

# Newsletter

## Avoca Beach Public School

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Monday 16th December, 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 10

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** Picnic Day K-5  
Luna Park Yr 6  
**Tue 17<sup>th</sup>** Yr 6 Presentation Assembly 10.00am  
PBL Rewards 2.10pm  
P&C Dinner  
**Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** Last day for students. Talent Quest

### Week 1 2020

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Tue 28<sup>th</sup>** Uniform Shop will be open  
9.30am – 10.30am  
**Wed 29<sup>th</sup>** School resumes for Years 1 to 6  
**Thu 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fri 31<sup>st</sup>**

Dear Parents,

This Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, is the last day of school for all students.

Thank you to all of the parents and friends of the school who have made 2019 a rewarding and successful year. Congratulations to all the students. I am extremely proud of each and every one of you and you too should be proud of your achievements. Year 6 has been an exceptional group of students and I wish them all, every success in their secondary studies and beyond.

### Staffing

I am very sad to announce that we bid farewell to Mrs Vaughan in 2019. Mrs Vaughan has accepted a promotion to Assistant Principal at Chertsey PS. While I know everyone will be devastated to see Mrs Vaughan go next year, me included, I'm sure you will join with me in congratulating her on this well-deserved opportunity. We also bid farewell to two long standing dedicated teachers; Mrs Walkerden and Mrs Fitzpatrick. Mrs Walkerden retires at the end of this year and Mrs Fitzpatrick will be on leave for the duration of 2020, pending her retirement. Both of these lovely ladies have had a long history with the school and have seen many changes in their time at Avoca Beach. They will leave a great legacy in this community and we wish them all the best for a healthy and happy retirement.

### New Bell Times for 2020

While the starting and finishing times need to remain the same next year due to bus timetables, we will be rearranging the times within the school day. This will allow us to have a longer morning session, to make the most of key learning time while the students are fresh. We will also flip recess and lunch so the bigger meal follows the long learning session and our young minds can be fuelled for learning in the second session. The final session for the day will become shorter, again to support student learning, as they fatigue from a long day at school. The new times will be as follows:

9.20 - 9.25am	Roll call
9.25 – 11.25am	first learning session (fruit break included)
11.25 – 11.35am	LUNCH EATING
11.35 – 12.15pm	LUNCH PLAY
12.15pm – 2pm	second learning session
2.00- 2.20pm	RECESS
2.20 – 3.20pm	third learning session

**Classes for 2020**

The formation of classes is a process that teachers go through each year. One thing you can be assured of, is that this is a lengthy and complex process that we spend countless hours trying to get right. We have very strict departmental guidelines to work within and teachers will continue to work collaboratively within these guidelines throughout the holidays so we can attempt to form classes as quick as possible next year. We ask that you trust in the teachers' judgement with these class placements and support your child with developing the resilience to accept the changes in teachers and peer groups annually, so they approach each year with positivity and excitement.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the individuals, families and businesses that have supported our school during 2019. I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**School resumes next year for Yrs 1- 6 on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.**

Ben Thomas  
Principal

**Quote of the Week**

*"It's not what's under the tree that matters, it's who is gathered around it."*

**Wall of Fame**

To finish off the year I would like to acknowledge the achievements of Kiah Tebb. Kiah was one of just two nippers (the other not at our school) from Avoca Beach surf club selected in the Central Coast Branch representative team for Surf Life Saving. The team travelled by bus last weekend to compete at the NSW Interbranch Championships at Bulli. The surf conditions were rough, big and breaking hard on a shallow bank. Kiah had some great individual results with a 6th in the board paddle and 6th in the Iron person event. She was also part of a board rescue relay team that came third. Overall the team ended up 4th out of 11 branches from across NSW. An outstanding effort Kiah!

