

Ardtornish Newsletter

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Diary Dates

November

20th – Commonwealth Banking Morning Tea, School Crossing Training 2.15pm

21st - Foundation Zoo Excursion

22nd – Assembly 10am

26th – Unley HS Transition, KO Softball , Kindy – Foundation Transition

28th - Disco

29th – Pupil Free Day

December

2nd – Kindy-Foundation Transition GGHS Transition, Volunteer RAN Training 2pm & 6pm, Governing Council Meeting 7pm

Road Crossing Monitors

Wed 20th Nov – Tue 26th Nov Lily H, Ayla W, Erin H

Wed 27th Nov – Tue 3rd Dec Alexa E, Chelsea H, Abby S

Wed 4th Dec – Tue 10th Dec Alexander W, Tyson W, Sam G

Please arrive by 8.25am

Proudly Publishing and Sharing Writing

Students develop a stronger sense of themselves as writers when they have opportunities to publish their work for a genuine audience.

At present a major display of student made books is on show in the library and parents are invited to drop in and have a look at the great stories students have written. Students from years 3 upwards made individual books while students in the early years contributed to class books.

Ask your child to share their book with you if you have not yet heard their story.



Danika, Jordyn, Sam, Kye displaying their books and one other.

Our library has now established a dedicated "Student Author" section where students can read each other's stories and be encouraged to submit their own writing, in book form, when it has been fully edited and polished.

In this section, posters are displayed giving advice about the writing process from student authors. In this way students can share with each other what they have learned by going through the writing and editing process.

Some student responses included the following:

- Good grammar really helps to make your story great Cobey
- Stories don't make sense without correct punctuation Jack
- Hard work makes a great book Erin
- It's important to plan before you write Jayde
- The more you read other's books the better yours will get Aria
- Restarting a story can be a really good thing Isabel
- The more you describe the scene the easier it is to see the scene Charli
- Showing not telling is important and funny endings make stories great Harry
- Only put in what is important Tammy
- Editing your work pays off when you have a good story at the end Lachlan
- If you believe you can finish a story you will, but if you always put your story down you won't get a good story - Danika
- The more time you spend writing the more interesting the story Rhys
- Don't use the same words too many times. Don't be repetitive Oscar W
- Change your title to something remarkable to intrigue readers and get their attention - Kai
- I have learned to express myself through my writing with help from peer, parent and teacher feedback - Karel
- I am proud that I created a published narrative and now I have a passion for writing and editing - Chelsea
- It is helpful having other people help to edit your story Lucas

Pupil Free Day – Friday 29th November

On this day staff will review the school's performance data, reflect on the effectiveness of our programs and plan new initiatives for 2020 to further improve student learning outcomes. The latest External Review Report for our school is now available from our website. This report was very positive and highlighted the effectiveness of our school's teaching program.

Excursion and Incursion Update				
ACTIVITY	DATE/S	STUDENTS INVOLVED	LAST PAY DAY	
Waterworld	5/12/19	Rm's 7,8,11,30	2/12/19	
Year 7 Graduation	10/12/19	Yr 7's	Overdue	
Waterworld	12/12/19	Rm's 9 & 10	6/12/19	
Wizbang	12/12/19	Rm 18, 22 & 24	5/12/19	
Zoo	21/11/19	Rm 3,5,6,29	18/11/19	

CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 19th Michele S Wednesday 20th Mary-Anne R Thursday 21st Ling C, Emma S Friday 22nd Rhonda P, Stacey C

Tuesday 26th Michele S Wednesday 27th Mary-Anne R Thursday 28th Tui M

Friday 29th PUPIL FREE DAY

Principal's Award

For Week 3 – Organisation



Taylor, James
Olive H-Z, Harper W
Lyla C, Owen C-L
Jessica F, Rhys D
Lia K, Chloe S,
Austin L, Charlotte S
Ayla W, Michael V
Jordyn C, Kai G
Emily N, Tilly-Rose P
Alice E, Jessica O
Kyton B, Ava B
India S, Imogen M

Shantae E, Alex R Cooper V, Keira C Penni Y, Harper L Chase T, Clare T Oscar S, Daniel P Sienna M, Harry M Thomas F, Aaryan P Kayla S, Kaitlyn S Kai B, Lily D Lalita T, Noah C Sara R, Braxton M





Assembly Dates

Week 6 - Friday 22nd November Week 9 - Friday 13th December

10am in the Gym

Coffee Club in the Ardtornish Children's Centre from 9am - 10am. Every assembly morning.

School Clothing Donations

If anyone has any little school pants, shorts, skirts or underwear they no longer use and could donate to the school for spares it would be greatly appreciated.



Ardtornish Playgroup Vacancies

This parent run Playgroup on Lutyens Avenue has been operating for over 30 years. It is fully equipped with child height furniture, spacious indoor and outdoor areas and a kitchen. It is currently open during school terms on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 9:30-11:30am. It is affiliated with Playgroup SA and for current Playgroup SA members attendance is \$3/session to cover the cost of materials and equipment. If you have a group that are interested in joining or starting session in 2020 give the children's centre a call.

