Collins and President, Michelle Vernieux as parent representatives on school council. Sophie Delaney will be our staff representative.

I would especially like to thank Lisa Jackson for her contribution to school council over the past 2 years.

Our next school council meeting is scheduled for Thursday 25th March.



JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL 2021

Alby Day, Jarli Scoullar-Greig, Grace Grabham, Chloe Arney, Nina Grigsby, Zoe Morton-Cartwright, Hannah Mitchell, Jude Trigg, Zara Kelly, Toby Blake and Peg Hughes (absent).

P-6 Awards

WEEK 8 15th March	CLASS AWARD	SWPB AWARD
Merri (sun) P/1	Enver Cheah	Clancy Gilliver
Yaluk (river) 2/3	Sophie Arney	Aisling Corcoran
Warri (sea) 3/4/5	Sophia Corbet-O'Rourke	Rayson Kobayashi
Yern (moon) 4/5/6	Rupert Sever	Wayde Eaton

School Awards - Monday 15th March







Merri (P/1) - Clare

Last week the new Preps completed four consecutive days in a week for the first time and did it easily. It was a test and they passed with flying colours. They have settled into class routines extremely well and are doing some amazing work. Meanwhile, the Grade Ones are leading the way and offering support when necessary. The students need to be congratulated on braving the assembly class presentation on Monday, singing our Friendship and Harmony song. They all sang beautifully. The actions and dance movements might have frozen but their courage to sing in front of such a big audience was exemplary.

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In celebrating Harmony Day this week, the Prep/One have talked about including, respecting and appreciating the stories, traditions and cultures of all people who call Australia home. We have made Harmony Day bracelets, word-searches, self-portraits, colouring posters and even formed a Community Circle.

This is our Community Circle





Sit up tall holding hands. Close your eyes and go inside. Breathe and relax. Become aware of your inner self... Now become aware of being with others.

Choose someone to begin. That person squeezes the hand of the next person and so on until the squeeze has gone all the way around the circle.

Next time you pass the squeeze, say a word that describes how you feel, such as "happy," "peaceful," "special," "calm."

On the third round, say a word that describes what you'd like to share with the others in your circle, such as "peace," "fun," "adventure," "courage."

Merri (P/1) - Clare

In addition, we practised some mindful and relaxing activities to create a harmonious classroom environment.



Later in the week, we will be looking at Anti-Bullying and visiting the Life-Ed Van to complete one BIG jampacked week. Hopefully, some of our students who haven't been well are back to good health by the end of the week.

LIBRARY

A group of Grade 6 girls have been doing a fantastic job helping out in the Library this year, shelving all the returns. Thank you, Zara, Peg, Scarlett, Amelia and Aisling.

I would also like to thank all the book covering party, Clare O'Rourke, Jo Lawson and family.

The staff also worked on weeding some of the very outdated books and those in poor condition to make way for some much needed space on the shelves. There are a large number of overdue books dating back to last year that need to be returned a.s.a.p.

Clare

Yaluk (2/3) Glen

Wadawarrung Excursion

There's a movie on the bus and it is Surf's Up we watched it on the way to Freshwater creek we did activities! They were making bush bouquets and painting on bark with ochre. Then we got back on the bus and we finished watching Surf's Up. We went on a big walk at the beach Point Impossible. We came back to the bus and watched Winnie the Poo but it was in a different language I think it was in Japanese . It was still good though when we got off the bus again we got our stuff from the hidden compartment. Then we got to go and play outside there was no time to do work! The bus was my favourite thing.

By Sophie Arney



Wadawaurrung Excursion

We walked through the smoke as Corina played the rhythm sticks. The tree was 450 years old. The tree had a big scar. The seaweed smelt bad and we used some ochre to paint on the bark . There was a beehive in the tree. By Luella Pip





Yaluk (2/3) Glen cont.

Wadawurrung Excursion

Smoke filled my nostrils as Corina played the rhythm sticks for the welcome ceremony. We learnt a lot about Wadawurrung culture that day.Corina showed us an old wrinkly dead tree that had a bee hive and giant scar in it that people cut out for a canoe. I felt really bad because people wrote their names in the tree and it was 450 years old! After that we got on the bus and went to Point impossible. By Alice Waters



Warri and Yern 4/5, 5/6 Sophie, Laura and Cec

Last week Warri students practised and further developed their fluency in reading by performing Readers' Theatre. Students rehearsed in their groups and performed in front of the whole class. It was so great to witness so many talented young actors and actresses!



Students also worked with Mitch from Blue Earth to learn the value of collaboration. We are continuing to work on this in the classroom.

The Yern students have been busy writing their narratives, paying particular attention to using 'voice' and their 'word choice' to tighten the tension and build towards their planned endings. It's great to see everyone so enthusiastic about their writing!

The students have continued to develop their skills with 'Number and Algebra', practising using the rules for working with integers to solve everyday problems.

Everyone in Yern has now chosen the focus of their individual Social Justice 'inquiry'. We should soon see some great practical contributions from our kids towards the fight for the rights of children around the world.

We would like to say a big thank you to Amanda, for organising our special Indigenous excursion to Freshwater Creek and Point Impossible. We all had a great day and learnt heaps more about the Wadawurrung people and their culture. We really appreciate your dedication to our school.

