

The Creek This Week

Andrews Creek Primary School



Upcoming events

Friday 24 November

Grades 3-6 Triathlon
Merit Assembly 1.30pm

Tuesday 28 November

Athletics Carnival

Friday 1 December

Devonport Show Holiday

Friday 8 December

LHS Orientation Day

Wednesday 13 December

Christmas Concert

Thursday 14 December

School reports

Friday 15 December

Grade 6 Big Day Out

Monday 18 December

School Picnic

Thursday 21 December

Grade 6 Assembly
Last day of Term

Principal's Message

Last week, our Year 5 and 6 students arrived at school early, bags packed, ready for their Hobart adventure. The students displayed our school values proudly as they participated in a diverse and engaging schedule of activities.

Camp is not just about having fun; it plays a crucial role in helping our students build resilience, courage, aspiration, and personal growth. Staying away from home presents a unique set of challenges, and these experiences contribute significantly to the holistic development of our young learners.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to our dedicated staff; Penny, Phil, and Stacey, along with Ben, for their unwavering commitment. Organising these camps involves a substantial amount of behind-the-scenes paperwork and countless, unpaid additional hours. Additionally, I would like to acknowledge our School Association that make a significant financial contribution. I appreciate everyone's tireless efforts in making these valuable experiences possible for our students.

It's important to acknowledge that many schools have discontinued offering camps due to the immense workload they entail. However, we are fortunate to have a team that prioritises the well-rounded development of our students, going above and beyond to provide them with these enriching opportunities.

In Partnership,
Emma Scicluna

Principal

Athletics Carnival

TUESDAY 28 November - Starting time 9.15am

Our Athletics Carnival is less than a week away!



In Audiri under "Athletics Carnival" tab you will find:

- A program
- Map (also below)
- **Parent Information Sheet - This has lots of useful information about the day so please check this out.**



House T-shirts (Teal & Purple) are available for sale (\$10) at the office if you don't have one.

A big thank you to our School Association who are **providing each child with one free sausage for lunch.** These will be handed out to each class after they finish the BBQ race at the conclusion of the second session.

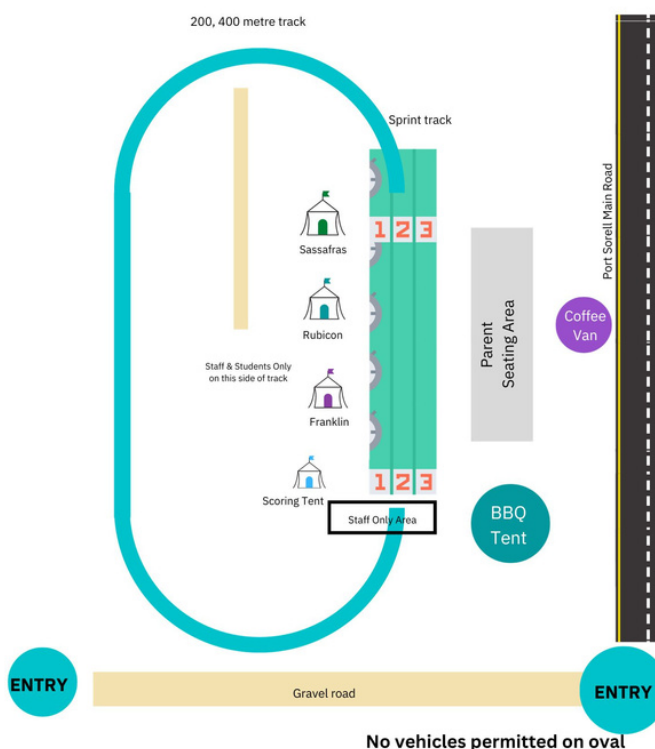
\$2 sausages will be available for sale to our visitors.

We need a few more volunteers to help out with the BBQ so please let the School Association or the office know if you can help. andrewscreek.sac@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing our school community at this wonderful event and please don't forget your runners!



