

Newsletter

Avoca Beach Public School

The Round Drive

Avoca Beach NSW 2251

T: 4382 1416 F: 4381 1431

E: avocabch-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

W: www.avocabch-p.schools.nsw.edu.au



Monday 21st October, 2019

*Avoca Beach Public School is committed to providing a safe and caring environment where individuals are respectful, responsible and strive for their personal best.
Our innovative, collaborative and inclusive culture empowers and supports every learner.*

Week 2

Mon 21st

Tue 22nd

Wed 23rd

Thu 24th

Fri 25th

P & C Meeting 7.00pm

Choral Festival

Headstart Begins 9.30am – 11.00am

Week 3

Mon 28th

Tue 29th

Wed 30th

Thu 31st

Fri 1st

Stage 2 Geography Excursion

SCC PSSA Ball Games

Headstart 9.30am – 11.00am

Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

Last week our school completed the External validation process. This is an extensive process to self-assess our school against the School Excellence Framework. The validation team who visited our school were very impressed with everything that is happening at Avoca Beach, both in and out of the classrooms. One feature of our school that stood out was the amount of community support that we have. It was so nice to hear the feedback given from an outside perspective, about the tremendous community spirit and supportive learning environment at our school. I would also like to acknowledge the work of Mr Jarmaine, Mrs Vaughan, Mrs Alarca and Mrs Hecht, in preparing the External Validation submission. In true Avoca Beach style, it was a real team effort.

Debating

Our debating teams have been outstanding this year and the Yr 6 team finished their campaign in the Premier's debating competition last week. After winning the zone, this team competed in the knockout phase of the competition, to determine a regional champion. We beat Brisbania PS in round 1 of the knockout phase, then beat Bateau Bay PS in the round of 16. Following that, the team defeated Berkeley Vale PS in the quarter final, which meant they progressed to the semi-final, which was against New Lambton Sth PS last Monday. This was a very tough debate and unfortunately our team was just pipped in this one. However, what an amazing achievement to be in the top 4 debating teams across the whole region. Well done Annie, Valli, Bethan, Duke and Sam.

Headstart

This week our Kinder Headstart program begins. We look forward to welcoming our 2020 Kinder students as they begin their learning journey at Avoca Beach PS. If you know of any boy or girl who will be starting at Avoca Beach PS in 2020 and they have not yet enrolled, please let them know to pop into the office as soon as possible, put their name down and collect an enrolment form.

2020 Opportunity Class

Congratulations to Fergus in 4B, who was successful in gaining a place in the Gosford Selective Opportunity Class for 2020. A tremendous effort Fergus. We are very proud of you!

Ben Thomas
Principal

Quote of the Week

"We are not just teachers, we are the managers of the world's greatest resource: Children!" – Robert John Meehan

State Oztag

Last week the State Oztag championships were held in Coffs Harbour. Many of our talented students attended this. There were some great results with some of our students making Grand Finals!

Stage 2 & 3 Tennis Term 4

Stages 2 and 3 are very fortunate to be participating in some tennis coaching clinics this term. Mark Presdee, from Tennis Australia will be sharing his expertise each Wednesday for the first 8 Weeks, guiding our students through the rules and techniques. This program is part of Sporting Schools, an Australian Government initiative designed to help schools to increase children's participation in sport, and to connect them with community sporting opportunities. This great opportunity will be offered to our students free of charge!

Attendance Policy

Below is another snippet from our newly updated attendance policy.

Attendance Procedures for:

- **students who arrive at school late**

Late arrivers must go directly to the main office where School Administrative Support Staff (SASS) will enter a date, time and reason for the partial attendance and give a note to the student referring to the late arrival. If the student arrives without a parent/carer or a signed note (from the parent/carer), the partial attendance will be noted as unjustified. The note is given to the class teacher who records the partial absence and stores the note with notes received from parents/care-providers.

- **students who are required to leave school early on any school day**

Parents/care-providers (or agent who carries written authority from parent/care-provider: in an emergency, this approval can be given by phone) informs SASS at the office, who will enter the date, time and reason, and collects a note which is given to the class teacher who releases the student, records the partial absence and stores the note with notes received from parents/carers.

- **changes to normal arrangements for students at the conclusion of the school day**

Any change to normal arrangements for children leaving school at the end of the school day, must be notified to the class teacher in writing.

- **cases where family holidays of more than five school days are to be taken during a school term**

Parents are to complete an 'Application for Extended Leave – Travel' prior to their absence (see Appendix 3). These forms are to be approved and signed by the School Principal or their delegate and returned to the parents. A copy of this signed 'Certificate of Extended Leave – Travel' approval is to be kept in the Student Record Card. If the exemption is for more than 50 school days, parents/carers will work with the Principal or delegate to apply for Distance Education (where appropriate).

- **absence explanation letters**

Every Monday, a SASS will generate an automatic letter to parents/carers who have not provided notes explaining absences. As per department policy, all absences after 7 days will be unjustified. This includes any notes submitted after 7 days.

