

# Newsletter

## Avoca Beach Public School

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Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 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 7

Mon 25<sup>th</sup>

Tue 26<sup>th</sup>

Wed 27<sup>th</sup>

Thu 28<sup>th</sup>

Fri 29<sup>th</sup>

Scripture Assembly

Assembly 12.15pm

### Week 8

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup>

Tue 3<sup>rd</sup>

Wed 4<sup>th</sup>

Thu 5<sup>th</sup>

Fri 6<sup>th</sup>

Carols Night

KHS Transition Day Yr 6

Assembly 12.15pm

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Week 7. We are getting to the very busy time of Term 4 now and I am looking forward to enjoying the end of year activities at Avoca Beach PS for the first time. This starts next week with our carols night. I look forward to seeing lots of the community here to enjoy that night with our families.

### UNSW ICAS Assessments

Congratulations to the 9 students who participated in the University of NSW ICAS Assessment for English and the 13 students who participated in writing. In English, our students were awarded 1 High Distinction, 1 Distinction, 3 Credit and 4 Participation certificates. In Writing, our students were awarded 1 High Distinction, 1 Distinction, 5 Credit and 6 Participation certificates.

### Student Reports

The end of year Student Reports will be forwarded home to parents on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Students from Years 1 to 6 are assessed on a five-point scale in all Key Learning Areas. The gradings are: limited, basic, sound, high and outstanding. A description of each grading will be on the front of the reports.

The majority of students will achieve a 'sound' grading.

A 'sound' grading indicates: The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills. Sound means they are achieving at grade level.

Teachers will be assessing and reporting on the work that has been programmed for Semester 2.

Students in Kindergarten have a different report which indicates their progress in meeting the outcomes of the Kindergarten syllabus.

### Recycling for our Environment

Our school is preventing used pens and markers and other stationary from going to needlessly to landfill. We are now trialling a TerraCycle recycling box for pens, pencils and markers in the school office. The new recycling box can take used pens, mechanical pencils, markers, highlighters, permanent markers and caps from home or the classroom.

Once full we will send the contents to TerraCycle who will then sort, shred, and melt the items down into plastic pellets to be used in the manufacture of new products such as garden beds, park benches and even playgrounds. Additionally, for every kilogram of writing instruments sent to TerraCycle, collectors can earn \$1 towards the Australian school or charity of their choice.

Ben Thomas  
Principal

**Quote of the Week** "Cherish yesterday, dream tomorrow, live today." – Richard Bach

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

<b>KM</b>	Hope Newton, Ace Roumanous	<b>3H</b>	Kahu Slater, Seb Farmer
<b>KS</b>	Mia Campbell, Asher Huckstepp	<b>3/4V</b>	Lily Corcoran, Jasper Bennett
<b>KT</b>	Louis Nyman, Nico Miller	<b>4B</b>	Seren McCann, Lenny Taylor
<b>1C</b>	Zeus Curnow, Violette Wolters	<b>4W</b>	Josh Stenning, Alex Clark
<b>1G</b>	Penny Ryan, Koa Payne	<b>5/6A</b>	Poppy Noone, Cameron Ireland
<b>1R</b>	Eda Portelli, Evelyn Pilkington	<b>5/6D</b>	Dylan Every, Julian Seyer
<b>2B</b>	Lily Parker, Olivia Schellekens	<b>5/6F</b>	Darcy Smith, Olivia Roy
<b>2D</b>	Felicity Jones, Juon Paterson	<b>5/6J</b>	Zoe Harris, Elijah Jamal
<b>2S</b>	Alexander Hall, Teagan Campbell	<b>5/6M</b>	Iggy Senior, Floyd Mitchell
<b>3A</b>	Jett Johnson, Oberon Walton		
<b>SUPER STELLARS K - 2</b>	<b>KM</b> Emilie L'Olive, Rivers Botham, Will Stewart <b>KS</b> Sydney Senior, Elijah Hanson, August Everitt, Kaito Farrell <b>1G</b> Oliver Blakely <b>1R</b> Luka Veljovic <b>2B</b> Jack Walker, Willow Andrews, Zoe Powling, Fletcher Thomson <b>2D</b> Juon Paterson <b>2S</b> Scarlett Russell, Alex Hall, Lisa Hechter	<b>SUPER STELLARS 3 - 6</b>	<b>3A</b> Callum Tipper Richard <b>3H</b> Elijah Cartwright, Ava Shacker, Mia Kirby, Mae Jarmane <b>3/4V</b> Joshua Lyons <b>4B</b> Riley Coleman <b>4W</b> Archie Huckstepp, Ciara Williams, Noah Forster, Amalia Casey, Silas Allen <b>5/6D</b> Bailey Penn <b>5/6F</b> Elvis Ramsay, Bethan Minor, Olivia Roy, Imogen Harris <b>5/6J</b> Leila Cartwright, Josh Dawkins, Zoe Harris <b>5/6M</b> Zandin Bateman, Callan Flaherty, Bronte Churchill, Floyd Mitchell, Tom Carn

