



# NEWSLETTER

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# Arcadia

## PUBLIC School

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18/2022 Term 4 Week 8 2 December

<b>Week 8</b>	02 Dec	Disco - All families welcome - 5pm to 8pm at the C.O.L.A
<b>Week 9</b>	08 Dec 09 Dec	APS Playgroup - 9:30am to 11:30am - pre-schoolers welcome <b>APS Presentation Morning - St Benedict's Monastery - 10:15am - All Welcome</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	14 Dec 14 Dec 16 Dec	<b>Colour Fun Run - APS P&amp;C Assoc Fundraising Event</b> APS P&C Meeting - 7pm - Library - All Welcome <b>Last Day for Students - MUFTI day - gold coin donation</b>

**FAREWELL & BEST WISHES**  
**YEAR 6 CLASS OF 2022 !**



2023 TERM 1		
<b>Week 1</b>	31 Jan	TUESDAY - Students in Years 1 to 6 start Term 1, 2023
<b>Week 2</b>	06 Feb 08 Feb	MONDAY - Kindergarten commence Term 1, 2023 APS P&C Meeting - 7pm - Library - All Welcome

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear families,

I'm sure you are thinking the same thing as I am (especially the Year 6 parents) - it is difficult to believe that the 2022 school year is almost finished. I am in the very fortunate position of being able to read every student's Semester 2 report and I see the learning, the growth and development each student has achieved throughout 2022. Semester 2 reports will be sent home on Friday, 16 December. Please note that Kindergarten reports have a grade for effort only while Years One to Six report on effort and achievement.

### 2023 Planning

For planning reasons, could you please inform the office, in writing, if your child is not returning to Arcadia Public School in 2023. Alternatively, if you know of any new families moving to the area could you ask them to contact the office for enrolment information.

### Year 6 Formal Graduation

Our Year 6 Class of 2022 enjoyed a lovely formal graduation ceremony at Glenorie RSL Club on Tuesday evening. Everyone looked amazing and enjoyed their evening. Students and parents were presented with a slideshow showcasing the students time at Arcadia Public School. There were some tears, from both staff and students, and many more laughs. It was the perfect farewell evening and I would like to thank all staff for their contributions towards a

very memorable event. Go prosper Year 6, Class of 2022!

### Student Leadership Speeches

Our Year 5 candidates presented their election speeches on Tuesday. They all delivered their speech with conviction and confidence and it was an incredibly proud moment for all staff. No matter what the outcome of the election, each student in Year 5 will make an excellent leader and role model for all of our students next year. Leaders will be formally announced at our end of year presentation morning on Friday, 9 December.

### Class 5/6 Mini Fete

Year 5 and 6 did a wonderful job of organising the Fun Fair last Friday. There were lots of fun activities and everyone had a great time. Coloured hairspray, braids, milkshakes, spiders, ice creams, guessing competitions, sock fights, target throwing and trivia were all extremely popular. There was something for everyone, well done Stage 3 and thank you for a fun day.

## STUDENT VALUE AWARDS TERM 4 - WEEK 8



- ★ Phoenix - for always being a friend to the students on the buddy bench
- ★ Zoe - for displaying enthusiasm for learning and striving to achieve her goals by giving her personal best

★ Kattylena - for consistently displaying respect and kindness towards others

# PRINCIPALS REPORT (Cont.)

## End Of Year Presentation Morning - Next Friday, 9 December

We are busy planning for our end of year presentation assembly to showcase the amazing achievements of our students throughout 2022. All parents and family members are warmly invited to attend. We ask that you arrive at 10:15am for a 10:30am start at St Benedict's Monastery, 8 Fagans Road, Arcadia.

## Working Bee

Thank you to everyone who attended our last Working Bee for 2022 on Saturday. It was certainly very productive. A special thank to Fedie for always turning up and working so hard to help maintain our beautiful school grounds. A special thanks also to Mrs Lacey, Mrs Crouch, Miss Misseldine, Emma Lehmann, Shae Entwisle, Pauline Ly, Michael Hornshaw and Dale Carn and any volunteers who have arrived after I had left. Many hands make light work!

## Disco/BBQ - TONIGHT, FRIDAY 2 December - 5 TO 8PM

We need a chance to relax and unwind and tonight is the perfect opportunity. Come join us for a boogie! Thank you to the K parents, especially Shae, for organising the disco. It's an opportunity to farewell our Year 6 students and families and welcome next year's Kindergarten students. I am looking forward to another fun filled community event. This years theme is **BRIGHT**, wear your favourite bright colours! This is a fun family evening and an alcohol and smoke free event. Thank you Eric's Tender Meats, Galston for supporting this event !

