

Appin Public School Newsletter

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19 November, 2024

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

This Week

22 Nov **Gift Plate Mufti Day** – Donate a Gift Plate for Hoopla Day

Week 7

25 Nov Gold Award, Aussie of the Month & Ministers Reward Morning Tea and Special Colour Run Reward
K-6 Colour Run – PBL Reward **(no cost)**

27 Nov Thank You Breakfast for Volunteers – **8:15am – 8:45am in staffroom**

27 Nov Final Scripture Classes for 2024

29 Nov Whole School Assembly – **2:15pm in School Hall**
Class items by **Dubbo** and **Millthorpe**
AOM for November to be presented

Week 8

2 Dec Ministers Speeches and Elections for 2025 – **9:15am in School Hall**

2-5 Dec Indigenous Literacy Foundation Book Sale Fundraiser - **Library**

3 Dec Teddy Bears' Picnic for Kindy's 2025 – **12:30pm to 1:30pm**

3 Dec Yr 6 into Yr 7 Orientation Day for all Dept of Education Schools

3 Dec P & C Meeting – **6.30pm in the Staffroom**

5 Dec Stage 2 Excursion to Wedderburn Christian Camp

6 Dec **Hoopla Day** – **11:10am to 1:40pm**

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Principal's Message

Gift Plate Mufti Day

This Friday, we will be having our **Gift Plate Mufti Day - 22 November**. Families are asked to make up a basket type gift by filling a plate **(empty cardboard plate has been sent home yesterday - one for each family)** with a gift, wrapping it in cellophane and a ribbon and returning it to school to be sold at the Hoopla Day. These gift plates will be sold for between \$5 and \$10 (depending on contents). Some examples include:

- Dad's carwash plate – with a sponge, bottle of wash'n'wax, chamois
- Tea lover's plate – 3 sachets of quality tea, tea cup and saucer, small packet of biscuits
- Garden lover's plate – garden gloves, small pot and seeds
- Kid's activity plate – colouring in book, pencils, stickers

These are just some suggestions, feel free to use your imagination!!

Student Ministers for 2025

The Minister Election Speeches will be held on **Monday, 2 December, 2024** for students who wish to become a Student Minister in 2025. Parents are welcome to attend. Speeches will take place in the hall from **9:15am**.

PBL Rewards Day - Colour Fun Run

Next week on **Monday, 25 November** we will be holding the **PBL Rewards Day**. This day will consist of a **Colour Fun Run**. The students will be completing a Fun Run and as they progress through their running track they will be dusted with coloured powder from the teachers. The powder that is being used may possibly stain clothes.

Students can wear the following:

- white clothes
- old clothes
- closed in shoes (No crocs)

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

As a way of saying "congratulations" or "thank you", a reward is offered at the end of each year to these eligible students. This year, on **Monday, 25 November**, following a special morning tea, these special students will have the honour of being in the first group to experience the Colour Run. They will also be able to join their year group, being the only students to have two turns of the course. Classroom teachers will advise eligible students.

Thank You Breakfast

An invitation to our Thank You Breakfast on **Wednesday, 27 November, 2024** from **8:15 to 8:45am** has been given out to parents and community members who have assisted us in any way throughout this year, as a way of thanking you for your wonderful contribution to our school. If you have helped in anyway, and did not receive an invitation, please call into the office to collect one.

Swimming Carnival 2025 – NB: FIRST DAY BACK FOR 2025

The Swimming Carnival for 2025 will be held on **Thursday, 6 February 2025**. Students will travel to the pool via seat belted bus. **Departing school at 8:15am and returning by 3pm**. Students in Years 3 to 6 (in 2025) are expected to attend. Year 2 (2025) students who turn 8 in 2025, who are competitive swimmers may also attend. **Year 2 (2025) parents please contact the school office for a permission note to be emailed to you if required.** Our 2025 swimming carnival is the **first day back at school**, so arrangements must be finalised before the end of this year. **The cost of this event has been reduced to \$4.00, due to the generosity of our P&C who will cover the cost of transport to and from the pool.**

IMPORTANT: NO MONEY is required this year. You will be invoiced in Term 1 2025 for this fee. The school will provide coloured wrist bands to identify **weak swimmers** as an added safety precaution. Please record this information on the permission note, by ticking WEAK SWIMMER. **Please accept this permission note online by 9:30am, Monday 16 December even if your child is not attending the carnival.** Students who do not have permission notes returned by 9.30am Monday 16th December **WILL NOT** be allowed to attend the carnival. (This is for organisation and risk assessment purposes.) Thank you for your support in this matter.

