



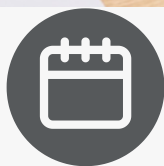
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The Creek This Week

Andrews Creek Primary School



Upcoming events

Tuesday 13 - 24 March

NAPLAN testing
Grades 3 and 5

Monday 20 - 31 March

Swimming & Water Safety
Program

Thursday 23 March

School Association AGM

Wednesday 29 March

NWPSSA 3-4 Athletics

Thursday 30 March

Progress Reports sent home

Wednesday 5 April

Last day Term 1

Thursday 6 April

Student Free Day

Wednesday 26 April

Term 2 Starts

Principal's Message

Wow I cannot believe we are in Week 6 already. Our first half of the term has been so busy, and this week we will begin NAPLAN with our Year 3 and 5 students. Goodluck to them all. The NAPLAN assessments are one of the methods that schools use to determine the achievement of its students and the effectiveness of the academic program. We have been working with students to ensure they are familiar with the test format but it is important not to overstate the importance of the tests or to build up anxiety in the children. Our message will be "just do your best."

Our NAPLAN results for 2022 should be congratulated and recognised as we enter into this year's phase of testing. According to reading, writing, and spelling scores for Years 3 and 5, Andrews Creek Primary School consistently exceeds the Tasmanian and Australian averages as well as those of similar schools. It is evident from our excellent writing results for 2022 for year 5, that the whole school's focus on writing using the 6+1 Writing Traits, is producing outstanding results.

Last week we invited parents in for our Coffee and Fitness morning. It was wonderful to see so many parents pop in and out throughout the morning. We had a couple of Gaga Ball champions amongst us. Thank you to the School Association Committee for their generous contribution of baked goods, as well as to Sue who made her famous scones and raspberry jam for us all to enjoy. I found this event to be a great opportunity for parents and carers to mingle, as well as an opportunity for me to meet a number of new parents.

Yours in Partnership

Paula McGlade
Acting Principal



Twilight Carnival
Monday 3 April

NWPSSA Athletics Carnival

On the morning of Thursday 9 March, 16 excited Grade 5 and 6 athletes boarded the bus with Port Sorell Primary School students to represent our respective schools at Penguin in the NWPSSA Athletics Carnival. In somewhat trying conditions, all students tried their best and did 'The Creek' very proud.

It was great to have some parent/grandparent/carer support throughout the day, and thank you to Mr Stansbie for helping put the gazebo up, and then Mr Gibson for getting the pegs out when Mrs Hayes couldn't!

We had several students make the semi final/s of their race/s: Lauren, Jelioca, Amelia, Amber, Zen and Lachlan. From there, 3 students made it through to the final races at the twilight carnival on Monday 3 April; Lauren, Jelioca and Taylor. These students will receive notices with further details.

Some events are finals straight away ie, they don't have heats and/ semi finals: Lauren came second out of all of the Grade 5 girls (all divisions) in both the 800m and long jump. Well done Lauren! Our Grade 5 girls won their relay event.

A fantastic effort all round. Well done!



POSTPONED

The 3/4 Athletics Carnival was postponed last week due to bad weather. **The new date is Wednesday 29 March.** Team members received a notice last week regarding the date change.



Swimming & Water Safety Program

Our Swimming & Water Safety Program is commencing at the Latrobe Pool **from next Monday 20 - 31 March for our Prep - Grade 6 students.** Our PE teacher, Mrs Courtney Hayes will be joined by Ausswim instructors to take the program. Students in Grades 3, 4, 5 will participate for 10 days and Prep, Grade 1, 2, 6 students for 5 days.

Notices were uploaded to Skoolbag last week detailing swimming times and what students need to bring. Just click on the SWSP icon in Skoolbag to find the notices.

You do not need to complete any permission forms as these were part of the validation forms that were completed at the start of term.

If you haven't returned your validation form/permission forms by the start of swimming, please do so immediately as your child will not be permitted to swim.

Book Club

Don't forget issue #2 is due to be ordered in LOOP by tomorrow, Friday 17 March.

Issue #1 was delivered last week.



Creek Cafe

Order forms are in the classrooms and are due back with the correct money by tomorrow.

