



# Aveley Informer

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## Upcoming Events

There are no upcoming events

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Thank you to all members of our school community for your ongoing support in what was one of the most unusual starts to a school term we have ever seen. Together, we have been able to make the best of this situation and ensure your child's safety and continuity of learning.

Yesterday, the State Government announced changes to education based on a review of current arrangements and updated health advice. As of Monday, 18 May 2020, all students are expected to attend school, except for those students medically referred to learn from home. This means students are either:

- at school;
- have a medical referral to learn from home; or
- recorded as absent if they do not attend.

Over the last week we have seen 90% of our students return to school, which has been fantastic.

Current health advice states that schools remain safe for staff and students and should remain open. We want to make sure all children get the best education possible, which is why attending school is so important. We are here to make sure all children are learning and there's no doubt, schools are the best place for them to learn.

For parents with medical advice that their child should not attend school, we will work with you in partnership with the School of Special Educational Needs: Medical and Mental Health to support your child's learning from home. If you feel your child is in this category, please do not hesitate to contact me and we will work together on next steps.

If your child does not attend school without a medical reason, they will be marked as absent and will not be provided a learning program.

The extra cleaning and hygiene practices implemented at the start of Term 2 will continue. As part of the social distancing measures, the school drop off & pick up expectations will continue as follows:

- Kindergarten & Pre-primary students are to be dropped off and picked up outside classrooms. Parents are to ensure appropriate social distancing measures are adhered to. Parents must not enter the classroom.
- Students in Years 1 – 6 are to be dropped off and picked up by families at a rearranged location, off the immediate school site. A 'Kiss & Drop' routine is encouraged.
- This arrangement will remain in place until further notice.

**EARLY CLOSE EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 2.30PM**

At this stage, extra-curricula activities are still on hold until further notice.

The State Government will continue to make decisions based on the best health advice. If you have any questions please contact our school.

## SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY (SDD) - POSTPONED

Due to social distancing expectations (for adults), the disruption to operational matters in our school for the last couple of months, and to ensure the most effective use of the student free days allocated to us, our SDD scheduled for Friday 29 May has been postponed. Students will now attend school on this day. An alternative day in Term 3 will be confirmed once it has been approved through our School Board.

OSHClub will be operating before and after school care on this day.

## 2021 KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

In Western Australia, children can start their education in Kindergarten, however compulsory schooling starts the following year in Pre-primary. All children of compulsory school age must be enrolled in school and attend every day – this is the law.

You need to apply to enrol your children in school for 2021 if they are:

- ⇒ starting Kindergarten – 4 years old by 30 June 2021.
- ⇒ starting Pre-primary, the first year of compulsory school – 5 years old by 30 June 2021.
- ⇒ starting Year 7, the first year of secondary school.
- ⇒ changing schools.

The closing date for all applications is Friday, 24 July 2020. Please note *Applications for Enrolment* are not to be confused with *Enrolments*. All applicants will be contacted shortly after closing date advising if their application has been successful and invite them to return and complete enrolment forms.

## DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A WORLD CHAMPION?

Students from Year 3 – 6 have the opportunity to take part in Education Perfect Language Championship from 2:00 pm, 14 May until 2:00 pm 21 May. EP has been a fantastic platform in consolidation student's learning and engaging students in different and fun activities. <https://www.educationperfect.com/c/#EPLC2020>

Come and join the students from all around the world to learn Languages, earning points towards awards (and maybe even prizes) for yourself while helping our school to shine on international platform. Good luck everyone!



## Honour Certificate Recipients 7 May 2020



Brody Shaylor	H10	Sakina Eftekhari	H10	Dianne Konneh	H11	Hunter Zinner	H11
Maddison Allender	H12	Vince Alcoser	H12	Denham Russell	H13	Louis Kershaw	H13
Felicity de Kock	T6	Joshua Watts	T6	Isaac Finster	T7	Jaxon Harris	T7
Aliya Dhaliwal	T8	Raisa Pannu	T8	Farren Cooper	T9	Taylor Brown	T9
Ethan Wulf	T10	Megan Wandimali	T10	Jade Doubell	T11	Knox Howard	T11
Ashlyn Hearn	T12	Deegan Thomas	T12	Noah McLennon	G7	Ruby Hillman	G7
Mia Prentice	G8	Jai Hall	G8	Chelsea Veenvliet	G9	Rachel Lock	G9

## YOU CAN DO IT

Hello again everyone. In these changing times, there is a strength we can all call on to help us cope – it's resilience. Resilience is what protects all of us from the negative and painful feelings we can experience at times – much like an umbrella protects us from the rain. We all have the opportunity to demonstrate resilience, as well as get more confident at helping others in our lives to be more resilient.

The good news is that everyone can be resilient – even if we feel we have not been so in the past. Bad 'stuff' is going to happen to all of us at some time.

What is resilience? Simply, it means being aware of how you feel, staying calm when you get upset, being able to manage your behaviour so you don't get too negative, calming down quickly and ultimately bouncing back. This last part is really important as a part of the process.

