

— Term 3 Week 7 —

# Arcadia Vale Bulletin

*Pursuing Excellence, Respect and Community ... Endlessly*



## INSIDE, WE ALSO TALK ABOUT:

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Attendance

Events

Rewards

And much  
much more!

## Principal's Report

*Relieving Principal - Daniel Morgan*

Finally! We have a new HALL! Having our first assembly on Friday with the community is a moment that I will cherish! This community deserves this and it has been a long time coming. It has been a hard year with half of our playground out of action. It has all been worth it though and the hall will be here for many years to come. I look forward to the memories we will create as a community in our new facility!

Next we look forward to building our beautiful nature play and ninja park. This will begin towards the end of the term and during early next term. When this is completed we will have completely transformed our school and the facilities the children can access.

AVPS - The small school where BIG DREAMS come true!

Mr Morgan

# Every minute counts, every day!

## What can I do at home?

- Really listen to your child's concerns and fears about going to school - issues can be addressed if they're understood.
- If your child is 'feeling sick', check it out with your family doctor.
- If you're worried about their mental health, then your GP or school counsellor can be a great place to start.
- Being firm and kind in getting your child to school regularly and on time will help, including not prolonging the goodbyes.
- Praise your child's positive behaviours to reinforce their success.
- Keep up family and other activities for your child and the whole family wherever you can.
- Seek professional help for yourself and your child.

## Where else can I go for help?

### At school:

- Try the class teacher or year advisor, the school counsellor/school psychologist, or the school leadership team.
- If you feel you haven't yet got the support you need, don't give up - try approaching someone else at the school.

### In the community:

- Your GP/family doctor, a community-based support worker, an Elder, a religious or spiritual leader, a friend or relative, are all possible options.

## Useful links for families

Family Connect & Support [www.familyconnectsupport.dci.nsw.gov.au](http://www.familyconnectsupport.dci.nsw.gov.au)

ParentLine NSW [www.parentline.org.au](http://www.parentline.org.au) 1300 1300 52

Kids Help Line (5-25 years) [www.kidshelp.com.au](http://www.kidshelp.com.au) 1800 55 1800

NSW Mental Health Line 1800 011 511

headspace (12-25 years) [www.headspace.org.au](http://www.headspace.org.au)

Raising children Network [www.raisingchildren.net.au](http://www.raisingchildren.net.au)

Well Mob [www.wellmob.org.au](http://www.wellmob.org.au)

A local contact for support is:

### EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!



Your child has arrived in time to settle well and has the best start possible.



Your child has probably arrived just after most children as the school day starts at 9:00am.



Your child is late and has missed the beginning of the school day. Being late often unsettles children.



15 minutes late = 8 days lost a year



20 minutes late = 11 days lost a year



25 minutes late = 14 days lost a year

It's not just the full days off, either - Every Minute Counts!

Sometimes just a few minutes late of a morning can set your child back for the whole day - it's all lost time which they can't get back.

Sometimes children worry about their parents when not with them. Reassure your child that you'll be safe while they're at school.

If they do stay home, don't make it more fun than school. Video games, TV, toys, snacks and parental attention are all high reward items for kids.

This isn't easy for parents and you might find yourself becoming pretty frustrated. Remember, it will take patience and time to resolve this. Be open to getting support, and know that occasionally you might have to change your approach to find what will work for you and your family.

## Attendance Matters!

Attendance rates have continued to trend downwards unfortunately. This is majorly due to holidays during school terms. The school now sits at 89.1% which means on average across the school, students are having at least one day off a fortnight or over 4 weeks of learning a year.

I cannot stop parents from having holidays during the term, this can have a domino effect however and a day away equates to so much more due to missed content. Lets work together to improve our attendance.

## Merit Award Winners



Let's see who has been outstanding over the last few weeks!

Arcadia Vale not only celebrates achievement, but effort, kindness, compassion and a myriad of other qualities! Congratulations to our Merit Award recipients! We are very proud of the little humans you are!





