



NEWSLETTER

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06/2021

Term 2 Week 2

28 April

IMPORTANT DATES

Week 2	29 Apr 29 Apr	APS Playgroup - 9:30am to 11am Gymnastics - all classes	
Week 3	06 May 07 May	Gymnastics - all classes Mother's Day Stall / Cross Country / Picnic	
Week 4	11&12 May 11 May	NAPLAN - Years 3 and 5 APS P&C - 7pm Staffroom—All Welcome	
	13 May 13 May 14 May	APS Playgroup - 9:30am to 11am Gymnastics - all classes Walk to School Day	
	Week 5	13 May	

RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to what is going to be a busy and productive Term 2. I hope all families had an enjoyable break. I am looking forward to working cooperatively with students, staff, parents and the wider community to further improve this great school with a focus on increasing the educational outcomes of all students over the next three terms. I have been to visit all classes and all students are settled back into routines and are working on achieving their individual learning goals.

Students are to be commended on how they have returned to school, I am impressed by their lovely manners and would like to thank all staff, students and families for making me feel so welcome at Arcadia Public School, we certainly have a wonderful school. I would also like to extend my warm welcome to our two new families, it has been so lovely to see how our students have welcomed them into our school, it says a lot about the community in which we live and learn!

Tree Works

During the holidays we had some tree works undertaken. After our regular tree audit it was determined that some pruning and removal needed to occur. Further work is scheduled for the next holidays.

APS Cross Country Carnival & Picnic

Our annual school Cross Country Carnival will

be held next week Friday, 7 May. We would like to extend an invitation to all families to attend and cheer on our students. Please stay for a picnic lunch on the oval afterwards, at approximately 1:10pm at the conclusion of all running events. It is a BYO picnic rug and lunch.

Mother's Day Stall - 7 May

Our P&C Mother's day stall will also be held on Friday, 7 May. Donations are requested for gifts. The box is located in the front office. Thank you to those who have dropped off donations already. Students will be able to purchase a gift for their mum or somebody special in their life. Please refer to the P&C page in this newsletter.

Walk to School - 14 May

Mark your calendar for our annual Walk Safely to School Day to be held on Friday, 14 May. I am looking forward to this event and have heard many great stories from the past about what a wonderful morning it is. We are currently organising for a breakfast BBQ to be held and would like to thank all our volunteers in advance.

Interrelate Program - Week 7

The Interrelate Family program for Years 3-6 will again be held at Galston Public School on Tuesday, 1 June, 2021. (Term 2, Week 7). A Permission Flyer has been sent home to students in Years 3 to 6 and is also attached. If you are interested in attending this Interrelate Program, please return the permission flyer to school as

RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Continued)

soon as possible so we can send our numbers over to the Principal of Galston Public School.

ANZAC Day Ceremony

Our school Captains, Skye and Maddox, attended the Galston High School ANZAC Day Ceremony on Friday, 23 April. They represented our school and laid a wreath to recognise and reflect on the sacrifices made by Australian service men and women. Later in the day, we held our ANZAC Day Ceremony at APS. Year 5/6 did a wonderful job presenting the assembly and we welcomed parents to join us. All students were reflective and respectful, and each class laid a wreath in honour of all that have and are currently serving. "They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."

OC Class Placement

OC Class Placement Test Information for Year 4 students regarding the placement procedures for Year 5 entry into an Opportunity Class in 2022.

Please note, returned 'Intention to Apply' slips are kept for our information only and are not an application. The school is unable to apply on your behalf. All applications must be made online by parents/carers. Online applications open on Tuesday 20 April, 2021 and close on Friday 7 May, 2021. Parents/carers can access the online application via the following link : <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

P&C Meeting - Tues 20 April - All Welcome

The next P&C Meeting is on Tuesday, 20 April, 2021 at 7:00pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome, hope to see you there.

Gymnastics and Athletics Program

Specialist Sportspro teachers will implement gymnastics programs at Arcadia PS in Term 2. The program supports our students in participating in and developing skill in physical activities with confidence and competence. This term students will be completing gymnastics lessons each Thursday.

NAPLAN

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 will participate in the online (note that Year 3 participate in a written writing assessment) National Assessment program – Literacy and Numeracy in Term 2, during week 4 and 5. In preparation, the students will participate in the online practice tests so that they are familiar with the technology and the types of question

formats. Please see the attached parent information. This link leads to further information on regarding NAPLAN <https://nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

Check- In- Assessment

The Check-in assessment is an online reading and numeracy assessment for students in Years 3 to 9. The Check-in assessment windows for 2021 are:

Term 2 Weeks 1-3 (19 April to 7 May):

Assessments are available to students in Years 4, 6 and 8

Term 4 (dates to be confirmed):

The Check-in assessment will supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.