**SUPER STELLAR RECIPIENTS**



**DROUGHT RELIEF FUNDRAISER**

Thank you everyone for your overwhelming generosity. \$2972 was raised for the children at Tullamore central School. We are busy this week making Xmas cards and writing letters to all the children and these will be sent off next week. Below is a letter that was sent to the school from Tullamore.

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6<sup>th</sup> November 2019

The School Community Avoca

Beach Public School Avoca

Beach NSW 2251

To the wonderful Staff, Students and Community of Avoca Beach Public School,

Our students, staff and community would like to thank you in advance for your kind offer to fundraise to support our students in this time of drought.

As many of you may know this is now our third year of significantly low rainfall. Up until the 3<sup>rd</sup> November we had not had a substantial rainfall figure since the 23<sup>rd</sup> March this year, and were at a total of 82mm for 2019. In the last system, we were lucky enough to receive 17mm, however as we know this is not drought breaking rain and brings our annual total to 99mm. Our area usually receives 450 – 500mm of rainfall so we are in a severe deficit.

The drought is impacting both our school and community. Students at our school comprise both farming families and those that rely on the industries created by agriculture such as contractors, shearers, farm labourers and machinery mechanics. With the drought continuing it is causing less income for families and older children are often required to fill the gap of seasonal labour on many farms, so along with maintaining their studies they are also trying to help their parents the best they can. Our younger students, albeit are more sheltered from the effects of the drought by their parents, are starting to see a change, both in their environment around them and the little things such as their horses being sold off or less stock on their farms.

The presentation that we have sent you is a little glimpse into the conditions that we are facing at the moment. Any funds raised and or donations that are made will be very much appreciated by our students. They are a very humble group of students who look out for each other all the time and they were quite surprised when they were asked to tell their stories about drought.

Once again we thank you for your support, just the fact that you are thinking about our students and community at this time is much appreciated. Keep praying for rain for us and we hope the break comes soon.

Kind Regards,

Natasha Shankelton  
Head Teacher Secondary Studies  
(Science & Agriculture Teacher)

**2019 AECG Awards**

On Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November, Aboriginal students from Avoca Beach Public School attended the 2019 ACEG awards night. This awards night celebrates the achievements of Aboriginal students for the Tjudibaring AECG across the 2019 school year in a variety of categories. This year the awards were hosted by Kincumber High School and it was a wonderful night showcasing talented Central Coast students with performances, presentations and artwork on display. Tilleah Bennett beautifully presented her speech 'Our Avoca Mob' and Jasper Bennett and Tilleah Bennett confidently presented one of the award categories.

Avoca Beach Public School had six students nominated for awards this year. Being nominated is an honour as it means that your teachers have noticed excellent achievements in and out of the classroom. Avoca Beach Public School had two successful category winners this year – Darcy Smith for Academic Achievement and Valli Smith for Leadership. Congratulations to all of our nominees and award winners!