Warri and Yern 4/5, 5/6 cont.

Friday is the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence, and is recognised in conjunction with Harmony Week, which celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's all about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. We have all been engaging in activities this week that will help us to be always mindful of how important living in harmony is to accepting and embracing our differences, getting along with one another and to enriching all of our lives.

Last Friday our school captains participated in a Leadership Conference organised by the Geelong Rotary Club. They met with student leaders from other schools in the Geelong and Surf Coast region to share their thoughts and to learn from one another. This is what our captains had to say about their day.

At the conference we learnt all about the different skills that build up a leader. Our first activity of the day was with Simone Wallace, from the Rotary Club. We learnt all about how a leader becomes a better leader by leading themselves. We did a chart about how we view our strengths now, and then our aspirations for six months' time.

After that we had a couple of Year 9 Middle School Captains give us some tips and tricks that have helped them to become better leaders. We also had the Surf Coast College Year 12 School Captains give us some more tips for emerging as a leader.

Later on, we did an activity called "Leading Others" with another Rotarian, Dean Babb. Each school chose from different scenarios and had to use a diagram to show how an empathetic leader would react in that situation.

The next activity was run Simon O'Brien who talked to us about leading change. We had to find a problem in our school and find a solution. We came up with an idea of regular veggie garden lunches, solving the problem of kids not eating enough fresh vegetables, as well as teaching all of the students more about sustainable living.

Overall the day was really fun and we all learnt a lot of leadership skills and gave us lots of tips about how we can grow as leaders.

By Toby and Zara

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From your Sustainability Team

Now more than ever you need to bring *nude food* to school – not only because animals are dying from the pollution caused by our waste, but *we* are also suffering. Our bins are overflowing with RUBBISH! It is really annoying and the Sustainability Team has to clean it up!

The new bin program introduced by the shire has made it hard for us because our bins are now only collected every second week. Unfortunately, a lot of you bring plastic waste to school and it ends up in our bins. Sometimes we even find this waste in the recycling bins!



Please help **US** and our **ENVIRONMENT** by doing the right thing and making sure your lunch is **NUDE!**

Your Sustainability Team – Luca, Oskar, James and Finn

Physical Education News

Golf: The Grade 4-6 students have been participating in a 4 week golf clinic. Taine from Anglesea Golf Club has been a wonderful coach, creating engaging and fun drills for all. Next Friday the 26th of March the Grade 4—6 students will have the final session at the Anglesea Golf Course. A permission note will be sent home shortly.

GRADE 4, 5, 6 Anglesea Golf

When: Friday the 26th of March. Students will depart after the morning roll at 9.10 and arrive back at school by 11.15

Where: Anglesea Golf Course

What: The students have participated in a 4-week Golf clinic based at school. To finish up such a wonderful program I have organised a final session at the club with Taine and the gang there. Students will rotate between the driving range and the Mini golf activities, with all equipment supplied.

Bring: A separate morning tea to have at the club.

Teachers attending: Laura Boyer and Karren Stoneham. It would be wonderful if any parents would like to volunteer to have a hit and help out with the morning. Please see Ms Laura if you can help out.

Transport to the Anglesea Golf Club is by Christian's Bus Company

How much: The cost is free as it is part of the sporting school's package.

If you need anymore information can you please let me know.

Cheers Laura

CHOOK ROSTER - Sophie

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for signing up to help care for our chickens throughout this term. I have created this timetable until the first school holidays. When it gets closer to the school holidays, please let me know if you will be available to care for them.

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I have allocated care to commence on a Monday night and end the following Monday morning.

Please return the keys to the office on Monday morning each week ready for the next family to collect in the afternoon.

Please let me know if you are unable to look after the chickens during any of these dates.

Kind Regards,

Sophie Delaney (Warri Teacher)

Date	Family
15/02/21 – 22/02/21	Katrina
22/02/21 - 01/03/21	Freya
01/03/21-08/03/21	Clare
08/03/21 – 15/03/21	Melanie
15/03/21 – 22/03/21	Liz
22/03/21 – 29/03/21	Katrina
29/03/21 – 02/04/21	Freya

School Community

UNITING PANCAKE DAY Friday March 19th 11.00 am - 4.00pm Aireys Inlet Community Hall Pancake, with topping of choice

\$2.50 for students

\$3.00 - \$4.00 for table service

Tea and coffee available Proceeds to Uniting Geelong.





Unising is the community services organisation of the Unising Church in Victoria and Tasmania.





School Community

First Aid Course EOI

Basic first aid is a life skill that could literally be the difference between life or death. We are putting a call out for an expression of interest in gaining these skills. Please email me at <u>iclarke@jumbunna.com</u>, if you are interested in either of the following two options. Please include your name, if you would be available during school hours and if you are a member of the Fairhaven SLSC.

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• Option 1: Full First Aid (Cert II) includes national competencies HLTAID001, HLTAID002 and HLTAID003. This is a full day course with online training to be completed prior to attending.

• Option 2: 2-3 hour workshop. This does not include a certificate or statement of attainment but it will cover basic first aid knowledge. This is ideal for parents who would like more first aid skills including CPR, bleeds, fractures, burns, stings/bites.

