



# Appin Public School

## Strive to Improve

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### *From the Principal*

Welcome back everyone to our final term for 2019. We hope all our families enjoyed some quality time together and are enjoying the longer afternoons that daylight savings brings.

#### **Gold Award, Aussie of the Month and Ministers Reward for Primary Students**

It is a great achievement to have attained five Class Awards, three Bronze Awards and two Silver Awards to reach Gold Award status, to be an exemplary all-rounder student who becomes an Aussie of the Month and to tirelessly and responsibly fulfill the duties of a Student Minister at our school. As a way of saying "congratulations" or "thank you", a reward outing is offered each year to these eligible students. This year our deserving Primary students will be going to Jamberoo Water Park on **Tuesday, 10th December, 2019**. Last chance for Gold Awards are to be **redeemed by Friday 15th November**. Any Gold Awards received after this date will be included in next year's Rewards Day.

#### **Enrolments for 2020**

It is vitally important this year that families notify our Office if their children will not be attending our school next year. Likewise, please notify our Office if you know of any families moving into Appin with children who plan to enrol at our school for next year. It is imperative that we know exact numbers as soon as possible to help with organisation of classes for 2020.

#### **Kindergarten 2020**

Our Annual Kinder Orientation is being held next Wednesday, **23rd October from 9:10am - 11:00am**. This is a fantastic opportunity for parents to learn about school and the first few weeks and to ask questions. Our 2020 Kinders will meet their "buddy" for next year who will support them through their first 2-3 weeks of "big school". Uniforms can also be purchased at our P & C Uniform Shop. Even though a healthy number of prospective Kinder parents have contacted our school in preparation for enrolling for 2020, we ask that you please encourage any neighbours or friends with children starting school to obtain enrolment forms from our office. Also, for those parents who have already collected their enrolment forms, please return the completed forms to our office as quickly as possible along with a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunisation records and proof of your address.

### **Dates to Remember:**

2019	Uniform Shop is open every Monday - 8:30am to 9:30am
16th October	Kinderstart - 9:30am - 10:30am
16th-18th Oct	Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra
22nd Oct	P & C Meeting - 6:30pm in School Library
23rd Oct	Kinder Orientation Day - <b>9:10am-11:00am</b> <b>(Mandatory attendance for parents and 2020 Kinders please.)</b>
4th Nov	Parliament - 2:00pm in School Hall
9th Nov	P & C Shopping Trip Fundraiser
19th, 26th Nov & 3rd Dec	Interrelate Talk for Years 5 & 6
26th Nov	P & C Meeting - 6:30pm in the Library
28th Nov	Responsible Pet Education Program - K-2
4th Dec	Thank You Breakfast 8:15am - 9:00am      Last Scripture for 2019
9th Dec	Parliament - 2:00pm in School Hall Year 6 Farewell at Appin House - Arrive 5:30pm
10th Dec	Jamberoo Reward Day
16th Dec	Learning Certificates Presentation Day Yr 6 Graduation Assembly

## Stamp Chart Superstars

Congratulations to the following students who have filled their stamp chart or accumulated dojo points by demonstrating and following our classroom rules.

Kookaburra: Hudson, Joel, Josh

Lorikeet: Claudia, Hayley, Mikayla, Alegra & Charlee

Congratulations to all and keep up the fine efforts.

## Year 7 Selective High School 2021 - Important information:

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2021. Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. **The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday, 12th March 2020.** If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2021, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (**not the student's email address**). Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from late-September 2019 at:

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

The application website **opens at that link on 8 October 2019 and closes on 11 November 2019.** You must apply before the closing date. There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 8 October 2019. You must submit only **ONE** application for each student.

## PBL Wellbeing Tip for Parents - What's the best drink to quench a thirst? Water!

Even better, it has none of the sugar, found in fruit drinks, soft drinks, sports drinks and flavoured mineral waters, which can cause tooth decay. Fruit juice, which contains Vitamin C, is often seen as a healthy choice of drink. However, fruit juice is high in sugar and kilojoules, just like fruit drinks, flavoured mineral water, energy drinks and soft drinks. For example, a 250ml cup of apple juice or cola contains up to six teaspoons of sugar. Add it up: just one can of soft drink per day adds 18 kilos of sugar to our diet! You can have them occasionally, but these drinks are not a necessary part of a healthy diet.

