

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our students and their families



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to all those students who received prizes on Presentation Night and thank you to all for a great year at Ariah Park Central School. School will finish for the Christmas break on Wednesday 17th December and return dates for 2015 are noted further in the newsletter.

Brophy Place is very near completion with the turf being laid last week. The newly renovated area looks great and thank you to Brian Johnstone for all the hard work he has put into this project. Also thank you to the students and parents who helped lay the turf last Wednesday.

The Intensive Swimming program has now finished and all reports indicate that the students had a good time and improved their competence in the water. Thank you to Debbie Worland for providing the instruction and all those who supported the program.

Tree maintenance will be conducted today and tomorrow with a number of trees marked to be lopped or removed from both the playground areas. Earlier this year a number of trees were identified as high risk and work

was required to make the playground safe for our students.

The current Yearbook issued on presentation night unfortunately contains a number of errors that escaped proofing. I would ask those that received a Yearbook to return it and you will be issued with an amended version. I am sorry for the inconvenience.

I would like to thank parents, staff and community for a great year and wish everyone a merry Christmas. I look forward to seeing everyone safe and sound next year.

Justin Dunn

P&C NEWS

Printed in this newsletter are the minutes from our meeting which was held on Tuesday, 9th December 2014.

SCHOOL DIARY

Please note that new items are in bold
THIS WEEK (Week 11A)

Monday, 15/12/14

Whole School Assembly – 9.53am
Volunteers Morning Tea following
Assembly

K-6 Class Parties and Dance

Tuesday, 16/12/14

K-6 Temora Excursion
Aboriginal Guest Speaker

Wednesday, 17/12/14

Kindergarten luncheon
Year 6 Lunch with Mrs Jenkins

WEEK 1 – 2015

Tuesday, 27/1/15

School Development Day

Wednesday, 28/1/15

Kindergarten, Year 7 and Year 11/12
students return to school

Thursday, 29/1/15

Remainder of students return to school

Friday, 30/1/15

- Tries to complete class tasks and homework tasks
- Participates in PE and sport activities
- Participated in Active After School Activities

Well done Georgia. Congratulations!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Georgia McCormack who was presented with the Student of the Month Award at our last Whole School Assembly for 2014.

Georgia's certificate lists the following points:

- Listens to teacher instructions
- Actively participates in news discussions
- Is friendly and courteous to her peers
- Strives to do her best work

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

A Final Reminder – Parent Survey

Could I ask parents to please assist the school to evaluate its performance by participating in a short anonymous survey? This survey is found online this year at:

<http://schoolssurvey.edu.au/s/parent1055>

The survey will only remain open until **Friday, 19th December 2014**. Thank you for your participation.

Mr Dunn

Sick Children

Sick Bay is for incidents which happen at school, not pre-existing conditions. Recently there have been a number of infectious illnesses circulating the community.

These illnesses not only affect the children concerned, but the health of others both here and in the community who don't have the benefit of a strong immunity to the average 'bug'.

Whilst we appreciate students aiming for 100% attendance, sick students cannot learn effectively and passing on illnesses will also affect the learning and welfare of others.

Absence explanations can be sent via normal channels.

APCS Executive

Whole School Assembly

Today saw our final whole school assembly held. The following students were presented with certificates.

First in Subject



Pictured are students with their 'First in Subject' certificates

Staff Awards

Jelesp Bootes, Bianca Cameron, Adam Pfeffer, Henry Wilson.

Congratulations to these students who have each been awarded at least 6 merit awards.

SRC Awards



The following students were presented with SRC Certificates. In primary this equates to having previously received 8 merit awards and in secondary it is 12.

Kacey Manning, Sophie Maxwell, Thomas Writer, Oliver French, Blair McLean, Hayley Writer, Evie Hart, William Kenworthy, Abigail Stevens, Ella Watts, Alyssa Denyer, Bianca Cameron, Georgia Ellison, Dylon Jennings.

Well done to these students.

