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Arncliffe Public School Newsletter

Term 4 | Week 2 | 2021



Home Learning Awards (Term 3/Week 10)

NB: There is a two week delay in publishing award names so that students can receive their awards in the mail before announced here.

K Blue: Leon G, Alua K

K Red: Temuge A, Husayn A, Manan R

K Green: Deem A, EJ E

1/2 Blue: Ujin B, Marcus C, Zahra M, Fadel S

1/2 Green: Anand P, Alex B, Ali B, Molor E, Tom G,
Aavish B, Mona S, Jacob T, Alisha H

1/2 Orange: Elliot A, Sebastien H, Lakshya N,
Piper S, Jasper S

1/2 Red: Max J, Ruby T, Jaxon L, Branden H

1/2 Purple: Sienna B, Zeinab B, Ali N, Muhammad F

3/4 Blue: Cooper M, Lamis M, Omesin A

3/4 Green: Jonathan S, Leo F, Zaak K

3/4 Orange: James B, Natalia M, Yusef T

3/4 Purple: Chiara D, Adam A, Sophia P

3/4 Red: Abdul H, Husayn C, Zaynab K

5/6 Blue: Farrah A, Emily M, Shanti G

5/6 Green: -

5/6 Orange: Joana R, Violet T, Charlie R, Ali S

5/6 Red: Christopher P, Adam M, Chloe H

Silver Awards

N/A

Gold Awards

N/A

Specialist Teacher Awards

EAL/D: Ivan K, Ali H, Soomin B, Bilguun B, Isaac Z



From the Principal

Dear APS Parent and Carers,

Firstly can I thank you all for the support you have given your children during this extended and challenging lockdown. As a staff we thank you also for your ongoing good will, kind words and support. We are delighted that the lockdown is lifting and in the next 2 weeks our students can return and we can resume school operations. Arncliffe PS is classified as a "Level Three Plus" school as such there are still some restrictions to full school operation. The following provides a full overview of what this classification means for us and our Covid Safe protocols in place to endeavour to keep everyone safe and well.

As a level Three Plus School we are still unable to operate the following:

- Music programs including Choir
- No Assemblies
- No PSSA and therefore Inline Skating
- No Scripture and Ethics
- No incursions/excursions and therefore no swimming programs or Stage 3 Interrelate
- No Stage 3 camp



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From the Principal (continued)...

P&C Meeting:

A P&C Zoom meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday 19th October at 7:30 pm. At this meeting I will be able to review these guidelines and answer parent questions. I look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at this meeting. Please use the following link to register for the meeting:

<https://au01web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/u5MrfumrrTlqGdDT3CqgexA3XKdM5Pf5Jkyi>

Students Returning to School:

- Monday 18th October - Kindergarten and Year 1 students. Online learning remains in place for students in Years 2-6
- Mondays 25th October - Students in Years 2-6 return to school
- Monday 25th October - all online and home learning paper packs cease as the expectation is that all students return to face to face learning.

Work Packs

Mondays 18th October paperwork packs will be distributed by the Executive staff via the school driveway between 9:15 and 11:30 am. No packs will be posted home as they are unlikely to be received before students return to school. Please remember to use the QR Code to sign in, sanitise and maintain social distancing.

Staggered Arrivals and Departures:

We ask Kindergarten and Year 1 parents to bring your child/ren to the Avenal Gate commencing Monday 18th October for this week, where they will be greeted by their teachers.

From Monday 25th October students can enter the school via Segenhoe and Avenal Gates. Students K-2 will gather under the Hall COLA and students 3-6 will gather on the top court.

Segenhoe Gate will be locked promptly at 9:00 am as teachers need to meet their students and go to class. Late arrivals will need to access the school via the Avenal Gate.

Thank you to parents who have emailed their preference for departure via the 3 gates. The process of students exiting via the 3 gates will commence on Monday 18th October.

- 2:45 pm Students with surnames A - L will depart
- 3:00 pm Student with surnames M - Z, along with children walking home and after-school TASK students will depart

The success of our school departures will be reliant on parents being prompt to pick up their children, so we ask that there is diligence with this.