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.

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.

Change of Details

If there have been any changes of your details e.g. address, phone numbers, email addresses, emergency contacts, could you please advise the office as soon as possible.

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>

APPIN PS CUBS



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

Term 4

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

Ambarvale High Schools' Orientation Days for Year 6 to 7

Ambarvale High School will be conducting an Orientation Day for students attending Ambarvale High next year, on **Tuesday, 3 December 2024**. Parents with students attending Ambarvale High, should have received information from the High School about the Orientation session. Please contact the High School for further information on Ph: 46271800. The day will run from 9:00am to 1:50pm. **Parents are required to transport their own child to and from Ambarvale High.**

AMBARVALE HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 7 SCHOLARSHIPS



Ambarvale High School is pleased to award one scholarship to Appin Public School to a Year 6 student for their **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

- all excursions paid in Year 7 including the Year 7 Camp
- vouchers for uniform for Year 7
- a \$50.00 book voucher to QBD Books

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.



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

Introducing Spriggy Schools for online ordering

How to get started

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

Download the app now!

GET IT ON Google Play | Download on the App Store

The graphic also shows a smartphone displaying the app interface with options for Canteen, Events, and Shop, and a 'New Order' section for the week of 20 July - 26 July.

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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The advertisement features a central smartphone displaying the app's home screen with various icons for Finance, Payment History, Attendance, and more. Surrounding the phone are icons representing these features: a calendar, a credit card, a document, a bell, and a group of people.

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.

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

The poster features a green background with white text. On the right side, there is a photograph of three colorful buckets (pink, yellow, and green) filled with birthday candles. Each bucket has a smiley face sticker on it. Behind the buckets are three balloons: a pink one with 'Happy Birthday!', a yellow one with 'Happy Birthday!', and a light blue one with 'Happy Birthday!'.

Gold Award, Aussie of the Month & Ministers Morning Tea

Monday

25

11:10 AM

November

To congratulate/thank students who are Ministers or received their Gold Award & Aussie of the Month, a special morning tea will take place after eating time.

Eligible students will be notified by classroom teachers in Week 6.

Students will meet Mrs Partridge on the grass area outside the school office.



