

Newsletter

Avoca Beach Public School

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*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 3

Mon 11th P&C Meeting 7.00pm
Tue 12th Stage 2 Parent Meeting 5.30pm
Wed 13th Stage 3 Parent Meeting 6.00pm
Thu 14th Stage 1 Parent Meeting 5.30pm
Fri 15th

Week 4

Mon 18th
Tue 19th 5 Lands Photo Workshop Stage 3
Wed 20th
Thu 21st
Fri 22nd

Principal's Report

This week Stages 1-3 will be holding their Parent Information sessions. I am hopeful that all families can take the time to attend these sessions to meet the teachers and hear about the work, and activities, planned for the year. The details of the meetings are as follows:

Stage 2	Tuesday 12 th	5.30pm
Stage 3	Wednesday 13 th	6.00pm
Stage 1	Thursday 14 th	5.30pm

The sessions will run for approximately one hour and will be held in the library.

Last week our new Kindergarten students began and we were very impressed with how quickly they have settled into 'Big School'. Thank you to the parents who took the opportunity to attend the information session on Wednesday evening and the Welcome BBQ on Friday afternoon. A big thank you to Paula Jamal & Lyndsay Buening for their organisation of the BBQ and to the P&C for funding the food & drink. Thanks also to Taya Van Haren and Kevin McBeath for assisting with the BBQ and to the teachers who attended.

The first P&C meeting of the year will be held tonight (Monday) starting at 7.00pm in the staffroom. All parents and community members are invited to attend.

The permission note for our upcoming swimming carnival on Monday 4th March went home last week. I would ask that all notes and the payment of \$8 be returned by Monday 25th February.

Thank you to those parents who have already paid their Classroom levies. This payment covers the materials that the students will be using this year including textbooks (yrs 2-4), online reading programs and stationary items. Could I ask for everyone's support in making this payment as soon as possible.

We are looking for assistance from parents and community members for assistance in our school library. If you have any time where you could help with the covering of new books and shelving of items please let the office know. It can be any day and for any length of time.

Thanks also to those families who have also made a voluntary contribution to the school. The suggested payment is \$43 per child or \$86 per family with all money going towards additional resources to support the many programs planned for the year.

At the beginning of the year we received a donation of \$3065 from the Avoca Beach Chamber of Commerce. This donation will be used to assist in the upgrade of our school library. We greatly appreciate the support of our school by the Chamber of Commerce.

Unfortunately our Student Wellbeing Officer, Felicity, has accepted a full time position at another school. The recruitment process to replace her has begun. Please see the advertisement below.

Ross Hallaways
Principal

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

KM	Clae Huckstepp, Ace Roumanous	4B	Isla O'Cass, Kai Bailey
KS	Asher Huckstepp, Jake Banfield	4W	Levi Flett, Dylan Kaehler
KT	Aoibheann Barrett, Darty Smith	5/6A	Charlie Bennetts-Chesher, Eleanor Shervington
1C	Violette Wolters, Max Rattray	5/6D	Adelphi Preradovic-Buteux, Joshua Beaton
1G	Sam Carlisle, Lily Rignall	5/6F	Imogen Harris, Noah Turner
1R	Evelyn Pilkington, William Ceccato	5/6J	Abbey Tosh, Josh Dawkins
2B	Noah Farrell, Charlize Denham	5/6M	Luca Miller, Ryder Behrens
2D	Ruby Rangott, Axel Ward		
2S	Zach Johnson, Scarlett Russell		
3A	Amelia Preradovic-Buteux, Jett Johnson		
3H	Estelle Murphy, Tristan McPherson	MUSIC	Willow Carpenter, Willow Ramsay
3/4V	Hannah Abra, Lukas Bannister		

P&C NEWS

Thank you to all the families who made it along to the Kindy BBQ on Friday evening. It was a wonderful evening and we hope you enjoyed meeting up with other families. Special thanks to our helpers on the evening, Kevin, Lyndsay and Taya, our principal Ross and our wonderful Kindy teachers.

