

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,

The students have all settled into their classes quickly and our Kindergarten students are starting to master the routine of 'big school'. I am so proud of all the students and their settled start to the year. They've already set the tone for a positive and productive 2021.

Parent Information Sessions

Our parent information sessions for 2021 will continue this week. These sessions are an opportunity to meet with the teachers for each Stage and hear about the classroom organisation and special events happening for your child this year. Easing restrictions mean that we can thankfully have these sessions. However, they do need to be kept to a maximum of 1 hour. Please remember this session is just about receiving information and getting to meet the teacher. Parent interviews will be held at the end of Term 1 to discuss the progress of your child.

The information sessions will be held in the library at the following times:

Kindergarten- Wednesday 10th February- 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Stage 1 (Year 1 & Year 2)- Tuesday 9th February- 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Stage 3 (Year 5 & Year 6)- Tuesday 9th February- 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Swimming Carnival

Our annual Swimming Carnival (for Years 3-6 and any Yr 2 turning 8 in 2021) is scheduled for Monday 1st March, 2021 at Peninsula Leisure Centre, Woy Woy. The carnival permission note will be sent out ASAP. Looking forward to some excellent racing and don't forget to wear your House Colours!

School Photos

Save the date! Our annual school photos will be held this term on Wednesday 24th March. Further information will be sent home with student envelopes later in the term.

Voluntary Contributions

Our voluntary contribution fees will remain the same for 2021. The fee is set at \$43 per student or \$86 per family. These contributions go a long way to supporting our school to provide high quality educational programs for every student. This year we are hoping to raise funds to resurface our basketball court, purchase new readers for K-2, support the continued upgrade of our STEM program and increase the number of devices available in each classroom.

Zone Basketball Trials

This Tuesday will be the Southern Central Coast Zone Basketball Trials. Good luck to Isabella, Bryn, Kai and Lennox, who have been selected to trial.

Kiss & Drop

- Please time your arrival at the Kiss & Go Zone to pick up your children for 3:20pm onwards.
- Encourage your child to make their way promptly from their classrooms to the Kiss & Go area.
- Display the name card provided in your windscreen. Kinder families will receive their name card this week.
- As cars leave the area, please drive as far along the area as possible so there is space behind your vehicle for others. Teachers will load 3 cars at a time. Please drive out of the 3 loading bays in that order- 1, 2, 3.
- Please leave the Bus Bay free at all times. Cueing for Kiss & Go should wait prior to the Bus Bay area and move forward only when there is space in front on the Bus Bay area.

Please remember that kiss and drop in the morning is strictly a no stopping zone. Parents are to remain in their cars in this area. With a much higher volume of cars dropping off and picking up, we need to work together to ensure the safety of everyone and minimise disruption to our surrounding neighbours.

School Song

Below are the words to our school song. Kindergarten students will attend their first assembly in Week 3 and they will be starting to learn the words to our school song and national anthem in preparation. Why not have a sing along at home and discuss the school song with your children. We are all proud to belong to Avoca Beach PS!

School Song

This is our school,
Let's make it thrive.
We want to learn,
We want to strive.
Let's show the world what we can achieve
We all belong here at Avoca Beach.

In our rooms or on the fields
We love to do best,
We cheer on all our friends
When they're put to the test.
We care about our school
There's beauty all around,
There's something about everyone,
Special to be found.

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Ben Thomas
Principal

Quote of the Week

"I am not what happened to me, I am what I choose to become". – Carl Gustav Jung

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Embedded in our school culture is a commitment to building respect, responsibility and personal best. It is these traits that underpin our school values, not just for our students but for all staff and the school community. This term the focus will be on respect. Each week there will be an explicit learning opportunity within the classroom. 'Stellars' will be handed out to students in the classroom and playground for demonstrating the school values. A mid term Friday assembly will recognise two students from each class who demonstrate these traits.

In the event that a student's behaviour doesn't reflect school values, they will be supported by their teacher or an executive member of staff to manage future situations. If this occurs, you will be contacted and will be an important part of the resolution.

At the end of the term, students will be able to trade their 'Stellars' for an activity of their choice. Building a respectful and responsible school community that strives for their personal best is our goal.

PBL Team

THE SNACK SHACK

It is so lovely to be back and see the kid's happy faces at the canteen window collecting their lunches and frozen treats. Just a reminder the preferred method of ordering is by ordering ONLINE using the FLEXISCHOOLS app available to download on your phones or on desktop. Please remember the CUT OFF TIME is 8.30 AM each morning and 8.00am for THURSDAY SUSHI. We are also back to accepting cash orders over the counter from between 9am - 9.20am. Please remind your child to come to us before class, unfortunately very late orders will have a limited choice of food available. (Lunches are pre prepared and need to be ready for serving before 11am). If your child is sick or you've forgotten to pack lunch please contact us via the school phone BEFORE 10AM. (we are unable to cancel SUSHI orders) as it is ordered in and delivered to us, but can still be collected after 11.20 or sent home with another child).

Don't forget we have birthday buckets available to order any day. Your child can collect a decorated bucket of Healthy Frozen Quelch sticks to hand out to their classmates and friends at lunchtime. They are proving to be very popular and the kids are so excited collecting them.



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