

St Arnaud Primary School

THE LINK

Term 1 Week 3
11th February
2021

Today's Learners: Tomorrow's Future

RESPECT RESILIENCE KINDNESS HONESTY ASPIRATION

Welcome Picnic



2021

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Week 3

Monday 8th

9am School Assembly
1.30pm Welcome Picnic
Lunch at STAPS

Week 4

Monday 15th

Student Leadership Ceremony @ Town Hall 2pm
Wed/Thur/Fri
Swimming Program P-6

Week 5

Wed/Thur/Fri

Swimming Program P-6
Friday 26th
Inter House Swimming Sports

Week 6

Wednesday 3rd

Black Ranges Swimming @ Horsham

Week 7

Monday 8th

Labour Day Holiday

Week 8

Friday 19th

Black Ranges Summers Sports @ LNP
Book Club Orders Close

Week 10

Thursday 1st April

Easter Hat Parade
2.30pm End T1

Principal's Report

Welcome Picnic

Our Annual Welcome Picnic was held on Monday, with a terrific turn out of parents, grandparents and special friends. Thank you all for coming along—the kids do love to have their family attend special school events. It was a great opportunity for the kids to show off the new sand pit and play areas. What a great way to start off the school year.

Sun Smart School hats

All students must have a school hat that is either a bucket hat or broad brimmed hat to comply with the school's Sun Smart Policy. Hats are available from the General Office all year round—\$10 broad brimmed and \$15 for the double sided, house colour bucket hat with elastic drawstring. Children without hats are not permitted to play outside of the shaded area.

Visiting Dentist

The Smile Squad from the Royal Flying Doctor Service will be visiting our school from the 22 February. Information and Parental Consent forms were sent home last week and are now overdue. If you wish to utilise this service please return your children's forms today.

School Council Election

We have two parent category councillors, Tara Lowe and Carl Leach, up for renomination in the upcoming School Council Annual General Meeting (March). Anyone interested in running for Council is welcome to pick up a nomination form from the General Office. In the event that we receive nominations in excess of the positions vacant, an election will be held.

Leaders Ceremony

Next Monday 15th February at 2pm in the Town Hall our School Leaders, along with the school leaders of St Arnaud Secondary College will be presented with their badges for 2021. These students include:

School Captains & Vice Captains—Jack Batters, Addison Wright, Mahlie Morris and Ruby Swanton
House Captains and Vice Captains—Austin Lowe, Sami Weir, Dayne Reyne, Veya Ricks; Lucy O'Donnell, Mahlie Morris, Oliver Hand, Finn Green, Jack Batters, Addison Wright, Hamish Tannock, Forbes Kirk

Value Captains—Tessa Patton, Lucy O'Donnell, Forbes Kirk, Amelia Watts, Veya Ricks

Junior School Councillors—Elyza Mernik, Georgie Mactaggart; Gio Sierra, Kate McCrohan; Grace Baldwin, Alex Medlyn; Jess Mahoney, Dayne Reyne, Rylan Leach, Annylee O'Brien

The Resilience Project

Late last year we were offered the opportunity by the Northern Grampians Shire Council, to fund the Student Workbooks component of the Resilience Project. We gratefully accepted the offer. Unfortunately this occurred after the formulation and distribution of the student booklists—meaning that parents had already ordered and paid for their child's TRP workbook. The amount paid will be credited to family accounts at the school, which can then be deducted from school fees, camp costs or monies owing. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Business Manager Jenny Gifford in the General Office.

Asthma Management Plans

Any students with an asthma management plan are asked to provide an up to date copy to the school by the end of February please. It is important we have this in our records.

Family Contact Details

If you have changed email addresses, home or mobile phone numbers or moved house—please ensure you contact the General Office and update your details. It is essential that the school have correct contact details for every family in the event of an emergency.

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday our classes participated in Safer Internet Day. Learning about being safe online, appropriate use of technology and not talking to strangers or sharing personal information were some of the focus areas. Each student has an Appropriate Use Agreement to be read, signed and returned to school by next Monday 15th February please.