Parents are reminded to maintain social distancing around the school, maintain polite road etiquette and adhere to the road rules. Please DO NOT double park in Segenhoe and Avenal Street as this causes congestion, and extremely dangerous situations for all our students.

From the Principal (continued)...

Staff Vaccinations:

It is a Public Health Order (PHO), endorsed by the Department of Education and the Teachers Federation, that all staff must be fully vaccinated by October 18th and no later than November 8th. As a result of this PHO there will be many impacts on the staffing at our school. Staff are not permitted to enter school grounds if they are not fully vaccinated by Monday 18th October.

Staffing Updates

I will provide regular staffing updates as they are determined throughout the Term.

Monday 18th October: Kindergarten and Year 1 Teachers will resume face to face teaching. Our staffing is as follows:

ES1	Stage 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• K Red - Mrs Raadik• K Blue - Mrs Cardassilaris• K Green - Ms Harris• Mrs Ordanoski has commenced maternity leave and we are excited to meet baby in a few short weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1/2Blue - Ms Dillon• 1/2Red - Mrs Dimovski• 1/2Green - Mrs Laing• 1/2Purple - Ms Tran & Mrs Glassock• 1/2Orange - Ms Nicolau• Monday 18th October Ms Mitrevski & Ms Nedelkoska will be engaged on SeeSaw with Year 2 students• Monday 25th October Ms Mitrevski commences Maternity leave

Monday 18th October: Teachers 3 - 6 will continue to engage with the students via Google Classroom.

There will be some impact to some of our intervention programs as we rearrange staff to cover face to face classroom operations.

Canteen Operation:

- The school canteen will re-open on Wednesday 27th October. Donna will be providing a limited menu for lunch ordering, with this published next week.
- The preference is for all lunches to be ordered Online. The link to online ordering will be published next week.
- NO breakfast will be served until further notice. This is due to children being in separate playground areas in the morning, with K-2 students meeting under the COLA.
- There will be NO after school sales for the foreseeable future, due to staggered school departures.

From the Principal (continued)...

Ventilation:

The Asset Management branch of the Department of Education has conducted a Ventilation assessment of all NSW schools. The report for APS indicates that our classroom size and student numbers are compliant with recommended ventilation. Most rooms have fans and all rooms have air conditioning. As a further safety measure we have purchased window restrictors and it is anticipated these will be installed next week, ensuring all windows can be opened in a safe manner.

Masks:

Teachers will wear masks indoors and outdoors as stipulated by guidelines. However it is not mandatory for primary children to wear masks. If you wish your child to wear one, please supply your own. The school has sufficient masks available for emergencies and sick children.

Staggered Lunch and Recess times:

The following times will be applied to restrict the mingling of student cohorts:

K-2 - LUNCH	3-6 - LUNCH
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:45 am eating time• 10:55 - 11:10 am First Lunch• 11:10 - 11:25 Second Lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 11:20 am eating time• 11:30 - 11:45 am First Lunch• 11:45 - 12:00 Second Lunch
K-2 - RECESS	3-6 - RECESS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1:00 - 1:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1:30 - 2:00

School Cleaning:

The additional cleaning that was introduced in 2020 as a response to COVID 19 has been maintained with the playground equipment, tables and bubblers being cleaned twice daily.

School Bytes:

As mentioned in last week's edition our school is transitioning into a new administrative platform "School Bytes". It is anticipated that by the beginning of 2022 we will be mostly paperless and cashless.

Expect to see more communication via email from School Bytes.

We have already seen very quick responses from parents to the emails that have been sent. We are hoping to have an electronic signature feature installed in the near future.

From the Principal (continued)...

No parents on school grounds:

Currently NO parents are permitted to enter the school grounds, with the exception of Before and After School. In the future, when this restriction is lifted, parents will need to sign in using the newly introduced School Sign In system, which will include providing evidence of full vaccination.

