



NEWSLETTER

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19/2022

Term 4 Week 10

16 December

2023 TERM 1

GOODBYE & THANK YOU
MRS HEATHER WRIGHT

Week 1	31 Jan	TUESDAY - Students in Years 1 to 6 start Term 1, 2023
Week 2	06 Feb	MONDAY - Kindergarten commence Term 1, 2023
	08 Feb	APS P&C Meeting - 7pm - Library - All Welcome
Week 3	17 Feb	Swim Carnival - 8 years old and above in 2023
Week 4	20 Feb	School Photos—Whole School



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and families,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It has been a busy end to the year and I thank you all for your continued support. Presentation Day is always a great day to reflect on the students' achievements throughout the year. Whilst this can sometimes bring disappointment if a child does not receive recognition on the day, please know that positive praise and encouragement is given to each student, every day. Students learn great sportsmanship, respect and resilience through events like these. My proudest moment was when a student expressed his excitement for his friend receiving an award. This is truly the Arcadian Way. I have included my Principal's address for 2022 below:

Principal's address

2022 has been a very busy and successful year at Arcadia Public School. I often discuss with pride the excellent academic success of our students and I am so proud that every student strives for their personal best every day. Whilst today is a day of celebration and recognition of the academic, sporting and artistic achievements of our students, I think it is important to also focus on the emotional wellbeing and support that is afforded to each and every student, every day. I have the

pleasure of meeting and greeting each of your children at the school gate every morning, they share with me many stories and I feel so privileged to be a part of the team that supports and guides your children through their beginning years in education. Thank you to our amazing students for being the most caring and compassionate group of children that I have ever taught. Arcadia certainly is a very special learning environment.

This year we were able to return to the many activities that make school life so wonderful. Our Year 4,5 and 6 camp to Bathurst was brilliant and all students had a wonderful experience. We were also able to attend other excursions such as the Zoo, an excellent musical of Annie at Galston High School, CARES, Motiv8, Book parade, Easter Hat parade, Athletics and swimming carnivals and the list goes on. I am always so proud to accept the compliments on how respectful our students are when we are out.

STUDENT VALUE AWARDS TERM 4 - WEEK 10



- ★ Liam - for demonstrating exceptional sportsmanship during class sport, Motiv8 and on the playground
- ★ Hugo - for always showing respect towards his friends and teachers
- ★ Lillybeth - for being an outstanding role model throughout 2022

- ★ Nox - for consistently striving to achieve his best and always being ready to listen and learn

PRINCIPALS REPORT (Cont.)

I would like to thank the staff of our beautiful school. The dedication and commitment the teachers and non-teaching staff have towards developing the academic and social growth of the children is much appreciated and embedded in every decision we make. The classroom teachers are highly skilled professionals who I value greatly for their dedication to the school and for the care they show to every child. To Miss Aston, Mrs Lacey, Miss Misseldine, Mrs Crouch and Miss Lemenager. Thank you. Thank you to Mrs Feeley and Mrs Postill for all your hard work, not only helping to organise today but for all that you do throughout the year for our staff, students and families. Victor, I'm not sure how you do it, but you manage to keep the lawns mowed and grounds looking beautiful for our community as well as the many other maintenance jobs that come up regularly. We thank you. Dianne and Gina, words are not enough to express the gratitude we have for all that you do. Your early morning starts mean we arrive to a pristine school each and every day. Thank you. Thank you, Father Bernard, for the use of St Benedict's Church for today, for organising the mowing of a path for us to safely walk here and for your continued support of our school. Arcadia Public School is a fantastic school, and I am very proud to be the principal.

To our Year 6 children who are going on to secondary school I wish you every success. The grounding you have gained at Arcadia Public School will certainly assist you as you transition into this new phase of your education. There are several families who are leaving the school as their children graduate from Year 6 and I would also like to wish them well as they navigate their children through adolescence and secondary education. Some families have been at Arcadia for over a decade and their contribution to the school cannot be overstated. Amongst many other things, these families have volunteered for fundraisers, athletics carnivals and working bees. We hope you continue to be a part of our unique school community.

Thank you also to our hardworking and supportive P&C and parent volunteers. You have managed to fund a reading program, decodable texts and new playground markings, as well as hold many exciting events, through your hard work and dedication to our school and we are very grateful.

To all families of the Arcadia school community, I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year. I'm excited about the forthcoming school year of 2023.

Student Leadership Team 2023

Congratulations to our Student Leadership Team who were voted in through a fair and democratic process. Our Leadership Team for 2023 are:

Captains: Tia Martelli and Phoenix Ly

Vice Captains: Sam Lawlor and Skye McKewin

All Year 6 students will have opportunities to undertake leadership roles in some capacity in 2023 and I look forward to working with you all to further develop your leadership skills.

Colour Fun Run

Our first Colour Fun Run was held on Wednesday and what a fun event this was.

Thank you to all the volunteers and P&C who came early to set up and ensure all students had a great time. Thank you also to Anthony who was the 'official' photographer of the day. It was certainly a memorable and messy event!



I hope you all have a safe and relaxing break with those that mean the most to you.

Kind regards,
Nicole Pattison
(Proud Principal)



THANK YOU
2022 SCHOOL
CAPTAINS
&
VICE CAPTAINS

TERM 4 - WEEK 10 - P.B.E.L AWARDS



READING LOG AWARDS



200 NIGHTS READING



MERIT AWARD RECIPIENTS



SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS



GOLD STAR AWARD RECIPIENTS



**BAND
AWARD**



**ENVIROMENT
AWARD**



**PRINCIPAL'S
AWARD**



**STUDENTS OF THE
WEEK**



**PREMIER'S
READING
CHALLENGE**



**PRINCIPAL'S AWARD PBEL
200 POINTS !**

2022 END OF YEAR PRESENTATION—CONGRATULATIONS !



COLOUR FUN RUN !



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