

WESTLETTER

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MR K'S CORNER

End-of-Term Assembly

The end-of-term assembly will be held at school in the Gymnasium on Friday June 26. We normally hold the assembly at Gum San's Great Hall; however, they are currently replacing the carpet at Gum San which means the facility is unavailable. Parents & families are invited to have lunch with their children from 12:15pm. Assembly will begin at 12:45pm. Students will be dismissed at 2:20pm.

Winter Carnival

On Wednesday our Grade 5/6 students competed in the Winter Carnival against students from other schools in the area. They competed in Football, Soccer and Netball. It was great to see our girls' soccer team win their competition. Our netball team also made it to the final, narrowly going down by 1 point in a close match. Well done to all students on how they competed, and we hope they enjoyed the day. Thank you to the teachers and ES involved in organising and coaching teams along with umpiring.



Winter Sports Carnival



Congratulations to the following students who received a Positive Behaviour Award at Assembly ...



Awards

Poppy– Working hard on your handwriting. Poppy, you have been ensuring that all your letters are formed correctly and facing the right way. Your handwriting is neat, easy to read, and has clear spaces between each word. Well done, Poppy!

Jack– For striving to do your best in all subjects. You have continued to develop your ability to establish and maintain good routines. This allows you to be organised and ready to learn. Keep up the great work, Jack!

Noah– For having a great week of learning. Noah listens carefully in class and helps his classmates and teachers when they need it. Noah is kind, respectful, and always eager to learn new things. He always has a smile on his face and his happy attitude is contagious. Well done Noah, keep making great choices!

Eddie– For consistently giving his best effort in all learning tasks and working hard to listen carefully and engage thoughtfully during lessons and class discussions. He is a genuine delight to have in the classroom and his positive attitude towards learning is truly valued. Keep up the great work Eddie!

Charles– For being focused and ready for your learning throughout the week. Charles, you have been displaying aspiring qualities and should be proud of your efforts. Your want to learn and your participation, particularly in our knowledge sessions is impressive. Keep up the great work. Well done, Charles!

Mason– For his fantastic effort in becoming more confident during small group learning. You have shown great courage by joining in discussions and answering questions more often. Your willingness to participate and share your ideas has been wonderful to see. Keep up the amazing work– your confidence is growing every day!

Scarlett– Working hard to build her reading skills, particularly in fluency. Scarlett has shown great improvement with her ability to read words without decoding them. She has just started to learn diagraphs, where two letters make one sound and is doing a great job learning new codes. Well done Scarlett, keep working hard!

Hallie– For always showing kindness, respect, and a positive attitude every day. Their friendly nature, excellent manners, and always treating others with care make them a valued member of our classroom community. Thank you for being such a wonderful role model and for always showing respect to everyone around you.

William– For working hard to take on feedback and use it to improve his writing. William has focused on adding more detail and sophisticated vocabulary to make his narrative writing more engaging and descriptive. Your persistence and commitment to improving your work are paying off. Well done, William!

Lutana– Bringing her own unique sense of joy and fun to the classroom. Lutana is bringing a great attitude to literacy and numeracy lessons and is making pleasing progress. It has been particularly pleasing to see Lutana improve her punctuation and spelling in her writing pieces. Keep up the good work Tana!

Koby– For continuing to be a respectful member of our classroom, it has been amazing to see you showing how capable you are in learning time! You have been working hard to make positive choices in the classroom and putting huge amounts of effort into the work you are doing. I am incredibly proud of the progress you are making Koby! Keep it up!

Harry– Outstanding perseverance and determination. Harry approaches his learning with a positive attitude, works hard, and never gives up. He shows resilience when faced with challenges and is always willing to learn from his mistakes. I am very proud of his effort and determination to keep striving for success. Fantastic work Harry!



