

Appin Public School Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 1, 2024

15 October, 2024

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

This Week

17 Oct RSOD Network Public Speaking Final at Ambarvale High School

18 Oct Whole School Assembly - **2:15pm in School Hall**

Class items by **Mudgee** and **Hay**

Week 2

22 Oct Kindy Orientation – **9:30am to 10:30am**

23-24 Oct State Athletics Carnival – Homebush Athletics Centre

25 Oct Grandparents Day - **10:30am open classrooms** **11:00-11:40 Picnic Lunch**

Week 3

29 Oct P & C Meeting tonight – **6:30pm in Staffroom**

31 Oct Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2 students) Stanwell Park Excursion

1 Nov Whole School Assembly – **2:15pm in School Hall**

Class items by **Eden** and **Scone**

AOM for October to be presented

7 Nov Online Applications for Selective High School or Opportunity Class 2026 opens

Week 4

5 Nov Kindy Orientation – **9:30am to 10:30am**

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Principal's Message

Jersey Day

Our Jersey Day, held on the last day of Term 3, successfully raised \$310.00. Thank you to everyone for wearing their favourite sport jersey and supporting our school fundraiser.

Student Numbers for 2025

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 contact the school as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Updating School

It is very important that we have up to date and correct contact details for our students. If you have a new home address, mobile phone number or email address, please contact our school office to update these details as soon as possible.

Year 1 Excursion

Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2 students) will be attending the Ranger Jamie Tours excursion on **Thursday, 31 October, 2024**. Bus leaves at 9:00am and will return by 3:00pm.

APPIN PS CUBS



We invite 2025 Kindergarten students to join us for our Coming Up to Big School Kindergarten Orientation

Term 4

Tuesday 22nd Oct	9:30-10:30am
Tuesday 5th Nov	9:30-10:30am
Tuesday 19th Nov	9:30-10:30am

Teddy Bears' Picnic	
Tuesday 3rd Dec	12:30-1:30pm

Appin Public School Grandparents Day

Appin Public School is celebrating Grandparents Day....

When: Friday, 25 October

What's happening: 10:30am open classrooms

11:00-11:40 picnic lunch for Grandparents and students

(The school will be providing tea and coffee for Grandparents)



Selective High School Placement for 2026

Applications will be open each year from November to February (the following year) for both selective high school and opportunity class placement. Parents and carers will apply online using the Selective High School and Opportunity Class Placement application website.

Applications for selective high school and opportunity class, entry in 2026, will be open from **7 November 2024 to 21 February 2025**. There will be no late applications due to the longer application period, and the application closing date being closer to the test dates and logistical constraints around organising test centres and devices.

This change to the application period means that parents and carers will now need to apply for Opportunity Class Placement when their child is in Year 3 (or by the end of Week 4, Term 1 when their child is in Year 4). This change applies to students currently in Year 3.

For Selective High School Placement, parents and carers will continue to apply when their child is in Year 5 and can now apply when their child is in Year 6 until the end of Week 4, Term 1. For more information, please click on the following link: [Application process \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au)

Unexplained Absences

We are committed to working with you to offer support and remove any barriers that may be preventing your child from regularly attending school.

Please remember that the NSW Education Act requires that all student absences must be explained within 7 days of the first day of them being away from school. Please contact us promptly whenever your child is absent and let us know the reason for them being away. This allows us to provide the right support and make sure your child's absences are recorded correctly.

In the event your child has repeated or ongoing unexplained absences, we will continue to try to contact you about each absence to provide appropriate support for you and your family. A text message will be sent home each day the student has an unexplained absence. Parents have 7 days to reply on the parent portal or contact the school, otherwise unexplained absences become unjustified.

If you have any questions or if you need support with your child's attendance, please contact the school on 46 311 220.

Mobile Phones & Smartwatches

We understand that parents may choose to send their child to school with a mobile phone or other smart device to provide a sense of safety and security when travelling to and from school.

