

WESTLETTER

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Mr. K's Corner

Spring has come at a wonderful time as we head towards the End-of-Term 3. The sun is out, there is a spring in our step, and we are in Footy Finals fever mode, especially if you barrack for one of the teams still involved. I know if your team isn't involved you will be supporting the mighty Pies!

Speaking of footy finals, we want to wish our own Mr Taylor the very best for his team and their Grand Final on the weekend. We hope you can raise the cup at the end of the game.

Tomorrow is the Last Day-of-Term. I hope all children enjoy a relaxing break. Lunch will be held at 11:45am to 12:15pm. Families are invited to join their children for lunch. At 12:15 all children will return to class where they will all walk together to Gum San for our End-of-Term Assembly. The assembly will commence at 12:30. Parents and friends are invited to attend. There is parking opposite Gum San on the main road, however, it is limited. Parents are most welcome to park at the school and join their children and their class walking to assembly. Once assembly is completed all children will be walked back to school where parents can collect them from class. Any children who aren't collected after the assembly will remain until 2:20pm for dismissal. If you have any questions, please contact me.

I had the pleasure of attending the Grade 3 camp on Tuesday of this week. The weather has been perfect for the camp and the kids have had a great time. They have been hiking to Beehive Falls, abseiling, canoeing, low ropes and the giant swing just to name a few. The camp managers were full of praise towards our students stating, they are so polite and well mannered, such a great group. It was very pleasing to hear these wonderful comments about our children and it is a credit to them and their families. I want to thank Miss Lisa for her organisation and Miss Tweddle and Mrs Newberry for attending the camp with the students.

In the first week of Term 4 the Grade 5 students head to Melbourne for their three-day camp. They catch public transport for the camp, catch the train to Melbourne and then trams around the city to all their activities including Ice-Skating, Wave Pool, Museum, Imax, the Vic Market and Galactic Circus just to name a few. It is a brilliant camp and thank you to Mr Taylor for his organisation.

I hope everyone has a great break and we will see you all in Term 4.

Friday September 15

SCHOOL
HOLIDAYS
ARE
HERE !!

11.45am- Early lunch

12.15- Walk to Gum San

12.30- Assembly



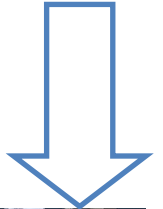
Reading Awards

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Sophie

Ethan

Lara



50– Mason

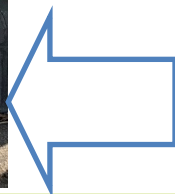


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Monty

Clancy



The AWPS Fete is being held on Friday
November 17 from 5-7pm.

We are looking for interested parties who
would like to hire a table to showcase their
wares/creations.

Please contact the office on 5352 1909.



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



Awards

Ellie – For continuing to develop her leadership and communication skills. Ellie you were a great helper at our disco last week as a JSC rep. Keep up the aspiring attitude and well done!

Braxton – Aspiring to improve in all areas of learning, I am so proud of the way in which you work and are always willing to assist others in the class. Keep up the great work!

Freya – Consistently demonstrating our school values to the highest standard. Freya aspires to do her best and shows great determination when completing all tasks. She includes others, shows tremendous kindness, and supports her peers whenever she can. Well done Freya!

Rayne – Always putting in her best effort. Rayne has been doing an exceptional job with her reading and writing. Rayne also follows instructions and completes tasks to a great standard. You should be so proud of the term you have had, Rayne.

Paisley – Aspiring to do her best in reading. Paisley has persevered in learning to blend sounds to read words. Keep up the great work, Paisley!

Indra – Demonstrating resilience and bouncing back to work through challenges. Indra it was fabulous to see your beautiful smile and cheeky personality shine this week. You should be proud of yourself! We love having you in 1/2C!

Sophie – Being a wonderful example to others in our Learning Community. Sophie always puts her best effort into her learning and shows respect and kindness to others. We are always pleased to see her happy smile and we love her positive attitude! Well done Sophie!

Jorja – Aspiring to do her best in all learning areas. Jorja it has been fabulous to see you working hard and taking on challenging tasks. You have demonstrated positive collaboration and frequently dedicated your time to help those around you. Excellent work!

Sage – For aspiring to work through challenges in maths. It has been great to see you demonstrating a positive mindset in maths this week, Sage. I have been proud of your willingness to ask questions when you have been unsure of something. Keep it up!