When is it needed? Whenever you are faced with difficulty – changes that have occurred at work (cutback in hours of employment, working from home) or home (proximity with immediate family, lack of opportunities to meet with friends), plus lots more in daily life. For children it can be when they are challenged academically, when they are feeling they're not being listened to or when someone else's behaviour is affecting them. There are a lot of ways these feelings of being overwhelmed may happen. The coping skills we teach children (and ourselves) can really assist in us communicating our feelings and be more regulated.

In the *You Can Do It* program we use at school, our character Ricky Resilience is good at calming down when he is upset. He tells the children he knows what to do when he is feeling sad or angry or worried about something. He is able to calm himself down to work and play again.

Here's a great video that explains resilience. I'd love you to take the time to have look and share with others at home and school: <https://www.youcandoiteducation.com.au/resilience-video/>



See you all next time,

Chris Spencer.

ORDER BY MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> May

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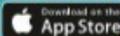
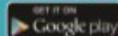


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- 2 Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your **SCHOOL** and your **CHILD'S CLASS**.  
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- 3 Click on **ORDER** and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.
- 4 All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

*That's it!* There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

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## AVELEY PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

Welcome back to all the families who's kids are all back to school. It is great to see the students getting back to our new form of normal. I know mine are loving being back with their teachers and friends. We would also like to give all those families a pat on the back that are still co-ordinating home schooling with their children at home. You are all doing an amazing job in our current situation.

Thank you to our school community for supporting our cookie dough fundraiser. All the efforts our school community put in to help the P & C fundraise is always greatly appreciated, even more in times like now where everything is so uncertain so we thank you very much.

The only real news we have today is in regards to the canteen, so please read very carefully and take it in as we have some changes being made to the canteen due to the Covid-19 virus. This is to make sure we are abiding by the rules and regulations that have been put into place.

Your Aveley Primary School P&C



## CANTEEN NEWS COVID-19 UPDATE

### THE CANTEEN IS RE-OPENING NEXT WEEK (20<sup>th</sup> May)

- *Open Wednesday to Pre-primary to Year 6 and Friday to all students and staff.*
- *Reduced menu that will increase as the orders increase.*
- *Ice creams will not be sold this term.*
- *Recess needs to be picked up from the canteen and lunch orders Kindy – Year 2 will be delivered to class. Year 3-6 will pick up lunch from the canteen as usual.*

### ONLINE ORDERING

- *Online ordering only for recess and lunch (Cash will not be accepted)*
- *Register to order at [flexischools.com.au](https://flexischools.com.au)*

### TRAINING

- *To support the health & safety of our students and staff Helen has retrained and gained certificates in **FOOD SAFETY & INFECTION CONTROL TRAINING in COVID-19***

### OSHClub news - Term 1 Report

This term the children have been very busy collaborating with educators to design programs from interests and ideas based on weekly themes used in the program.

We focused on implementing a theme for each week which allowed us to plan activities based on that specific theme. We used children's' ideas as well in the program in order to engage them and make activities more relevant to them. One theme was a space theme and children had created their own alien using play dough. This activity allowed children to be imaginative and worked their fine motor skills and dexterity needed to mould play dough into the forms they chose.

We held a dress up competition and children walked down the aisle parading different outfits while other children sat as audience members and others as judges, giving scores to the participants. The children really enjoyed this. It provided children with the opportunity to not just do something fun but also be able to participate in a competition and learn how to win and lose, how to problem solve and also be creative.

We also focused on sustainability this term and communicated with the children and parents to bring in recyclable materials. We also had discussions about sustainability and the impact it has on the earth. We had a poster competition with the children. This was not only about winning as it helped children learn more about sustainability; why it is important and how they can contribute in a small way to making their world better. It provided the children with the opportunity to use their creativity and imagination as well.

When we started our recyclable material area the children were so excited about it and built so many wonderful creations. There were rocket ships, robots, houses and bird feeders to name a few. It allowed children to express themselves freely and do something they found joy in.

### Activities

#### Cultural week

We decided to have diversity as one of our weekly themes. The children learnt about different cultures and discussed among their peers and other educators where each of them originated. We prepared cultural foods such as pasta when it was Italian day and created beautiful masks. We also made noodles and created dragon crafts for the day we learnt about China. The children also learnt some cultural dances and learnt a lot of new information about their friends at OSH.

#### Craft activity

We did so many crafts this term, everyday children had different craft activities that tied in with our weekly theme. Most children enjoyed our craft activities as some of them were what the children suggested and therefore kept them interested. It is amazing to see the participation from the children and its always a lot of fun. We had crafts such as superhero masks, fairy pop sticks, dragons and origami in order to keep of all age groups connected and engrossed in activities meaningful to them.

#### Physical Activity

Lots of physical activity this term through programmed games such as freeze tag, musical statues, musical bobs, Farmer Sam, night at the museum and spontaneous play.

These activities are played by children of various age groups and older children were very respectful of the younger ones. These games involve a lot of gross motor skills, balance, coordination and listening. It also provides children with the opportunity to participate and interact with others, problem solve and be understanding of all children involved.

Construction is another activity children love being a part of, whether its with Lego, blocks, brain flakes or tubes. Children of all ages love construction. They even worked together on certain projects as shown in the pictures below. They would construct houses out of the Lego with each room of the house, they make chairs using the bigger blocks and really develop their creativity along with learning how to problem solve and work together. We try and keep activities fun and engaging while also developing children's learning in an exciting way.