On-Line 21 Days to Happier Families Course – it's free

Based on Justin Coulson's book of the same name this course is available for any family in the local area. All you need is internet access and a family commitment to work thought the six sessions over 21 days – Self Care, Nurturing your Children, Children's Development, Working with Children, Routine, and Fun – and we can forward the links. Justin also had a recent webcast titled Positive Ways to Help Children Behave, now available on YouTube at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-L61zDpmQ8o&feature=youtu.be (it is long, and although these are generally quite BORING... he is pretty good)

New Term Program

Highlights include: **Baby Playgroup** Monday and Thursday mornings, Twilight Play **Water Play** Tuesday 3 December, **Cycle Saturday** on 23 November, **Making Music** for young children Thursday mornings, and **Family First Aid** on Saturday 7 December – have a look at the Ardtornish Children's Centre Facebook page, call, SMS or drop in to book.

John Buckell Community Development Coordinator 82649828, 0409984495 or email john.buckell@sa.gov.au





The Vac swim season for 2019/2020 is fast approaching and we're so excited to once again be teaching South Aussie kids

water skills, awareness, confidence and safety!
A reminder that online enrolments for our <u>December programs</u> close Monday the 2nd of December, while enrolments for January programs close Monday the 16th of December.



Term 3 – Week 10







Riley F-H Rm 28 & Cooper F Rm 28

Have you applied for School Card?

If so, have you received confirmation from the School Card section?

If not, please contact the front office to check the status of your application.

If you have not applied, and meet the eligibility criteria below, please complete the online form or collect a paper copy from the front office

Eligibility for School Card assistance is dependent upon the combined family gross income for the 2018-2019 financial year being within the following School Card income limits:

Number of Dependent Children	Gross Annual School Card Income Limit	Gross Weekly School Card Income Limit
1	\$59,432	\$1,143
2	\$60,493	\$1,164
3	\$61,554	\$1,185
4	\$62,615	\$1,206
5	\$63,676	\$1,227
Each additional dependent child	\$1,061	\$21

Applicants who apply for School Card assistance via an ED003A - Income Audit application form are able to apply via an online application form. The online application form is available at www.sa.gov.au under the heading Education, Skills and Learning.

To ensure the timely closure of the 2019 School Card Scheme the last date for new forms to be accepted is 22 November 2019. No new applications will be accepted after this date.

Student Banking Helpers Wanted

We are looking for a couple of volunteers who would like to help process the Commonwealth Student Banking on Thursday mornings. Bank bags are sent up from classrooms, and banking helpers process the transactions, count the money and take it to the bank. It takes about one hour, but would need to be regularly on a Thursday morning. Please check with Cathie in the front office if you would like some more information, or would like to help.

Aladdin Raffle

The prize contains a Genie "Build a Bear", a magic lamp and an Aladdin book valued over \$150. This would be a great present for Christmas.

Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Buy tickets at the front office or on Qkr! (Aladdin merchandise).

The raffle will be drawn at the school assembly on Friday, November 22nd.

All money raised will help finance next year's production.



Volunteer RAN Training Sessions

If you would like to help out in your child's classroom with transport, camps, in the library or canteen etc. you need to have a child related police clearance (working with children check for volunteers) and be RAN trained. Child related police clearance forms are available from the front office. This is a Department for Education requirement.

It is mandatory to attend a training session as part of becoming a volunteer.

You only ever need to attend once unless there is a change to the course, which you will then be notified about.

RAN stands for Responding to Abuse and Neglect. The RAN training for volunteers induction session outlines for volunteers their child protection responsibilities and provides guidelines on protective practices. You will receive a RAN Certificate after completing this training session.

These sessions are run each term and are advertised in the newsletter and Google+. Please register by phoning the front office, 8264 8099, sending a text to 0447 467 152 or come into the office to add your name to the list.

Volunteer sessions are being held on:

Monday 2nd December - 2pm and 6pm

Please meet at the front office before the start of your session time. Each session lasts about 60 minutes.

Disco

Thursday 28th November

Junior primary disco (years R-3) - 4:45pm to 6:00pm

Primary disco (years 3-7) - 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Year 3 Students can choose which one to attend (not both)

The school canteen will be open for refreshments



The cost is \$5 and can be paid via QKR or cash payments taken at the door

Reasons to use the school crossing

Reason 1: Nearly one in every eight road deaths in South Australia is a pedestrian. In addition to fatalities there are on average just under 100 pedestrians seriously injured as well as many more who receive minor injuries each year.

Reason 2: Your child will learn about pedestrian safety by watching you, so use safe behaviour around cars, roads, footpaths and car parks. Always stop, look, listen and think before crossing a road, and use pedestrian crossings wherever possible. Always cross at the safest point, even if you have to walk further out of your way and if you're crossing at the lights, wait for the green man!



Tyson W and Ayla W

Reason 3: The Queensland Centre for Accident Research and Road Safety recently conducted an Australia-wide survey of parents focused on keeping kids safe around roads and cars. They found until the age of NINE, children's perceptual and cognitive abilities are not sufficiently developed to enable them to make sound judgments when crossing roads. Holding hands with your children is the best way to keep them safe around a school crossing.

Reason 4: The Australian Road Rules states that a pedestrian within 20 metres of a crossing (including a school crossing) must use it to cross the road.

The fine is over \$100 that can be issued by SA Police for failing to cross within 20 metres of the school crossing. So keep an eye out for any hazards and keep holding hands until you're all safely in the school yard or in the car.

Next week, on Wednesday 20th November we will be having school crossing training. Any students who are 10 Years of age by this date of the training session will be provided with school crossing training so they can be ready to begin monitor duty at the beginning of 2020. This service builds students' self-esteem, sense of responsibility and community mindedness.