

Appin Public School Newsletter

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Term 3, Week 10, 2022

20 September, 2022

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

20 Sept - Tonight	P & C Meeting – 6:30pm in School Library
21 Sept – Tomorrow	Education Week Open Day – Parents & Grandparents welcome Whole School Assembly in School Hall - 12:40pm to 1:40pm
23 Sept	Last day for Term 3 – No Whole School Assembly
10 Oct	Monday - Staff and Students return for Term 4
13, 20 & 27 Oct	Interrelate for Years 5 & 6
17, 18 & 19 Oct	Years 5 & 6 - Wedderburn Overnight Camp
20 Oct	Public Speaking Finals at Camden South PS
18 Oct & 1 & 8 Nov	Transition to School Playgroup – 9:30 – 10:30am
21, 28 Oct & 4, 11 Nov	Transition to School Playgroup – 12:30 – 1:30pm
8 Nov	Kinder Orientation Session for Parents 9:30-10:30am or 6:30-7:30pm
11 Nov	Junior Cohort Assembly – Lead by Garugang Gulung and Mulyan class performance
18 Nov	Senior Cohort Assembly – Lead by Buru Warurr performance
22 Nov	P & C Meeting – 6:30pm in School Library
25 Nov	Middle Cohort Assembly – Lead by Djawula Gugara performance
12 Dec	Presentation Day, Year 6 Assembly and Year 6 Farewell – more information to follow next term

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APPIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Education Week Open Day

Creating Futures - Education Changes Lives

WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2022
10.45AM-1.45PM

Family members are invited to school to join us in sharing and celebrating student learning.

The day's program will be as follows;

- 10.45-11.30 - Picnic Lunch - bring along a picnic blanket and enjoy lunch with your children. Visit the School Hall to view an artwork installation.
- 11.30-12.30 - Open classrooms
- 12.40-1.40 - Whole School Assembly in the School Hall

End of Term – Whole School Assembly

Please be advised that this assembly has been replaced with the assembly on Wednesday 21st September 2022 for Education Week Open Day. No assembly Friday.

Gala Day Payments

The \$5.00 payment from the cancelled Gala Day last week has been redirected to any outstanding fees or put into fees in advance. Any queries, contact the office.

Selective High School Placement for 2024

For entry to Year 7 in 2024, applications are expected to **open on 18 October and close on 16 November, 2022**. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **4 May, 2023**. The test will be paper-based. Primary schools will not be required to provide school assessment scores for applicants for entry in 2024.

New Policies, Procedures and Framework to Keep Students Engaged in Learning at School

The Inclusive, Engaging and Respectful (IER) Schools package was announced in February this year by NSW Minister for Education and Early Learning, Hon Sarah Mitchell. It centres on three new policies and procedures and a framework that together set the guidelines for how we ensure all children and young people can learn through public education in a safe and engaging way.

The IER Schools package includes the:

- Inclusive Education Policy for students with disability
- Student Behaviour Policy and Procedures
- Restrictive Practices Framework and Restrictive Practices Reduction and Elimination Policy and Procedures.

With these new policies, we want all students to:

- be included in all aspects of school life and supported to learn to their fullest capability
- be supported in engaging, respectful, and effective classrooms with positive and inclusive practices
- feel welcomed, valued and safe in our schools and classroom

Two of the policies are new: the *Inclusive Education Policy*; and the *Restrictive Practices Framework and Policy*. Both clarify *existing* legal obligations, effective, appropriate, and prohibited practices, and the rights of students, parents and carers.

The Student Behaviour Policy replaces the Student Discipline in Government Schools and Suspension and Expulsion Policy. The key change is the approach all NSW public schools will take to address disruptive or inappropriate behaviour by a student. The duration of a suspension will be reduced along with the number of suspensions across a school year. Every school will be able to draw on the support of a range of staff including behaviour specialists to effectively address issues resulting in these behaviours in order to prevent future escalations. We will continue to work closely with you and all our families. It does not mean, however, that students who are violent or seriously disrupt the learning and wellbeing of others will be kept at school. Any student who puts the safety of other students, teachers and staff or visitors at risk of harm – will be suspended until it is safe for them to return. The Inclusive Education Policy for students with disability and the Student Behaviour Policy become operational in Term 4, 2022 and the Restrictive Practices Policy becomes operational in Term 1, 2023.

