

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,

This week we celebrate Education Week, with the theme, "Learning Together". This theme reflects the incredible year we have had so far with bushfires, floods and COVID-19. It highlights how we have learnt to adapt and learn in different ways. Most of all, it reflects how students, staff and parents have had to work together to continue education throughout these times. I really feel like our little village has been a true indication of community spirit and Avoca Beach has shone in developing a strong partnership in learning between our teachers and parents.

Education Week

As we still can't have parents on our school site, we decided to put together a snapshot of learning at Avoca Beach Public School for all to watch. It shows a small part of the educational journey that our students embark on each day, as teachers strive to provide them with a balanced education with the goal of producing engaged, global citizens.

The video can be viewed through this link:

<https://vimeo.com/442892681>

Kiss and Drop

The number of families using kiss and drop continues to grow, which has made it even more important to implement our new system. Please remember to display the name cards provided in your window. We also ask that you pick up at one of the 3 collection bays and leave from those in that order. This ensures that cars are not pulling out around each other and on to the wrong side of the road. If you require an extra name card for another car or have misplaced the original, please let the ladies in the office know and we will send another one home for you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to encourage families to look at alternatives (walking, riding, parking near the school and walking to collect your children) in an attempt to minimise the congestion around the school each afternoon. Also, in the interest of our environment and student health, I would encourage you to turn your cars off if you are parked and waiting for pick up. With lots of children walking out of school each afternoon, it would be great to minimise emissions from cars.

Kindergarten 2021

The Kindergarten enrolments are now starting to come in fast. We are hoping to have numbers confirmed by the end of this term. Remember, if you know of any boy or girl who will be starting at Avoca Beach PS in 2021, please let them know to pop into the office as soon as possible, put their name down and collect an enrolment form.

Wall of Fame

Last week I saw 3 very talented students from K/1M. Jack, Lydia and Florence had been working on persuading in class. They used the Chatterpix program to develop a persuasive animation.

Congratulations to Zoe (3/4A), Archie 3/4A and Dylan (3/4A), who are our latest students to join the "Millionaires Club". Outstanding reading!

Finally, this week I would like to acknowledge Rosie (3C), Harriet (3/4A) and Kenzie (2B). These girls are students of Maureen Fyffe Highland Dancing School and will be participating in a 2020 International Highland Dancing Festival, showcasing their dancing skills from Avoca Beach.

It never ceases to amaze me how clever our students are!

Wall of Fame



Ben Thomas
Principal

Quote of the Week

"Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." – Nelson Mandela

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

KJ	Pixie Graham, Jackson Dawes Hana Collyer, Willow Snaith	3C	Saxon Randall, Willow Carpenter Payton Arnold, Dylan De Gruchy
KS	Frankie-Rose Burnicle, Mateo Johnson Rosie Lamshed, Dakota Coleman	3S	Zach Johnson, Kai Berthot-Craig, Kitty Larkin, Julian McPherson
KT	Peyton Halwagy, Avalon Czura Jediah Petersen, Georgie Jones	4A	Henry Petheram, Oberon Walton, Kahu Slater, Harper Freeman
K/1M	Harley Thomson, Sonny Carmichael Ashwin Tandel, Jake Banfield	4B	Austyn Mackie, Sophie Bowmaker, Oscar Newman, Mae Jarmaine
1B	Zoe Tague, Eamon Krumm Emilie L'Olive, Myles McIlquham	5/6B	Jacob Kellock, Amy Bowtell, Lennox Portelli, Dylan Kaehler
1G	Arlie Warren, Ivy Huggart, Liam Banfield, River Carpenter	5/6D	Abbey Tosh, Phoebe O'Brien, Emily Prior, Oliver Craik
2B	Owen Gillett, Carter Rodgers Indiana Reed	5/6F	Lily Corcoran, Cameron Smith, Brody Zaremba, Ava l'Anson
2D	Savannah Fisher, Evan Moorcraft Anu Tandel, Cody Gee	5/6J	Eleanor Shervington, Monty Lowbridge, Silas Allen, Jesse Fibbens
2W	Luka Veljovic, Doug Minor, Penny Ryan	5/6N	Leo Cross, Lukas Bannister, Harper Santry, Adam Rignall
3/4A	Archie Bourke, Grace Tague Matilda Harvey, Teagan Campbell		