K-6 COLOUR RUN PBL REWARD

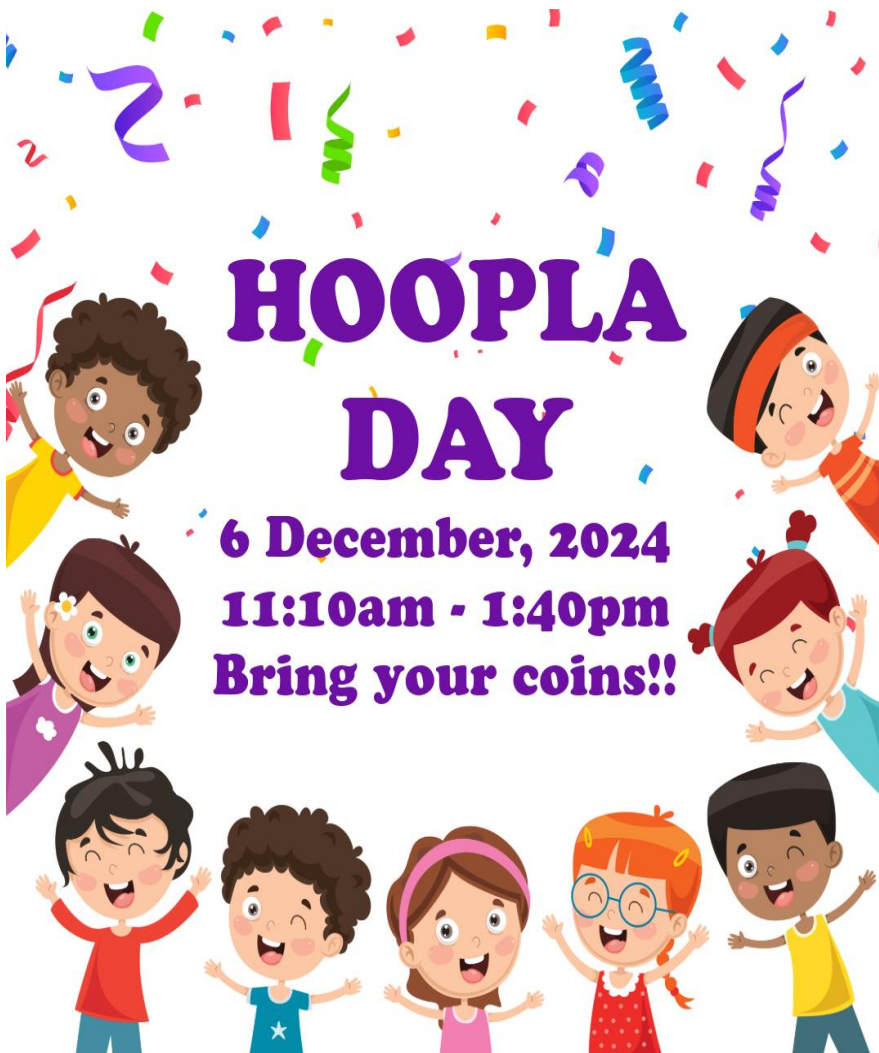
WHEN? MONDAY, 25/11/2024

STUDENTS ARE TO WEAR WHITE/LIGHT COLOURED CLOTHING & ENCLOSED SHOES (NO CROCS).
IT IS RECOMMENDED FOR STUDENTS TO BRING A SPARE CHANGE OF CLOTHES.

11:45-12:00	MINISTERS, RECIPIENTS OF GOLD AWARDS & AUSSIE OF THE MONTH
12:05-12:20	KINDERGARTEN
12:25-12:40	YEAR 1 & YEAR 2
12:45-1:00	YEAR 3 & YEAR 4
1:05-1:20	YEAR 5/6



ALL EQUIPMENT, COLOUR POWDER & SAFETY GLASSES WILL BE PROVIDED BY ZING ACTIV. THERE WILL BE NO COST INVOLVED!



Hoopla Day

We will be holding a Hoopla Day from **11:10am – 1:40pm** on **Friday, 6 December, 2024.**

Year 6 have been working hard to organise a fun filled event of entertainment and activities for the whole school to enjoy! Parents, younger siblings and grandparents are welcome. Bring your money along and have some fun to support our Year 6 Farewell.

Cost: Activities will cost 50c, \$1.00 or \$2.00

Activities/Stalls include:

'Tombola' raffle (everyone wins a prize), plate stall, coloured hairspray, temporary tattoos, obstacle course, nerf gun target shooting, sponge throwing, basketball toss and more!!! **Food available for purchase:** Slushies, popcorn and more!!! **So, start saving those coins!!!**

NB: School Canteen will be open for lunch orders and food purchases on the day.



Mrs Webb's Picnic

PLEASE JOIN US TO HONOUR & FAREWELL
APPIN PUBLIC SCHOOL'S PRINCIPAL
FOR THE PAST 4 YEARS

Friday, 13th of December 2024

1:40pm–2:15pm Picnic Recess on the school oval

2:15pm–3:00pm Special K–6 Assembly for Mrs Webb in the school hall

BYO rug/chair, food & drinks

Celebrating over 30 years of service in public education



Students of the Week – Term 4 Week 5

Lithgow – Henry

Parkes – Ariyah

Silverton – Rory

Dubbo – Eli

Cootamundra – Reggie

Eden – Carter

Mudgee – Naeem

Huskisson – Addison

Kiandra – Emilee

Orange – Pippa

Dorrigo – Jake

Scone – Moli

Hay – Jessica

Millthorpe – Zachary



Scone Class

It's been an action-packed term for Scone! Our camp was an amazing experience, with students challenging themselves in a variety of exciting activities like archery, rock climbing, pioneering, the giant swing, bushcraft, lost island, challenge night and a commando activity. We also wrote and performed our own scripts for our assembly on safety, which tied into the health topics we've explored this year.



