



# NEWSLETTER

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14/2021

Term 4 Week 6

12 November

## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Week 6</b>	<b>12 Nov</b>	<b>Kindy 2022 - Session 1 - 2:15pm - 3:15pm</b>
<b>Week 7</b>	15 Nov	Student TTFM Survey - Yr 4 to 6
	<b>17 Nov</b>	<b>Scholastic Book Fair - Library</b>
	<b>19 Nov</b>	<b>Kindy 2022 - Session 2 - 2:15pm - 3:15pm</b>
	19 Nov	Parent report comments - last day to submit
<b>Week 8</b>	22 Nov	Year 6 Mini Fete
	23 Nov	10am Year 7 GHS students orientation Zoom meeting here on site at APS
	<b>23 Nov</b>	<b>2022 APS Captain nominations speeches</b>
	<b>26 Nov</b>	<b>Kindy 2022 - Session 3 - 2:15pm - 3:15pm</b>
<b>Week 9</b>	30 Nov	Presentation Afternoon - COLA
	03 Dec	Year 6 Fun Day
<b>Week 10</b>	08 Dec	Motiv8 Sport Fun Day—Whole School
	10 Dec	Year 6 Farewell Lunch & Disco
<b>Week 11</b>	15 Dec	P&C Dinner/Meeting—Venue TBC
	16 Dec	Last Day for Students 2021



## RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Families,

Welcome to Week 6! Updated Covid guidelines mean that we can resume many of our planned activities onsite. However, at this stage parent and community involvement is still very limited. We are so excited to be able to finish of what has been a very challenging year with some fun activities for our students.

### Updated Level 3 Covid guidelines

#### Assemblies and presentations

Assemblies and presentations will be allowed outdoors on site. Fully vaccinated visitors (including parents and carers) are only allowed to attend if completing a specific role (such as presenting) and at the invitation of the school. All visitors must check in using the school check-in and show proof of vaccination.

#### Dancing, singing, music and performances

Dancing will be allowed indoors and outdoors in class cohorts.

Bands, ensembles, music classes and music tuition will be allowed within cohorts and only for instruments that do not rely on breath, as these pose a higher transmission risk.

School performances, productions and concerts are not permitted.

For further updated advice please see:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families?deliveryName=DM21747>

### Kindergarten 2022 Orientation

We are excited to announce that our Kindergarten transition to school can commence face to face. Our sessions will be held, Friday 12, 19 and 26 November. Sessions commence at 2:15pm. All families should have received an email outlining the sessions. If you have not received the detailed information, please contact the office. We can't wait to see you all!

### Semester Two Reports

Just a reminder that if you would like to include a comment from home on your child's report, please complete the Google Form that was emailed to all families. You will need to complete a separate one for each child. The comment should be positive and no longer than three short sentences. It could include something like, "I am extremely proud of how well you adjusted to at home learning and although it was a challenging time, we really enjoyed spending this time with you" Mum and Dad. If you wish for your comment to be recorded on your child's report please submit **by 19 November**. This is NOT compulsory and if you do not wish to write a comment the parent comment box will be removed from your child's report.

## RELIEVING PRINCIPALS REPORT (Cont.)

### 2021 Year 5/6 Mini Fete

Our Year 5 and 6 students are excitedly planning for our Mini Fete which will be held on Monday 22 November. A note has been sent home outlining costs. We have decided after the year that was we would we charge one fee and allow students unlimited access to activities within the given timeframe. Monies are due by Friday 19 November. All funds raised will go directly to the Year 6 gift which was one of our very popular table tennis tables.

### Northwest Community Childcare - Onsite Before & After School Care

**Please note playground teacher supervision begins at 9am. Classroom planning and meetings occur before 9am. However, we have before and after school care at Arcadia PS.** Northwest Community Childcare are our providers and provide excellent care and quality programs to our students. Do you require before and/or after school care? Perhaps you would prefer to use the service on a casual basis for your children purely for socialising and fun or a time to enjoy some reading in the library. Government rebates may apply and make the service very affordable. The service is well set up and spacious in our school library.

### PLEASE CALL TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AND REQUIREMENTS

Phone: 8678 0279 Email: [bookings@nwcc.com.au](mailto:bookings@nwcc.com.au)

Come along and experience what Northwest Community Childcare has to offer. Each day is fun filled, action packed and never short of an adventure. It's where our qualified, energetic & dedicated staff engage with each child and their families to develop harmonious and meaningful relationships.

### Remembrance Day

Well done to our student leaders who led a very moving Remembrance Day assembly on 11/11/2021. Thank you to students who laid flowers to remember and pay respect to all those who have, and continue, to serve for our Country.