Andrews Creek Primary School Oval



Sassafras Friends Learning Together

Sassafras + Andrews Creek Primary
Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 28 November
9.15am-2.15pm
on ACPS oval

Come and join us for this fun family event!

School Association BBQ
Coffee Van
Lots of novelty races for kids and adults

Andrews Creek Primary School

Christmas Concert & 10 Year Birthday Celebration

2023 marks the 10 Year Anniversary of the amalgamation of Moriarty and Wesley Vale Primary School. We are going to celebrate while we are all together at our Christmas Concert on Wednesday 13 December. We will have a guest speaker and a piece of cake for our students!

If anyone in our school community knows any life members of Moriarty Primary or Wesley Vale Primary Schools, please invite them along to attend our celebration.

Our Christmas Concert is a wonderful family event held on our oval and each class will perform a special item.

If you would like a picture of your child with Santa please come early as he will be available for photos from 5.15pm.

Planning 2024

Parents/carers will receive a letter on Tuesday 19 December with information on their child's class and teacher for 2024. Students will also spend some time that day with their new teacher and class.

We acknowledge that parents and students worry about which class their child will be in and who their teacher will be for the following year. Please be assured that we go through a detailed and thoughtful process in organising students into classes. This involves taking into consideration factors such as students' academic ability, friendships and year group.

It will only be in very special circumstances that we take parent requests into consideration. This is because we are a small school and don't have the flexibility to meet the requests of all parents regarding class placements and teachers. When parents request a specific teacher over another teacher, it undermines the value of our teaching team. We work hard as a teaching team to support each other, our students and families.

If your child is moving to another school in 2024 and you have not let us know, please do so before next week as it may have an impact on our class planning.



BBQ hosted by Port Sorell Lions Club 5-6pm
Special guest Santa from 5.15pm
Concert starting at 6pm
ACPS 10th Birthday Celebrations
Coffee Van also on-site



Kinder students last week of school

A reminder to our Kinder families that Kinder will be a little different in the last week of school as we would like our Kinder students to be involved in our end of year events.

Kinder Days are:

Monday 18/12 - School Picnic at Latrobe Pool

Tuesday 19/12 - No Kinder today

Wednesday 20/12 - At school

Thursday 21/12 - At school - Grade 6 Assembly and last day of school.



End Of Year Reports

Our End of Year reports will be going home with students on Thursday 14 December.



3-4 Sports Expo

On the 14 November 3/4H and the 4's from 4/5A got the chance to go to the 3/4 Sports Expo. There were 4 different types of sports. There was AFL football, tennis, hockey and rugby. My favourite was tennis because we got to play this game with two teams and our team won. - **Maci**

The people that helped us were so lovely. Everyone loved it and we hope to come again. - **Lusiana**

My favourite sport was football. 3/4 had so much fun! We all hope to come again. THANK YOU! - **Evora**

Upcoming Emergency Practice

Within the next month we will hold an emergency practice with staff and students, to test our response to a potential scenario warranting that our site goes into lockdown.

Similar to the fire evacuation practices that we are accustomed to holding, we recognise the importance to also test other emergency responses and assist our people to feel more familiar with what they do during an emergency.

When the practice is held, through the start signal announcement, our staff will know it is only a practice and not a real emergency.

Prior to the drill, staff will refresh themselves on the emergency response plan. If you have queries you are welcome to contact our Principal Emma Scicluna on 6428 4088.



Book Club Issue #8

Our last Issue of Bookclub for 2023 is out now! **Orders are due no later than Monday 4 December.** If you are ordering your child a Christmas gift please ensure you tick the gift order box in LOOP.

Tool Skool

Last week we welcomed Asher from Tool Skool (Woodwork for Kids).

All our students were given the opportunity to use hammers, nails, saws and sandpaper to create their very own toy. Thank you, Asher, for visiting our school and delivering this fantastic program! We have uploaded more photos to our ACPS Facebook page.

