# **Newsletter**

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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.

#### Dear Parents,

Welcome to Week 7. We are getting to the very busy time of Term 4 now and I know the students are looking forward to enjoying the end of year activities now that restrictions have eased a little. 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.

#### **Uniforms**

School uniforms are an important feature of our school and they help to promote respect, rules and discipline. It is school policy that students wear school uniform. This policy, was determined by the school parent body and follows the guidelines of the Department of Education's memoranda on the wearing of school uniforms. Please support the school in ensuring your child is wearing the correct uniform each day. As we start to move into the summer months we have been particularly focusing on hats and reminding students of our sun safe policy. As we near the end of the school year, we will be continuing to promote school spirit and encouraging pride in our uniform.

### **Student Reports**

The end of year Student Reports will be forwarded home to parents on Friday 11th 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.

Please ensure that you read through these reports with your children and celebrate their successes for the year.

### **UNSW ICAS Assessments**

Congratulations to the students who participated in the University of NSW ICAS Assessment for Digital Technologies, our students were awarded 2 Distinction, 2 Credit, 1 Merit and 2 Participation certificates. In Mathematics, our students were awarded 1 High Distinction, 2 Distinction, 4 Credit, 1 Merit and 9 Participation certificates. In Science, our students were awarded 1 High Distinction, 1 Distinction, 2 Credit, 1 Merit and 2 Participation certificates. In the Spelling, our students were awarded 7 Credit, 2 Merit and 4 Participation certificates. Well done to all the students for your effort and achievement.

### **Presentation Day 2020**

This year we will be celebrating the fantastic students at Avoca Beach and their achievements in a modified Presentation Day assembly. As has been the case with many school events this year, we have had strict guidelines to ensure the advice from the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) has been followed in line with Department of Education policies and procedures. Recently, we received an updated set of guidelines to enable our planning for this year's Presentation Day event.

Our 2020 Presentation Day assembly will be held on Friday the 11th of December at 12:15pm. We will be coordinating this event in two sections, with Years K-2 in attendance for the first section and Years 3-6 in attendance for the second section. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite families and special guests to attend. We also have limitations in the length of time the event will progress for and restrictions on some live performing arts. With this in mind, we are prerecording our performing arts groups and will be recording the assembly in its entirety on the day. Shortly after the event is complete, we will broadcast the recording, including pre-recorded performances, on the school website. We thank our community for your support and understanding this year as we have had many modifications to school events.

#### **Wall of Fame**

We have had the biggest number of students ever reaching our Millionaires Club for Literacy Pro this year. I couldn't be prouder of the effort our students are putting into their reading and our great reading results reflect this. This week, Kahu in 4A, joins our Millionaires Club.



### Mr Thomas' Wall of Fame

Ben Thomas Principal

Quote of the Week

"Different people have different opinions, and it's okay to respect all of them." – Juan Pablo Galavis

### **Recipients of the 25 Stellar Certificates**













































### Congratulations to the following students who received merit certificates in the last 2 weeks

KJ	Toby Hall, Eeva Tapper	3C	Lisa Hechter, Willow Carpenter
KS	Alexa Mann, Alexis Sedgwick	3\$	Jack Walker, Kai Berthot-Craig
KT	Pippa Blakely, Fynn Suters	4A	Hickson Fisher, Kahu Slater
K/1M	Frankie Mumford, Jake Banfield	4B	Hannah Abra, Cooper Thomson
1B	Sasa Dowling, Eamon Krumm	5/6B	Zach Wilson, Jacob Kellock
1G	Poppy Mann, Hudson Douglass	5/6D	Omeo Armytage, Noah Berthot-Craig
2B	Owen Gillett, Macy Lester	5/6F	Stella Carpenter, Brody Frew
2D	Felix Van Gelder, Audrey McDonald	5/6J	Mirella Markey, Eamon Grace
2W	Poppie Graham, Doug Minor	5/6N	Amy Woods, Noah Turner
3/4A	Dylan McMahon, Ella Williams		

### PBL Values Assembly Presentation



### Congratulations to the students who received PBL Values Awards at the last Values Assembly.

KJ	Jack Isbester, Isabella Kelly	3C	Melody McRae, Harry Lowbridge
KS	Indah Forster, Carter Botham	3S	Fletcher Thomson, Lily Clarke
KT	Gabby Pilkington, Poppi Hall	4A	Claire Burchall, Elijah Cohen
K/1M	Sonny Carmichael, Frankie Mee	4B	Callum Krumm, Mia Jamal
1B	Ruby Battye, Emilie L'Olive	5/6B	Amy Bowtell, Dylan Audley
1G	Elijah Hanson, William George-Davidson	5/6D	Oakes Huggett, Phoebe O'Brien
2B	River Randall, Archie Dheer	5/6F	Ella Parker, Bae Wolters
2D	Ari Pulley, Chrystella Penn	5/6J	Tanner Arnold, Poppy Vizesi-Krix
2W	Brielle Hayes, Keira Verhagen	5/6N	Harper Santry, Ciara Williams
3/4A	Ollie McDonald, Cameron Lewis		





### **Debating**

Defeating Bowral, The Avoca Beach Quarranteenets are now part of the 32 teams left of the 666 teams taking part in the 2020 Premier's Debating Challenge. With 4 more debates left until State Championships!

