



Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Week 2

### PRINCIPAL GREEN'S PARAGRAPHS

Welcome to what is sure to be a very busy Term 4. We are now in the final quarter of the school year where before we know it, I will be wishing you all a Merry Christmas! The year has just flown by with the many changes that have occurred due to COVID-19.

**Kindergarten Enrolments** - Kindergarten Orientations start Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. If you know of a child who will be starting Kindergarten next year, but has not yet enrolled, please let them know that it is important to complete the enrolment papers as soon as possible so they don't miss out on the Kindergarten Orientation sessions.

#### 2021

It's hard to believe that planning for 2021 has already begun. There are a few things that you could do to assist us with our planning:

- If you are not planning on returning to Ambarvale Public School next year, please inform the school ASAP. (NB. We don't need to be informed about our Year 6 students moving to high school).
- If you have any particular requests or information you would like us to consider when forming classes for next year, please write it down in a short letter and hand it in to the front office no later than the end of Week 4. Please note that we will do our best to accommodate your request, but keep in mind that requests cannot be guaranteed.
- If you have a child who is starting Kindergarten next year and you have not yet enrolled, please come up to the office to get your enrolment papers.

### APS Baby News

I am excited to announce that Mrs Riley is having Baby No. 2. She is due early next year and will be taking maternity leave from the start of 2021.

### Community Feedback Survey

You will soon have the opportunity to provide feedback to us about what you have liked, what you may have disliked and what you would like to see happening here at Ambarvale Public School. The survey will be sent out through Google Forms with the links being provided on Seesaw, Facebook and Skoolbag.

I look forward to planning for 2021 and beyond where we can all work together to promote positive educational experiences for our students.

Until next time,  
Mrs K Green

### KINDERGARTEN 2021 – ENROL NOW

## Kindergarten Information Night 2021

Thursday this week (22<sup>nd</sup> October) @ 5:30pm via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 683 8547 6633

Password: APS

You must have a registered Zoom account to join.

Kindergarten Orientation Dates have been set and information will be posted today to all students who have already enrolled. If you have not enrolled your child, please contact the office ASAP to collect an enrolment form and sign up for orientation sessions. These will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> November.

## PBL Focus



Welcome back everyone! The PBL team wishes you a safe and happy beginning to Term 4.

We are looking forward to an All-Star term ahead where we will be working extra hard to follow all 4 school rules. Remember to make sure you are reading every night and recording your reading in your Home Reading Booklet.

You will receive bonus stamps on your Ambarvale All Star chart for keeping up to date with your reading

Our Social Skills Program will begin again in Term 4 and our focus rule is to Be Respectful. We will be looking at how to solve problems, especially in game situations.

Our PBL Reward Day will take place at the end of the term. It will be on a surprise date, so stay tuned!

To be a part of our PBL Reward Day eligible students must:

- Have less than 3 incidents within the term resulting in reflection room
- Have no warning of suspensions
- Have no suspensions

## **INTENTION TO APPLY FOR YEAR 7 PLACEMENT IN A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2022**

If your child is in Year 5 and you wish for your child to be considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the students email address).

Please see the office if you would like a form with more information. The application website closes on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020. **You must apply before the closing date.**

## **SCHOOL PHOTO DAY – THIS THURSDAY**

School photo day is this **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**. If you have not already handed in your photo envelope, please do so ASAP. We have spare blank envelopes / sibling envelopes in the office if you need a replacement and payments can also be paid online.

We need all students at school **before** 9am., in **full summer school uniform**. Please ensure your child is wearing the **current school shirt** and black shoes with their hair neatly done. Jumpers will be removed prior to photos being taken.

Thank you,  
Mrs Homer



## **LIBRARY CHAT**

**Book Week** is coming! We will be celebrating book week in Week 4 of this term. There will be a dress up day with COVID-19 safe mini-parades on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November. The theme is: "Curious creatures, Wild minds." Children are encouraged to dress as an animal or creature from a book.

The **Book Fair** will also be on during Week 4. Next week all classes will have time to view the books and to write a wish list. Children will also bring home a flyer. Both the wish list and flyer have details about paying and ordering. There will also be a catalogue of all items sent home via Seesaw, so that parents and carers may shop from home. Children are welcome to pay in cash, and parents may also pay at the office, although due to COVID-19 regulations parents may not come to the library.





## INDIGENOUS AWARENESS WEEK

Last week, Ambarvale Public School held 'Indigenous Awareness Week'. We wanted to have an opportunity in Term 4 to acknowledge and celebrate the history and culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Students engaged in a range of activities across the week. Students had the opportunity to taste some emu, kangaroo and crocodile, and they played a range of Indigenous games. Our school was lucky enough to experience an amazing performance by Majeda Beatty where students participated in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander songs, dances, languages and stories. We hope your children enjoyed the week as much as we did!



## SCIENCE DAY

Yesterday, students from K-6 celebrated Science Day by putting on their 'lab coats' and completing a science experiment in class. There was fizzing, bouncing, rolling and soaking as students made predictions and followed a set of instructions to find the answer to their 'big question'.

To encourage the recognition of science in the world around us and engage students in the scientific process a K-2 and 3-6 paper plane competition was also held. It was an excellent turn out with many students stepping up to the challenge of making a plane by only folding 1 piece of A4 paper.

The K-2 results were:

Winner: Goapele (8m 36cm)

Runner up: Leonardo (8m 21cm)

Runner up: Lola (5m 24cm)

The 3-6 result were:

Winner: Bryce (6m 26cm)

Runner up: Adara (6m 18cm)

Runner up: Moana (6m 4cm)



## STAGE 2 CAMP

Stage 2 camp is next week, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October. If you have not already brought in your notes and payment, please do so ASAP. Coming home with this newsletter today is a 'what to bring' list so you can start preparing for our fun filled adventure. Students will be expected to be at school by 8am for an 8.30am departure. The estimated return to school time will be approx. 3pm to 3.30pm.

Regards, Miss Naidu



## STAGE 3 CAMP

Stage 3 camp is only 3 weeks away and the students are getting excited. It will be an early start with students arriving at school at 6am however there will be some time to catch up on sleep in the coach ride to Canberra. There are 2 days filled with exciting and fun activities for the students whilst learning about Australia's history and government.

For the students who are not able to attend, there will be activities to complete over the two days here at school.

Regards, Mr Fretwell



## SAUSAGE SIZZLE – LAST CHANCE TO ORDER

Tomorrow Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020 is your very last chance to order a sausage sizzle for this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. **No late orders will be accepted.** Don't miss out.



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### Parent Information Night

Thursday 22nd October 5:30pm via Zoom  
(See Facebook for details)

### Kindergarten Orientation for 2021

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2020  
We also have a free playgroup and transition to school program available on Wednesday and Friday mornings.



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