The assessments are mapped to the NSW Syllabuses and National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions.

About the assessment:

The Check-in assessment includes two online assessments for students:

- reading assessment
- numeracy assessment

Each assessment is designed to be quick and easy to administer, consisting of approximately 40 multiple choice questions.

If you have any questions regarding the Check- in assessment, please feel free to contact me via school phone or email.

Lastly, if you have any concerns or questions please don't hesitate to contact me via the school phone, or email: Nicole.Pattison@det.nsw.edu.au

Kind regards, Nicole Pattison



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SCHOOL CAPTAINS REPORT

Last week the Captains and Mrs Pattison attended the GHS ANZAC ceremony, we laid a wreath to represent Arcadia Public School.

Make sure your speedy feet are ready for the school Cross Country next week on Friday. You will also need to start brainstorming multicultural ideas at school and writing your speeches at home.

We hope to see our families at every fortnightly awards assembly, starting this week.

From Arcadia School Captains, Maddox and Skye.



ARCADIA PS P&C ASSOCIATION NEWS

As you know, with several P&C Executive members leaving Arcadia in 2020, we have established a new executive this year, full of wonderful, motivated parents, keen to volunteer to assist the school where necessary. As per previous years, our P&C will rely on Class Parents to coordinate some of the usual events. If you have volunteered as a Class Parent, please make sure you are aware of the activities or events your class will be leading this year, and if you are unsure please contact P&C President – Dale Carn – on 0410 532 562 to discuss.

Working Bee - POSTPONED until June

The Working Bee, which had been scheduled for this Saturday 1st May, has been postponed until June. Maintenance Coordinator – Fedie Abood – has a fantastic idea regarding coordination of an RFS supervised bonfire at the conclusion of the Working Bee – turning the day into a fun, social event for families. Fedie is investigating what needs to be done to make this happen, once confirmed, we will let you know the date. In the meantime, school Dads, Fedie Abood and Adrian Squillacioti will be working with other interested Dads on the concreting project near the chess / school bell to ensure there is adequate space for the two all weather outdoor table tennis tables that have been ordered via 2020 and 2021 Year 6 Fundraising efforts! The P&C is covering the costs of this year's Year 6 fundraising until the funds are raised, as we were able to get a good deal for the two tables!

Arcadia Playgroup

Arcadia Playgroup will be running this Thursday (29/04) and the following fortnight on Thursday (13/04) from 9:30 to 11am. Unfortunately due to low numbers, if people do not attend in the coming weeks, Arcadia Playgroup may need to close until there is more interest. This would be very sad as it has wonderful resources and is a wonderful setting. If you are interested in keeping the Arcadia Playgroup running please attend and discuss with current Coordinator – Farah Miles or contact the front office.

Mother's Day Stall - Friday, 7 May

The Mother's Day Stall will be held on Friday, 7 May in the morning – coordinator – Paige Cape will need volunteers to assist with the stall. Donations for the stall can be left in the box at the front office. Thank you for wonderful items already donated. Please let Paige know if you can help - 0402 095 507.



Walk to School - Friday, 14 May

Walk to School Day is coming up soon! Class 3 / 4 will be running the BBQ at the end of the walk. If your child is in Class 3/4 please contact Class Parent – Fedie – 0418 677 155 to advise you can assist. Fedie also needs another class parent to assist him in 2021 as he is quite busy as Maintenance Coordinator and Vice-Vice President.



Cookie Dough !

Term 2 Fundraising – Cookie Dough! Fundraising Coordinator Suzy Lyons and cookie enthusiast – Lauren Cook – are coordinating the Cookie Dough fundraiser for this term. Information will be sent out shortly – it is sure to be a fun fundraiser for the kids! Please help them to get on board and raise some funds for the school.

Cheers, Dale
2021 APS P&C President

CANTEEN TERM 2 - 2021 – WEDNESDAY 10 – 2PM

RECESS: Healthy choices priced 50c to \$1.50

LUNCH: \$4 per order (choose from list below)

Week 1	21 April	Toastie or Meat balls with bow ties
Week 2	28 April	Toastie or Crumbed Fish and Gems
Week 3	5 May	Toastie or Chicken Pasta Bake
Week 4	12 May	Toastie or Taco
Week 5	19 May	Toastie or Pizza
Week 6	26 May	Toastie or Beef Burger
Week 7	2 June	Toastie or Spag Bol
Week 8	9 June	Toastie or Chicken Soup
Week 9	16 June	Toastie or Crumbed fish and mash
Week 10	23 June	Toastie or Pizza

Dear Parents,

The School Canteen for **Term 2 will open from Week 1 - Wednesday 21st April, 2021**. We will be open for recess, with yummy treats from 50 cents to \$1.50. The cost for lunch remains the same at \$4 per child/or staff. This Term there are 2 choices for lunch, however you need to let us know what your child requires. If you don't let us know, and lunch has been paid for then we will automatically give them a Bento Box.