<https://toolskool.com.au>



Grade 5-6 Hobart Camp



My favourite memory is when I did mini golf together with my friends, Ceclia Ella, and Amelia. Every time we tried to get a golf ball up the hill, it would start rolling back down! The whole course had many cool tricks and surprises all over! We got a bit lazy after a while and stopped marking our scores.

Mitskie



My favourite memory was definitely Tunnel 8. Tunnel 8 was at Rock It, the rock-climbing centre we went to. They had a series of tunnels from easy to extreme and tunnel 8 was extreme. I dragged myself through small spaces, as claustrophobia set in. Many people were panicking but they still pushed through. The tunnels were very grimy which didn't help. Although it was quite scary it was still fun, somehow! All in all, I thoroughly enjoyed camp and had a great time!

Amelia

Tunnel Rules

- Please remove your harness before entering the tunnels
- Shoes must be worn at all times
- Know your limits. Even if you've been through the tunnels before, we recommend that you start with the easy ones. Avoid tunnels 8 & 9 if you are over 180cm tall.
- The tunnels aren't a "gout, please keep movin"
- Do not enter the tunnels through the exits (marked "X")
- Some tunnels finish upstairs. Do not run back downstairs, walking only or use tunnel six to return.
- Lights aren't necessary, the tunnels are designed to be crawled through in the dark!

No.	Map Colour	Difficulty	Approx Time	Notes
1	Green	Easy	7min	Up, across and back, one tight squeeze.
2	Yellow	Medium	5min	Lot's of up & down.
3	Yellow	Medium	5min	Optional route. Finishes upstairs.
4	Orange	Hard	10min	A space mission with lot's of obstacles.
5	Orange	Hard	10min	Alien traps, turns and zig-zags.
6	Green	Easy	2min	A raste back downstairs. Exit on a slide.
7	Orange	Hard	10min	The last step before the extreme tunnels.
8	Red	Extreme	10min	Not for the faint-hearted or the long-legged.
9	Red	Extreme	10min	Try this if you have conquered the rest.
10	Green	Easy	1min	Our kindest tunnel, Lights and fan features.

The grade 5/6 students went on camp to Hobart last week. My favourite memory was definitely at Bounce where they had slow growing green foam cylinders that you could jump off. It was so fun, and it felt like we were flying!

Amber

My first time through tunnel one at the Rock-It! Rock climbing place was a squeeze! At first, I was terrified, would I be able to get through my mind raced, turns out in the end it was way easier than I thought. I remember hitting my head multiple times out in the commando crawl space in the tunnel, yet overall it was probably my favourite time on camp.

Ella. H



My favourite part of camp was Putt Putt Golf. It was the best. Lachlan hit his ball over the fence into the parking lot and went out and got it from the parking lot. We stayed there for ages. Lachlan almost fell in and I had to catch him from falling in the pond full of rocks and mud.

Brandon





Grade 5-6 Hobart Camp Thank you

We would like to thank the following organisations for their generous donations toward our camp.

Our **School Association** for their generous donation of \$150 per student.

Woolworths \$100 voucher for sunscreen, muesli bars, popcorn.

Spreyton Cider Co - a box of apples.

Costa - Rohan Kile for the huge amount of berries.

Wesley Vale Church contributed to our bus costs.

Finally, to all the **families** who donated homemade cooking!





STAR Cards

Ivahna - for always using whole body listening.

Dominic - for his effort in making sure his handwriting was neat.

Harvey - for being thoughtful towards others by working quietly on a job.

Oliver P. - for tidying up safely and quietly.

Hugo - for being thoughtful towards others by working quietly on a job.

Harper - for always trying your best with all your work.

Kodie - for amazing writing - his best yet!

Ariana - for being a respectful listener during sharing circle time.

Elsie Re - for being a respectful listener during sharing circle time.

Kodie - for being a respectful listener at all times.