# Upcoming Events

Take note of upcoming events to ensure you don't miss anything!

- 28th August - Parent Teacher Interviews begin
- 29th August - P&C Meeting
- 30th August - Well I Am
- 1st September - Father's Day Stall
- 4th September - Father's Day Breakfast
- 4th September - Book Fair Week
- 4th September ES1 Zone Public Speaking
- 5th September - DISCO!!!
- 5th September - S2 Zone Public Speaking
- 6th September - Well I Am
- 6th September - S1 Zone Public Speaking
- 6th September - Indigenous Literacy Day
- 7th September - S3 Zone Public Speaking
- 7th September - Kindergarten 2024 Parent Information Session
- 19th September - Hunter Public Speaking
- 20th September - PBL rewards Day
- 22nd September - Big Assembly
- 22nd September - Colour Fun run
- 22nd September - Last Day of Term
- 9th October - First Day of Term 4



*"The small school where big dreams come true!"*







## WE DID IT!

The school that we are building together is exceptional. The teachers, the community and the students are the main ingredients and when we work together anything is possible. As a Principal, I want to teach our staff and students that the sky is the limit, y all you have to do is dream and act. Thank you to everyone who has been along for the journey. On to our next big project! Jump aboard!

*"Two things define you:  
Your patience when you have nothing and your attitude when you have everything."*

### Local Matters

Muloobinba run two programs from 3:30pm-5pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, in Cardiff. If this is something your child might be interested in, call 49695299 and speak to the amazing team!

**YOUTH ARVO'S**

FOR GIRLS & BOYS AGED 12-17 YEAR OLDS!

**Time:** 3:30PM - 5:00PM WEDNESDAYS

**Where:** MULOOBINBA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION  
95 MITCHELL ROAD, CARDIFF

Afternoon tea provided.

**Activities:**  
Pool, Basketball, Art, Homework support, Games

Call Donna on 4969 5299 to book a spot!

**TIDDA PROGRAM**

FOR GIRLS AGED 8 - 18 YEAR OLDS!

**Time:** 3:30PM - 5:00PM MONDAYS

**Where:** MULOOBINBA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION  
95 MITCHELL ROAD, CARDIFF

Afternoon tea provided.

**Activities:**  
art, craft, music, weaving, yarnning

Call Donna on 4969 5299 to book a spot!

# P&C Update

**\$42,000...** It's a lot of money isn't it??? This is how much money AVPS P&C have donated to the school this year!!!

We've been working hard on fundraisers; events such as raffles and BBQs; and securing grants where possible. Thank you to our wonderful community for the support of all our events that have helped achieve this result!

We would like to say a very special THANK YOU to Wangi Workers Club, who have donated \$10,000 in Club Grants; plus the weekly & monthly support of raffles at the club.

We would also like to give a special THANK YOU to Hotel Wangi, who have donated \$5,000 towards our new school playground.

**Saturday, 4th November** - Spring Festival & Grand Opening of the Hall.

We are busily planning in the background, and calling any local business who would like to sponsor the event to get in touch. There are various sponsorship packages available.

If you would like to lend a hand to Festival planning please get in touch.

Updates will all be posted on our FB page and Facebook Festival Event.

**Ride Passes** - are now available to purchase. Early bird discount price of \$25 has been extended until 31st August, get in quick! After this date unlimited ride passes will be \$30, or individual rides will be \$5-7 each on the day.

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets, or see the Facebook event.

**Spare a few Minutes?** - As always, we are always looking for volunteers to help out around our school. Volunteer spots for Breakfast club; Canteen, IGA Term 3 BBQ and Weekly Raffles are now live on the signup app. Please use the link below to sign up to any positions you can help us with, and be sure to use the NSW QR code sign in and out when arriving at school.