**PBL Week 7**

This week our PBL focus has been on how to be respectful, responsible and perform our personal best when transitioning around the school and during assembly. Students have recognised the importance of considering others, looking and listening and displaying pride during assembly. Our school expectations require students to transition quietly around the school in two lines so they will not disturb the learning of others around them.



**ASSEMBLY/  
MEETINGS**



RESPECTFUL	Consider others Enter & exit silently	
RESPONSIBLE	Look & listen	
PERSONAL BEST	Display pride	
EVERYBODY EVERYWHERE EVERYTIME		

## Calling for volunteers – we need your help!



Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help.

More information is attached to this newsletter.

### **Ethics Teacher – 2 volunteer positions available in 2020**

Avoca Beach Public School requires two more Primary Ethics Teachers to be part of our dynamic team in 2020. Ethics classes are held every Thursday from 9.20am – 10am. Teaching experience is not required but basic computer skills are necessary. A comprehensive two day training session, and access to all lesson material, is provided. Ethics lessons are thought provoking and are designed to enhance a child's critical thinking and moral reasoning skills. This helps children form and express their own ideas based on logic and evidence, while respectfully listening to others.

If you are interested in more information on these rewarding positions please go to [www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au) Or call Myleah O'Brien, Ethics Co-ordinator 0404 881 267.



### **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



**FRENCH FOR KIDS CLUB AT AVOCA BEACH PS** : Now taking enrolments for **TERM 1 2020** for French classes on TUESDAY 3.30pm - 4.30pm **Nathalie Roy** on **0430 286 590** or email [nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au](mailto:nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au) to register your interest and for more info on cost and sibling discount. MERCI!



**SPANISH FOR KIDS CLUB AT AVOCA BEACH PS** : Now taking enrolments for **TERM 1 2020** for French classes on Mondays 8.15am - 9.00am **Nathalie Roy** on **0430 286 590** or email [nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au](mailto:nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au) to register your interest and for more info on cost and sibling discount. GRACIAS!

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## THE SNACK SHACK

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

**Recess** 10.50-11.10

**Lunch** 1.10-1.40

### IOU's

From time to time kids forget their lunch or it gets eaten by a bird. We are happy to help when you ring us in a panic or your child is upset and needs feeding. We still have quite a few outstanding IOU's which is very time consuming for us to chase up. We understand that having cash available to send in is often a problem so we are very pleased that our friends at FLEXISCHOOLS have set us up an IOU PAYMENT button. This button appears on the front section with services you can choose from. Please select the amount options available until you reach your amount owed. We will receive an email detailing which child has paid and amount, we can then cross this off in our IOU book. PLEASE help us by paying any outstanding amounts ASAP so we are able to finalise our end of year accounts. PLEASE PAY ANY IOU UNDER THE CORRECT CHILDS NAME !! if you have 2 children owing with separate notes please pay separately under each child (we do not personally know every child or family in the school)

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.

We really do appreciate each and every one of our volunteers and are pleased to announce that we are now able to thank our volunteers by means of a lucky ticket prize each month. For every shift volunteered in canteen your name will go into a pot and a lucky winner will be drawn at the end of each month, the prize being a \$25 Coles voucher. There are plenty of spots left to fill in for this term, just follow the link here to see updated roster.

<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)