Remember our first P&C meeting of 2019 will be held tonight in the staff room from 7pm and all are welcome. We would love to see some new faces join our committee.

If you have any queries about our P&C please do not hesitate to contact me at avocabeachpandc@gmail.com

Kind regards,
Paula Jamal

PBL WEEK 3

This week our PBL focus has been on our three core values; respect, responsibility and personal best. Students will discuss what this looks like, feels like and sounds like here at Avoca Beach Public School. Our school expectations require every student to follow our 3 core values everywhere and every time.

ETHICS TEACHER – VOLUNTEER POSITION AVAILABLE

Avoca Beach Public School is currently requiring another Primary ethics Teacher to be part of our dynamic team. Ethics classes are held every Thursday from 9.20- 10am.

Teaching experience is not required but basic computer skills are necessary. A comprehensive two-day training session, and access to all 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 this rewarding position please go to www.primaryethics.com.au or call Myleah O'Brien on 0404 881 267 (Ethics Co-ordinator)



STUDENT WELLBEING OFFICER

Generate Ministries invites applications for the position of Student Wellbeing Officer at [Avoca Beach Public School](#) under the Student Wellbeing Support Program.

Generate Ministries is a Christian organisation employing School Chaplains & Wellbeing Officers in NSW state schools. All Generate employees must adhere to the Generate Statements of Belief and Code of Conduct.

Application information can be found at mychaplain.org.au or calling [Fergus Taylor on 0432741110](#)

EXTENDED LEAVE from ATTENDANCE. If you are planning a family holiday during the school term, **for more than 5 days**, parents need to apply for an **'Application for Extended Leave'** from school. An 'Application for Extended Leave-Travel' can be collected from the office. Once completed please return to the Principal at least two weeks prior to the leave then an approved **'Certificate of Extended leave - Travel'** will be issued. The original certificate will be signed, copied for school records and returned to parents. You need to carry this certificate during your leave, as it must be produced when requested by police or other authorised attendance officers.

VOLUNTEERS AT OUR SCHOOL

Volunteers play an important role in the daily school routine. Please be aware that the Department of Education requires all volunteers to complete a Volunteer Declaration and provide Proof of Identity that meets the 100-point check. We are updating our records in accordance with these requirements, ask that anyone who is currently volunteering, or planning to do so in the future, complete the attached declaration, and return it to the office along with your 100 points as soon as possible. This not only applies to in-school volunteers but also anyone that at any stage may be transporting our students to offsite activities.

For parents **transporting** students to offsite activities please be aware that we still require copies of both your current driver's licence and current vehicle registration. **This documentation must be provided prior to the activities** and is required **even if you are transporting your own child**. In accordance with department requirements, the transporting of students is not permitted until all documentation has been received.



SPANISH FOR KIDS CLUB AT AVOCA BEACH PS : Now taking enrolments for Term 1 2019 for Spanish classes on Monday 8.15am - 9.00am. **Nathalie Roy** on [0430 286 590](tel:0430286590) or email nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au to register your interest and for more info on cost and siblings discount. GRACIAS!



FRENCH FOR KIDS CLUB AT AVOCA BEACH PS : Now taking enrolments for Term 1 2019 for French classes on TUESDAY 3.30pm - 4.30pm **Nathalie Roy** on [0430 286 590](tel:0430286590) or email nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au to register your interest and for more info on cost and siblings discount. MERCI!

HIGHLAND DANCING LESSONS – Tue & Thur 3.45pm-4.30pm at 33 Laird Dr, Avoca. Teacher Maureen Fyffe has 40yrs experience teaching/coaching highland dance. She has coached 11 Australian champions. Examinations and competition training available. Contact Maureen 0400 221 038.



