

Appin Park News

LEARNING FOR LIVING
I SHOW RESPECT
I AM RESPONSIBLE
I CARE

4th March, 2021

Save the Date

March

- 8 Labour Day
- 10 Foundation attend Wednesdays
- 29 Gr 5/6 Melbourne Camp

April

- 1 Campers return
- 1 Last day of Term 1
- 19 Term 2 commences

Hello Everyone,

Big excitement this week as we finally see the commencement of our building and refurbishment works at Appin Park. This has been a long time coming and has seen many people put in a lot of hours to get the best outcome for our school. The first stage will see a refurbishment in the main building to create a new office and staff space. It will mean the current administration portable can be removed. There will also be refurbishments happening in the BER building for WDSS and the installation of 2 new fire tanks that will support both schools. We will endeavour to keep the school program running as normal and are working closely with the contractors. Please be extra cautious when driving down Appin Street to the back carpark and through the drive through as there may be more traffic due to trades people.



You will notice that Appin Stars are back this week. These are presented to students who demonstrate consistently positive attitudes towards their learning and understanding and demonstration of our school values at a high level. This year we have also introduced certificates of recognition. These are presented to students who have shown positive growth in a particular area, learning or values. Recipients will be named in the newsletter and presented at the following week's assembly.

A big thank you to those parents who were able to come to the APPA AGM this week. We appreciate that it can be difficult to attend meetings, however if you are interested in helping out there are plenty of opportunities. Please support their upcoming Easter Raffle. Details further in this newsletter.

Thank you for taking the time to attend parent teacher interviews this week. Looking forward to seeing you at our Twilight Picnic on the oval tonight.

Fiona Carson - Principal

Appin Star

Alison Rogers

For the outstanding work she produces on a regular basis and for consistently being a respectful and caring classmate.

Imogen Rocchiccioli

For being a very responsible and respectful student. Imogen has a positive attitude towards learning and is an excellent role model in our classroom.

Gemma Austin

For the kindness and support she shows towards her classmates whilst continuing to focus on her own learning.

Certificates of Recognition

Zara Pell* *Liam Cooper* *Isaac Moore* *Lucas Doig* *Ruby Schultz

APPIN PARK
TWILIGHT PICNIC
THURSDAY 4TH MARCH
5PM - 7PM
A CHANCE TO CATCH UP AND CONNECT

BYO A PICNIC
OR
BUY A SAUSAGE FROM THE BBQ OR A SOFT DRINK

PICK A LUCKY SPOT AND WIN A PRIZE

COFFEE VAN
THERE'LL ALSO BE A COFFEE VAN

FUN GAMES ON THE OVAL

APPA Easter Fundraising

APPA's first fundraising event is coming up soon with the Easter raffle. Tickets will be coming home next week with your kids and there will be a casual day on Friday 19th March - bring an Easter item for the raffle instead of a gold coin. The raffle will be drawn on the last day of school, Thursday 1st April. There will also be a prize for the family that sells the most raffle tickets!!



Book Club orders due Friday 12th March. Please note we do not accept cash orders. All orders need to use "Loop" - Book Club's online ordering system.



ICY POLES ARE BACK!
50 cents each every Friday lunchtime.



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5/6R have been enjoying STEM and hands on learning sessions in the classroom. Last week Ned and Xavier took on the challenge of building a robotic VIP flyer out of 100 pieces. It took a few sessions to complete and ended up flying across the whole oval.

What's happening in the 5/6 Unit

With children being exposed to more technology than ever and across a large range of platforms, 5/6A undertook a mini study unit on the importance of cyber safety. The students learnt about a range of strategies to stay safe online such as the importance of not sharing personal information, dealing with online bullying and ways to report if you are feeling unsafe online. If you or your children would like to learn more, visit www.esafety.gov.au



5/6A has been busy coding Spheros to perform long jump. The students designed and built launch ramps and had to modify their speed and launch angle to find the best combination for long jumping. Our longest jump was 26cm. The class will have one more session to try and beat this Appin record. Stay tuned!



Happenings in the 3/4 Unit



3/4 students have been busy learning about sustainability this Term. Part of our action to help the planet is planting our own plants. Thanks to the Woolworth planter boxes, we potted up and created our own labels for our plants. We look forward to watching them progress and change over the next few weeks.

From the Juniors

The Grade 1/2 s have been busy in their Maths time looking for patterns. Here are some that 1/2B found in the classroom and on a nature walk. Do you have patterns at your house?



SPORTS NEWS

Year 5 student Emily Martens competed at the District Swimming carnival last Friday. She swam in the 50m freestyle and butterfly events. The race was hotly contested in the freestyle event with Emily just missing out on a podium finish. In her butterfly race there was very little difference with the touch of the wall between the three competitors. Emily advanced to the Regional event in this race after finishing 2nd. Yesterday she travelled to Shepparton to compete at the next level. With very little warm up, Emily produced her best result, finishing 4th, but more impressively cutting 4 seconds off her personal best time. Congratulations, Emily on your effort and the result.



Junior students are enjoying PMP sessions with Mrs Martin.