Principal's Awards



In primary students who receive this award have previously been awarded at least 13 merit awards and in secondary it is 18.

Congratulations to:

Maya Prentice, Gabrielle Fairman, Sarah Speirs, Abbey Doyle, Tom O'Dwyer, Louise O'Hare, Hannah O'Dwyer, Lily Walekr, Nancy French, Adam Prentice, Lillian Robinson, Christopher Ryall.

P&C Certificates

Mr Michael Denyer, President of the P&C, presented the following students with P&C Certificates.

In order for students to receive this award they must have previously received at least 18 merit awards in primary or 24 in secondary.



As secondary recipients were assisting Miss Ostle with Volunteer Morning Tea, they are not pictured

Congratulations to:

<i>Elsie Furphy</i>	<i>22 Merit Awards</i>
<i>Charlotte Bell</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Rafferty Edis</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Tyleesha Cummins</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Emma Doyle</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Maggie Johnstone</i>	<i>33</i>

<i>Sharnie McLean</i>	<i>37</i>
<i>Keely O'Connell</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Mitchell Maguire</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Jayden McLean</i>	<i>26</i>

These students are to be congratulated on such a wonderful effort.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for enjoyment and enrichment in students and enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student – to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The challenge is now in its thirteenth year, involves over 300,000 students and more than 2100 government, non-government and home schools. The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge booklists open doors to a rich collection of children's literature representing a range of books including fiction, non-fiction, picture books, poetry and drama, and include a wide variety of Australian authors and allows students to experience a range of exciting stories and explore issues that can challenge the way one thinks.

With thousands of books to choose from, students have the opportunity to embrace subjects that will widen their horizons and expand their vocabularies.

K-2 need to read 30 books and the rest of 3-9 students need to read 20 books. This year we had had 5 students successfully complete the Premier's Reading Challenge. They are:

<i>Bronte Ingram – Kinder</i>
<i>Sophie Dart – Year 1</i>
<i>Lucy Edis – Year 1</i>
<i>Alexander Ingram – Year 3</i>
<i>Zac Dart – Year 4</i>

Congratulations for this marvellous effort.

Miss Ostle



Volunteer's Morning Tea and Presentation



Again, we must thank our band of volunteers, without whom many of the things we can offer at APCS would simply not be possible. We thank most sincerely this band of volunteers and, as a token of our appreciation, have held a morning tea in their honour.

Pairs Cricket Presentation

Mitchell Maguire made a presentation following our Pairs Cricket matches. Congratulations to:

Winners: Riley Walker, Abbey Doyle

Runners-Up: Fraser Harper, Riley Judd

Catching Award: Joseph Ryall

Thanks you to Mitchell who organised and ran the Pairs Cricket matches.



2015 Requirements

Printed in this newsletter are the 2015 requirements for each group.

Please ensure your child has the items on the relevant list to facilitate a smooth start to 2015.

Thank you.

PRIMARY NEWS

Kindergarten Reminder

Kindergarten to bring in food for their luncheon on Wednesday.

Also, wear best clothes.

Ms Dundas



APCS 2015 REQUIREMENTS

Please ensure your child/ren's names are on all items brought to school

KINDER

- Hat – Hats must be worn Terms 1 and 4
- A change of clothes
- Box of tissues

YEAR 1/2

- Chair bag
- Box of tissues
- Plastic-lined library bag
- Paint smock/shirt
- Home Reading folder (plastic please – A4 pencil case or plastic sealable folder)
- 1 scrapbook (for Art)
- Pencilcase with:
 - lead pencils - HB (2)
 - ruler (cm + mm)
 - coloured pencils
 - eraser
 - pencil sharpener (enclosed version preferred)
 - glue sticks
 - scissors
 - textas
- 3 display folders
- USB thumb drive