Aspiring Respectful Resilient



Positive Behaviour Awards

Reading Awards

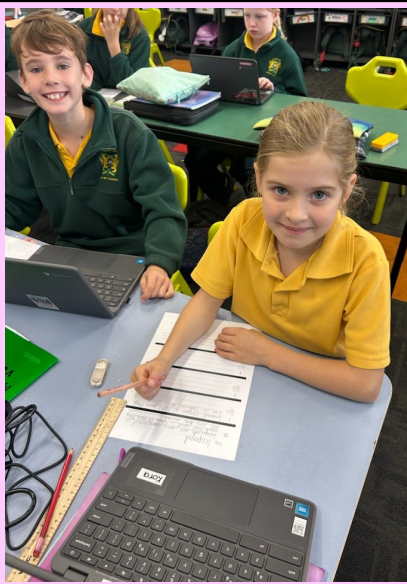


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Year 3/4



3/4HW have been working hard this term on learning how to write an effective information report. To conclude this unit, students selected an animal of their choice to research and write about. They demonstrated their growing skills in organising information, using factual language, and presenting their findings clearly. We were impressed by the effort and enthusiasm students showed throughout the process and enjoyed learning about a wide variety of fascinating animals.





Following our involvement in the FAST Heroes program last year, Darren Beer and Laura Fiscalini were invited to attend the EduTECH Conference in Sydney last week. This opportunity allowed them to share their experiences with other educators and promote the benefits of completing the FAST Heros program. While at the conferences, they also gained valuable insights into the latest developments in educational technology and explored practical ways to incorporate technology into teaching and learning within schools.



Winter Carnival



What a fantastic day of netball. The girls showed incredible determination and teamwork, winning all three of their lead-up matches to earn a spot in the Grand Final. The final was against St Arnaud it was highly competitive and exciting from start to finish. Both teams displayed excellent skill, sportsmanship, and determination. At the final siren the girls went down by 1 goal!

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Ararat Scout Group

Curious about Scouts? Don't do it alone. Bring a friend along to our special 'Bring a Friend Night' on Monday June 15 from 6pm to 7:30pm

Our combined Cubs and Scouts sessions run every Monday. Come experience the adventure, fun, and outdoor skills with your bestie.

Location | Cnr Queen St and Pyrenees Hwy
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ARARAT YOUTH

COMING SOON



**ARARAT YOUTH
CENTER**

Ararat Neighbourhood House

We're building a welcoming, inclusive hub
for young people aged 12 - 18 in Ararat.
The Youth Center will offer

OUR OFFERINGS

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**LEGAL
SUPPORT**
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**CREATIVE
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Explore Skills

**DIGITAL
LITERACY
HUB**
Learn Tech

**RECREATION
ZONE**
Have Fun

**MENTAL
HEALTH AND
WELLBEING
SUPPORT**
Social workers &
Counseling

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LED SAFETY
AND
SUPPORT**
Volunteer security

Get Involved:

We're seeking local partners, volunteers, and sponsor to help bring this vision to life. Whether you're a service provider, educator, artist, or community member your support matters

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"It takes a village to raise a child - and a community to empower its youth."

Dates for the Diary



Tuesday June 16	School Council
Friday June 26	Last day of Term 2 Whole School Assembly
Monday July 13	First day of Term 3
Monday July 20	Australian Ballet Outreach Program
Tuesday August 18	School Council
Wednesday September 2	Black Ranges Athletics
September 7,8,9,10	Production Week
Friday September 18	End of Term 3

CHANGES TO STUDENT DETAILS

Please notify the office and obtain a 'Changes to Student Details' form for any of the following reasons:

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| • Change of address | • Change of emergency details/contacts |
| • Change of occupation | • Medical alert information |
| • Change of telephone numbers | • Change of email address |

These changes are vital to keep your child/ren's details up-to-date in case of an emergency. Please note - changes can also be made on Xuno.

Note:- Please remember that when you come into the school for any reason you must come via the Front Office and sign in at the Ipad. Please also use the Ipad to sign your children out when collecting them early. This is for safety reasons and must be adhered to. Thank you.



Ararat West PS is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 1359) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.

<https://www.vic.gov.au/protect>



Mission Statement



Developing in our children an interest in learning and a desire to be their best; utilising their skills and attitudes to enable them to reach their full potential in society.