To support, we have put the following procedures in place:

- Children must hand these in at the office on entering the school grounds each morning and may collect their devices from the office at the end of the day. This will provide an added layer of security as devices will be kept in a secure place during the day.
- Parents and students are advised that in bringing mobile devices to school, they do so at their own risk and must comply with the school procedures.

Newsletters

Our latest newsletter is emailed every Tuesday via the School Bytes app. You can also view the current newsletter and any previous newsletters on our school website. Just search Appin Public School, go to the website and click on the newsletters tab or click on this link <http://appin-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/newsletter.html>

Nominations for 'Osgood Outstanding Services to Appin School' Award

This prestigious award honours Gary and the late Dorrie Osgood and was established in 2004 to acknowledge their outstanding contributions to Appin School over many years.

This award is presented to an outstanding citizen who has given services 'above and beyond' to Appin Public School over a long period of time. The award may go to a past or present community member, parent or staff member.

Nominations are being sought for the 2024 award winner. Please complete the nomination form below stating reasons as to why you believe your nominee deserves this great honour. Nominations will be considered by all staff and the winner announced at Presentation Day. Please return your nomination form to the school office by **Friday, 1 November 2024.**

Nomination for 'Osgood Outstanding Services to Appin School' Award

I would like to nominate..... for the 'Osgood Outstanding Services' Award for 2024.

Reasons for nomination:

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Name:.....Signature:.....Date.....

Canteen Online Ordering

Mel's Lunchbox provides lunch orders with Spriggy Schools Online Ordering App. If you have any questions, or suggestions, please contact Mel on Mb: 0456 815160.



Spriggy Schools

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1. Download the Spriggy Schools app
2. Create a profile for your child
3. Conveniently place orders online

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The image shows a smartphone displaying the Spriggy Schools app interface. The screen shows a user profile 'James', navigation icons for Canteen, Events, and Shop, and a 'New Order' section with a date range 'This week: 20 July - 26 July'. Below this, there are sections for 'Recess' and 'Lunch', each with a grid of 'Order' buttons for different days of the week (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri).



Lost Property

PLEASE label all your child's belongings including jackets, jumpers, hats, and coats. Call in to the front office to check if your child's belongings are in the Lost and Found tub. If they are labelled, we can return items to their rightful owner.

P & C Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open every **Monday**, from **8:30am to 9:30am**. The Uniform Shop has Eftpos available for payments, as well as cash. Online order form at <https://form.jotform/212808469354867> - or scan the QR Code.

Orders will be filled when the shop is open on Monday mornings and left at office for pickup, or given to child if paid by credit card. Full cash payment must accompany orders left at the office, or pay cash on pickup of online order. Prices subject to change, depending upon suppliers.



2025 Kindergarten Enrolments

Applications are now due for Kindergarten 2025. If your child turns 5 before July 31, 2025 they are eligible to start school next year. To apply online just go to the Appin Public School website: <https://appin-p.schools.nsw.gov.au> and go to the Enrolment tab. **100 points of Residential ID** is required for all enrolments and to be provided to our school office. Thank you.

Download School Bytes Parent App

Appin Public School uses the School Bytes Parent App. **All parents are requested to download the School Bytes Parent App to make and view payments and receipts, and to complete and return permission notes.** The App makes it easier to use School Bytes for your mobile devices. School Bytes provides a parent portal to help your school communicate with you. Our school uses the parent portal for various things, including online permission notes, attendance, and payments, which can be accessed via a secure link. The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and process payments for multiple siblings in one transaction. All fees can be paid off in instalments, by adjusting the amount you wish to pay at the time. Please assist us by downloading the App and using this system to make payments and return notes.

School Bytes
Parent App
Available now!
Download on the App Store or Google Play

Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news

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Ice Block Donations For Year 6 Farewell Fundraiser

Thank you to those parents who have donated Ice Blocks for our Year 6 Fundraiser, which has been an outstanding success. We would greatly appreciate some more donations which will help support this fundraiser for our Year 6 students to celebrate their formal at the end of the year. Thank you.