## Motiv8Sports

The students all had a fun filled day yesterday at our annual Motiv8Sports event! What a great day and although it was a little cloudy it didn't dampen the spirit of students or staff!

Have a lovely and safe weekend,  
Nicole Pattison  
(Principal)



# TERM 4 - WEEK 8 - P.B.E.L AWARDS



**READING LOG AWARDS**



**MERIT AWARD RECIPIENTS**



**SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS**



**SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS**



**BAND  
AWARD**



**ENVIROMENT  
AWARD**



**PRINCIPAL'S  
AWARD**



**GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS**

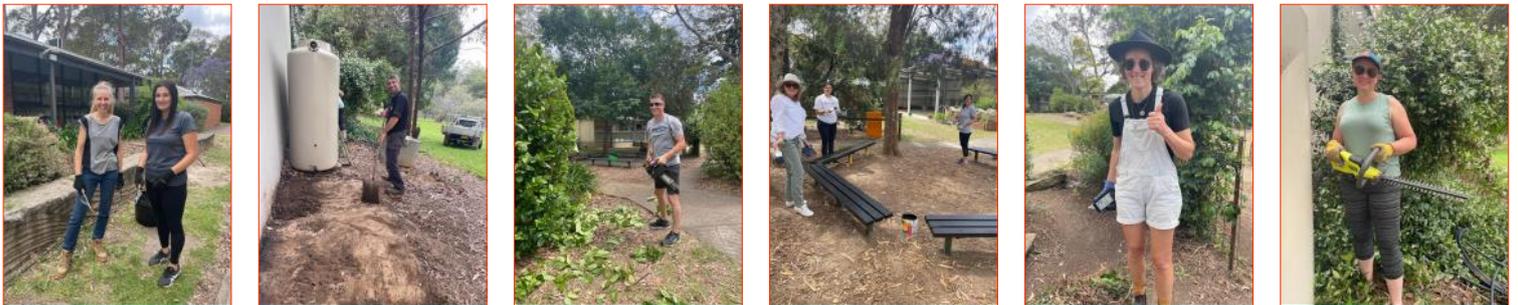
# CLASS 5/6 MINI FETE



# MOTIV8 SPORTS



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Beecroft PSSA Zone Website



<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/beecroftzonepssa/home>

# Arcadia PUBLIC School

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**RECESS:** Healthy choices priced 50c to \$1.50

**LUNCH:** \* \$5 per order (choose from list below)

Week 1	12 Oct	Bento Box OR Tacos	
Week 2	19 Oct	Bento Box OR Fish Fingers & potato gems	
Week 3	26 Oct	Bento Box OR Popcorn Chicken & wedges	
Week 4	2 Nov	Bento Box OR Beef Burger & fruit drink	
Week 5	9 Nov	Bento Box OR Sausage Sandwich & fruit	
Week 6	16 Nov	Bento Box OR Chicken Salad Roll	
Week 7	23 Nov	Bento Box OR Nachos	
Week 8	30 Nov	Bento Box OR Sausage Rolls & salad	
Week 9	7 Dec	Bento Box OR Pizza (Cheese OR Meat Lovers) (Note this is the last week for Canteen) <b>Merry Christmas Everyone</b>	

Dear Parents,

The School Canteen for **Term 4 will open from WEEK 1 – 12 October 2022**. We will be open for recess, with yummy treats from 50 cents to \$1.50. \* Owing to rising costs we have had to put **up our lunch cost to \$5**, however recess will stay the same. The cost for lunch remains the same at \$4 per child/or staff. 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 \$45 (9 weeks x \$5)** 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 T4

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

**We would also need a couple of extra volunteers. Please contact Hazel in the office for more details if you can assist.**

Live Life Well @ School



## Everyday food & drink

- The [Healthy School Canteen Strategy](#) ensures only Everyday food and drinks are marketed and promoted
- Canteen works hard to provide healthy and tasty food!

More Information: [www.healthy-kids.com.au](http://www.healthy-kids.com.au)



## What's on this December at Dural Warehouse

FREE



### Christmas Market Night

When: Thursday 8th December  
Time: 6pm-8pm

What's on:  
Community group market stalls and fundraisers, petting zoo, kids DIY, face painting, a visit from Santa, and more!