2020 School Travel applications now open

Applications for student travel in 2020 opened on Friday, 11 October 2019.

Students progressing to year 3 no longer need to re-apply *if* they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have *not* been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2019 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2019, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2020.

String Performance at the Empire Bay Food and Fun Fair.

Our string groups which included Avoca Beach, Empire Bay, Kincumber and Pretty Beach Public Schools all performed at the Empire Bay Food and Fun Fair last Saturday 19th October.

Each year our performances get better and better and this year the quality of the music was superb. Our students did our school proud. Their behaviour was exemplary. They looked terrific and played beautifully.

Our thanks go out to Eva Weiremann and her sister Ingrid, as well as parents and families who support our young students in the string program at our school. Without your help, our students would be missing out on this wonderful experience.

Congratulations everyone, I am so proud of you all!

Carolyn Coleman
String coordinator



Congratulations to the following students who received merit certificates at last Friday assembly.

KM	Amalia Hodgson, Thomas Blair	3H	Tilleah Bennett, Ace Harvey
KS	Sydney Senior, Ashley Schellekens	3/4V	George Goodwin, Jack Groom
KT	Ryan Bradshaw, Sasa Dowling	4B	Archie Oldfield, Cohen Wilson
1C	Mason Mills, Alandra McVeigh	4W	Ella Parker, Ryder Langcake
1G	Anders Toft, Sam Carlisle	5/6A	Isabella Every, Will Chandler
1R	Keira Verhagen, Flynn Smith	5/6D	Kane Peterson-Munro, Bonne Gadd
2B	Kai Berthot-Craig, Melody McRae	5/6F	Dylan McCann, Deakin McNally
2D	Hudson Stapleton, Jasmine Youssef	5/6J	Elijah Jamal, Millie Parker
2S	Lisa Hechter, Zoe Shaw	5/6M	Luca Miller, Tom Carn
3A	Elijah Cohen, Brianna Haydon		
SUPER STELLARS K - 2	KM Hope Newton, Ivy Huggart 1C Kai Napton, Violette Wolters 1G Polly Carpenter, Willow Hayes, Penny Ryan, Matilda Coleman, Lily Rignall 2D Sienna Scott 2S Lily Clarke, Zoe Shaw	SUPER STELLAR 3 - 6	3A Liam Gills, Mia Jamal, Talia Tebb 3H Oscar Newman 3/4V Lukas Bannister, Xavier Jamal 4B Jasper Hunter, Seren McCann, Adam Rignall, Tayla Campbell 4W Sam McMahon, Audrey Thompson 5/6M Johnnie Mitchell, Emily Prior, Valli Smith 5/6J Elijah Jamal



PBL Week 2 – Toilets

This week our PBL focus has been on how to be respectful and responsible when using the school toilets. Students have recognised the importance of considering other student's privacy and always leaving the toilet area clean. Our school expectations require students to take toilet breaks during recess, lunch, before, and after school where possible. If a student needs to use the toilet during class time, they must always seek permission and return to class promptly.



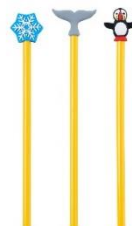
SCHOOL BANKING will resume this Thursday, 24th October.

New School Banking rewards now available!

Exciting new Term 4 Polar Savers rewards are now available, while stocks last!



Water Skimming Bounce Ball



Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers

For every deposit made at school students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every Thursday.



TENNIS COACHING – Copacabana

Coaching Monday Afternoons

SNSW Voucher can be used for Fees

For all standards – New pupils welcome **Hot Shots Programme**

Enquiries Telephone Mark - **Mobile 0403 499308**

MUSIC TUITION AT AVOCA BEACH - GUITAR (ACOUSTIC AND ELECTRIC), SINGING, ELECTRIC BASS, BANJO, MANDOLIN and UKELELE. All styles and all ages, beginners to advanced levels, very experienced professional teacher. Phone Chris on 0422 802 222

Avoca Beach Public School's newsletter contains paid advertisements which assist with the cost of publication. The publication of such advertisements does not imply endorsement of any product or service by the NSW Department of Education or Avoca Beach Public



AVOCA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL FAIR MAJOR SPONSORS 2019

Avoca Beach Hotel
McGrath
Laser Clear Cosmetic Clinic
Avoca Beach Law
Avoca Beach Seafoods
Raine & Horne Coastal
Scope Legal
Smith & Sons
Avoca Beach Dental
Avoca Beach Butchery
Ludo's Gourmet Kitchen
Stone Real Estate

THE SNACK SHACK

The Snack Shack Hours are: **Morning** 9.00-9.20

Recess 10.50-11.10

Lunch 1.10-1.40

We have updated our menu and added a few new mini items so the kids can make up their own snack bags. We now have carrot sticks, cucumber sticks, savoury crackers, mini cheese slices, cherry tomatoes, hard boiled eggs and pots of hummus to choose from. The popular homemade Snack Shack Burgers are making a return to Tuesdays (instead of San Choy Bow) Beef burgers are made fresh in canteen and Chicken Burgers are fresh sliced chicken marinated in garlic and grilled, there is the option to add cheese and salad items. We are also trying out homemade chocolate custard for those that like a treat now and again, the recipe is approved by the NSW Healthy Canteen Strategy. Flexischools has been updated to make items easier to read (both for customer and people preparing) just have a read through when ordering, the main change is that toasted sandwiches are now listed as an individual item at the top of the sandwich section, hopefully this will make ordering slightly quicker too.