The staff and I are reviewing our current approach to all of the areas covered by these policies, and wish to share any changes we believe need to be made with you next term. Our school already takes a strong, positive student-centred approach, but we want to work with you to ensure, together, every student has the right support at the right time to help them grow into confident, resilient adults. For more information on these policies, please visit the [NSW Department of Education website](#).

Attendance - Every Day Counts

A day away from school here or there doesn't seem like much but absences add up. When your child misses **one day** per fortnight, they miss upwards of **4 weeks** per year which equates to **one year** missed over their school life. Going to school every day is important and Kindergarten sets children up for the rest of their Schooling. What your child learns each day builds on what they learned the day before. If your child misses school, their learning routine is broken. Students can also lose confidence and miss out on building their friendships. You have a legal responsibility to send your children to school every school day. If your child misses school due to illness, religious reasons, family circumstances or other reasons, contact the classroom teacher. **Remember to contact the school within 7 days to explain the reason for their absence.** If your child arrives at school late or needs to leave early, you will need to go to the office to sign your child in or out and explain the reason for the absence. If you're having difficulty getting your child to school every day and on time, contact the classroom teacher.

Student Numbers for 2023

If your child/ren are not returning to Appin School next year, can you please advise the office as soon as possible. If you are aware of any families that have not yet enrolled their children, please ask them to make contact with the school as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Last Chance to Claim Lost Property

Our lost property tub is overflowing with lost jackets and jumpers, drink bottles and lunchboxes. Please come to the office to look for any lost items. **Remember** to please put your child's name on all clothing and items, so that we can return promptly to the rightful owner. **If items are not claimed by the end of this week, they will be donated to the Uniform Shop for their second-hand clothing pool or binned!**

2023 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are now planning for Kindergarten 2023. Please ensure that your child's enrolment form has been completed and submitted as soon as possible. We are aware of quite a few siblings that we do not have an enrolment form for, as yet. To apply online, just go to the Appin Public School website <https://appin-p.schools.nsw.gov.au> and go to the Enrolment tab.

Sacrament of the First Holy Communion, 2022

This Sacrament will be celebrated on **Sunday, 13 November, 2022 (and 20 November ONLY IF NEEDED)**. It is available to all children in Year 3 or above who have been baptised and have received the sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). If anyone who has **NOT** made their **First Holy Communion** in the last **3 years due to COVID**, but have made their First Confession, they can do so this year. If you wish your child to make this Sacrament you **MUST** attend the first lesson for this programme on **Saturday 15 October, 2022 commencing at 4:15pm. Please bring a copy of your child's full birth certificate, and if they were not baptised in Rosemeadow Parish, a copy of their baptism certificate.** Children will participate lessons in the St. Joachim Parish Hall. A decision on parent's meetings will be made later depending on covid restrictions at the time. This is the last opportunity for you to enrol for 2022.

NOTE: If you will be enrolling at the first lesson, then please arrive at **3:45pm to the Parish Hall before the lesson** to complete the paperwork. The program fee of \$25 is also payable at the first lesson. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE: *Since we anticipate increased numbers this year, there will be an extra opportunity to enrol on Saturday, 8 October in the Martha Room (access via the Quiet Room in the foyer) at 5.30pm prior to the Vigil Mass.* Kind regards, Meshline Wolczak, Parish Office Manager for and on behalf of Fr Christopher Sarkis, Parish Priest

Uniform Shop

Appin P&C Uniform shop is **open Monday mornings 8.30 - 9.30am**. Cash and EFTPOS available for purchases at the shop. Note a \$2.50 EFTPOS fee applies. **Paper orders** can be placed with cash, anytime at the school office. **Online orders** can be placed with cash on pickup or add credit card details. ALL orders are processed on Monday mornings. Please note with the order, if you need the uniforms urgently and we will try to get orders filled earlier. Hats \$15 are available to purchase with cash at the school office. Thanks Karen Foreman and Kristy Azzopardi

Year 6 Farewell Fundraiser

Once again in Term 4, Year 6 students will be selling ice blocks each afternoon, after school from **3:00pm-3:15pm**, starting **Monday, 17 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.