Volunteers:

All volunteers will need to show evidence of full vaccination before being able to participate in school activities/programs. This includes:

- P&C members meeting on school grounds
- P&C fundraising events
- Ethics and Scripture teachers
- Music tutors
- All extra-curricular activities, including incursions, sport and dance programs
- Parent helpers in classroom
- Art Tutors
- Uniform shop

Sick Children:

Please DO NOT send your child to school if they are sick. The response is that you will be called and asked to take them home. We would really appreciate everyone being considerate and diligent with this issue as together we all want to prioritise the health and well being of the whole school community.

TASK (The Before and After School Program):

TASK continues to operate with all staff fully vaccinated.

Transition to School:

Currently we are not permitted to operate an onsite Kindergarten Transition to school program. This will become an Online program with the hope that by the end of the term, restrictions will be lifted.

Year 6 Farewell:

Currently no Year 6 Farewell can be held prior to December 3rd. We are planning our Farewell for 13th December and hope that they will be no interruptions to our planning.

This has been a comprehensive overview of planning to date. As you can imagine it has been complex and rather demanding as guidelines continue to change. All our endeavours have been predicated on putting our students front and centre and working out the most optimal plan. There will be ongoing changes, and I ask that you continue your patience as we respond to these changes.

Entry from 18th October - CORRECTION

In the note recently sent out, we said that children from K-1 could be dropped off at the Segenhoe Gates in the morning for the first week. However we have revised this and request that all children be dropped off at the Avenal Gates where they will be welcomed by their teacher.

From 25th October, the Segenhoe Gates will be opened in the morning. Thank you for your understanding.

Keep Katie Moving

Many of you will know Katie M - mother to Jarrah (our school captain) and Willow. Katie is a beautiful woman, parent and community member.

Katie has been fighting cancer for 8 years now and is giving it her all.

The link below is a video clip from Katie, family and friends who have set up a "Go Fund Me" page to help raise money for Katie, who is losing her mobility, but continuing to fight for her independence.

We wanted to share this with you as you might like to help Katie and her family.

<https://gofund.me/36ee8e46>



Join our virtual Community Choir

Celebrate our wonderful school community by bringing our voices together in one song and we have a part just for YOU! Participating is easy - we will be singing a simple well known song, you'll have a backing track to practice to, we will provide simple instructions to record yourself and you'll be able to do it all in the comfort of your own home!

Students, parents, siblings are all encouraged to contribute. It'll be such a lovely memento for you and your kids for years to come! And if you still need a reason, did you know that singing lowers stress levels and strengthens the immune system? Breathe the music in and breathe the stress out!

Please email:
arncliffschoir@gmail.com
to register your interest.

Here is the video from last year in case you missed it:

<https://youtu.be/hnHXsGHGjKE>



Selective High School 2023

An email has been sent out via School Bytes to all students currently in Year 5 regarding intention to apply for a Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2023. Please contact the office if you did not receive this email.

Please also see below for key dates in the enrolment process.



High Performing Students Team

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 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.

School Bytes Online Payment Guide

Statements of Account - Online Payment Guide

Arncliffe Public School will be sending student statements of account & payment reminders directly to parents/caregivers via email using a system called School Bytes. These statements include a link to make secure payment online through the Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system (Visa & Mastercard credit/debit cards accepted).

To make an online payment for your child(ren)'s school contributions, please follow the steps below:

1. You will receive an email from the following email address (parent@arncliffe.schoolbytes.education) with the subject 'Student Statement of Account' or 'Payment Request'.

Dear Parent,

Please find attached the statement of account for your child - **John Citizen**.

Payment can be made online via our Westpac Parent Payment System. Use the link(s) below to pay using a debit or credit card (MasterCard/Visa).

[Make a payment for John Citizen](#)

2. To make an online credit card payment, click the secure payment button in the email.

[Make a payment for John Citizen](#)

3. Once this button is clicked, you will be taken to a webpage on www.parentpayments.com.au. On this page, you will see a list of all currently outstanding items for your child. By default, all items are selected/ticked for payment.

Parent Online Payment Portal

Statement of Account for John Citizen

Once completed, visit the 'Pay' (credit card) screen, 'Next' at the bottom of the page.