Melissa Mitchell,
Principal

Term 1 Dates

8th February

9am Whole School Assembly
1.30-2pm Welcome Picnic

9th
Safer Internet Day

15th
Parent Teacher Interviews—Mon/Tues/Wed 3.15-5pm
2-3pm School Leaders Ceremony

17th
Swimming program commences (17/18/19 and 24/25/26)

1st March

2pm Visiting Performance

3rd
Black Ranges Zone Swimming Sports

8th
Labour Day Long Weekend—Public Holiday

19th
Black Ranges Summer Sports (T-ball, Cricket @ St Arnaud)
National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence (wear Orange)
Ride to School Day

22nd
School Photos

1st April

Easter Hat Parade
End of Term 1, 2.30pm dismissal

EVERY DAY COUNTS ...

A day here or there doesn't seem like much but ...

When your child misses just	that equals...	which is....	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ...	This means the best your child can achieve is ...
1 day a fortnight	20 days a year	4 weeks of school	Nearly 1½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days a year	8 weeks of school	Over 2½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days a year	16 weeks of school	Over 5 years of learning of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days a year	24 weeks of school	Over 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

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Value Award Winners



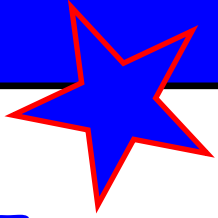
Prep/1 Ezard—Torah Watts
Yr2/3 Gould—Maddox Stewart
Yr3/4 Driscoll—Zaklen Hutchinson
Yr4/5 Moore—Harmonie Medlyn
Yr6Weir—Veya Ricks
Art—Jack Batters
Music—Wayne Simpson

Attendance and Uniform Count

Prep/1 Ezard— 100% uniform and 96% Attendance
Yr2/3 Gould—100% uniform and 95% Attendance
Yr3/4 Driscoll—100% uniform and 98% Attendance
Yr4/5 Moore— 95% uniform and 91% Attendance
Yr6Weir—100% uniform and 97% Attendance

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Celebrating our Students



Happy Birthday

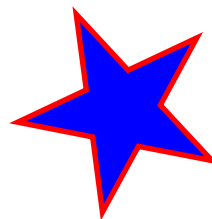
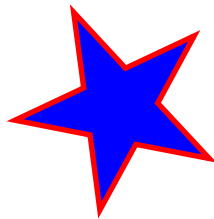
January

Forbes K - 1st
Natoya W - 4th
Felicity I - 7th
Jackson B— 23rd
Bethany I—23rd
Halley H—24th
Declan A—31st



February

Eliza S - 6th



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Lunch Order Price List

MENU FOR LUNCH ORDERS

PARKVIEW BAKERY 2021

STEAK PIE	\$4.60
MEAT & VEGIE PASTIE	\$4.60
SAUSAGE ROLL	\$3.30
PARTY PIE	\$1.50
(SAUCE PORTIONS 20 CENTS EACH)	

SML PIZZA	\$4.00
CHILLI CHICKEN WRAP	\$6.40
(Chicken Schnitzel, lettuce, cheese, chilli sauce)	

HAM OR CHICKEN SALAD ROLL	\$5.60
(Meat, lettuce, cheese, tomato, beetroot, mayo)	

HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH	\$4.30
ROLL	\$4.80
EGG & LETTUCE SANDWICH	\$3.80
ROLL	\$4.30
CHICKEN, LETTUCE, MAYO SAND	\$4.30
ROLL	\$4.80

COOL RIDGE 600ML WATER	\$3.30
POP TOP JUICE	\$2.30
250ML LONG LIFE BIG M	\$2.60
600ML BIG M	\$4.40

HEDGEHOG	\$4.00
LEMON SLICE	\$4.00
MUFFIN (Assorted Flavours)	\$4.40
GINGERBREAD MAN	\$2.40
JELLY SLICE	\$4.50
APPLE SLICE	\$4.00

Lunch Orders are available on Thursdays and Fridays throughout the year, unless otherwise advised.

Parents Club

A big thank you to all the parents and staff who manned the Sweet Treats Stall on Saturday. It was a terrific community event and wonderful to see so many people in one place for the first time in 12 months! Well done to the Lord Nelson Fundraising group for running the 2021 event.