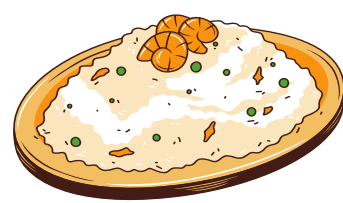
Creek Cafe will run **every second Tuesday** this term and orders are due the Friday before.

Gluten free options will be available by ticking the box on the order form. We also have a vegetarian option next week, just write "vegetarian" on the order form.

All items are \$3.50 per serve.

Tuesday 21 March - Fried Rice

Orders due Friday 17 March.



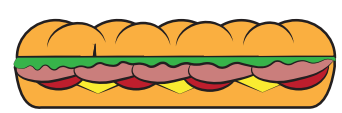
Subway

We are offering Subway lunches again each Friday in Term 1. Orders must be in no later than 9.30pm on Thursday nights.

If your child is away sick on the day you have ordered a Subway lunch, you can call the Homemaker Centre Subway on 6423 2233 and postpone their order to the following week. This must be done early on the Friday morning.

Order here:

<http://bit.ly/3YmBDhY>





Best Teacher Competition!

Congratulations to Mr Wallace and Mrs Hardy who were nominated by these two students in the News Corp's Best Teachers competition and featured in the Mercury newspaper last Saturday.

Here are the nomination statements from the girls.

"I'm nominating Mr Wallace because firstly he's an AMAZING teacher. Mr Wallace makes learning fun by telling jokes and pushing people in a friendly way to be their best. When I came to Mr Wallace in Grade 5, I was scared and never had been encouraged to do the best I can do. Mr Wallace introduced me a new way to learn and it worked. I've improved, and now I come to school much happier than before. Mr Wallace is the best teacher there is!"

"I think Mrs Hardy is the best teacher because she makes learning fun. Some people are negative about the work we do, but when Mrs Hardy explains it she makes it fun. Mrs Hardy is the best teacher ever. Sometimes we do Art with her and it's really fun. Mrs Hardy even helps us to make our books look amazing. Mrs Hardy is the best!"

Merit Assembly

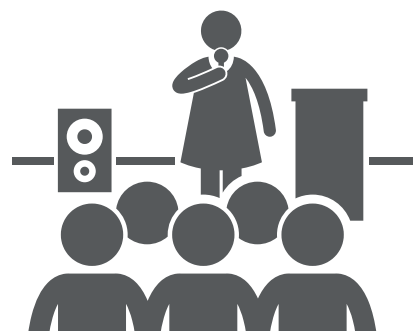
Our first Merit Assembly is tomorrow Friday 17 March at 1.30pm in our school hall.

In this assembly 4/5 and 5/6 classes will be sharing an item. Due to COVID restrictions and limited space, we ask that ONLY 1 member from each family is invited to attend from these 2 classes.

Class teachers will also be inviting parents/carers of award recipients who may also attend (1 member of the family per student).

No RSVPs are required.

Our student leaders for 2023 will also be presented with their badges during this assembly.





STAR Cards

Isabella - for respectful listening, being respectful of others, and respectful of belongings.

Lauren - for thoughtfully, without complaint, getting extra tasks completed.

Ayla - super impressed with the effort you are putting into your tasks.

Allixandrea - can always be relied upon to follow our school expectations.

Harry B - for helping to clean up the mess after other students accidentally made it.

Caitlyn - for helping pack our devices away each day.

Tianna - for showing her incredible listening skills at all times.

Declan - for helping Mrs Hinds hand our work without being asked.

Evora - for incredible bookwork and attention to detail.

Oliver P - for helping keep our classroom tidy and safe.

Maevie - for helping tidy up our classroom safely.

Lincoln C - for excellent effort in his Science work today.

Kyan - for helping to tidy our classroom safely.

Hugo - for his outstanding effort in his talking jobs in the speech program.

Max V - for always using amazing manners.

Arlo H - for the amazing time and effort with his WOW drawings.

Freyja - for always helping during packing up time.

Brooklyn - for always being kind and taking care of her friends.

Grayson - for waiting quietly on the mat for the rest of the class to pack up.

Allixandrea - for a great result in Maths.

Mitskie - for always providing a safe Daily PE program.

Riley B - for an amazing result in Maths.

