



# APPIN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



20th June, 2019

Hello Everyone,

We are nearly there! Term 2 is coming to an end, although we still have a busy week ahead to finish off. Next week we have our QUEST open morning, 5/6 sports carnival and a Ballet Workshop and performance. A reminder that we will finish school at **2.15pm** next Friday. We have a winner of our newsletter word for this term! Mahlee Hartwig was the first to reveal 'Autumn' as the hidden word. Well done Mahlee!



Congratulations to Gryffyn, Brodie and Paige for their Gumleaf wins last week.

Gryffyn chose free time with a friend, Brodie a class game and Paige to be a PE assistant for a session.

Well done to Will and Matthew on their Appin Star awards, for consistent effort and demonstration of the school values. Matthew will receive his award at assembly next week.



## Appin Stars



### Max James

*Max has been a very responsible and respectful student this semester. He has worked hard in the classroom and has shown lots of improvement. Well done Max!*

### Clare Williams

*For consistently displaying the school value of caring. Clare's outstanding empathy and kindness towards others comes naturally for her and is seen on a daily basis.*

### Ellie White

*For consistently being a kind, considerate and caring student. She is a wonderful help in the classroom and is such a pleasure to teach! Congratulations, Ellie!*

### Corey Petersen

*Corey comes to school each day with a positive attitude and willingness to learn new things. He always tries his best and regularly offers his assistance around the classroom. Keep up the great work, Corey!*



During PE classes on Wednesday this term we have had a group of Year 9 Wangaratta High School students assisting our classes. They are a Sport and Recreation class who are training in the field of sports coaching. They have been actively involved in planning and running sessions and have been doing a great job. This also gives our 5/6 students a look at possibilities for subjects as they begin to think about their move into Secondary School.



## Quest Celebration Morning Wednesday 26th June 9.15-11am Dinosaurs, Bridges and Bright Sparks



There has been excitement in all units this term around our QUEST topics. Next Wednesday all of our students are very excited to show off their work.

All classrooms will be open from 9.15-11am for you to come and check out the awesome work.

Enjoy the rest of the week and the weekend!

Dale Carmody - Principal

### Upcoming Events

27 June	Semester 1 Reports Available	28 June	Last Day of Term - 2.15 Dismissal
27 June	5/6 Sports Carnival	15 July	Term 3 Commences

## Attendance

### WHY EVERY DAY COUNTS

When students stay away from school, their learning and friendships are affected. There are many practical issues associated with absenteeism.

Students who are absent from school:

- miss the introduction of new work
- fail to complete work
- fall behind with their learning
- develop disjointed home-reading routines
- may lack confidence and feel embarrassed because they cannot do work the class has been studying
- feel left out from class discussion when they have missed a special class activity and cannot do the associated work
- miss specialist lessons because these lessons only occur once a week and so, for example, art work is not completed or is rushed in order to finish in the limited time available
- miss notices and newsletters to take home
- miss celebrations, for example excursions, visitors, assemblies and special activities
- can find it difficult to break into established friendship groups and develop good friendships with their peers
- can develop a poor attitude towards school believing 'I won't miss much if I'm not at school'
- fail to realise that the teachers and students miss them.

Please remember that if you are experiencing difficulty in having your child attend school, discuss the matter with your child's teacher.

Next Week: *Why it's not OK to be away OR LATE*



### Regional Cross Country

## Sports News

Yesterday seven of our students travelled out to Winton Racetrack to compete in the Regional Cross Country Event. The day was perfect; cool conditions, some sun trying to shine through and a course that was relatively flat, but the ground was rough and a bit slippery and boggy in parts. All runners had to be careful with their footwork, one wrong placement may have meant a stumble. With about 60 participants competing in each age group, the competition was going to be extremely tough. These fields were made up of the best runners from each of the sporting districts from across the North East.

In the 9/10 year old age groups we had Max James represent the school as a first time participant at this level. Max completed the 2km run with a strong finish to place in the top half of the field.

Abbey Waide competed in the girls' 11 year old event and Seth Saunders in the boys' 11 year old race. Both events were hotly contested with strong runners across both fields. Seth finished 28<sup>th</sup> and Abbey 30<sup>th</sup>.

Corey Marjanovic (1<sup>st</sup>), along with Bailey Walch (2<sup>nd</sup>), Ruby Snowdon and Madie Pearson competed in the 12/13 year old age groups, over 3km. Corey was able to show his strength in distance running and ran a strong race to finish well ahead of the rest of the field. Bailey placed herself well in the front of the field to finish strongly, but couldn't quite get over the top of the pace of the eventual winner.

What a great result from all of our runners, to place in the top half of their fields. The perseverance and determination displayed by each of them is a compliment to their desire to give their best. No excuses were given, just best efforts for the day. Well done. There were some close finishes amongst the top 12 runners of each race; evidence of the calibre of runners that competed. They certainly left everything on the track and their final result was a great reward for their efforts.

Bailey and Corey have now qualified to attend the State Championships, which will be held early next term. Congratulations to these students along with all of our other competitors. An awesome effort from everyone. Thank you to the parents who took the runners to the event; without your support they would miss out on many opportunities.



### This week at Appin Park