**MR THOMAS' WALL OF FAME**

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

<b>KM</b>	Eamon Krumm, Will Stewart	<b>3H</b>	Grace Tamblyn, Phoebe Waters
<b>KS</b>	Brixton Ennion, Sebastian Preradovic-Buteux	<b>3/4V</b>	Jasmine George, Bae Wolters
<b>KT</b>	River Carpenter, Ryan Bradshaw	<b>4B</b>	Kobi Davies, Max Latham
<b>1C</b>	Zeus Curnow, Lily Rangott	<b>4W</b>	Audrey Thompson, Gabe Roberts
<b>1G</b>	Lily Rignall	<b>5/6A</b>	Helena Irving, Jack Folbigg
<b>1R</b>	Joel Peterson, River Randall	<b>5/6D</b>	Adelphi Preradovic-Buteux, Will Guz
<b>2B</b>	Fletcher Thomson, Chloe Stewart	<b>5/6F</b>	Indali Romeyn, Nik Veljovic
<b>2D</b>	Zac Battye, Saxon Randall	<b>5/6J</b>	Annie Lowbridge, Edan Thompson
<b>2S</b>	Hamish Choba, Rosie Williams	<b>5/6M</b>	Ella Dixon, James Bowmaker
<b>3A</b>	Mia Jamal, Toby Steenbergen		
<b>SUPER STELLARS K - 2</b>	<b>KT</b> Pippa Blakely <b>1C</b> Charlotte Fisher <b>1G</b> Owen Gillett <b>1R</b> Jonah Geary, Luke Van Skiver, Levi Thomas, Mackenzie Cruikshanks-Finn, Zai Gunewardene, Carter Rodgers, Cooper O'Brien <b>2D</b> Willow Carpenter, Ellie McCartney, Kitty Larkin, Julian McPherson <b>2S</b> Myles Whiting	<b>SUPER STELLARS 3 - 6</b>	<b>3A</b> Harper Freeman, Beau Ryan, Eli Boys-Smith, Toby Steenbergen, Brianna Haydon, Sebastian Picone <b>3/4V</b> Clyde Mitchell, Carla Norris, Toby O'Brien, Jasmine George, Jameson Boyle <b>4B</b> Teddy Currie, Tom Guz, Oliver Craik <b>4W</b> Kai Nemorin <b>5/6A</b> Pia Gatt, Emma Winstanley, Jack Folbigg, Coco Howe, Poppy Noone, Noah Berthot-Craig, Oakes Huggett, Bastien Sinodinos, Brody Zaremba <b>5/6D</b> Sophia Hill, Ethan Wilson, Liam Brien, Lilla Freeman, Von Maslin, Joshua Beaton, Dylan Every, Bonne Gadd, May Russell, Rafa Norris <b>5/6F</b> Saska Spence, Taylah Rhodes <b>5/6J</b> Ari Wilcocks <b>5/6M</b> Callum Bucknell, George Crocker, Nate Michalk-Banning, Hugo Spindler

### SUPER STELLAR RECIPIENTS





### **UNIFORM SHOP**

The next opening day for the uniform shop will be the pupil free day: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 9.30 to 10.30am

All orders placed over the summer break will be ready for collection that day or will be delivered to your child on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

If you have a school bag on back order, they will be ready for collection on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January or again, if you don't collect, I will send to their classroom on the Thursday.

We will also have NEW UNIFORM OPTIONS available for the start of 2020!

We are introducing a lightweight sports short for the boys and a gabardine "skort" for the girls.



Both are black and have the school logo on them.

Stock will be available for the start of the school year 2020 and also you will be able to order them via Flexischools.

The cost for the shorts will be \$20 and the skorts are \$25 each – currently available in sizes 4, 6, 8 and 10.

Best Regards Jo in the Uniform Shop



### 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

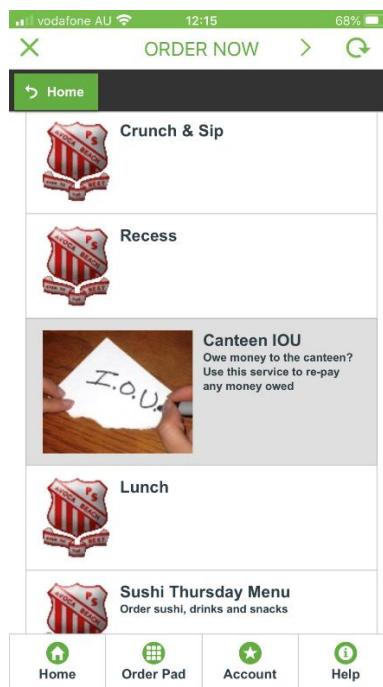
**Recess** 10.50-11.10

**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)

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



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

PLEASE NOTE we will only be open on Tuesday and Wednesday 17 & 18th Dec. We have had to run our stock down to enable us to clean and shut down the kitchen for the holidays. There will be no specials this week... NACHOS will NOT be available on Wednesday, any pre ordered Nachos have been cancelled in Flexischools... please make sure your child has an alternative ordered.

