

Newsletter

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Monday 2nd 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 8

Mon 2nd

Tue 3rd

Wed 4th

Thu 5th

Fri 6th

Carols Night

KHS Transition Day Yr 6

Questacon Science Circus Yrs 4 & 5

Assembly 12.15pm

Week 9

Mon 9th

Tue 10th

Wed 11th

Thu 12th

Fri 13th

Yr 6 Farewell 6pm-9pm

Assembly 12.15pm

Presentation Assembly 11.15am

Dear Parents,

Week 8 has come around very quickly. With only 13 more days of school to go, teachers are working tirelessly to prepare end of year reports, presentation assemblies, end of year PBL activities and picnic day. It will certainly be a whirlwind finish to 2019. I do remind students however, that the high standards of behaviour we demonstrate at our school are expected at all times. I've been very proud of the students for always giving 100% effort in class and it is nice to finish the year on a positive note and reward them for their hard work.

Wall of Fame

Lots of talented students visited my office last week to show me their amazing work. Willow, Evelyn and Archie in 1R produced a beautiful representation of their recent excursion, where they learnt about natural and man-made things in our local area. Kiki in 3A created a bright and colourful Toucan artwork, to go with her creative poetry.

2020 classes

At this stage, we seem certain to have 18 classes at Avoca Beach Public School in 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 work collaboratively within these guidelines over the next few weeks and 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.

Stop Work Meeting

The NSW Teachers Federation has endorsed state-wide industrial action on **Thursday 5th December** in the form of a stop work meeting.

A majority of teaching staff will be attending the meeting. However, the school will be open and minimal supervision will be provided, ensuring the safety of all students. During class time, all children will be directly supervised by all staff on duty. No normal classes will operate from 9.20am – 10.00am.

High School Orientation

On Thursday 5th December, our Year 6 students will be attending their final high school orientation. This is both an exciting and nervous time for our senior students and we wish them well as they enter a new phase in their schooling. A reminder that due to the industrial action stop work meeting, the students will need to arrive at Kincumber High School at 10am.

Carols

This Wednesday we will be holding our annual Carols night at the school. Food and drinks will be available from 5.30pm and the Carols will begin at 6.30pm. We look forward to enjoying this night with all our families.

Ben Thomas
Principal

Quote of the Week - *"You have brains in your head, you have feet in your shoes, you can steer yourself in any direction you choose".* – Dr Seuss

Mr Thomas' Wall of Fame



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

KM	Emilie L'Olive, Zane Napton	3H	Mia Kirby, Lilly Folbigg
KS	Riley Frew, Kingsley Boyle	3/4V	Brody Frew, Callum Buening
KT	Darty Smith, Hudson Douglass	4B	Adam Rignall, Kobi Davies
1C	Asher Andrews, Ari Pulley	4W	Levi Flett, Max Minor
1G	Indiah Shiers, Ace Garrett	5/6A	Will Chandler, Duke Smith
1R	Zai Gunewardene, Cooper O'Brien	5/6D	Sophie Groom, Joshua Beaton
2B	Harry Lowbridge, Finn Casey	5/6F	Bethan Minor, Seb Roberts
2D	Jasmine Shaw, Isla Davies	5/6J	Audrey Peterson, Abbey Tosh
2S	Ellie Brien, Cameron Lewis	5/6M	Jacob Kellock, Carys Buening
3A	Beau Ryan, Eli Boys-Smith		
SUPER STELLARS K - 2	KM Amalia Hodgson KS Jake Banfield, Frankie Drinkwater, Ashley Schellekens KT Hudson Douglass 1C Kenzie Johnson, Ari Pulley, Jacob Cohen, Alandra McVeigh 1G Anders Toft, Doug Minor 2D Zac Battye, Jarvis Irving, Soraya Mathieson 2S Ryder Santry, Ava Campbell	SUPER STELLARS 3 - 6	3A Riley Geary 3/4V Callum Buening 4W Alex Clark, Max Minor, Phoebe O'Brien, Lola Patterson 5/6A Grace Oldfield, Jaidee Buckley 5/6D Hope Conley, Daniel Wind 5/6F Zach Wilson, Noah Turner 5/6J Javi Hornstra-Bowers, Millie Parker, Edan Thompson, Evangeline Ouradnik, Will Gaffey, Cody Sherman 5/6M James Bowmaker, Jacob Kellock, Sian Beynon

SUPER STELLAR RECIPIENTS



Christmas Tree Display- Erina Fair

Well done to our Stage 3 students, who decorated our school Christmas tree for the display at Erina Fair. A big thank you to the Stage 3 teachers also, for all their hard work to make this happen at very short notice.