We will be starting our daily specials as from next week, although Nachos and Sushi will be available this week.

As always, we are in need of volunteers to help us provide all this lovely homemade goodness. We are now using SignUp Zone to enable people to add themselves to the roster, please follow the link below to add your name, if you prefer the traditional method of contact just text/ phone us .

<https://signup.zone/abps-snack-shack>

Don't forget year 6 parents, this is your child's last term in primary school ! How many times have you promised to come and serve in the canteen for them??? THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE!!

Lyndsay 0412784884 (Tue, Thur, Fri)

Sarah 0423113401 (Mon & Wed)

SNACK SHACK ROSTER

Monday	21 Oct	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Tuesday	22 Oct	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Wednesday	23 Oct	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Thursday	24 Oct	Janelle Sykes
Friday	25 Oct	Deidre McMahon

Monday	28 Oct	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Tuesday	29 Oct	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Wednesday	30 Oct	Emma Seyer
Thursday	31 Oct	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Friday	01 Nov	Sarah Minor

ALL VOLUNTEERS IN THE CANTEEN MUST PROVIDE THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH A COMPLETED VOLUNTEERS DECLARATION AND THE 100 POINTS OF IDENTIFICATION BEFORE ASSISTING IN THE CANTEEN OR ANYWHERE ELSE WITHIN THE SCHOOL.

THE ELDERSLEE FOUNDATION BRING YOU THE 2019
CENTRAL COAST
KIDS DAY OUT
 at NARARA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

CELEBRATING ME






It's our 20th Birthday!

Sunday 3rd Nov
 10am-3pm

ADULTS \$8 KIDS \$4 FAMILY \$25 2 ADULTS + UP TO 4 KIDS KIDS UNDER 1 FREE

FREE PLAY FOR KIDS
 in the Creative Construction Zone!
 cckdo.org for details


central coast KDO
 Kids Day Out
 cckdo.org

KIDS SHOWS & GREAT ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL THE FAMILY. ALL THE USUAL RIDES, STALLS, INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS & ACTIVITIES.

PAW PATROL

© 2019 Spin Master PAW Productions Inc. All Rights Reserved. PAW Patrol and all related titles, logos and characters are trademarks of Spin Master Ltd. Nickelodeon and all related titles and logos are trademarks.



BLUEY

MEET & GREET
 Wackadool! Bluey and her little sister Bingo are heading to Kids Day Out on Sunday 3rd Nov

BLUEY TM and BLUEY character logos TM & © Ludo Studio Pty Ltd 2019



HEY KIDS **It's Party Time**
 DRESS UP and Visit the Party Room!



Princes/Princesses/Jesters 10:30 Fairies/Pirates 11:30 Mugglewarts 12:30 Talk to the Animals 1:30
 JOIN THE FAIRYTALE COSTUME PARADE AT 2:40 AT THE MAIN STAGE

THE 20TH ANNUAL CENTRAL COAST KIDS DAY OUT 2019 IS PROUDLY SPONSORED BY

ELDERSLEE FOUNDATION **Central Coast Council** **NBN NEWS** **kidz on the coast** **mydentist.com** **SEA 101.3** **ERINA LEAGUES**

Growing our Central Coast Community **Chertseydale COMMUNITY COTTAGE** **Narellan pools** **Primula Brewster** **new leaf DENTISTS**

NSW Education & Communities **Bendigo Bank**

CENTRAL COAST KIDS DAY OUT 2019 CONNECTING FAMILIES TO SOCIAL SERVICES

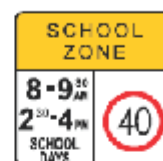
Safety learning program



Traffic and Parking around your School

Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

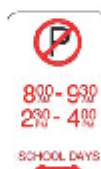
- A **School Zone** is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.



- School Bus lights** – buses use signs and orange flashing 'wigwag' lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the 'wigwag' lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.



- A **No Parking Zone** means that you must not stop for more than two minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. No Parking Zones are suitable for dropping off and picking up.



**THESE SIGNS MEAN YOU MAY STOP
HERE TO DROP OFF / PICK UP**

BUT YOU MUST

- stop for up to 2 minutes only
- stay within 3 metres of vehicle

**Kids look to you to keep them safe - please park legally in school zones
HEAVY FINES and DEMERIT POINTS APPLY**

- A **Bus Zone** means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.



- A **No Stopping Zone** means no stopping at any time.