Rhyan - for being encouraging to others when they got out in a game.

Tarkine - for being a respectful listener at all times.

Arlo - for being a respectful listener at all times.

Ryder - being an Andrews Creek shining star at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Evie - being an Andrews Creek shining star at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Evelyn - demonstrating incredible listening at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Bella A - demonstrating incredible listening at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Eleanor - being an Andrews Creek shining star at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Harper - showing respect to our school by helping to keep our classroom tidy.

Kyle - for showing whole body listening.

Jaxon - for being thoughtful towards others by moving out of the way to pack his bag so others could get to their bag.

Harper - for helping to tidy up.

Lili C. - for being thoughtfully organised each day. Often the first to begin tasks.

Izzy F. - for demonstrating a great understanding in maths in her fraction unit.

Sophia - for being respectfully willing to ensure the classroom is clean and tidy at the end of the day.

Isla B. - for helping to tidy up.

Delilah - for helping to tidy up.

Maeve - for helping others to tidy up their mess.

Hannah - for persevering with woodwork.

Dustin - for his enthusiasm and effort in his talking jobs!

Poppy - for washing up the paint pots without being asked.

Nevae Z. - for washing up the paint pots without being asked.

Nevae C - for being an Andrews Creek Shining Star at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Evora - for demonstrating incredible listening at the 3/4 Sports Expo.

Chelsea - for getting all the problems correct on her angle task.

Phoenix - for always helping to tidy the classroom to keep it clean and safe.

Max V. - for always being kind and including others in his play.

Bodhi - for excellent listening during group time.

Ziggy - for excellent participation at music time.

Lincoln C. - for trying his best with his work today.

1-2 B

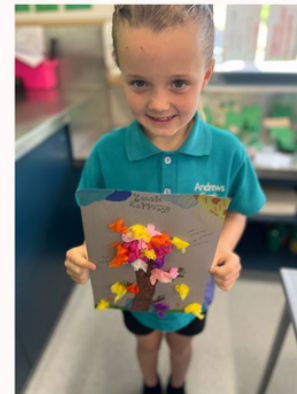
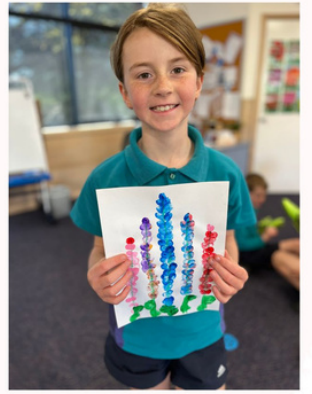
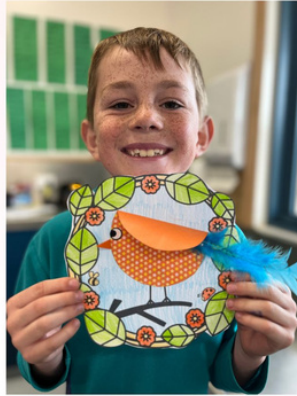
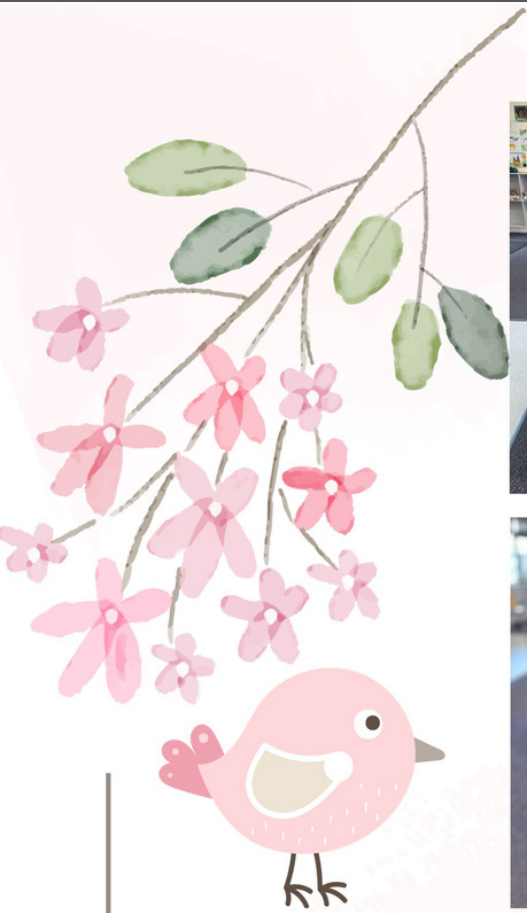


