

# Newsletter

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Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022

*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,

As we come to the end of another year, I would like to extend my thanks to all our wonderful helpers and volunteers who have assisted at the school throughout 2022. It has been wonderful to have the full range of events and opportunities for our students this year. As a result, we have seen so many amazing achievements across many different areas; academic, sporting and in the arts. At this time of year, we always take the time to stop and think about every child's success, every child's academic growth and every child's strength. It is a time to celebrate what they have accomplished, including their personal growth, which is immeasurable.

Thank you to the P&C for their tireless efforts to raise funds for the benefit of every student in our school. It definitely had to be the most successful school fair in our school's history! Thank you also to the canteen helpers and uniform shop, who make sure that these services are available to our families. Your collective efforts are greatly valued and continue to make our school a true learning community.

### Year 6 Farewell

Next Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, our Year 6 students will have their official farewell dinner and disco. This will be held in the school hall and begins at 5.45pm. The night will finish at 8.30pm. We are looking forward to a wonderful night of celebration as the primary school days for our Year 6 come to an end.

### Presentation Day

Our formal presentation day will be held next Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Congratulations to all those students who will be receiving special awards this year. It has been a very tough job for teachers to select only 3 students from a class full of amazing children.

### Healthy Canteen Award

Congratulations to Lyndsay, Lara and all the parent volunteers, for the work they do to provide our school canteen service. Last week, our school was recognised by Central Coast Health and achieved the 2022 Central Coast Healthy School Canteen Award! This award recognises the role school canteens play in creating a supportive school environment for healthy eating.

### School Security- 1300 880 021

Please keep a look out for our school throughout the holidays. I ask that if you see anyone not treating our school with care and respect during the break, that you please notify School Security on 1300 880 021.

### PBL Values Assembly

Our final PBL Values Assembly will be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm. We will be acknowledging all 3 values at this assembly; Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best.

### Junior AECG

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, I had the privilege of attending the induction ceremony for the 2023 Tjudibaring Junior AECG executive committee. We congratulate Tilleah on being elected into the executive committee for next year. I know that Tilleah will do an amazing job in this leadership role, ensuring they achieve the aim of; Aboriginal cultures being represented and embedded throughout the school environment and curriculum, real and active participation in school decision-making and a platform for Aboriginal student voice. An amazing achievement for Tilleah and we are so proud of her.

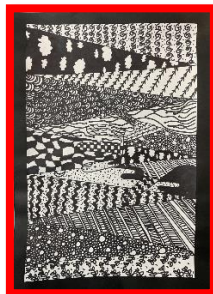


### Wall of Fame

It has been so rewarding to see the growth in our Kindergarten students this year. I have loved watching how proud our Kinder students are when they look back on their work from their first few weeks and compare it to what they are doing now. This week, Will, Adeline and Elina in KT were very excited to show me how well they are now writing independently.

Congratulations also to Audrey in 4B who now has her artwork displayed in my office with her intricate work focussed on line, shape and texture.

It's great to see 4 new additions to the Millionaire's club this week. Congratulations to Liam, Zander, Ace and Arwen in 3B.



**School resumes next year for Yrs 1- 6 on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023.**

Ben Thomas  
Principal

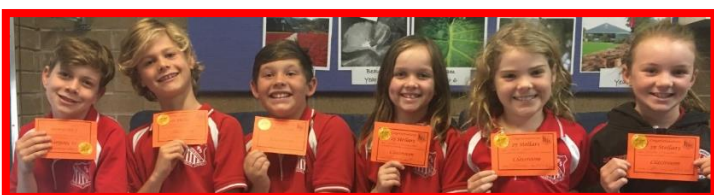
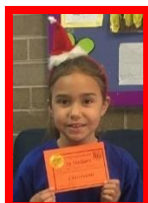
Quote of the Week

