

Appin Park News

LEARNING
FOR LIVING
I SHOW RESPECT
I AM RESPONSIBLE
I CARE

16th February , 2023

Save the Date

March

13 Labour Day

April

3-6 Grade 5/6 Urban Camp

6 Last day of term

May

1 School Photos

Hello Everyone,

We have had some beautiful mornings this week to start our school days and what better way to spend them than by joining in on Breakfast Club, hosted by our ES staff. Breakfast Club is available every morning from the canteen area between 8:35 and 8:55am. Students can have cereal, fruit, or toast with many enjoying a drink of milk to wash it all down.



Assembly

We hold a school assembly each fortnight. This coming Monday's assembly will include the presentation of badges to our newly elected student leaders, School Captains and House Captains. Parents and carers are welcome to join us at our assemblies which usually go for 15-20 Minutes. Assembly takes place in the BER from 9:00am.

Parent Teacher Interviews

This week we are encouraging all our families to book in for a parent teacher interview for your child. Parent/teacher meetings are an excellent opportunity for you to get to know our staff at Appin Park and share with them things about your child that may help us provide appropriate support in the classroom. They are also a time to clarify any wondering you may have about the year ahead. Interviews are now open for bookings via Compass for next Tuesday and Wednesday 3:30-5:30. Students are welcome to attend with their parents/carers.



Homework

Now that we are a few weeks into the new year your children may be starting to bring home tasks for homework during the school week. Homework is a shared responsibility between school, students, and parents/carers. To get the most out of homework tasks, it is important that everyone understands their responsibilities. Homework is not 'busywork', but tasks that reinforce and support the learning happening in the classroom. Homework tasks should be no more than 15-20 minutes, building up to 30-40 minutes in the senior grades. Students in the older grades should be able to complete most tasks independently and will have been given explicit direction during class time. In the younger grades it is important for students to work with an adult or older sibling to practise reading or spelling/counting patterns. We are aware that households can be very busy so understand that it is not always possible to fit homework in every night. Please get in touch with classroom teachers if you have any questions regarding homework for your child.

Ty and Grace doing some before school reading at the drive through!

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

The Resilience Project

Staff have been undertaking professional learning in readiness to begin implementing this program in classrooms from next week. Students and staff will be focusing on the key areas of Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness and Emotional Literacy throughout the year. Look out for updates in coming newsletters for ways in which families can be part of the journey.

Fiona Carson - Principal

Certificate of Recognition

Jasmine Steele



ICY POLES ARE BACK!
50 cents every Friday lunchtime.

PROTECT YOUR BIKE AGAINST THEFT.

Wangaratta Police would like to remind bicycle owners of an increase in the thefts of bikes in the Wangaratta area recently, especially high quality mountain bikes.

Bikes are stolen from garages, backyards, front yards, porches, railway stations, parks, schools – basically anywhere. **LOOK AFTER YOUR BIKE.** Listed are some simple steps to protect your bike from being stolen.



- ◆ Always lock up your bike and keep it out of sight in the garage or shed.
- ◆ Don't leave it unlocked outside shops. Lock it to bike racks or a fixed object.
- ◆ Reduce temptation. Remove accessories from the bike such as lights, pumps and bike computers.
- ◆ Always secure your bike by placing a chain through the front wheel and frame or if possible through both wheels and then around a fixed object.
- ◆ Always use a quality hardened chain and padlock or a purpose built bike lock.
- ◆ Always secure your bike when on holidays particularly when at caravan parks, camping locations or other holiday destinations.
- ◆ Engrave your bike with your parent's driver's licence preceded by the letter "V" to enable police to return it to you if recovered.
- ◆ Record a good description of your bike including Serial numbers, colour, size, brand, type etc. and provide it to police if your bike is stolen.

The majority of bikes stolen were left unsecured at home in sight of pedestrian traffic or in public areas, shops and fast food outlets.

Sports News

Saturday Morning Netball and Netta information will be going home with interested students this week. If you are interested in finding out more information and your child doesn't have a note, please contact Mrs Martin at school.



Junior Racquetball



Squad Program | Term 1

@ the Wangaratta Sports & Aquatic Centre

- Commencing Thurs 2nd Feb to 30th Mar 2023
- Time 4.30pm to 5.30pm
- Season duration 9 weeks
- All equipment provided
- Cost \$45 for the season
- If new member/returning member in term 1 - \$15 annual membership fee / insurance due in first term
- This program is designed for kids up to 16 years

To register or further information please contact Club Vice President, Rod Dunbar on 0411 684 336

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS FUNDRAISER

AQUATHON



RUN SWIM RUN

2023

Sunday 5th March 2023

THIS IS AN ALL AGE EVENT
AT THE SPORTS AND AQUATIC CENTRE

COMPETE INDIVIDUALLY OR WITH YOUR SQUAD

MARLIN - 2KM RUN - 400M SWIM - 2KM RUN
CLOWNFISH - 1KM RUN - 200M SWIM - 1KM RUN
GOLDFISH - 500M RUN - 50M SWIM - 500M RUN
JUMP ON LINE AND FIND OUT MORE

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