Payment for lunches can be made weekly by putting it into an envelope with your child's name and order and placed in the canteen slot (**on Monday** so that we can allow for catering)

OR you can pay for the **full Term \$40 (10 weeks x \$4)** by direct deposit to the **P&C Assoc bank account** (*not online to the school*):

Arcadia PS P&C Account BSB 633000 Account # 116797937

Please Reference: Surname, Cntn T2

We need **orders to be in on Monday each week** as the shopping is done Tuesday.

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

Did you know secondhand uniforms are available to purchase at the canteen every Wednesday morning before the bell? Or if you cannot make it to the canteen please email the school and we will back to you. Secondhand items are sold for a gold coin donation.

LIBRARY HELPERS

Please contact Michelle in the office if you are available on Wednesdays after recess to help cover school library books. This will be on a as needed basis. We currently have new books which need covering in Week 3 on Wed 5 May. Thank you



Australian Early Development Census



Playing our part to build a national picture of child health

In early 2021, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the fifth Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC gives us a national picture of the development, health and wellbeing of children in their first year of full-time school. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and develop better policies to target support for children and families.

Children don't miss any class time, and parents/carers don't need to supply schools with any new information for the census. The AEDC gives us data at a school and community level - it isn't an assessment of individual children.

Some teachers have also noticed that completing the assessments made them more aware of the needs of individual children and the class as a whole and that the census results are useful in planning for transitions to Year 1 and developing class programs.

Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don't need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.

To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website: www.aedc.gov.au.

If you have any questions, you can contact

Nicole Pattison

Principal (relieving)

Nicole.Pattison@det.nsw.edu.au

Book Club

Arcadia Public School participates in the Scholastic Book Club which is run jointly by teachers and parent volunteers within the school. Book Club brochures are sent home with your children at least 3 times a year (once per term except for 4th term as we have a book fair instead) and 20% of orders are given back to the school to use for purchasing classroom resources for our children.

Instructions for purchasing from Book Club:

- Buying from Book Club is optional
- The date by which orders need to be returned will be written on the order form of the brochures. A Book Club News section will be published in the school newsletter with details and reminders each time an issue is given out.
- An order form is on the back of each brochure. The order form must have your child's name and class on it and the quantity and amount due. Return the order form & payment enclosed in an envelope, which must also have your child's name & class on it. Alternatively, you might prefer to order directly online through Scholastic's LOOP system in which case the order form from the brochure will not need to be returned: See below for details.
- Please do not combine Book Club forms and payments with other school payments for fundraising, excursions etc. We operate separately to the school admin office.
- Hand orders to the class teacher or to Mrs Postill in the office
- If there are items you wish to order and you do not want your child to see them, please contact the Book Club Coordinator beforehand and/or mark this on your order clearly and include your phone number or email so that we can arrange a discreet delivery or if using Scholastic's LOOP system mark it as a gift order.
- Payment can be by credit card, cheque or cash (correct amount only – no change given, and short changed orders will be returned).
- Credit card payments must be made online or by phone before placing your order. Write the credit card 11-digit receipt number in the space provided on the back of the brochure, (which also has the web address and phone number you need). Never write your actual credit card number on the form.
- Cheques should be made payable to Scholastic Australia as stated on the brochure.
- The books are distributed back to the classes about two weeks after processing, sometimes earlier.
- Occasionally, Scholastic may not be able to fulfil your order, and will issue you with a credit voucher which you may either use towards your next purchase, or gain a refund by following the instructions printed on it.
- If a book or other product has some kind of fault with it, contact the Book Club Coordinator to organise a replacement or refund.

If there are any questions, problems or would like me to show you how to use Scholastic's LOOP system, please call me on 0430 305 601 and I will be more than happy to help.

Natalia Sladakovic

Parent Volunteer Book Club Coordinator

Book Club LOOP

for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club **Linked Online Ordering & Payment** platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



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WITH PAYMENT DUE TO ARCADIA PUBLIC SCHOOL - THANK YOU**



Family Program Bundle 2

Permission Flyer

Session 1: Where Did I Come From?