YEAR 3/4

- Pencil case with:
 - lead pencils - HB (4)
 - ruler (cm + mm)
 - coloured pencils
 - eraser
 - pencil sharpener (enclosed version preferred)
 - glue sticks (4)
 - scissors
 - highlighters and textas
- Materials to cover books (clear contact or plastic only)
- Geometry set:
 - compass, set square, protractor
- 2 boxes of tissues
- Scrapbook
- Year 3 – Home Reader
 - folder plastic – A4 pencil case or plastic sealable folder
- Small basic calculator
- Plastic lined paint smock
- USB thumb drive

YEAR 5/6

- Pencil case with:
 - lead pencils - HB (2)
 - ruler
 - coloured pencils
 - red/blue pens (3 of each)
 - eraser
 - pencil sharpener (enclosed version preferred)
 - glue sticks (4)
 - scissors
 - textas
- Materials to cover books (contact or plastic)
- Homework display folders
- Geometry set:
 - compass, set square, protractor – please make sure the protractor is see-through
- Plastic Spiral Bound Folder for Portfolios
- 2 boxes of tissues
- USB thumb drive
- Note Pad
- Calculator
- Drawing book

ALL SECONDARY STUDENTS

- Personal USB storage device (see note re Stage 5 – Year 9/10 below)
- Calculator (Casio Scientific – can be purchased at school for \$25)
- Closed in leather shoes for all practical subjects
- Writing equipment (red and black or blue pens, grey pencil, scissors, glue, coloured pencils, highlighter, ruler, eraser and sharpener)

NOTE: Year 7 WILL HAVE A STARTER PACK PROVIDED BY APCS – student will be supplied with what they need to start secondary **except** writing equipment as above and closed shoes

SUBJECT SPECIFIC Year 8 only

English	200 page A4 exercise book and a display folder
Maths	Geometry Set 200 page A4 gridbook
PD/H/PE	100 page A4 exercise book
Geography/History	200 page A4 exercise book Display folder
Commerce	100 page A4 exercise book
Science	200 page A4 exercise book
Agriculture	100 page A4 exercise book
Art	Art Diary (available through the Front Office for \$3.50) Smock/painting shirt
Mandatory Technology	Display folder / Food container USB thumb drive
Music	100 page A4 exercise book

REQUIREMENTS STAGE 5 (YEARS 9 and 10)

- USB requirement – it is recommended that Stage 5 students also have a portable hard drive which is kept at home to back up their DER laptops.
- All students must have their laptop charged (at home) and in working order prior to bringing them to school
- 1 lever arch folder with subject dividers, paper and plastic sleeves (enough for each subject)
- 1 display folder for each subject
- general stationery – pens, pencils, ruler, calculator, eraser, pencil sharpener, pencils, textas, scissors, glue
- A4 sketchbook
- Small exercise book (recommended 64 pages)
- School geometry set
- Container for food in hospitality/food technology

REQUIREMENTS STAGE 6 (YEARS 11 and 12)

A4 Visual Diary (with blank pages) for Visual Art

**** Other requirements will be distributed via RAP early in 2015**



ARIAH PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 9th December 2014

OPENING TIME: 8.10pm

LOCATION: Ariah Park Central School Library

Chair: Michael Denyer

Minutes: Louise O'Dwyer

Present: Rosemary Wood, Cathy Drumore, Kate Pollard, Stacie Ostle, Carol Heward, Sam Dart, Rhonda Johnstone, Debbie Worland, Bronwyn Fairman, Karin Walker, April Frater, Joel Fairman

Apologies: Allison Pursehouse, Peter Harper, Alice French, John Walker

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Minutes of Previous Meeting	The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true and accurate record. M: Debbie Worland S: Tracey Buerckner CARRIED	
2. Business arising from previous minutes	-Tracey has paid the P & C Insurance online. -Wendy still to purchase microwave for canteen.	
3. Correspondence	-Letter received from NSW Department of Education and Communities – regarding Chaplaincy Program -Email received from Ariah Park Café -Christmas card received from Sports Shirts Australia -Letter received from Ariah Park Swimming Pool regarding sponsorship of swimming pool blocks	Letter given to Debbie W. To be discussed during general bus.