*"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."* – Dr Suess

# Congratulations to the students who received Merit Awards.

<b>KB</b>	Bodhi Carmichael, Amelia Brennan Phoenix Coleman, Ari Garrett	<b>3B</b>	D'Artagnan Smith, Rivers Botham Hudson Douglass, Mia Campbell
<b>KJ</b>	Tessa Reed, Remi Crum Ashton Douglass, Eli Downes	<b>3F</b>	Frankie Drinkwater, Riley Frew Joshua Tarawhiti, Alex O'Rourke
<b>KT</b>	Jasper Halwagy, Jessica Jones Atlas Czura, Adeline Lavers	<b>4B</b>	Jonah Geary, Charlotte Fisher Ace Garrett, Audrey McDonald
<b>KW</b>	Memphis Hutchin, Luke Prosser Frankie Fitzpatrick, Indigo Carson	<b>4J</b>	Abi Armytage, Fin Love Kenzie Johnson, Macy Lester
<b>1G</b>	Nellie Lowbridge, Layla Down Thomas Williams, Skyla Duff	<b>4S</b>	Max Stuart-Thornton, Mason Mills River Randall, Savannah Fisher
<b>1M</b>	Liam Casey, Hudson Bednarczyk Thomas Grace, Ren Hirose	<b>5/6C</b>	Piper Sheridan, Elijah Cohen Mae Mitchell, Finn Brown
<b>1R</b>	Eden Day, Summa Eagles Immy Feist, Hugo Webster	<b>5/6D</b>	Leon Haak, Harriet Viles Jem Stead, Matilda Harvey
<b>2A</b>	Jackson Dawes, Dakota Coleman Mateo Johnson, Carter Botham	<b>5/6F</b>	Obi Walton, Jeanie Watkins Jasmine Youssef, Ollie McDonald
<b>2D</b>	Javi Eljerban, Emilie L'Olive Oren Barlow, Hamish Peterson	<b>5/6T</b>	Soraya Mathieson, Toby O'Brien Talia Tebb, Bondi Werner
<b>2M</b>	Summer Wright, Rosie Lamshed Jack Barker, Pippa Blakely		

## Congratulations to our 25 stellar recipients!





**Christmas is a time for giving!**

Here at Avoca Beach Public School, we encourage the children to think of others at Christmas time.

This year we will be collecting non-perishable food items and Christmas treats for the Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre.

They will create hampers to deliver to those in need and spread the spirit of Christmas.

The SRC will come to the classrooms each morning to collect the goodies. The last day for classroom collections is this Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you for your kindness.

Mrs Munton

**Stem Day**

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, ABPS had our final enrichment day for the year, Stem Day!

Students from K-6 spent the day designing, making and experimenting. Robotics and coding were a big hit on the day, with Kindergarten coding with BlueBots, Years 1 and 2 building and coding using Lego Spike, Years 3 and 4 solving a challenging maze using Dash robots and Years 5 and 6 creating some digital stories. After recess, there was an excited buzz of energy in the air as everyone headed out to the basketball court in the afternoon for our whole school paper plane challenge. What a great way to finish the year!

**Picnic Day (K-5)**

Picnic day is about celebrating the end of the year and HAVING FUN! So, this Thursday, 8th December, Motiv8sports are coming to provide a fun filled day where the students are going to get wet in an atmosphere fuelled by participation and teamwork. For more information about the day and for those parents/carers who have not already completed the consent form, please check your emails. Even if your child will not be at school on the day, please reply too. Looking forward to an exciting, fun Picnic Day!

Chris Spencer

### **Turtle Conservation in Bali**

A big thankyou to the school community for being so generous and donating to the Turtle conservation in Bali. The students certainly enjoyed bringing in a gold coin and having a fun whole school disco during House Family time in Week 7 to raise money and awareness. The dancing was also amazing, and the students had a great time. We raised \$481.55. Well done to everyone!



### **Thank you**

Dear ABPS Community

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our amazing community, for all the support and kindness you have shown to me over the past 13 years where I have been a teacher at this school. I have had the absolute privilege to teach so many of your amazing children and feel incredibly fortunate to be a part of this school community.

I have recently been offered a wonderful opportunity to teach at a flagship school in Sydney for 2023.