Student of the Week – Term 3 Week 9

Garugang - Alfie

Gulung - Laylah

Gunaagan - Sonny

Magadang - Parawynn

Mulyan - Ally

Gugara - Ned

Bilima - Nixon

Djawula - Jaylah

Yanagaa - Kye

Warurr - Jaxon

Djungaa - Thomas

Gari - Joshua

Buru - Noah

Gurawala - Kai



Important dates for your information:

19/12/22

Last day for students and staff

20/12/22

Last day for office staff

27/01/23

SDD 1 - Staff return for Term 1

30/01/23

SDD 2 – Staff only

31/01/23

Students in Years 1 - 6 return

01/02/23

Kindergarten students first day

03/02/23

Swimming Carnival – Wollondilly Leisure Centre, Picton

06/04/23

Last day of Term 1

07/04/23

Good Friday and School Holidays

24/04/23

Staff Development Day for Term 2

25/04/23

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

26/04/23

Students return for Term 2

Why do we have 'Crunch and Sip' at Appin Public School?

'Crunch and Sip' gives kids the chance to refuel on fruit, vegetables and water during a set break in class. It's a simple way to help them stay hydrated and energised, and it lifts their focus in class. Including vegetables, fruit and water in the daily routine helps to shape kids' preference for healthy food. There are other benefits too. Kids want to be part of 'Crunch and Sip', so mums, dads and carers quickly learn not to forget water and a healthy snack in the lunchbox! Many of our kids don't eat the recommended amount of fruit and vegetables each day, and many forget to drink unless they are reminded, so 'Crunch and Sip' helps there too.



Teachers Now Targeting

TERM 3 Week 10 and Term 4 Week 1

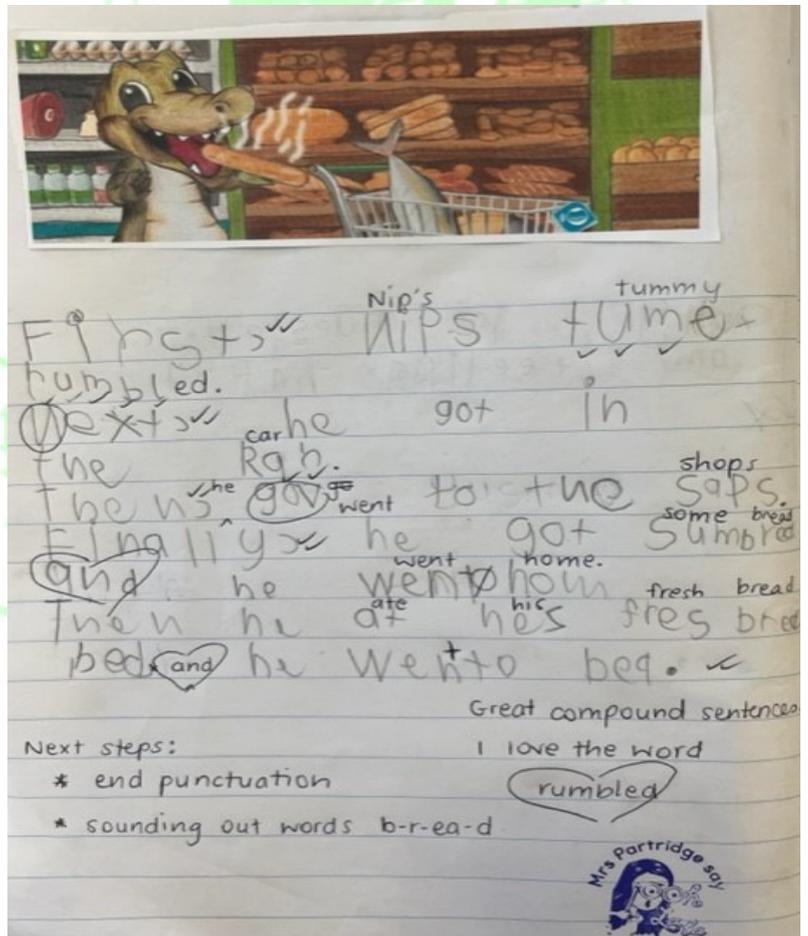
BE A LEARNER

Apply a growth mindset



Golden Pencil Award – Junior Cohort Assembly

Term 3, Week 9 – Archie – Gunaagan



We are setting up LOOSE PARTS PLAY at Appin Public School

What is it?

Loose Parts Play uses materials that can be moved and rearranged giving children infinite creation opportunities. Students will have the opportunity to access the Loose Parts Play area during lunch and recess.

Why is it important?

This type of play develops motor skills, critical thinking and problem-solving skills. It encourages creativity, communication, imagination, decision making and team work.

How can you help?