**Questacon Science Circus**

On Thursday 5th December 2019 Years 4 & 5 will be attending the Questacon Science Circus in the school hall. The program is presented free of charge with the support of the Australian Government. Students who attend the Science Circus at school also have free entry to the Pop-up Science Circus on Saturday 7 December, 10 am—3 pm Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium Duffys Road Terrigal.

Strings Christmas Concert

We will have a special Christmas performance of the String groups and bands at the assembly on **Friday 6 December (Week 8 Term 4) at 12:15pm**. The children will wear summer school uniform but can put Christmas decorations around the stands and wear a Christmas hat or hair decorations. (I have plenty of spare Santa hats just in case any student forgets!)

We ask all our String students to continue practising Silent Night and Jingle Bells for the performance. They are sounding great.

After the performance on Friday 6 December, there will be a Strings Christmas party in the FSU at lunch -time. Please organise a party plate for your child to share on the day.

Monday 9 December will be the intermediate group's last lesson for the year and Friday 13 December will be the last lesson for the Beginning String group. Please ensure your payments, and hire fees (if applicable) are up to date.

We look forward to hearing our wonderful students perform again. Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support and commitment to the String Program at Avoca Beach Public School.

A special thank you to Eva and Ingrid for all their hard work and passion to ensure our year has run smoothly.

Kind regards,
Carolyn Coleman
String Group Coordinator

PBL Week – 8

This week our PBL lessons will focus on how to be respectful, responsible and perform our personal best when arriving to school. Students have recognised the importance of being where they are supposed to be and not lingering in 'out of bounds' areas.

Our school expectations require students to arrive at school respectfully and sit quietly outside the staffroom with their bags. All students need to wait here until a teacher dismisses them. Students are responsible by putting their bags at their rooms only after the 9am bell. All students are doing their personal best by moving directly to the top playground.

**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 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 to register your interest and for more info on cost and sibling discount. MERCI!



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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

OUR END OF TERM LUNCH SPECIAL IS ON FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGE.

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	02 Dec	Elaine Roy
Tuesday	03 Dec	Carol Bradshaw
Wednesday	04 Dec	Jacqui Burchall
Thursday	05 Dec	Terri Stoye
Friday	06 Dec	Sarah Minor
Monday	09 Dec	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Tuesday	10 Dec	Carol Bradshaw
Wednesday	11 Dec	Caroline Jardine
Thursday	12 Dec	Maureen Johnson
Friday	13 Dec	Carly Newton, Ali O'Brien

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.

SNACK SHACK

END OF TERM LUNCH SPECIAL FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER



Chicken & Gravy Roll OR Meatball Sub

PLUS FROZEN JUICY CUP

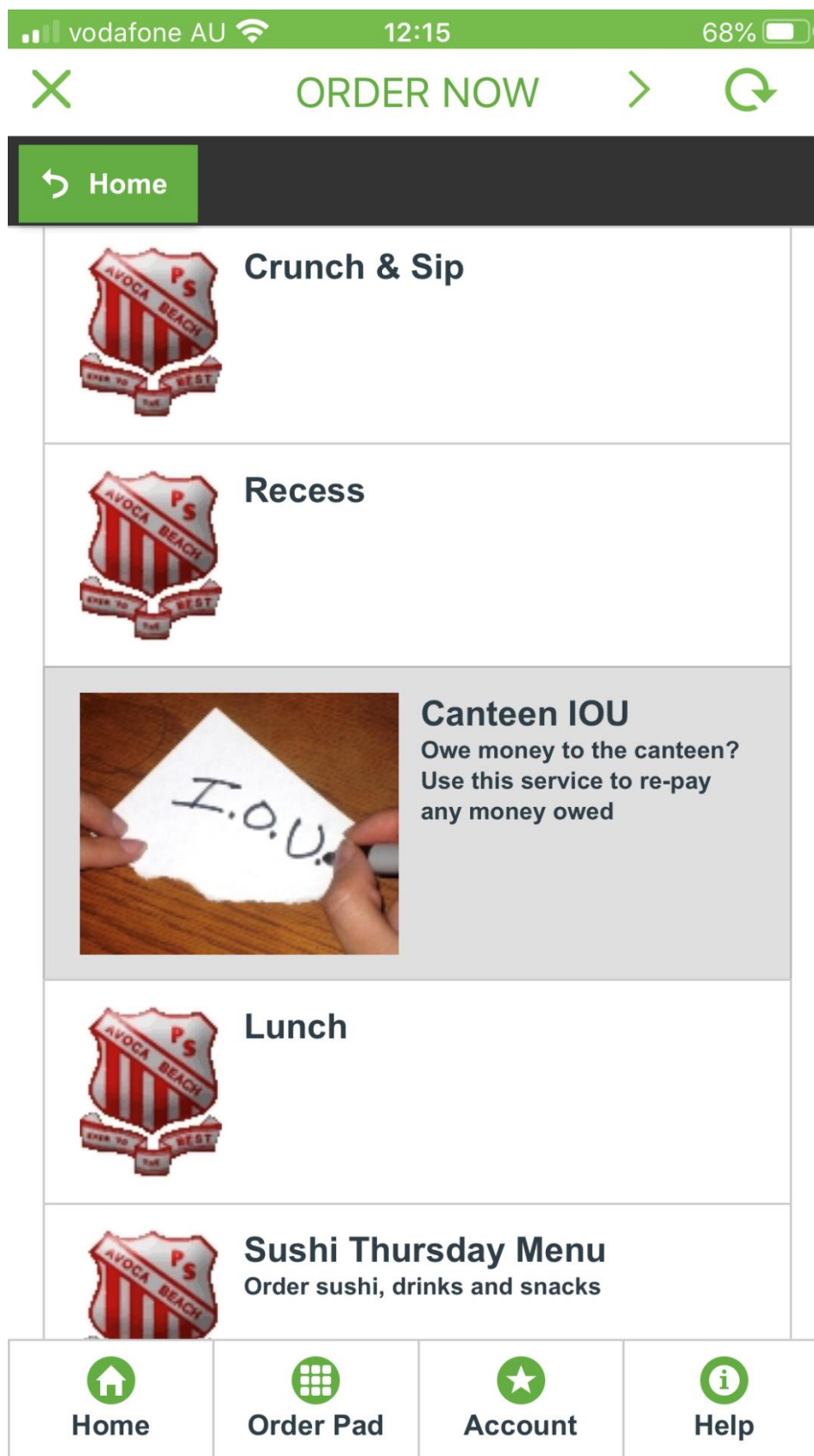
\$5.00

Add a Chocolate muffin for

\$1.50

Please order on Flexischools or over the counter at
Snack Shack before 2pm Wednesday 11th December

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





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School Holiday Art



Christmas Tree Sculpture Monday 23rd Dec 10-1pm \$45

In this 3 hour workshop students make a Christmas tree sculpture out of sticks, clay and painted wool, then adorn it with fairy lights. BYO sticks.



Christmas Decorations Tuesday 24th Dec 10-12pm \$30

This fun workshop continues the Christmas theme where students make adorable decorations from pinecones and felt.



Stag Drawing Tuesday 7th Jan 10-12pm \$30

We begin this beautiful stag drawing in pencil on an A3 sheet of watercolour paper. The drawing is then outlined in pen and detailed with dots and swirls.

Paper Art Wednesday 8th Jan 10-12pm \$30

Students create this artwork by cutting out a profile print out of their head. A landscape of colour paper is then drawn, cut out and glued down behind their head silhouette, resulting in this masterpiece.



Water Colour Koi Tuesday 14th Jan 10-12pm \$30

This is a fun and relaxing watercolour painting, where students draw a number of Koi on an A4 piece of watercolour paper, then paint with warm autumn colours.



Sunset Painting Wednesday 15th Jan 10-1pm \$45

In this 3 hour workshop students draw up this stunning landscape on a canvas board, then paint in acrylics, capturing the colours and light of a sunset.



Clay House Tuesday 21st Jan 10-12pm \$30

Students design and sculpt their own tiny house using slabs of air dry clay.



Horse/Human Portrait Wednesday 22nd Jan 10-12pm \$30

Influenced by the gorgeous work of Polina Bright, students create a mixed media portrait of a person with horses.

Treehouse Art Studio

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