CHESS COMPETITION

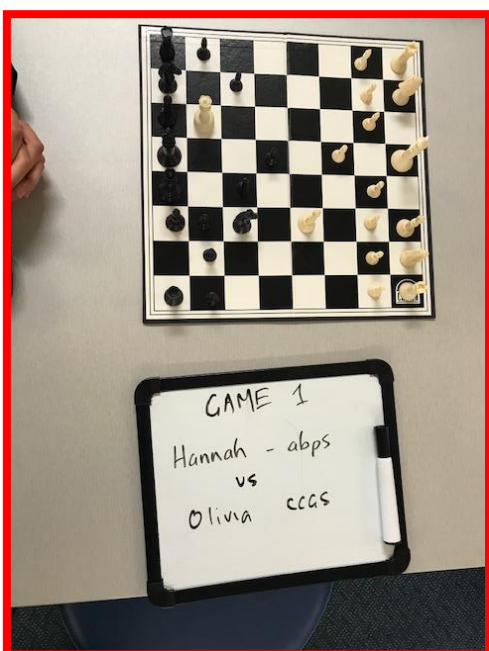
On Friday the 31st of July, Mrs Fyffe hosted a chess competition in our school library with The Central Coast Grammar School. Three Grammar students and a supervising teacher came to our school to participate in this enjoyable, educational event. The three students that represented our school played one game each against the Grammar students and everyone had heaps of fun! I'd like to encourage any students who are interested in playing chess to join the chess club during Friday lunch time. Thank you Mrs Fyffe for organising this chess tournament and letting us have this awesome experience!

By Hannah Abra, 4B

Hannah - win - in about 3 seconds (ended up playing against the CCGS Mr Soede)

Leon - loss - he played well and it got down to the 50-move dance

Kahu - stalemate – draw



KS Learning Coding with Daisy the DinosaurNational Science Week – STEM Enrichment Day: August 18th 2020

Unfortunately, due to current Covid-19 restrictions, parents will be unable to attend the day.

Event information

On the 18th of August students from K-6 will be participating in a STEM enrichment day organised by their teachers. **THERE WILL BE NO COST.** The day will begin with each student participating in a variety of STEM challenges. Students will rotate through these STEM challenges, working together in small groups.

So, what is STEM? ... Why is it worthwhile?

STEM is an approach to learning and development that integrates the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Through **STEM**, students develop key skills targeting problem solving and creativity.

One of the STEM challenges will be the 'Paper Plane Competition'. Each student from K-6 will create a paper plane using 1 piece of paper. No materials are to be used, sticky tape etc... Each student will have 1 minute to make their plane on the day. A finalist from each group will qualify for the whole school final that will take place under the COLA in the final session. We encourage students to practise making these planes at home before the day. A range of instructional videos can be found at

<https://education.abc.net.au/home#!/search/paper/stem/3/video>

We are sure Avoca Beach Public School is home to the next great Albert Einstein or Marie Curie and we cannot wait to discover them on STEM day!

Every student known, valued & cared for



Avoca Beach Public School Enrolling now!

Kindergarten 2021 Headstart Program

- »Friday 23rd October
- »Friday 30th October
- »Friday 6th November
- »Friday 13th November

Please contact the school for further details

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THE SNACK SHACK

Due to Covid 19 developments the Snack Shack will unfortunately remain as ONLINE ORDERING ONLY!!
There will be NO OVER COUNTER SALES at lunch time or recess.

If you have made an online order and your child is going to be away from school you can either cancel the order yourself online before 8.30 or RING the canteen via the school office BEFORE 9.45 am. We are working alone in the canteen busy making high numbers of orders and are unable to receive text messages while working. Sushi is ordered at 8am therefore the order cannot be cancelled after this time.

Please note there is a separate section for LUNCH, RECESS, SUSHI and IOU orders on the FLEXISCHOOLS APP ... swipe across to find each section.

THANK YOU for your cooperation in these unusual times we are experiencing.

Order online at flexischools.com.au or download the app.

Lyndsay & Sarah



FRENCH FOR KIDS CLUB AT AVOCA BEACH PS : Now taking enrolments for Term 3 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 siblings discount. MERCI!

WE ACCEPT THE CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHER

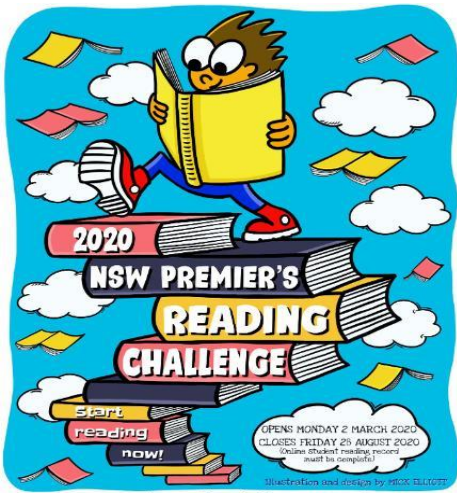


SPANISH FOR KIDS CLUB AT AVOCA BEACH PS : Now taking enrolments for Term 3 2020 for Spanish classes on MONDAY 8.15am - 9.00am **Nathalie Roy on 0430 286 590** or email nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au to register your interest and for more info on cost and siblings discount. GRACIAS!

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