For more information or to book please contact us on 9653 7500.  
If you are a not-for-profit organisation and would like to book a stall space, please contact us on 9653 7500 or email [duralao@bunnings.com.au](mailto:duralao@bunnings.com.au)

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# Celebrate the wonderful

However you celebrate, whoever you're with, may your Christmas be merry, always.

From the Community Bank Galston & District team.

During the festive season our branch will close on Monday 26 December, and reopen Wednesday 28 December.

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# Arcadia PLAYGROUP

**EVERY  
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# ARCADIA PS SCHOOL BAND JOIN THE BAND!

Is your child interested in joining the school band?  
The school band is now taking enrolments for 2023 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5.

No prior experience needed!  
**What do you need to do?**

Complete an online Expression of Interest form. Your child will then be able to meet with a music teacher at school to determine to which instrument they may be best suited.

[www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI](http://www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI)



More detailed information will then be sent home, prior to online enrolment for 2023.

Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a variety of tuition options as well as instrument hire and sales to help parents give the gift of music to their children.

TSA is a registered Creative Kids provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.



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# COVID-smart measures for schools

## Information for parents, carers and students



We know that being together in the classroom is the best thing for our students' learning, growth and welfare. This term we will continue to implement several measures to allow us to prioritise both the wellbeing of our students and a consistent and productive learning environment.

### Stay home if unwell

- If your child is unwell, you must keep them at home. If they are displaying COVID-19 symptoms, they should take a COVID-19 test (PCR or RAT) and follow the advice from the NSW Government on [managing COVID-19 safely at home](#).
- Your child should only return to school when they are symptom free.

### Vaccinations

- Vaccinations for COVID-19 and other viral illnesses are one of the best ways of protecting yourself, your family and the community. Vaccination is a safe and effective way to give your immune system a helping hand against many illnesses.
- All eligible students and staff are strongly encouraged to keep up to date with their vaccinations to protect their health.
- All staff working in schools for specific purposes (SSPs) are required to be double vaccinated against COVID-19 or hold a valid medical contraindication.

### Rapid antigen testing

- Rapid antigen tests (RATs) should be used if your child is displaying COVID-19 symptoms.
- Students who test positive to COVID-19 are encouraged to notify their school and register their positive test results with [Service NSW](#) to have access to timely advice and support from NSW Health.
- Schools will maintain a reserve stock of rapid antigen tests onsite for surveillance testing purposes in the event of an outbreak.

### Hygiene and cleaning

- Students are encouraged to regularly wash their hands with soap and warm water, and to use personal protective equipment as required.
- Boosted day cleaning of schools will continue on high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways.



### Ventilation

- Fresh air is the most effective form of ventilation to minimise the risk of transmission.
- During the warmer months, cooling will be used together with ventilation methods to balance thermal comfort.
- All learning spaces in government schools have been checked to ensure appropriate levels of ventilation and air purifiers have been provided where needed.
- Using outdoor spaces will continue to be encouraged where possible.

### Masks

- Mask-wearing is strongly encouraged where possible for all students, staff and visitors, particularly indoors and/or when physical distancing is not possible, and if they have been exposed to COVID-19.
- Mask-wearing is required at all times for staff, volunteers and other workers who support our students who are at greater risk of serious illness should they contract COVID-19, whether they be in schools for specific purposes (SSPs), support units or mainstream classrooms.

### Visitors

- Visitors can attend school sites regardless of their vaccination status.
- Visitors who are engaging directly with students in certain higher-risk settings for school operations and curriculum delivery and allied health partners for the wellbeing of students, may be required to wear masks.

### Activities

- Health and safety risk assessments will be integrated when planning activities, including excursions and overnight camps.
- Parents and carers will be made aware of the risk of exposure and will need to give permission for certain activities.

### Responding to local situations

- Schools will work with the department's Health, Safety and Staff Wellbeing case management team to respond appropriately to local situations, including outbreaks of viral illness.
- In some cases, schools may temporarily introduce additional measures as a 'circuit breaker', including requiring mask-wearing, postponing or limiting non-essential activities and directing cohorts to learn remotely.

### Learning remotely

- Schools continue to have access to digital, guided and printed learning resources to support students who need to learn remotely.

For more info, visit [education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families](https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families)

### Telephone interpreter service

If you need further information please call your school principal. If you need an interpreter to assist you with your enquiry please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. Tell the operator the phone number you want to call, and the operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

The NSW Government is committed to ensuring school operations continue while prioritising the safety and wellbeing of students and school staff.

*giving the community a voice to be heard*

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