Birthday Buckets \$20

Pre Order for your Childs Birthday

At the office

Cost: \$20

All money raised goes towards
the Year 6 Farewell

Return with payment to the school office or
pay through the School Bytes Portal

Childs Name: _____

Class: _____ D.O.B _____

Important note: If you have paid through the Portal Please
advise the office so we can process your order





Students of the Week – Term 3 Week 10

Lithgow – Hunter

Parkes – Milla

Silverton – Wynter

Dubbo – Hailey

Cootamundra – Logan

Eden – Oliver

Mudgee – Lachlan

Huskisson – Kaiyan

Kiandra – Trinity

Orange – Hudson

Dorrigo – Imogen

Scone – Nixon

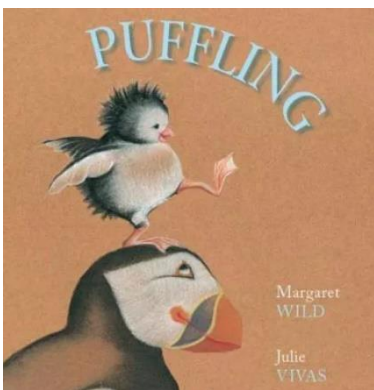
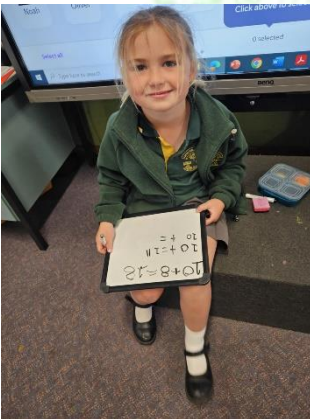
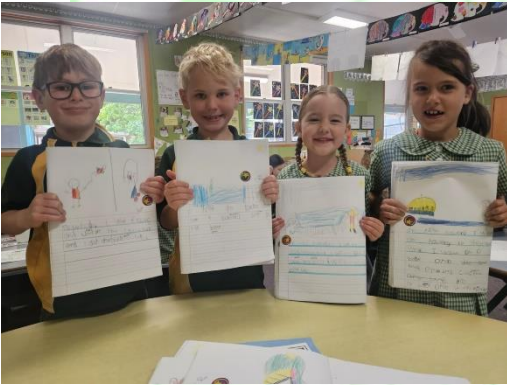
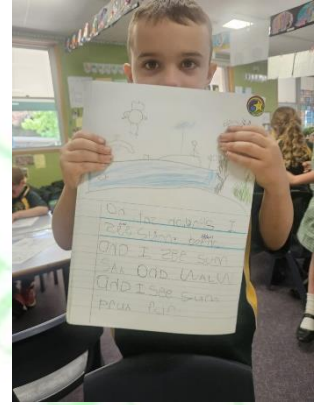
Hay – Logan

Millthorpe – Ryder



Lithgow Class

Lithgow produced some incredible work last term. In Maths, Lithgow learnt how to create equal groups through sharing as well as learning to add numbers using 10 as a base. Lithgow created some amazing artworks around their favourite season as well as drawing their own Puffin based on the book 'Puffling' read in class. Lithgow has made an amazing start to Term 3 already and have worked hard in extending their ideas and adding detail to their writing.



Parkes Class

The two-week holiday didn't slow Parkes class down! This week they have jumped straight back into their reading, writing and counting. Every day they make more progress and continue to amaze Ms Paxton.



Silverton Class

Students in Silverton have had a great first day back and we had a new student start. Welcome to Silverton class Domeil. Students revisited some of the concepts taught last term and were successful in decoding sounds and writing some of their high frequency words. They used their bodies to form equal groups, and using concrete materials they made various one and two step patterns. Students wrote a recount of their holidays using appropriate sentence structure, and some challenged themselves to use compound sentences.