We are asking the school community to help us launch loose parts play. Please email the school if you have any of the following;

- ✓ PVC pipe and joins
- ✓ Tarps
- ✓ Ropes
- ✓ Tyres
- ✓ Crates
- ✓ Bamboo
- ✓ Logs of various sizes
- ✓ Hoses
- ✓ Wood planks (sanded)
- ✓ Cable reels
- ✓ Buckets
- ✓ Large pieces of cloth
- ✓ Pool noodles
- ✓ Plastic tubing
- ✓ Ladders

If you have any other items that you think may be suitable, please email the school.

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Free family fun at the Parliament of NSW

Friday 7 October 10am to 3pm

FREE ENTRY



Cartooning workshop
Draw people and objects with the award-winning illustrator and cartoonist Eric Lobbecke.
Every half hour from 11:00am, finishing at 2:00pm

Vote for me!
Learn how to vote with the NSW Electoral Commission.
Every half hour from 10:00am

Mock Committee Hearing
Have your say as a participant in our committee hearings.
Every half hour from 10:00am

AUSLAN interpreters available

\$4 Democracy Sausage

The Public Café open

Visit us at Australia's oldest Parliament as it opens its doors for **Family Fun Day**, an open day packed with free, fun activities for children from 4 to 12 years and their families. In addition to the above, there will be many activities on offer for families to enjoy, including craft, tours of our historic chambers, roving musicians and more...! (You might even get to meet some very important people.)



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
P: (02) 9230 2047
E: communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au

WHERE
6 Macquarie Street, Sydney - opposite Martin Place

MORE INFORMATION
www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/events

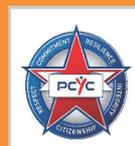
Spring School Holiday activities at PCYC Pulse Facilities - Bingara Gorge

COST: FREE grant funded

AGES: 5-12 years

TIME: 9am - 4pm

BOOK NOW



ADDITIONAL INFO: A Smile, Morning Tea, Lunch, Snacks, Hat, Water, and Enclosed Shoes

Mon 26th	Gymnastics, Cricket, Fish Craft
Tues 27th	FreeG, Ball Sports, Starfish Craft
Wed 28th	Gymnastics, Bootcamp Fun, Tic Tac Toe Rock Painting
Thur 29th	Dance/Circus, Create Your Own Team Sport, Flowerpot Ladybug
Fri 30th	FreeG, Multisport, Fruit & Vegetable Craft
Mon 3rd	CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tues 4th	Gymnastics, Cricket, Sand Art
Wed 5th	Multisport, Bootcamp Fun. Paint Attack
Thur 6th	Multisport, Gymnastics, Gem Craft
Fri 7th	FreeG, Team Sports, Wooden Spoon Characters

CONTACT US:

Call the club on 4868 5200 to book now! Spaces fill fast!



IS LIFE CHANGING

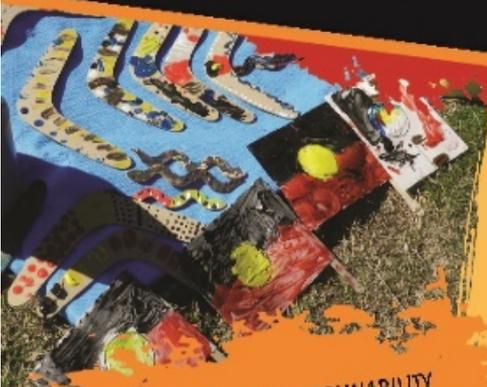




2022 NAIDOC FAMILY FUN DAY



6TH OCTOBER 2022
10am - 2pm Airds High School



**FREE
EVENT**

Amusement rides,
entertainment,
information stalls
+ loads more

WE SUPPORT WATER SUSTAINABILITY
Bring your own drink bottle - Water stations available
We would like to acknowledge that this event is being
held on the traditional lands of the Dharawal people.
We pay respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

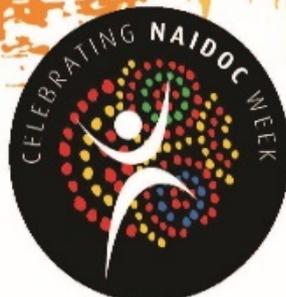
**GET UP!
STAND UP!
SHOW UP!**

3-10 JULY 2022

**THIS EVENT IS A DRUG AND ALCOHOL
AND SMOKE FREE EVENT FOR ALL AGES**



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NIPPERS OPEN DAY

Sunday 16 October from 10am

Come down and see what nippers is all about! You'll be able to meet club members and register before the start of the nippers season. Registration is now available online through our website. For more info visit our Facebook page or website fairymeadowslsc.com



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