Mila - for giving her best effort in her Science work.

Chelsea - for playing safely inside.

Lauren - great result in Maths.

Fletcher - for making safe choices when playing outside on the equipment.

Indiana - for always showing care for others and taking care of her friends.

Wynter - for being very brave and adjusting to being at big school.

Bodhi - for always being ready to listen and learn.

Finn - for always being a great listener during mat time.

Diesel - for using initiative to help keep our classroom clean.

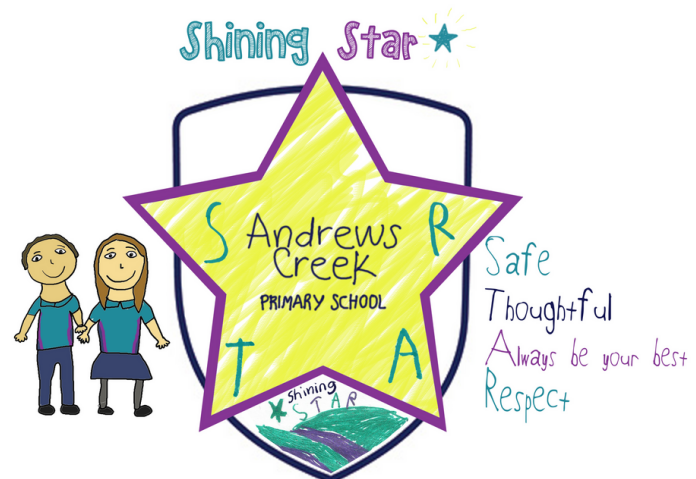
Ellie - for thinking of her classmates and assisting them without prompting and for using her initiative to help keep our classroom clean.

Jelieca - being a helpful class member.

Sophia - for amazing results in Mathematics.

Maci S - for using whole body listening.

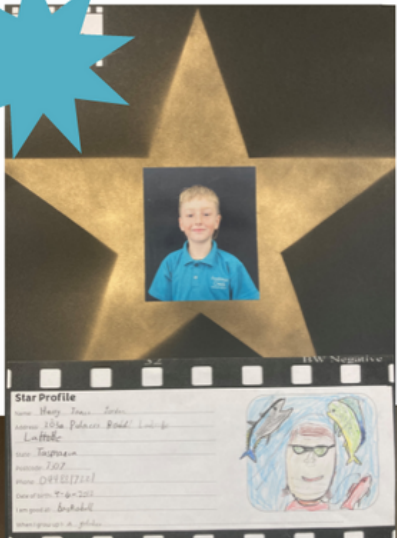
Harper - for always trying your best with every task or activity.




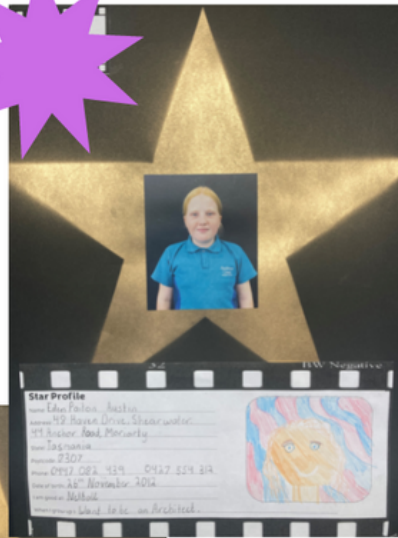
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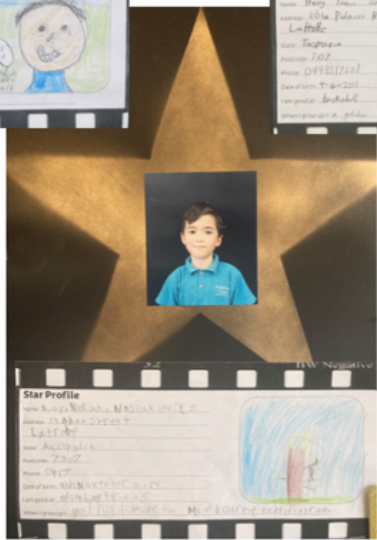
Star Profile
 Name: William Ian Robert Slater
 Home: 5183 Frankford Road
 Merewyn Tasmania
 Postcode: 7202
 Phone: 0434 561 566
 Birthday: 19th September, 2012
 Favorite Food: Beef & Chilli
 Favorite Sport: Football