The next debate the ABPS Quaranteenets take part in is against Caves Beach. The ABPS Quaranteenets latest debate Consisted of Eleanor Shervington, Arowen Smith, Adelphi Preradovic-Buteux and Seren George-Davidson. Eleanor Shervington



### To the Staff and Students at Avoca Beach Primary School

The Year 12 Class of 2020 at Kincumber High School would like to express their deepest thanks to you for the use of your tables.

The Year 12 Formal, which was held in the Kincumber High School hall on the 12th November, was a wonderful way to farewell the students within the COVID safety guidelines. For the 137 teachers and students who attended, a wonderful night with friends and teachers would not have been possible without the support of your school, your Principal and your community.

Thank you so much

Claire Barber - Year 12 Year Adviser 2020

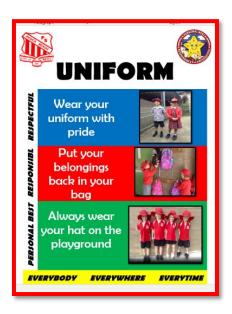






### **PBL Fair Play and Uniform**

Our recent PBL lessons have focused on fair play and wearing uniform at school. Students demonstrate fair play by taking turns, listening to each other and "taking it" when they get out. Everyone's turn comes around faster if we move on quickly when we're out. Our school expectation is that all students wear school uniform every day. One of the most important safety components of the uniform is the hat. Students take responsibility for their health by wearing a hat in the playground without needing to be reminded.



### THE SNACK SHACK

We are pleased to announce we now have our big new freezer and have the kids favourite frozen treats back available. It's so nice to be back open after 8 long months.

It's been brought to my attention that this Friday is "Black Friday" for online shopping sales. Last year this seemed to cause a huge problem with the internet crashing and did affect Flexischools. In order to try and avoid any chaos this week it would be advisable for people to pre order any food for Friday earlier in the week and not leave it until Friday morning when the system gets overloaded.

Does your child have a birthday coming up? We are now able to offer a celebration BIRTHDAY BUCKET full of frozen Quelch sticks available to order online and pick up from the canteen at lunchtime, just order the amount of Quelch sticks you need for your child's class and any extra friends (all classes are different) online on Flexischools and we'll have the decorated bucket ready for them at lunchtime. (at this stage they need to be ordered 3 Days before you need to ensure we have stock) please contact the canteen directly through the school phoneline if you wish to ask about this item.

Just a reminder that CUT OFF TIME for FLEXISCHOOLS is 8.30am and SUSHI CUT OFF is 8.00am THURS.

You can also cancel your own order yourself online until 8.30 (SORRY SUSHI CANNOT BE CANCELLED AFTER 8am) any problems please ring us on the school landline only (we are unable to receive text in canteen)

Lyndsay Buening Canteen Manager

### **Become an Ethics Teacher at Avoca Primary**

### - We need 2 more volunteers for 2021

Avoca Beach Public School requires two more Primary Ethics Teachers, to be part of our dynamic team in 2021. Ethics classes are held Wednesday afternoons. Teaching experience is not required but basic computer skills are necessary.

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 <a href="www.primaryethics.com.au">www.primaryethics.com.au</a>
Or call Myleah O'Brien 0404 881 267 Ethics Co-Ordinator





### PIANO LESSONS WITH KIM

My name is Kim Slowiaczek and I offer Piano Lessons in person and remotely to all ages and stages. I have created an evolving piano teaching style

supported by classical, contemporary, Kodaly and individualized learning approaches to provide sequential, student focused lessons in understanding

and expressing the sounds, symbols and language of music on the

keyboard. I would be pleased to answer any questions on 0411123129 or

via Email: pianolessonswithkim@gmail.com

<u>MUSIC TUITION AT AVOCA BEACH</u> - 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

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# A weary world rejoices!

We'd love you to come along this Christmas and rejoice with us in Jesus - the hope for a weary world.

Christmas Eve
4PM • 6PM • 8PM

Christmas Day
8 AM • 9.30 AM

More info online-Live stream and Auslan Interpreted EVCHURCH.INFO/CHRISTMAS



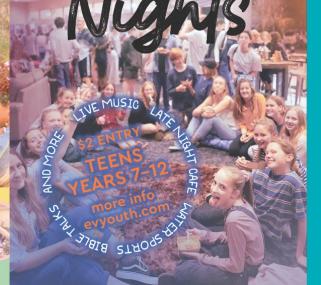


MON 4 TO FRI 8 JAN. 2021 2 SESSIONS: 9-11.30 AM & 2-4.30 PM MON 4 TO FRI 8 JAN. 7-9.30 PM
Check out what night YOUR SCHOOL YEAR is on.

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