Appin Park News



25th November, 2021

Save the Date

November

29 Report Writing Day - Student Free Day

December

- **Christmas Casual Day**
- 6-10 WHS Step Up Week
- Statewide Transition
- 17 Last Day of Term 4 - Student Free Day

Hello Everyone

As the year starts to draw to a close, we are noticing some very tired students walking through the doors. For many this is the longest time they have attended school for many months and the impacts of this are showing. We hope that you will support us at home by keeping up regular routines at home, turning off devices and encouraging a good sleep routine. We continue to keep structures and routines in place in classroom programs as we know this is the best way to support our students.

Next Wednesday afternoon we will be having a transition activity time for all students, in their proposed new class groupings. As mentioned earlier this week, a lot of time and thought goes into setting up student lists for a new year with many considerations made including learning needs and friendships. For most students, finding out a new class is very exciting, for some it can be an anxious time. We are there to support all our students in a smooth transition process. The statewide transition day will take place on Tuesday 7th December, this will include our new foundation students and will see our year 6 students attend their new secondary school settings.

APPA Christmas Raffle

Don't forget, next Friday is a casual clothes day. Students are asked to bring along something to contribute towards the APPA Christmas Hamper Raffle. Thank you to those who have already returned raffle books, keep them coming in!

Fiona Carson - Principal

Certificates of Recognition

Cassidy Butler *Declan Cox* *Isabel Howells* *Imogen O'Keefe* *Toby Lawler*





Join. Borrow. Play. Win! The #BigSummerRead starts Wednesday 1 December 2021 and registration is now open. To get started, download the Beanstack app or visit https://plv.beanstack.org, or visit Wangaratta Library.

Research has identified a phenomenon known as the 'summer slide', which refers to the loss of literacy skills over the summer holidays when children do not read, estimated on average as the equivalent of two to three months of reading proficiency. Loss of reading proficiency is most acute in children from economically disadvantaged communities. The decline in learning gains is made worse by successive COVID lockdowns.

The Big Summer Read runs from 1 December 2020 until 31 January 2021.









This Week at Appin Park





Book Club orders due Monday 29th November. Please note we do not accept cash orders. All orders need to use "Loop" - Book Club's online ordering system.



ICY POLES 50 cents each every Friday lunchtime.