### Year 6 2022 Leadership Speeches

Our speeches will be held on Tuesday 23 November. We wish all of our Year 5 students the best of luck and we know they will all be positive role models. If your child is unsuccessful in the role of School Captain or Vice-Captain, there will be further leadership roles on offer in 2022. Please encourage your child to prepare for the delivery of their speech.

### Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2023

A note was sent home to all Year 5 students this week regarding Year 7 selective placement for 2023. Applications for entry in 2023 opened on 19 October 2021 and will close on 17 November 2021. The placement test will be held on 10 March 2022. Please return the intention to apply so that I can ensure no student is missed. The intention to apply is NOT an application for entry. To apply for placement, you will need to register your email and then submit an application through the online form on the high performing students website.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>

### Scholastic Book Fair - NEXT WEEK

Next Week - Wednesday, 17 November

Students have brought home their wish list for our Christmas book fair which will be held in the library on Wednesday, 17 November. This is a fabulous opportunity to acquire some great summer reading, new posters and little Christmas gifts for siblings and cousins.

Your generosity has meant that the commission from the Scholastic bookfairs has added many titles to our school library collection. We have also combined points earned through book club, to acquire fabulous teaching and learning resources. Any book donations to our library would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your support.

Have a safe and relaxing weekend.

Kind regards, Nicole Pattison - Principal (Rel)







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## CANTEEN - TERM 4 - 2021 – WEDNESDAY 10 – 2PM

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

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

<b>Week 6</b>	<b>10 November</b>	Bento Box <b>OR</b> Chicken Drumsticks with rice
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>17 November</b>	Bento Box <b>OR</b> Sausage in a roll
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>24 November</b>	Bento Box <b>OR</b> Beef Burger
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>1 December</b>	Bento Box <b>OR</b> Chicken Salad Wrap
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>8 December</b>	Bento Box <b>OR</b> Ham & Cheese Pizza
<b>Week 11</b>	<b>15 December</b>	Christmas Lunch <b>Merry Christmas Everyone</b>



Dear Parents,

We are very excited to announce the **canteen will open next week - Week 6 – Wednesday, 10 November 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 Ham & Cheese Toastie.

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 **\$24 (6 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 T4

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

Many thanks,

**Heather – Canteen Co-ordinator – APS P&C Association**

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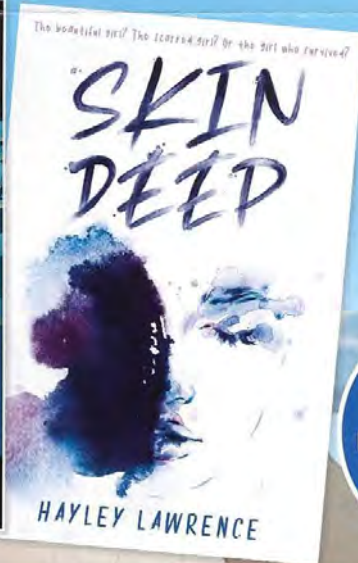
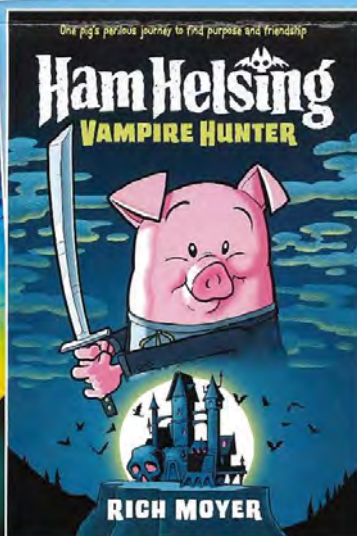
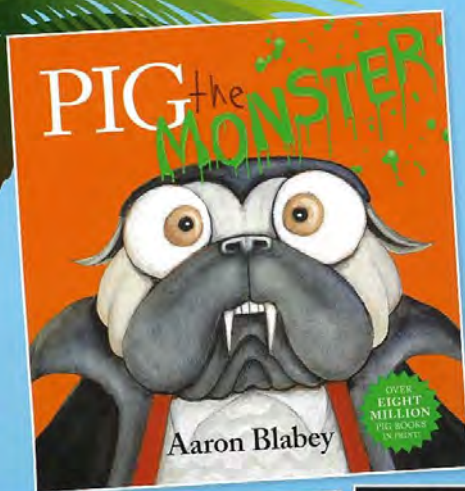
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# BOOK FAIR

Reading Oasis: A Cool Place to Discover Hot Books!