Time: 6:00pm

Audience: Year 3 and 4 students and their parents/carers

Sessions: 1 x 60-minute session

Program focus:

- Discuss the male and female reproductive systems, foetal development and the birth process
- Personal safety and protective behaviours

Note: Older students are encouraged to attend if they have not previously seen this program.

Session 2: Preparing For Puberty

Time: 7:15pm

Audience: Year 5 and 6 students and their parents/carers

Sessions: 1 x 60-minute session

Program focus:

- Discuss the physical changes of puberty, emphasising that it can be different for everyone
- Develop students' understanding of periods and sperm production, as well as the physical, emotional, social and intellectual changes associated with puberty for both boys and girls
- Enhance awareness of children's personal safety and protective behaviours

Note: Younger students are welcome to attend at the discretion of their parents/carers.

Family cost: 1 session \$35 per family | 2 sessions \$35 per family

Please note that this cost is GST inclusive

Where: Galston Public School

When: 01-Jun-2021

(Specialty books are available for purchase on the night)

Please complete and return to your school with cash/cheque payment in an envelope

(please make cheques payable to the school)

Family name: _____

No. attending: Session 1: Where did I come from? _____ Session 2: Preparing
puberty _____

in Interrelate's **'Family Evening Program Bundle 2'**. Enclosed is my payment of \$ _____

Signed _____ Date _____
Parent / Guardian

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Jenolan Temporary Closure Extended

Given the damage caused to Jenolan Caves Road from the extreme weather event in March, Transport for NSW has further advised that access will be closed for the foreseeable future.

As there is no alternate access, we have extended the closure of our precinct. We expect to be back in business by mid-May. [See the reasons for the extended closure.](#)

This closure extension continues to be a tough decision for our business. We understand you may be disappointed. However, we offer complete booking flexibility, and we are happy to assist you, by organising a voucher (valid for up to 3 years) or providing a refund.

If you require assistance about:

- [accommodation & dining](mailto:bookings@jenolancaves.org.au) – bookings@jenolancaves.org.au - 02 6339 9247 (today only) and 02 63593900 thereafter
- [cave tours](mailto:reception@jenolancaves.org.au) – reception@jenolancaves.org.au - 02 6339 9216 (today only) and 02 6359 3923 thereafter

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ABOUT US

CPSARA-NSW aims to encourage both sporting and recreational opportunities for people of all ages with cerebral palsy and other neurological conditions.

We are dedicated to supporting children and adults with cerebral palsy through sporting opportunities and leisure activities with an emphasis on inclusion and enjoyment. There are many sports, events and levels of competition for everyone to pursue. Participation in sports can be just for fun and fitness or can also be pursued to International and Paralympic level!!

CPSARA supports athletes on their sporting journeys, firstly by providing information and tools to help connect them with their chosen sport and also by connecting them with fellow athletes, the latest events and recognising sporting achievements.

There is a big emphasis on the enjoyment of being involved in sport, having fun and building strong friendships! CPSARA organises regular social and recreational activities for our members, families and friends throughout the year. Come and join our CPSARA community today!

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CPSARA FOCUSED SPORTS

There are many para sports you can participate in. The rules of each sport are different, with some open to all groups of impairments and others open only to select groups. Athletes with similar impairments are grouped into classes for competition which is a process called classification.

CPSARA will provide you with access to sporting information and tools that will guide you to what sport you are eligible for and make your decision making process a little easier.



ATHLETICS

Athletics has the largest range of cerebral palsy classifications, from mild hemiplegia athletes to wheelchair and seated athletes.



SWIMMING

Swimming combines physical disabilities together in certain classifications which are determined by an athlete's classification test.



FOOTBALL

Football is a popular sport for athletes with cerebral palsy and other neurological conditions and has four classification types.



CYCLING

Athletes can compete on track or road. Depending on the athlete's mobility, balance and co-ordination the athlete can compete using handcycles, tricycles or bicycles.



GET INVOLVED

Come and join our CPSARA community today!

Share in the enjoyment and achievement of sport as well as having lots of fun and building friendships along the way.

You can join as an athlete, family member, coach, health professional, official or a classifier.

As a part of your membership you get information about starting sport and classification, the latest on upcoming sporting and recreational events, news, results and support from experienced athletes and parents who will guide you on your sporting journey through our mentor programs.

WHY PARA SPORT?

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- ✔ Meet new friends
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- ✔ Get recognised
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- ✔ Leadership and learning



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Child's name Class

Dates absent

Reason

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Other comments

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Parent/Guardian Name

Signature Date