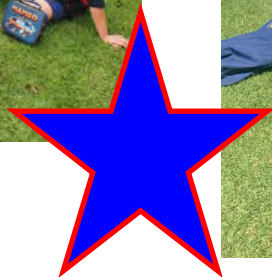
A large stock of second hand uniforms is on display in the Foyer. These are all \$5 each and are in clean used condition. Parents are welcome to come along and check out the stock. All proceeds go back into Parents Club.

If anyone has uniforms in good second hand condition, we would welcome the donations—this is a valued service at our school and a great way to upcycle!

NEXT MEETING - To be advised—new members welcome

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Welcome Picnic



**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**



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Community Announcements

Like to play in the Band?

The St Arnaud Band is looking for new players.

If you are over 10 years old, like music and want to learn to play a brass instrument, then playing in the Brass Band maybe just what you are looking for!

Parents are invited to learn with their children.

New Learners Group commencing Monday 15th February

6:30-7:30pm Mondays at the Band Hall

Please contact Helen Burns ph 0402 642 371

or come along to Senior Band Practice

7:30pm Mondays for further information.



Junior Cricket FINALLY RETURNS

Friday 5th of February
4pm @ King Georges Park

Tim Spear, Australian Veterans Cricket representative, and current Wimmera Mallee Head Coach will be running the program.

The first session will include both a skills component, and a Game.

Suits Grade 4 through to 15yo - Boys and Girls - Any level of Cricket experience.

WE WILL REQUIRE SOME PARENTS HELP - PLEASE CONTACT JASON ON 0429879362 OR COMMENT BELOW, IF YOU CAN HELP

At Long Last Were Back !!!! St Arnaud Netball Club

will commence Junior training.
(Under 13 & under 16)

Thursday 18th February at 4.30pm. Netball Courts.

Grade 5 and above are welcome to attend.

More details to come in relation to Net Set Go over next few weeks. .

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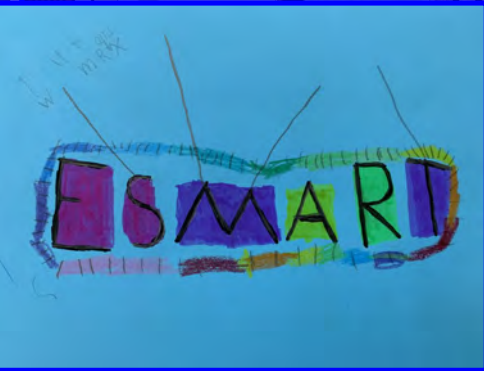
Safer Internet Day—eSmart Schools



Tuesday was Safer Internet Day. Each class learned about being safe online.

An Acceptable User Agreement has been sent home with each child

ACCEPTABLE I.C.T. USE	
RESPECT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We respect the ICT equipment • We use our devices as instructed by the teacher • We carry our devices carefully • We respect other students' privacy
RESILIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a growth mindset while developing new skills • We use our 'WITS' Walk away Ignore Talk it out Seek help
KINDNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are helpful to others • We make appropriate comments online • We practice cyber safety at all times
HONESTY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are on task at all times • We are honest when using devices • We only use appropriate websites • We abide by the Acceptable Use Agreement • We only use our own login details
ASPIRATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are inquisitive • We are creative



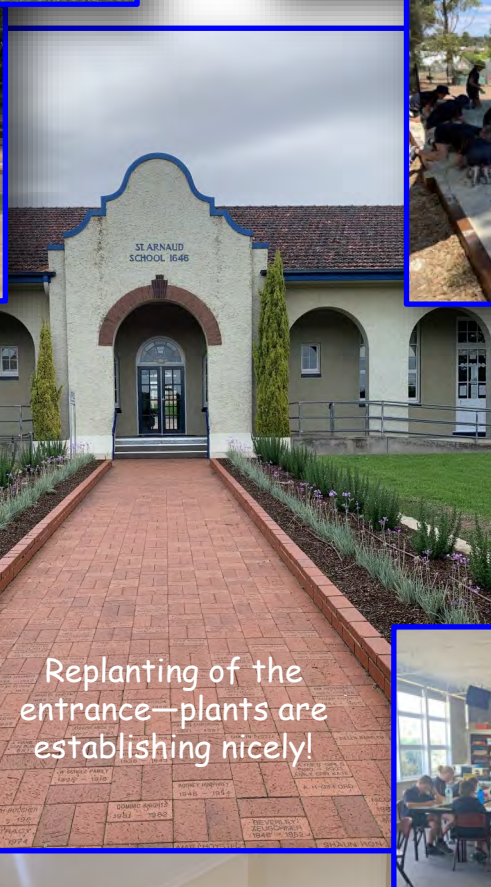
What's new around the school?