Avoca Beachside Markets

HEAZLETT PARK FORESHORE 9AM TO 2PM

SUNDAY 24 FEB

Live Music on the Fairplay Stage from 9am

Free Shuttle Bus @ the Avoca Beach Hotel

[FIXXEVENTS.COM.AU](http://fixxevents.com.au)

J&B DANCE

ENROL NOW FOR 2019!

Classes Held at Terrigal Basketball Stadium

Classes from \$6 * Try your First Week FREE!

Monday

3:30 PM - 5-8 Yrs Jazz
4:30 PM - 5-8 Yrs Acrobatics
5:30 PM - 9-11 Yrs Jazz
6:30 PM - 9-11 Yrs Hip Hop

Tuesday

4:00 PM - 5-8 Yrs Contemporary
4:30 PM - 5-8 Yrs Hip Hop
5:00 PM - 5-12 Yrs Tap
5:30 PM - 9-11 Yrs Contemporary
6:30 PM - 9-11 Yrs Acrobatics

Wednesday

9:30 AM - 2-3 Jelly Beans Jazz
10:00 AM - 2-3 Jelly Beans Ballet
10:30 AM - 2-5 Jelly Beans Acrobatics
11:00 AM - 4-5 Jelly Beans Jazz
11:30 AM - 4-5 Jelly Beans Ballet

Wednesday

4:00 PM - 12+ Yrs Jazz
5:00 PM - 12+ Yrs Hip Hop
6:00 PM - 12+ Yrs Contemporary



SAVE UP TO \$200!
WITH YOUR CREATIVE & ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER



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\$100 VOUCHER FOR CHILDREN’S SPORT AND FITNESS FEES

Parents in NSW can claim \$100 towards extra-curricular sport and other physical activity fees thanks to the NSW Government’s Active Kids program. This program will provide a \$100 voucher for parents to put towards sporting fees and registration costs for each school-aged child in NSW.

Families can use the voucher for registration and membership costs, as well as fees for activities such as swimming and dance. The annual voucher will not be means tested because the NSW Government wants every child from every family to get active and involved in community sport and fitness.

The health of our children is a priority for the NSW Government, and it is hoped that this makes a difference in enabling you to enrol your child in the sport or physical activity of your choice.

More details about the program and how to download your voucher is available at sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids or by phoning Service NSW on 13 77 88.



THE SNACK SHACK

The Snack Shack Hours are:

Morning 9.00-9.20 **Recess** 10.50-11.10 **Lunch** 1.10-1.40

Preferred method of ordering is by using the FLEXISCHOOLS APP, **CUT OFF TIME 8.30AM.**

Welcome to Term 1, we are really looking forward to seeing all those lovely little faces again.

There is a copy of our latest menu attached and a copy has been sent home..

We are trialling a new menu item of San Choy Bow on Tuesdays and our regular best sellers of pasta bolognaise and nachos are still there.

We are trying out a new APP to help us with the rostering of volunteers and can send the link to any parents, carers or grandparents that would like to pop in and help. Thank you so much to all the new Kindy mums who have already put themselves down for a shift or two. Most of our menu is homemade and we do rely on volunteers for busy days to help get us through but we don't expect you to have great cooking skills, so please don't be put off! Putting lunches in bags, making sandwiches or just serving is also a great help.

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 Roster for:

Mon 11th	Briar Krumm
Tue 12th	Michelle Tarawithi
Wed 13th	Janelle Sykes
Thu 14th	Jacqui Birchall
Fri 15th	Emma Seyer
Mon 18th	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Tue 19th	Elize Mackie
Wed 20th	Jaqui Birchall
Thu 21st	Kate Orr
Fri 22nd	Jo Hurrell

Lyndsay Buening – Canteen Manager
Sarah Randall – Canteen Supervisor

0412 784 884
0423 113 401

Tue, Thur, Fri
Mon & Wed

Safety learning program



Parking Restrictions Outside Schools

KIDS LOOK TO US TO KEEP THEM SAFE - PARK LEGALLY IN SCHOOL ZONES

Central Coast Council would like to remind parents of parking restrictions outside your school. Please pay close attention to the signs outside your child's primary school and watch your speed when travelling through all school zones.