<https://signup.com/go/vMJvnDs>

**Our Canteen** - is open Mon (Lunchbox kits only) and Wed/Thurs/Fri Term 3

- Monday lunch Boxes - We will be continuing this for Term 3. Please continue to order via Qkr.
- All online orders need to be placed by 9am the day of order via our QKR App.
- Birthday Buckets available to order. Celebrate your child's birthday with ice blocks for the whole class - via Qkr

**Uniform shop** - is open Mondays 8:45-9:30. Orders can be made online via the Qkr App.

**Upcoming Dates with our P&C:**

- Weekly Fridays - Workers Club raffle - 6-8pm every Friday - it's a great fundraiser for the school
- P&C Meeting - 29th August, 5:30pm via zoom
- Fathers Day Stall - 1st September - vouchers available via Qkr now, or cash sales available on the day
- IGA BBQ - 16th September, 8-12pm. Please sign up using our SignUp link

Please follow us at our P&C Facebook Page for all updated or to get in touch with us directly via messenger.

<https://www.facebook.com/avpspandc?mibextid=LQQJ4d>





# Spring Festival

## New School Hall GRAND OPENING

**Arcadia Vale Public School**

**Sat 4th November**



**Entertainment,  
Rides, Stalls & MORE!**






**SCAN THE QR  
CODE TO  
PURCHASE ALL  
DAY RIDE PASSES  
\$30 - EARLY BIRD  
\$5 DISCOUNT  
AVAILABLE NOW  
UNTIL JULY 26TH**

PIC•COLLAGE

# Whats on these Holidays



Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>
Outdoor Free Play Board Games General Gym Trampolining	<b>Event Cinema Excursion</b> Balance Basics Obstacle Course	Ball Sports Artist in the Making Team Challenge Tumbling & Tramp	44 Homes and Other Games Clay Modelling Minecraft Gym Trampolining	Fun Athletics Lego Masters Mission Impossible Gym Fun

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Public Holiday</b>	Frisbee Fun Dance Party/Board Games Parkour Kids Tabloids	Challenge Day Educators' vs Kids	Handball Tournament Mad Science Gym Fun Tumbling & Tramp	Outdoor Free Play Artist in the Making Trampolining Movie

## VACATION CARE

**Monday the 25th of September –  
Friday the 6th of October**

**Monday the 2nd of October is a  
public holiday**

**Hours: 7.30am - 6.00pm**

**Meals Included**



Event Cinema Excursion: additional \$10 to watch Ruby Gillman, Teenage Kraken



**BOOKINGS FOR ALL PROGRAMS ESSENTIAL**

Contact the Centre  
 PO Box 3187 • Glendale NSW  
 P: 4953 6366 • F: 4953 6587  
[www.hsc.org.au](http://www.hsc.org.au)

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to the local  
companies that  
continue to  
support our  
school**



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# WE'RE LOOKING FOR ON-CALL FIREFIGHTERS IN WANGI WANGI

For more information  
or to apply, visit  
[fire.nsw.gov.au/on-call](https://fire.nsw.gov.au/on-call)  
or call **4975 1107**



## MAYBE IT'S TIME TO THINK ABOUT A SECOND JOB

Comprehensive training is provided for all on-call firefighters, covering all aspects of the work involved to keep your community safe. You'll need to:

- 9 Hold a current NSW driver's licence.
- 9 Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or a permanent resident of Australia.
- 9 Live or work within a reasonable distance from your local fire station.
- 9 Have daytime availability to respond to emergencies.

Fire and Rescue NSW employs around 3300 highly-trained, professional, on-call firefighters throughout NSW to respond to emergencies share a commitment to helping their local community. Right now, we're looking for firefighters in your area.

Our firefighters are a diverse group of men and women who balance their work, study and family commitments. They enjoy being part of a team, working with the community and other emergency services.

On-call firefighters provide a high standard of response to fire and emergency situations. All our firefighters use specialised vehicles and equipment to prevent and reduce the risk of fire and potential loss of life and property. They also work closely with the local community to increase fire safety awareness and promote fire prevention, so if this sounds like you, please get in touch with us today.