Lunch tables for senior students



Relocated playground has been a hit!



Replanting of the entrance—plants are establishing nicely!



The sand pit is THE place to be



New furnishings and fresh paint in the Admin area



New carpet in Room 4



Senior Gallery space update

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North Central - 2021 Fixture

RD 1 - APRIL 10

Charlton v Wyche-NFC
Birchip-Watchem v St Arnaud
Donald v W'burn Redbacks
Boort v Sea Lake NT

RD 7 - MAY 29

Charlton v Birchip-Watchem
St Arnaud v Donald
W'burn Redbacks v Boort
Wyche-NFC v Sea Lake NT

RD 12 - JULY 17

Boort v Charlton
Donald v Birchip-Watchem
Wyche-NFC v W'burn Redbacks
Sea Lake NT v St Arnaud

RD 2 - APRIL 17

Sea Lake NT v Charlton
Boort v Birchip-Watchem
Wyche-NFC v Donald
W'burn Redbacks v St Arnaud

RD 8 - JUNE 5

Wyche-NFC v Charlton
St Arnaud v Birchip-Watchem
W'burn Redbacks v Donald
Sea Lake NT v Boort

RD 13 - JULY 24

Charlton v Donald
Wyche-NFC v Birchip-Watchem
St Arnaud v Boort
W'burn Redbacks v Sea Lake NT

RD 3 - APRIL 24

Charlton v W'burn Redbacks
Birchip-Watchem v Sea Lake NT
Donald v Boort
St Arnaud v Wyche-NFC

JUNE 12

General BYE
Queens Birthday Long
Weekend

RD 14 - JULY 31

Birchip-Watchem v Charlton
Donald v St Arnaud
Boort v W'burn Redbacks
Sea Lake NT v Wyche-NFC

RD 4 - MAY 1

St Arnaud v Charlton
W'burn Redbacks v Birchip-Watchem
Sea Lake NT v Donald
Wyche-NFC v Boort

RD 9 - JUNE 19

Charlton v St Arnaud
Birchip-Watchem v W'burn Redbacks
Donald v Sea Lake NT
Boort v Wyche-NFC

RD 15 - AUGUST 7

Charlton v Wyche-NFC
Birchip-Watchem v St Arnaud
Donald v W'burn Redbacks
Boort v Sea Lake NT

RD 5 - MAY 8

Charlton v Boort
Birchip-Watchem v Donald
W'burn Redbacks v Wyche-NFC
St Arnaud v Sea Lake NT

RD 10 - JUNE 26

W'burn Redbacks v Charlton
Sea Lake NT v Birchip-Watchem
Boort v Donald
Wyche-NFC v St Arnaud

RD 16 - AUGUST 14

St Arnaud v Charlton
W'burn Redbacks v Birchip-Watchem
Sea Lake NT v Donald
Wyche-NFC v Boort

MAY 15

Inter-league OR
General BYE

JULY 3

General BYE
School Holiday Break

FIRST SEMI FINAL

August 21

SECOND SEMI FINAL

August 28

PRELIMINARY FINAL

September 4

GRAND FINAL

September 11

FEENY MEDAL

August 25
@ Charlton

RD 6 - MAY 22

Donald v Charlton
Birchip-Watchem v Wyche-NFC
Boort v St Arnaud
Sea Lake NT v W'burn Redbacks

RD 11 - JULY 10

Charlton v Sea Lake NT
Birchip-Watchem v Boort
Donald v Wyche-NFC
St Arnaud v W'burn Redbacks

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