4. Treasurers Report	<p>The Treasurer's report was read by Tracey Buerckner and accepted by the meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">M: Tracey Buerckner S: Sam Dart CARRIED</p>	
5. Canteen Report	Send Christmas card to Darren Walker	Louise
6. SRC Report	-	
7. Welfare Committee	<p>-Kate Pollard is taking over from Stacie Ostle as the Girls Adviser next year</p> <p>-Kate spoke on the Values Program "You Can Do It"</p> <p>-Will Stevens will be head of welfare next year</p>	
8. School Finance Report	-	
9. Principal's Report	<p>-Brophy place well and truly underway – turf to be laid on Wednesday.</p> <p>-Justin provided meeting with the plans for the new hospitality building</p> <p>-Cathy Drumore will be replacing Mark Englert next year</p> <p>-We welcome Kirilly Farrell to the secondary teaching staff next year. She will be teaching English</p> <p>-Alyce Daniher was successful in gaining the teaching position of Year 1/2 next year. Taking on Mrs. Frater's 2 days and then going full time when Mrs. Jennings begins her leave.</p> <p>-Presentation Night is on Thursday night.</p> <p>-School looking to purchase 25 seater bus to transport TVET students and to excursions etc.</p> <p>-School planning cycle to be discussed early next term.</p> <p>-Justin demonstrated new tablets that the year 7/8 students will be getting next year.</p> <p>-Justin offered the use of the Industrial Arts building to the P & C so that the P & C could make items to be auctioned at school fete.</p>	To be discussed in general bus.

10. General Business	<p>After some discussion, -A motion was moved for the P & C to support the school's purchase of a bus, by way of contribution of \$10,000-00. Funds to be held until the purchase of the vehicle.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">M: Debbie Worland S: Joel Fairman All in favour CARRIED</p> <p>-Stacie thanked those who had covered books for her this year.</p> <p>After some discussion, -A motion was moved for the P & C to pay a 50% share of the cost of a new Swimming Block for the community pool. The remaining 50% will be donated by the school.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">M: Karin Walker S: Carol Heward All in favour</p>	
11. Meeting Closed at	9.30pm	
12.Next Meeting	The AGM will be held 10 th February 2015 @ 8pm	

Michael Denyer.....
PRESIDENT

Louise O'Dwyer.....
SECRETARY

THIS IS A TRUE & CORRECT ACCOUNT OF THE MINUTES FROM THIS MEETING.

Thank you for your support and attendance

It is appreciated

ARIAH PARK COMMUNITY NEWS

To be included in the Arianh Park Community News, your ads/notices need to be received by 11am Friday. All notices may be emailed to ariahpark-c.admin@det.nsw.edu.au (preferred method), hand written or faxed

Arianh Park Community Catering

Just a reminder to members who haven't paid their \$5 membership (mostly to cover your insurance when working for your community).

If you can't remember if you have paid please Karin Walker on 69741144



Australia Day

AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST

MONDAY, 26TH JANUARY 2015 DAVEY PARK @ 8.00AM

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Ariah Park Swim Club NEWS

School Newsletter Update – No.8

15th December 2014

We cursed into week 4 club night with enthusiasm and gusto despite missing a few of our swimmers due to the change in race night & prior commitments, however it didn't decrease the eagerness of our timekeepers as the Shazams were in full swing. As some of our time keepers like to make some noise and get a bit excited (this weeks excited ones were Louise and Renae), I think they may have even scored a double **shazam**!!!! GO GIRLS!!

We know that we also have the '**Quiet Achieving**' Shazamers – you always have to watch the quiet ones, they're good at sneaking up on you when no one is watching!!!