Item	Date	Due	Item Name	Amount	Paid	Balance Owing (\$)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15/09/2017		Operational fee Operations	\$30.00	\$30.00	40.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/09/2017		Uniforms/Books for Johannes Deuring	\$1.85	\$1.85	\$40
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/09/2017		Uniforms for M&A Deuring/Noah O'D	\$10.75	\$10.75	18.75
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10/09/2017		Payment for Helen Gray 2017	\$10.75	\$10.75	10.75
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/09/2017		Workshop fee for Michael Gray	\$1.80	\$1.80	5.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/09/2017		Tuition fee Technology	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$3.00

4. If you wish to change the amount you would like to pay for an item, enter the desired amount in the number field under the 'Balance Owing' column.

To not pay for a certain item, untick the checkbox in the left-hand column of the table next to the item you wish to remove.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	27/01/2017		V10 Technology Support	\$3000	\$3000	30.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	01/02/2017		V10 Maths -online programme	\$2400	\$2400	24.00

5. Once you have selected what items you wish to pay, enter your name, phone number and email address under 'Payer Details'. This allows the school to identify which parent/caregiver is making the payment. Now, press the 'Next' button to be redirected to a secure Westpac site to finalise your online payment.

Grand Total: \$1028.00

Westpac

Your Name: Contact Phone Number: Credit Card:

You will be redirected to a secure Westpac site to finalise your online payment.

[Next](#)

6. Once redirected to Westpac, you will see the following screen. Enter your credit card details into the appropriate text fields on this screen. Once completed, press the 'Proceed to Confirmation' button.

Make a Payment

Enter your payment details below. Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory.

Card Details

* Cardholder Name

* Credit Card Number

* Expiry Date /

* Card Verification Number (CVN) What is this CVN?

IF YOU REALISE YOU HAVE MADE A MISTAKE IN SELECTING WHAT ITEMS YOU WISH TO PAY ON THE PREVIOUS PAYMENT PORTAL SCREEN, PLEASE CLICK THE 'Cancel Payment' BUTTON.

7. You will then see a payment summary screen where you can confirm your details. When ready, press the button at the bottom of the page to confirm and make your online payment.

NOTE: To pay for another child in the family, return to the original email you received and click the payment button with the other child's name on it.

The payment button/link located within the email remains active for 12 months. This means that at any point within this time period you can use this link to see what items are currently owing for your family.

For information relating to the security & privacy of this service, please refer to the following webpage: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/view/full/13141/MAIN-EDUCATION/PUBLIC-SCHOOLS/POINT-TO-A-PUBLIC-SCHOOL/MEDIA/DOCUMENTS/School-Bytes-Student-Privacy-Information.pdf>

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upcoming sessions

Parents, Carers, and Community Members in South Eastern Sydney are invited to attend a free mental health education session in Term 4.



The sessions aim to:

- Strengthen your understanding of mental health and the warning signs for suicide and self-harm.
- Increase awareness of the impacts of COVID-19 on wellbeing.
- Strengthen your understanding and skills in how to have a conversation with your young person.
- Build awareness of local services and the various supports available.
- Strengthen relationships between local area mental health services, local schools, headspace centres and other community organisations.



Supporting young people and those impacted by suicide

Date: 12 October 2021
Time: 12 – 1:15pm AEDT
Location: Online webinar
Registration on: <https://bit.ly/3zd1Q65>



Communicating with young people

Date: 8 November 2021
Time: 12 – 1:15pm AEDT
Location: Online webinar
Registration on: <https://bit.ly/3d4FnqT>



Supporting young people impacted by COVID-19

Date: 1 December 2021
Time: 8 – 7:15pm AEDT
Location: Online webinar
Registration on: <https://bit.ly/2XmDCJ7>



For more information
Contact us at programsupport@headspace.org.au

REGISTRATION LINKS: <https://bit.ly/3zd1Q65> | <https://bit.ly/3d4FnqT> | <https://bit.ly/2XmDCJ7>