Hay Class

Hay have had a very busy first half of Term 4! We began with an assembly item that Mrs Earnshaw helped us to choreograph, as a result of learning about dancing through the decades (thank you again, Mrs Earnshaw!) We completed our Peer Support training and ended our session with some chips on the oval. We complimented our history unit by going on a walking excursion and looking at some significant buildings and landmarks around Appin (including our school), and on Friday in Week 5, we returned from a very enjoyable 3-day camp at the Great Aussie Bush Camp in Kincumber!



Millthorpe Class

Millthorpe has had an exciting start to Term 4, exploring the book 'Our World Bardi Jaawi, Life at Ardiyooloon' exploring a remote community school. For history we are continuing our historical exploration of colonial times, and we went on a historical walk around Appin identifying some of the older structures. We have just had our Stage 3 camp, where students had the opportunity to go canoeing, engage in archery, high ropes, a giant swing and bushcraft just to name a few.





Appin Public School Indigenous Literacy Foundation Book Sale Fund Raiser

**WE ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING DONATIONS OF
CHILDRENS' BOOKS**

- Pre-loved books will be sold to our Appin students during week 8 this term.
- Books sales will raise money for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF).
- Drop book donations off to the library or front office.
- Thank you in advance for any contributions.



Golden Pencil Award Term 4 Week 5

Golden Pencil Award Nominees

Lithgow - Elizabeth
Silverton - Blayke
Cootamundra - Lacey
Mudgee - Zahli
Kiandra - Koby
Dorrigo - Sonny
Hay - Oscar

Parkes - Milla
Dubbo - Ignatius
Eden - Breanna
Huskisson - Amelia
Orange - Imogen
Scone - Jasper
Millthorpe - Jaiden

Golden Pencil Award Winners

At last Friday's Assembly, our Golden Pencil Award winners were presented with the Golden Pencil.

Our successful winners were:

Kindy: Blayke

Stage 1: Zahli

Stage 2: Amelia

Stage 3: Jasper



Halloween

I don't like Halloween because it is scary and spooky. When I went to look at the scary houses the candy was soggy. I really, really don't like Halloween.

By Blayke - Kindergarten - Silverton



TREES ARE VITAL TO OUR SURVIVAL

Trees are essential, because we need oxygen to breathe and stay alive. Imagine if we didn't have trees! Animals and humans would be dead. Did you know trees give us fun because we can climb them. Also, trees provide us with shade and shelter to protect us from the rain.



Firstly, trees are extremely important because they give us medicine to feel better when we are ill. Did you know trees never die of old age! Also, trees give us fun because we can climb them. Everybody should not be cutting down trees because if you do you are also cutting down our wildlife's homes. Trees even give us wood to make fire and food, for example mangoes, bananas, oranges and berries to stay alive.

So, I'm going to tell you once we must not cut down trees! I think that trees are vital to our survival! If you're cutting down trees, then you are making a big mistake because you're also cutting down wildlife. I'm going to tell you PLEASE DON'T CUT DOWN TREES.

By Zahli – Year 2 – Mudgee

Sunrise



I see the bright sun coming up from its sleep,
The tall green grass dancing in the wind,
all the trees awakening from their sleep.
I hear the black birds singing to the nature
rhythm,
the owls going back to sleep quickly.
I smell the cold fresh air climbing up my arms
slowly,
the smell of the beautiful pink flowers blossoming.
I feel the air dancing on top of my hair,
The tall green grass tickling my legs.

By Amelia – Year 3 – Huskisson

Dampier Peninsula

Location

200km (124 miles) north of Broome, the Dampier Peninsula is a significant regional centre in Western Australia. It's bordered by the Indian Ocean surrounding a lot of Australia, to the west and the waters of King Sound to the east. The beautiful peninsula is known for its pristine and remote landscapes, giving a sense of isolation and nature's beauty.

Indigenous heritage

The Bardi and Nyul Nyul people have been the traditional custodians of the land of Dampier Peninsula for tens of thousands of years, with strong ties to the land and sea. Traditional practices include fishing, hunting and gathering, that are still integral to their cultural identity.

Tourism

The Dampier Peninsula attracts tourists from all over for activities like whale watching, it becomes most popular while migration season when humpback whales pass through the region. Eco tourism initiatives promote sustainable travel allowing visitors to experience the beauties of the natural environment while supporting the local communities.

By Jasper – Year 6 - Scone