Week 4 showcased the medley and backstroke and despite our swimmers being exhausted from all the daily intensive swimming they had been doing at school, we still has some terrific swims and promotions to the next level, it's great to see you all having a go 🐣

To keep things running smoothly each week we must say thanks to our race recorders who do a fab job. They are like little ducks calmly swimming above the water but madly kicking underneath and praying there are no computer glitches. Our recorders for this week were Renae D, Tracey and Leah – SUPER JOB GIRLS 😊 (Not sure who the other Fella is lounging around↓)



This Thursday will be our last Club Night for 2014 and we'll finish the night off with our Christmas BBQ get together.

Christmas BBQ: as mentioned in previous weeks swim club will be providing the meat, serviettes & sauce for the BBQ

Please BYO -

- ✓ Salad or dessert to share
- ✓ Plates & cutlery
- ✓ Mozzie repellent



This week's events (Thursday 18th Dec) are:

Week 5	
Event No.	Stroke
1.	100m Freestyle
2.	200m Freestyle
3.	12m Freestyle
4.	25m Freestyle
5.	50m Freestyle
6.	100m Freestyle
7.	12m Breaststroke
8.	25m Breaststroke
9.	50m Breaststroke
10.	100m Breaststroke
11.	12m Freestyle
12.	25m Freestyle
13.	Relays mixed age teams

We will let you know when Club nights and training resumes in 2015. Stay safe and enjoy the break with your loved ones.

Ho, Ho, Ho only one week of swim club to go!!!

<: Merry Christmas to everyone & here's to a very Happy &
Healthy New Year :>



Behaviour Support & Teaching Strategies

By Sue Larkey MA Spec Ed, Grad Dip Ed

PRESENTED BY

**MISSION
AUSTRALIA**

LOCATION:

Cootamundra Ex-
Services Club – Cr
Parker St &
Wallendoon St,
Cootamundra.

DAY: Monday

**DATE: Feb 2nd,
2015.**

9.00AM-2.30PM

Doors open at 9.00am

COST: FREE!

Bookings Essential

Registration
includes coffee, tea
and light
refreshments.

**Lunch is not
provided**

Enquiries or
bookings contact:

Danielle Janssen

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janssend@missionaustralia.com.au

**"To know someone
with Autism
Spectrum Disorder is
not to know Autism**



Sue Larkey: International Author, Autism Spectrum Specialist, Teacher

Sue Larkey is uniquely positioned within the education system having taught both as a primary school teacher and a special education teacher. She is a highly qualified educator who has taught students with autism spectrum disorder in the mainstream and special schools. She combines practical experience with extensive research having completed a Masters in Special Education and currently working towards her Doctorate of Education, focusing on inclusive education.

Sue is unashamedly passionate about her mission – to inspire parents and educators and teach them how to 'Make it a Success'. Armed with the tools of understanding and confidence much can be achieved.

"Sue has a remarkable ability to identify and briefly explain the difficulties experienced by a child with autism in a regular classroom and to suggest realistic and practical strategies to improve abilities and behaviour. Her advice is succinct and wise." **Dr Tony Attwood, World Renowned Expert on ASD.**

Join Sue for a FUN, FAST MOVING, & EXCITING DAY.

Who should attend?

Parents/carers, Teachers, Teacher Assistants, Service Providers, Therapists and Families.

Course Content:

Behaviour Support: •What are ASD behaviours? •what to do with special interests •strategies for home •strategies for school (pre-school, primary and secondary) •sensory issues in relation to toileting, sleeping, clothing, eating, etc •repetitive and obsessive behaviours •dealing with anxiety.

Teaching Strategies: •What is ASD? •autism learning style •visual strategies •social skills teaching play •transitions •how to motivate.

Feedback from previous participants:

"As a teacher aide the practicality of it was brilliant, and as a mother of a son with Aspergers it moved me."

"Your talk was literally life changing and I am happy to verify that anytime, anywhere. The straightforward, uncomplicated way you put forward your points was nothing short of brilliant."

"A most informative and entertaining workshop. Your ability to reach the whole audience is only matched by your obvious depth of knowledge of autism."

"It was the most practical yet down to earth seminar I have been to for a long time and I came away inspired and motivated."