Hello Spring



Check out our collage Spring birds,
tissue paper blossoms, fingerprint snap dragons
and fork print tulips!





We hope you enjoyed looking at
our Spring art. —



School Health Nurse News

Today's newsletter article is to raise awareness of food allergies, including potentially fatal food allergies. I ask you to please read the following to help increase awareness and share information on what we can do to improve safety for students who live with food allergies.

Australia has one of the highest incidences of food allergies in the world and this is increasing at an alarming rate; in fact, one in every ten babies born in Australia will develop a food allergy. With no known cure for food allergy, awareness and education are most important, as an allergic reaction can quickly become life threatening.

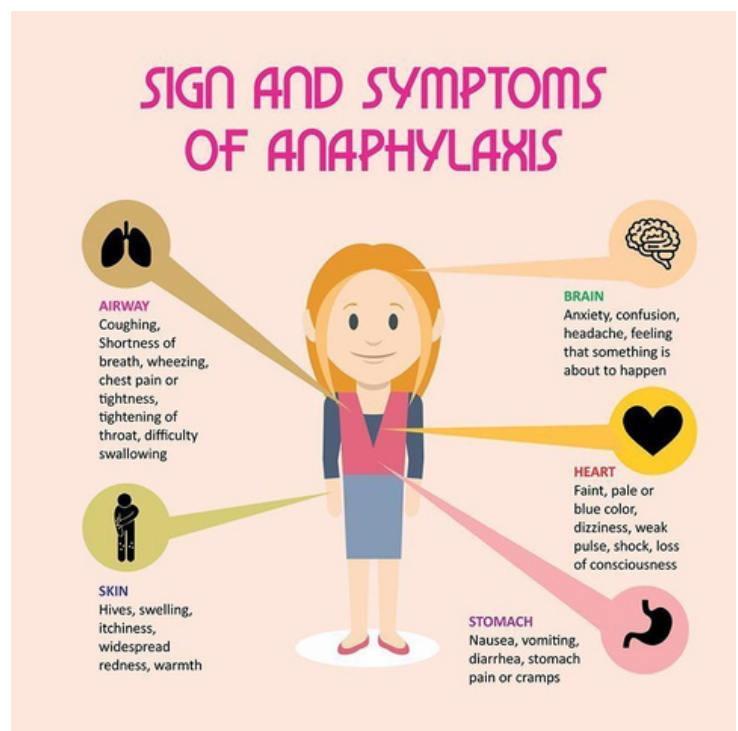
Some foods can cause rashes, hives or other skin conditions, some foods can upset the digestive system (irregular bowels, upset stomach) or even headaches, but some others trigger a reaction in the body that is life threatening and can stop a child breathing. As you can imagine, this would be the most frightening experience for that child and their family.

So, what is Anaphylaxis? Anaphylaxis is the most severe form of allergic reaction and is potentially life threatening. It must be treated as a medical emergency, requiring immediate treatment and urgent medical attention. This requires to use of a EpiPen (emergency dose of adrenalin). This is used to try to calm symptoms and increase the chance of survival until medical assistance can be sort. This is a life-threatening situation, not just a student who dislikes a certain food.

Anaphylaxis usually occurs within minutes or up to 2 hours of exposure to the trigger and can rapidly become life threatening.