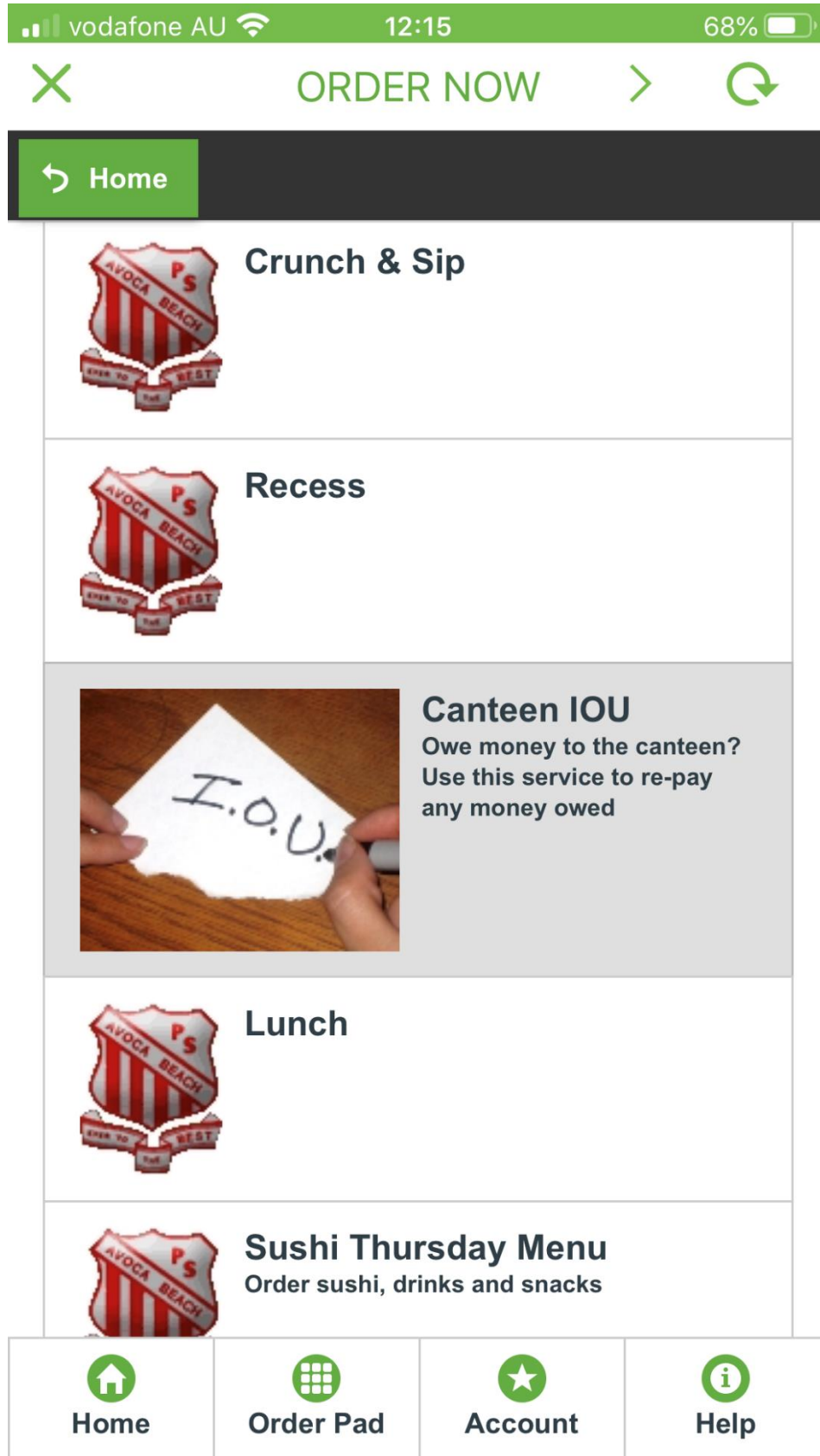
Sarah 0423113401 (Mon & Wed)

### **SNACK SHACK ROSTER**

Monday	25 Nov	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>
Tuesday	26 Nov	Claire Carn
Wednesday	27 Nov	Lisa Flaherty
Thursday	28 Nov	Maureen Johnson
Friday	29 Nov	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>
Monday	02 Dec	Elaine Roy
Tuesday	03 Dec	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>
Wednesday	04 Dec	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>
Thursday	05 Dec	<b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b>
Friday	06 Dec	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.**

Canteen IOU'S can be paid Via Flexischools using the IOU button as shown below.







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Stone Real Estate

# THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

**SUNDAY 1 DEC MT PENANG GARDENS 9AM-2PM**

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