### How much to drink?

The recommended daily amount of fluids is:

- 5 glasses (1 litre) for 5 to 8 year olds
- 7 glasses (1.5 litres) for 9 to 12 year olds
- 8 to 10 glasses (2 litres) for 13+ years

You should drink more water when you're exercising or on a hot day. We often don't feel thirsty even when our bodies need fluid, so it's a good idea to drink water regularly throughout the day.

## Pack your child a healthy lunch box!

Did you know children consume around 30% of their daily food intake at school? Most of this comes from the contents of their lunchbox. Healthy lunches and snacks help children concentrate, learn and play throughout the day. We know that children need to eat plenty of fruit and vegetables every day, as well as wholegrains, milk products (including cheese and yoghurt), meat and meat alternatives and water. You can include all of this in your child's lunch box and still make it fun and interesting to eat. By planning ahead, you can make sure that your child's lunch box has each of the five key food groups. Always remember to pack a water bottle!



## Aussie of the Month

An **AUSSIE of the MONTH** is someone who:

- \* Consistently obeys the school rules;
- \* Is helpful to students and teachers;
- \* Is caring to other class and school members;
- \* Is a good friend;
- \* Always gives of their best and tries hard to improve;
- \* Displays a wonderful attitude to school.

The 'Aussie of the Month' for September were:

**Infants** - Matilda Naisby

**Primary** - Holly Bridge

## Student of the Week - T3 W10

Owl - Ryder

Rosella - Nixon

Fairywren - Zachery

Cockatoo - Ava

Currawong - Emily

Kookaburra - Noah

Lyrebird - TBA

Bowerbird - Fletcher

Lorikeet - Lauren

Falcon - TBA

Magpie - Seth

Cassowary - Ben

Bellbird - Mia

Kingfisher - Travis





# Teachers Now Targeting

TERM 4 WEEK 1 & 2

## Be A Learner

Speak when it's your turn & be an active listener!



### Year 6 Farewell Fundraiser

Once again in Term 4, Year 6 students will be selling iceblocks each afternoon, after school from 3:00pm-3:15pm, starting **Monday 21st October** to raise money for the Year 6 Farewell. If any parents from Year 5 or Year 6 would like to donate a bag of Zooper Doopers, it would be greatly appreciated. They can be dropped off at the school office. Thank you.



### Fees Reminder

All fees can be paid off in instalments. (POP) Parent Online Payments [our preferred option] can be made via the Appin School website page at <https://appin-p.schools.nsw.gov.au> EFTPOS is also available at the office for your convenience.

### Summary of costs:

- School Contribution - \$40 each or \$70 per family (more than 1 child)
- Photocopy Levy - \$20 per child
- Software Levy - \$20 per child
- Classroom Equipment Levy - \$20 per child

### Skoolbag App

Skoolbag App is available to download on android and Apple devices. Every week the newsletter is uploaded to the website and the App.

**Stay informed with the SkoolBag App**

The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and all school communications.

- 1 Download the app**  
Search for the free SkoolBag app in the Apple App or Google Play Store
- 2 Create an account**  
Sign up in seconds with your email address
- 3 Add your school**  
Search for your school and add your subscription groups

SkoolBag

### Important dates for your information:

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|----------|----------------------------------|
| 18/12/19 | Last day for students and staff  |
| 20/12/19 | Last day for office staff        |
| 28/01/20 | Staff return for Term 1          |
| 29/01/20 | Students in Year 1 - 6 return    |
| 03/02/20 | Kindergarten students first day  |
| 09/04/20 | Last day of Term 1               |
| 10/04/20 | Good Friday and School Holidays  |
| 27/04/20 | Staff Development Day for Term 2 |
| 28/04/20 | Students return for Term 2       |

**SCHOLASTIC**

## Book Club LOOP

for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club **Linked Online Ordering & Payment** platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:  
**[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)**

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# Shopping Trip

9th November 2019

## ***You're invited to attend the annual Appin P&C Shopping Trip Fundraiser***

Explore the shopping outlets in Sydney/Caringbah in the comfort of an air conditioned bus, complete with a tour guide who will help you secure bargain prices on shoes, clothing, bags and much more, just in time for Christmas!



Recharge your shopping spirit with a pub lunch, afternoon tea and a glass of bubbly at the end of the day....