If you are the adults packing your child's lunch or if your child is doing this themselves, it is important to be aware of the school restrictions on certain foods. Please ask your class teacher, even just a quick Seesaw message, if your concerned about your child's own allergies or what your child might not be able to bring in their own lunch box, to help protect and support other children and their families.

If you have any questions, please feel comfortable to leave a message at the school and I will look forward to chatting to you further. No such thing as a silly question either, there is lots to know about in this area and we cannot all be experts.



The best way to support these children with allergies is by educating your children and yourselves.

Like more Information?
Allergy & Anaphylaxis Australia
www.allergyfacts.org.au
Food Allergy Week
www.allergyfacts.org.au/faw

Does your child or someone in the family have an EpiPen?
The EpiClub® Reminder Program Register the expiry dates of your adrenalin auto-injector (EpiPen®) and they will send you a message when it is approaching, reminding you to replace the pens.
www.epiclub.com.au

Debbie Knightley
School Health Nurse
Andrew's Creek Primary- Friday's.



Grade 6 Profiles

Who is your role model and why?

My role model is Fiona Wood because she was a burn surgeon and has saved many lives. A burn surgeon is a surgeon that tries to eliminate scars and helps the healing process.

What are some things you would like to do in the future (as a teenager or adult)?

For my career I would like to be a surgeon. I would also like to go backpacking around the world because of all the different cultures and history that are out there.



What do you enjoy doing when you are not at school?

When I am not at school I love to read and participate in sports including netball, basketball, touch football and surf club.

How long have you been at Andrews Creek Primary?

I have been at Andrews Creek Primary for 9 years including this year. I first came here for pre kinder!

What have you enjoyed the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

I'm really enjoyed going on camp with all of my friends and I loved personal interest groups with Mrs Dick doing cooking and gardening.

What have been your favourite subjects?

My favourite subjects have been Maths and P.E.

What are your favourite memories from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

One of my favourite memories is when my friends and I went to the triathlon, and I found an air pod!

What is something funny you can remember from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

When Mr Wallace was teaching us fractions and we worked out a trick to work it out and Mr Wallace could not believe his eyes and said if that worked than he would go outside, and it did work so Mr Wallace stormed outside and contemplated his life.

What will you miss the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

I will miss all my past teachers and teachers' assistants, and all my younger friends. Thank you very much for all that you have done for me.

What are you looking forward to in high school?

I am looking forward to meeting new people and making new friends and the extra activities that you do in high school.

Grade 6 Profiles

Who is your role model and why?

My role model is Michael Jordan because he's good at basketball. I enjoy playing basketball at break time.

What are some things you would like to do in the future (as a teenager or adult)?

In the future I would like to continue riding mountain bikes, basketball and dirt bikes.

What do you enjoy doing when you are not at school?

When I am not at school I like hanging out with my mates and going on rides on my bike.

How long have you been at Andrews Creek Primary?

I've been at Andrews Creek Primary school for 8 years.

What have you enjoyed the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

I have enjoyed getting to do MDT/ Woodwork with Sam in grade four.

What have been your favourite subjects?

My favourite subjects are Maths and English.

What are your favourite memories from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

My favourite memories from Andrews Creek is the bird that got stuck in the air vent above the 1/2 classroom.

What is something funny you can remember from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

Something funny I can remember about Andrews Creek is when people got swooped by the plovers.

What will you miss the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

I will miss the younger students and the teachers and assistants.

What are you looking forward to in high school?

In high school I am looking forward to MDT, making new friends and seeing old people who went to this school.



Grade 6 Profiles



Who is your role model and why?

My role model is Mr Wallace. Every day in grade four (when I was in the classroom next door) I would listen to his class discuss science and maths. I always did roman numerals when I was younger, and Mr Wallace would walk in and write Roman Numerals on the board and I would figure them out. It was a connection that we made.

What are some things you would like to do in the future (as a teenager or adult)?