Date Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November Time 9am Christmas  
Place Arcadia P.S. Library Book Fair

**EVERY PURCHASE YOU MAKE EARNS LEARNING AND LITERACY RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL**



# ARCADIA PS SCHOOL BAND JOIN THE BAND!

Is your child interested in joining the school band?

The school band is now taking enrolments for 2022 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5.

No prior experience needed!

During Term 4 students will see a band demonstration highlighting the different instruments available to learn at school. **After this demonstration they will receive a flyer with information** about school band and how to enrol.

What do you need to do?

1. **Carefully read the flyer** for information about the school band (or visit [www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI](http://www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI))
2. **Select which instrument\*\*** your child would like to play in the band – there are some important factors to consider when selecting an instrument and these are all covered on our website
3. **Enrol online** – once you have confirmed which instrument your child wishes to play, please finalise your enrolment online

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 COVID-safe provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.

*\*\*Selecting an instrument during remote learning and COVID restrictions will be different to previous years – TSA will provide parents with clear and simple advice to help you find the instrument best suited to your child.*



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## SKOOLBAG APP



The Skoolbag App has many benefits, number one being that we can easily push out notifications to you directly via your smartphone without relying on emails.

If you would like to register to see our school on the Skoolbag App please go to

<https://www.mogproducts.com.au/skoolbag/installation-instructions/>

We will then add you to your child's school year, band, house and APS notifications list.



# Enrol Today!

**Bookings & Enquiries**

P: 02 8678 0279  
E: [bookings@nwcc.com.au](mailto:bookings@nwcc.com.au)  
W: [nwccm.com.au/childcare](http://nwccm.com.au/childcare)

**Before & After School Care places available onsite at Arcadia Public School**

**Operating Times**  
**Before School Care**  
7:00am to 9:00am

**After School Care**  
3:30pm to 6:00pm



**Northwest Community Childcare** is an established and growing not for profit business, providing **Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)** in the Northwest region of Sydney for the past **25 years**.

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We acknowledge the Dharug people who are the traditional custodians of the lands in which our services are located. We pay respect to the Elders past, present and emerging.



## Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry in 2023 Information for applicants



Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2023?

You must apply online at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



### Key Dates

Application website opens:  
**19 October 2021**

Application website closes:  
**17 November 2021**  
You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice released:  
**24 February 2022**

Selective High School placement test:  
**10 March 2022**

Placement outcome expected to be released:  
**8 July 2022**

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There may be changes to the procedures in this document.

Check the website at [education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc](https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc) regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

After applying, you will be able to log into your application dashboard to change details and send and receive messages.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

### Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education

Telephone: 1300 880 367

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/172251106301086/>



## SCHOOL ZONE

### Road Safety News

Term 4 - 2021

Welcome to the final edition of the School Zone newsletter for 2021! In this edition we will share some bus safety tips for both drivers, parents and carers.

NSW has one of the largest bus fleets in Australia. Buses can't stop quickly because they are large and heavy vehicles, so it's worth remembering the following tips:



#### Useful driver tips

- Lights flash on buses to warn motorists that buses are picking up and dropping off passengers (often school children)
- Slow down to 40km/h when overtaking or passing a bus displaying flashing lights
- A driver can help keep children safe by:
  1. Sticking to the speed limit and following the road rules in school zones
  2. Slowing down to 40km/h when bus lights are flashing
  3. Looking out for children crossing the road near bus stops in school zones or along bus routes
  4. Giving way to buses when they merge back into the traffic



#### Useful parent and carer tips

Children are most at risk in the minutes after getting off the bus. Below are some ways you can help reduce this risk:

- Always drop off/pick up your child on the same side of the road as the bus stop (but not in the Bus Zone)
- Meet your child at the bus stop (remembering to stand back from the kerb)
- Wait until the bus has gone before choosing a safe place to cross the road



## Parking Rules

Please park safely and legally on the streets around your school. Park legally so you do not incur parking fines and demerit points. Council's Traffic Compliance Officers enforce parking around schools. If you park contrary to the road rules you will be fined!

### You cannot stop or park your vehicle:



### Parallel parking

This is the usual way to park unless signs tell you otherwise. You must park in the same direction as the adjacent traffic and parallel and as close as possible to the kerb.



This is a road safety initiative developed by Hornsby Shire Council



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**HAS YOUR CHILD BEEN ABSENT?**  
 Please fill in and return an absent note to your child's teacher when he or she returns to school; this is a NSW DEC requirement.

Child's name ..... Class .....

Dates absent .....

Reason .....

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Other comments .....

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Parent/Guardian Name .....

Signature ..... Date .....