NO STOPPING zone

Stopping is NOT permitted at any time.

BUS ZONE

Stopping is not permitted during the times shown on the sign.



DOUBLE PARKING

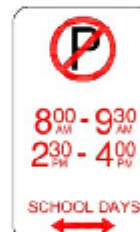
You are not permitted to stop OR park alongside another vehicle already parked parallel to the kerb. This means do not form a queue in the middle of the lane if you are waiting.

Move on, do a loop and come back.

NO PARKING zone

Drivers may drop off and pick up children during the times shown on the sign BUT note:

- Maximum stopping time is 2 MINUTES – your child must exit and enter the car within this time.
- Driver must remain within 3 METRES of the vehicle – you may get out to help with bags etc.
- Stop as close as possible to the top of the zone to allow access for vehicles following behind.



Stopping ON or ACROSS a driveway or other access point to and from a property is not permitted under any circumstance.

You must always consider the school's neighbours by leaving space at their driveways to allow safe exit and entry to the roadway.

Travelling more than 40 km/hour through school zones may inhibit a car from stopping in time to avoid hitting a pedestrian. Parking illegally also creates serious risks as it limits the vision of other drivers.

It only takes a split second for an accident to occur and only one car to present a danger to an unknowing child.

Please be aware of the restrictions and park safely outside your child's school.

For more information regarding parking restriction around your school please contact Council's Road Safety Officers via email at: roadsafety@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au



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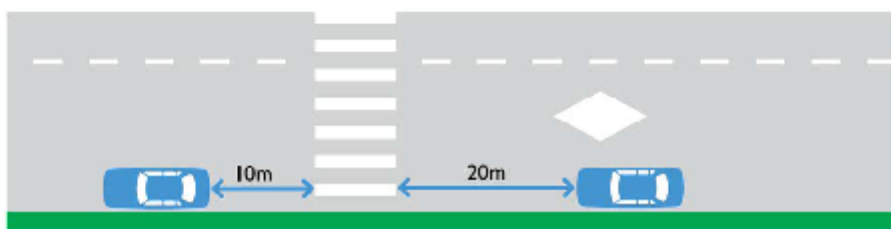
School Traffic and Parking Around Your Local Community



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.

You must not stop your vehicle (that is, bring it to a stop and either stay with the vehicle or leave it parked) in the following circumstances:

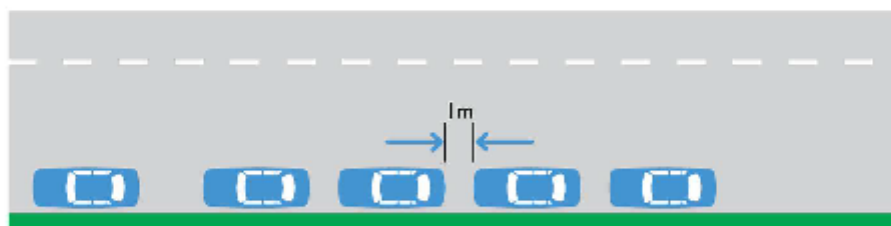
- ❑ Double parked (that is in the road alongside a car that is parked)
- ❑ Across a driveway or footpath
- ❑ On a median strip or traffic island
- ❑ On footpaths and nature strips
- ❑ On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing



- ❑ Within an intersection
- ❑ Within 10 metres of an intersecting road at an intersection without traffic lights unless signposted otherwise



- ❑ In Bus Stop, Bus Zone, Taxi Stand or Taxi Zone signed areas
- ❑ At least one (1) metre from any other parked vehicle, close as possible and parallel to the kerb, and facing the same direction as the traffic lane



- ❑ Within three (3) metres of any double centre lines
- ❑ Within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a bus stop

Adherence to signposting, linemarking and road rules around your school will assist in providing a safe environment for the school community and residents.