While this is not a permanent move, I would still like to take the time to thank you all, and to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas.

Warm regards  
Mrs Bec Cameron

### **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop is fully stocked for all your needs. Get in now to save the rush for next year! For all New Starter Kindys for 2023 - please set up your Spriggy account now to order your uniform. Select New Kindy 2023 as your class and order away.

New Starters can pick it up from the office on a Friday or direct from the uniform shop on a Thursday from 2:30 - 3:30pm.

The Uniform Shop will be open on the two school development days next year before kids go back -

\*Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January - 10am-12pm

\*Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January - 10am -12pm

Then on Thursdays from 2:30 - 3:30pm as per normal.

Lara Napton

## The Snack Shack

We are very pleased to have been awarded the Central Coast Healthy School Canteen Award for 2022. We pride ourselves on making all our meals from scratch in the canteen to ensure they are as tasty, healthy and economical, while still keeping within the NSW Healthy Canteen Strategy guidelines.

It's that crazy busy time of year again and we are fast approaching the end of term. Some items may become unavailable due to time restraints and preparing to close the canteen and deep clean before the break. We are extremely busy every day and could really do with some extra help (even if it's only for serving at lunchtime) if you have a little spare time, please check out the roster and add your name if you can.

There are still quite a few outstanding IOU's that need to be paid. We are happy to feed any child that doesn't have any lunch for whatever reason, but please help us in return by paying the IOU to cover costs so that we may continue to offer this service.

Good luck to all the year 6 pupils that are leaving, hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing everyone again next year.

From Lyndsay & Lara

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# Summer Holiday Art Workshops

## Christmas Craft 1

21<sup>st</sup> Dec 9.30am-12.30pm \$40 Students have fun for three hours making a selection of decorations. BYO Jar.



## Christmas Craft 2

22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 10am-12pm \$30

We continue our Christmas theme with these beautiful tree decorations and Santa stones.



## Aussie Christmas Wreath

23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 9.30am-12.30pm \$40 In the last of our Christmas decoration workshops students make this uniquely Australia wreath. BYO gum leaves.



## Animation Drawing

11<sup>th</sup> Jan 10am-12pm \$30 This is a great class for the cartoonist out there, where we draw a movement process involved in an animation.

## Soft Pastel Dragon Drawing

12<sup>th</sup> Jan 10am-12pm \$30 Students create this striking drawing using soft pastels on watercolour paper.



## Enchanted Clay House

17<sup>th</sup> Jan 9.30am-12.30pm \$40 In this three hour workshop the magic continues with our clay cottage. BYO plastic bottle.



## Tie Dye

18<sup>th</sup> Jan 10am-12pm \$30 Bring in something white for us to Tie Dye. Pillowcase provided.

## Fantasy Mixed Media

19<sup>th</sup> Jan 9.30am-12.30pm \$40 More fantasy with mermaids, unicorns, and a flying whale in a starry night sky.

## Boho Mobile

24<sup>th</sup> Jan 10am-12pm \$30 Kids create their own clay discs, decorating with natural colours and design.



## Turtle Drawing

25<sup>th</sup> Jan 10am-12pm \$30 We finish the school holidays with a detailed drawing of a sea turtle with an ocean forest on its back.



Morning Tea Provided

Creative Kids Vouchers Accepted

Treehouse Art Studio  
Joanna Francis

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BSB# 012473 Acc # 382696196  
Ph: 0466247716  
Email: treehouseartstudio@gmail.com



### Children's Disco Parties

Hosted by local Ali Payne - As seen at Avoca Beach Fair

Put your feet up while I make your child feel like a star and create a fabulous party experience with lasting memories 😊

I bring all of the equipment – Professional sound system, Music and lights as I guide the children through dancing and games with prizes, stickers, stamps, coloured hairspray and loads of fun!

In your home or the venue that you hire

For more information contact Ali on Ph: 0414 321 746

or email: [info@danceparties.com.au](mailto:info@danceparties.com.au)

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