***\$60 per person - tour bus and all meals included  
7am meet at school for approx. 10 hours of shopping***

***Tickets available at  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BELPE>  
(preferred) or cash at the school office***

***For all enquires contact,  
Sandra 0424 653 531***



# Golden Pencil Award Term 3 Week 10

## Golden Pencil Award Nominees

K Owl	Emmett West	K Rosella	Nixon Millers
K Fairy Wren	Ryka Winley	1 Cockatoo	Jebediah Riley
1 Currawong	Johnathan Magnaye	1/2 Kookaburra	Noah Galloway
2 Lyrebird	Charles Kerron	2/3 Bowerbird	Billy Wilson
3/4 Lorikeet	Joshua Neloe	3/4 Falcon	Ella Brady
3/4 Magpie	Candice Stapleton	5/6 Cassowary	Ava Hilton
5/6 Bellbird	Jiselle Petrovski	5/6 Kingfisher	Joel Haeren

The entries for Week 10's Golden Pencil Award were difficult to separate. The judges ultimately chose:-

- Emmett West of Owl who effectively described his drawing.
- Kookaburra's Noah Galloway who used great similes and metaphors to describe what he thought was in the box.
- Candice Stapleton from Magpie who wrote an exciting story about a thunderstorm.
- Cassowary's Ava Hilton who showed herself to be a poet.

## My Drawing



This is me and my dad racing. I am catching up to my dad.  
Can you see me catching up? I win but it wasn't a real race.  
We had lots of fun but we are going to do that all again tomorrow.

By Emmett West

Kindergarten

Owl

Term 3 Week 10



## In the Box

Inside the creepy box there is a lion with sharp teeth like a chainsaw and really sharp, sharp, sharp claws. He has a very good sense of smell and he is always angry. He has a weird tail with a ball on the end and he is as quick as lightning. He has a mane, it is fire. He is a monster. I opened the box!

By Noah Galloway  
Year 1  
Kookaburra  
Term 3 Week 10



## Luke's Eye

Tea pots flying through the air  
Knowing Mr Grumpy isn't there.  
Enjoying life before it concludes but he knows within, it won't really end.  
Spreading his imagination with the world he intends to never stop.  
The unintriguing crowded world around him is so dull but,  
Inside he is swivelling around with no doubt in his mind.  
He feels safe, he feels happy and with that he feels a compassion others  
may not see.  
Living here in this compassionless land leaves him nothing else to but  
be free.  
Flying around on air he sees cockatoos, dragons and rainbow lorikeets,  
he runs around freely painting his heart on the canvas.

By Ava Hilton  
Year 6  
Cassowary  
Term 3 Week 10





# Thunderstorm!

CRASH! BOOM! "What was that?" "I don't know" mumbled Sam. "I'm so so scared" "Oh Candice it's ok". BOOM! AHHH! "Who's scared now Sam?"

The thunder was deafening, my heart was beating as fast as a cheetah. It was raining like cats and dogs. The trees were dancing in the deep dark wind. I looked out the window and saw a tree fall in terror. I ran to Sam and cried "I'm scared" "Me too". The thunder growled once more. No one will survive this storm. The lightning looks like God's arms stretching down. I ran to bed and the blanket hugged me "ZZZZZZ!". The next sunny day I ran to my window and the destructive lightning had stopped. The loud hail stopped. The ferocious thunder stopped. At last the sun poked her head out and the birds were singing. The trees fell back to sleep and the flowers bloomed. At last I'm at peace.

By Candice Stapleton

Year 3

Magpie

Term 3 Week 10



**Scouts**  
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## Get Active with Scouts!

Scouts welcomes children and young people from Kindy to Year 12, offering a safe and supportive environment where your child can make new friends, learn life skills and embark on new adventures!

**Your local Scout Group is: 1st Appin  
Burke st Appin  
Contact Stephen Chapman  
PH 0418 287726**



Scouts is an eligible provider of the NSW Government's Active Kids Program. Scan the QR code to claim your child's Active Kids voucher and SAVE \$100 on joining and membership fees!



# Register Now!

**Appin PS (After School) Auskick Centre**  
 Each Friday starting 8/11 - 29/11 from 3:20pm - 4:25pm

Each child will receive: Auskick Bluetooth Speaker, Footy Cards, Footy Pump AND an AFL Auskick Football!

Your child will enjoy a safe, fun, action-packed 4 week program of games and skill development, ideal for boys and girls aged 4-12 for only \$46

### Register Now!

To register, visit [play.afl/auskick](http://play.afl/auskick) and enter 'suburb name', then click on "Appin PS (After School) Auskick Centre"

Join in the fun!

For more information contact: Taine Gilheany on 0436 002 826 Email: [taine.gilheany@afl.com.au](mailto:taine.gilheany@afl.com.au)



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