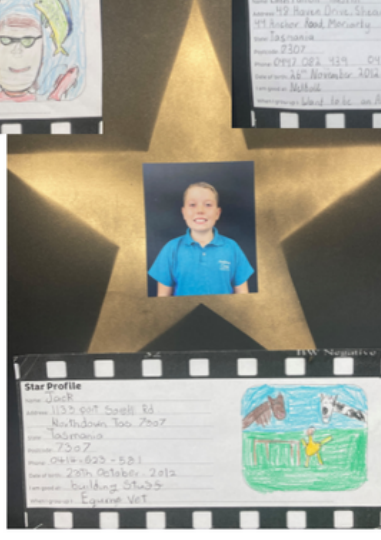
Star Profile
 Name: Shary Jane
 Home: 1014 Palace Road, Ladbroke
 Launceston
 Postcode: 7172
 Phone: 0811 2211
 Birthday: 7th April
 Favorite Food: Pizza


Star Profile
 Name: Eden Felicia
 Home: 45 Raven Drive, Stoneywater
 411 Anker Road, Merewyn
 Postcode: 7202
 Phone: 0417 082 119 0417 529 114
 Birthday: 16th November 2014
 Favorite Food: Mutton
 Favorite Sport: Soccer

Star Profile
 Name: Kings Nola
 Home: 11111111111111111111
 Postcode: 7202
 Phone: 0417
 Birthday: 11/11/11
 Favorite Food: Mutton
 Favorite Sport: Soccer


Star Profile
 Name: Jack
 Home: 1133 607 Swell Rd
 Northdown Tas 7207
 Postcode: 7207
 Phone: 0414 625 581
 Birthday: 20th October, 2012
 Favorite Food: Building
 Favorite Sport: Equine VET





What makes me unique
 I'm Riley and I play hockey! It's really fun! I also have a song playlist and it has over 200 songs on it (something funny!) When I was 3 I somehow picked up a guinea pig and dropped it on my foot! Ouch!
 RigB-6



What Makes Me Unique?
 One of my passions is writing stories. I am not just a writer but I also love to read. I love listening. One thing that makes me unique is my love to dance in water. My perfect day would be going to go water skiing in Singapore.



I'm unique in these ways:
 I'm good at doing tricks on my quad on loose dirt. I'm happy when I hold my baby sisters. I'm most proud of my baby sister able to hold her head up. I can crack my pinkie by curling it. I can climb well.
 Kabbie



What makes me awesome
 I really love chocolate. I am most proud of myself for raising 4 guinea pigs. I'm really like boxing.
 Oakley



What Makes me awesomely unique?
 I am good at baking cupcakes. My perfect day would be not going to school and sleeping in. My best character is the 11th. Something that makes me unique is that I like my grandma.
 Ash

Our Future is So Bright That We Need Shades!

Soccer 2023

For those children playing soccer in the upcoming school roster, player registrations need to be completed this week so your child can be placed into a team.

Games commence on Saturday 1 April.

Please click on the below link and follow the instructions to register your child under ACPS.

<https://bit.ly/3FITOg6>



Fissure Sealant & Fluoride Varnish Program

Program Dates: 27 June - 5 July.

Grades: Kinder, Prep, Grades 1, 2, 6.

Consent Forms Due Back: Friday 31 March.

If you do not want your child to participate, please return the form anyway but just tick "no" on the consent section and sign it.



ICAS Assessments

We are delighted to inform you that ACPS will be participating in the ICAS competition in August this year.

What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

Learn more about ICAS here

<https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas>

How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

- Read about ICAS subjects and prices here: [icasassessments.com/products-icas](https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas)
- Read the terms and conditions here: [2023-ICAS-Assessments-Parents-PPS-TsCs_final.pdf](#) ([icasassessments.com](https://www.icasassessments.com))
- Go to Parent Portal to purchase tests here: shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps
- Enter our school's access code – **HMG783**
- Enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Registration closes on Monday 31 July.

We will publish sitting dates for each subject closer to August.



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