In the future, I will study science neurology, along with actinobiology, so I can make enough money to do what I want.

What do you enjoy doing when you are not at school?

When I am not at school I like playing games on my Xbox and my iPad, and going to the movies with friends and family. I am currently watching Netflix and the show One Piece.

How long have you been at Andrews Creek Primary?

Eight years, I have been at Andrews Creek Primary. I have always tried my best, completed my schoolwork and played with and made friends.

What have you enjoyed the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

I have enjoyed playing with friends and cooking with Mrs Dick and Roman Numerals with Mr Wallace.

What have been your favourite subjects?

Roman numerals, cooking and science are my three favourite subjects.

What are your favourite memories from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

When my best friend Caleb and I were planning to have a play date since he had never seen the Mario Movie ever and he really wanted to see it and we did it together.

What is something funny you can remember from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

One time Patrick and I walked into the class, and no one was there, and we wondered if anybody was in class but really everybody was in an assembly, and we were late.

What will you miss the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

My grade 5 friends Caleb, Liam, Jace, Oscar, Harry, and Taylor. I will miss them a lot in high school same with my teacher Mr Wallace. I know in high school I will not get face to face learning like I did in primary school.

What are you looking forward to in high school?

Continuing to be best friends with my classmate Patrick hopefully for now and forever and secondly keeping in touch with the old grade sixes and asking them what to do and how to do it. I will also be looking forward to helping my old friends get through high school next year.

Grade 6 Profiles

Who is your role model and why?

My role model is my Mum because she has taught me everything I need to know. She helps me when I'm down, inspires and motivates me to try my best and is a generally loving and caring person.

What are some things you would like to do in the future (as a teenager or adult)?

When I get older, I would like to get a good job and become a speech pathologist.

I would also like to write a bucket list and complete it!

What do you enjoy doing when you are not at school?

In my free time I enjoy swimming, running and hanging out with my friends.

How long have you been at Andrews Creek Primary?

I have been at Andrews Creek since pre kinder so for nine years.

What have you enjoyed the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

My friends Kira, Lillie and Lexie.

What have been your favourite subjects?

My favourite subjects are PE, Art and English.

What are your favourite memories from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

My favourite memories are from when I went to Hagley Farm in prep. We got to make butter and look inside the old school with the ink pots and old-fashioned fountain pens but, my favourite of all was when we got to ride on the tractor.

What is something funny you can remember from your time at Andrews Creek Primary?

My favourite memory was when Kira got inside the bin near the sandpit and tipped it over while she was inside.

What will you miss the most about Andrews Creek Primary?

I think I'll miss my friends in grade five and the teachers that really helped me to take my learning to the next level!

What are you looking forward to in high school?

In high school I'm looking forward to meeting new people and making friends, trying out new things and subjects.



Community News

EAST DEVONPORT BOWLS CLUB

Free Community Lunch

MONDAY DEC 25, 12 - 3PM

IF YOU ARE STRUGGLING TO PROVIDE CHRISTMAS LUNCH, YOU OR YOUR FAMILY WILL BE ALONE ON CHRISTMAS, WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO JOIN US!

LUNCH WILL BE COLD MEAT, SALADS, AND DESSERT TEA COFFEE AND CORDIAL INCLUDED THERE WILL BE MUSIC AND BAREFOOT BOWLS FOR ALL TO ENJOY
ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

FOR BOOKINGS, PHONE KELLIE ON 64279574.

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2023

LATROBE LIONS COMMUNITY *Christmas Character Party and Carols*

BELLS PARADE, LATROBE
SATURDAY, 16 DECEMBER
5:30PM - 8:00PM

Come and make some Christmas craft, sing some Carols, eat some fairy floss, have your face painted and indulge in food and refreshments

Prize for Best Family Christmas Costume

Includes a special visit by Santa

Entry by gold coin donation

An alcohol and smoke free event
No dogs permitted

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