We WISH YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and look forward to seeing you all in the NEW YEAR.

Lyndsay & Sarah



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**STAR104.5'S CENTRAL COAST CAROLS**

WHAT FUN IT IS TO LAUGH AND SING!

**FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2019**  
**CENTRAL COAST STADIUM**  
 Gates open at 4pm. Show starts at 5pm

Featuring Amber Lawrence, Nikki Webster, The Jitterbugs, Fletcher Pilon, amazing local acts, amusements, sing-a-long carols and great food.

Hosted by Star 104.5's Rabbit & Julie Goodwin and an appearance by Santa.

**AMBER LAWRENCE**  
**NIKKI WEBSTER**  
**RABBIT & JULIE**  
**FLETCHER PILON**  
**THE JITTERBUGS**

Central Coast Council  
 THE COAST BAR & RESTAURANT

No chairs on the grass. Wheelchairs and strollers welcome. No smoking or alcohol permitted, no glass, picnic rugs are encouraged, no metal cutlery or knives permitted, no umbrellas or sun shelters.

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Tickets are \$10.00 per person\* | \$5.00 youth (5-17yrs)\* Get tickets at [www.centralcoastcarols.com.au](http://www.centralcoastcarols.com.au)

**100% DONATED TO CANCER COUNCIL NSW - CENTRAL COAST**

\*plus booking fee



# FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Come and explore rock pools with OCCI's expert guides and learn about the fascinating creatures that live there. There is a maximum of 25 people per walk **so bookings are essential.**

Most suited to ages 5 years to adult. All Children need to be accompanied by an adult.

All participants are required to wear closed in shoes for protection.

## DATES:

Friday 27.12.19 @3.30 Norah Head

Sunday 12.1.20 @ 3.45 Terrigal Haven

Sunday 12.1.20 @3.45 Toowoona Bay

Tuesday 14.1.20 @ 5.30 Terrigal Haven

Thursday 23.1.20 @ 2pm Terrigal Haven

Friday 24.1.20 @ 2.30 Terrigal Haven

Saturday 25.1.20 @ 4.15 cabbage Tree Bay (Norah Head)



To book, please text Linda on **0404 450 429**

**You will need to leave:** Your name,

Phone No. Preferably mobile;

Children's names and ages

Date & walk location;

Source of information

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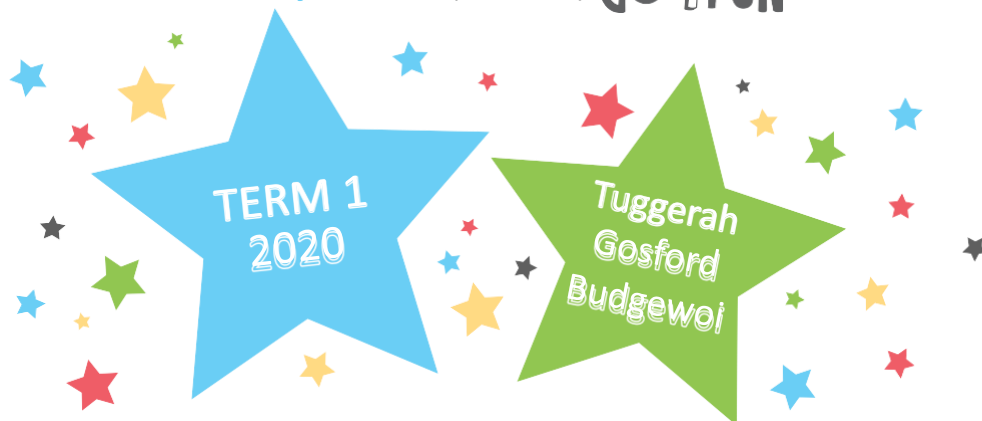


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