Jordi – Working hard to be the best reader she can be. Jordi is reading with improving fluency. Jordi is also a fabulous member of the Prep Learning Community. She is kind to all her peers and helps where she can. We are so proud of you Jordi.

Lila – Showing great levels of persistence in all learning tasks. Lila is working hard on her reading and always sounding fluent. She is working on including finger spacing in her sentences and making sure all the letters are facing the correct way and having success. Keep trying hard Lila, we are proud of you.



Aspiring-Respectful-Resilient







Mininera, Ararat and District junior tennis summer competition is starting in Term 4. The competition is run on a Saturday morning between 9am-11am, catering for a range of age and ability.

We are planning a 'come and try' morning on Saturday 7th October at the Ararat City tennis club to gauge our numbers and organise some teams. The season will run until December 2nd. We will break over the summer holidays and return again at the beginning of the school term in 2023 until the beginning of March.

If you have any questions please contact Angela Day by email angeday@tpg.com or phone 0408012066. Otherwise come along to the Ararat City Tennis Club on the 7th October at 9am.

TERM 4 SWIMMING LESSONS

Term 4 lessons commence Monday 2 October 2023 and run until Wednesday 20 December 2023.

To enrol your child/s, please contact:

Janeen Williamson jwilliamson@ararat.vic.gov.au **OR**

Amy Wood awood@ararat.vic.gov.au

Your child already enrolled? We will be reaching out to parents over the next couple of weeks with Term 4 times.

STROKE TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP

Monday 18 September - Friday 22 September

Suitable for kids Level 3 and above.

Instructor - Stephen (Mouse) Madex.

To enrol, please contact:

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Amy Wood awood@ararat.vic.gov.au



Grade 3 Camp!

Spring! SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

MON 18 SEPT
2.00pm: Movie Monday – Ararat Library
Stroke Technique Workshops – Ararat Fitness Centre*

TUES 19 SEPT
10.30am: Baby Rhyme Time – Ararat Library
Stroke Technique Workshops – Ararat Fitness Centre*
5.00pm: Pool Party – Ararat Fitness Centre

WED 20 SEPT
Stroke Technique Workshops – Ararat Fitness Centre*

THURS 21 SEPT
10.30am: Preschool Story Time – Ararat Library
Stroke Technique Workshops – Ararat Fitness Centre*
3.00pm: Extended Lego Free Play – Ararat Library

FRI 22 SEPT
2.00pm: Arts & Crafts Fun – Ararat Library*
Stroke Technique Workshops – Ararat Fitness Centre*

MON 25 SEPT
2.00pm: Movie Monday – Ararat Library

TUES 26 SEPT
10.30am: Baby Rhyme Time – Ararat Library
1.00pm: Paint What You Hear workshop – Pomonal Hall*

WED 27 SEPT
1.00pm: Paint What You Hear workshop – Willaura Hall*
2.00pm: Arts & Crafts Fun – Ararat Library*

THURS 28 SEPT
10.00am: Paint What You Hear workshop – Ararat Town Hall*
10.30am: Preschool Story Time – Ararat Library
1.00pm: Paint What You Hear workshop – Ararat Town Hall*
3.00pm: Extended Lego Free Play – Ararat Library

FRI 29 SEPT
PUBLIC HOLIDAY Grand Final Day

*Bookings required.
Please visit www.ararat.vic.gov.au/visitor/events for more information and booking links

Ararat Rural City



We are a sun smart school,
all students are expected
to come to school with hats
in Term 4– Thank you
Available from Mensland



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SEASON 2023-2024

ARARAT LITTLE ATHLETICS

**STARTING THURSDAY
OCTOBER 12TH**

Visit www.lavic.com.au to register.

@ George Road Oval, Ararat
4:15pm arrival for a 4:30pm start

**NEW MEMBERS
ALWAYS
WELCOME!**



Fun, fitness & friendship for ages 5 - 16 years.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

✉ ararat@lavic.com.au

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*****Note:** New athletes can attend **FREE** for 2 sessions!

Please register as a trialling athlete on the LAVic website (www.lavic.com.au).

Dates for the Diary

Friday September 15

End of Term 3

Monday October 2

Start of Term 4

Wed-Fri October 4-6

Grade 5 Camp Melbourne

Food relief in Ararat

Times are tough, and with the ever-increasing costs of groceries, rent and mortgages a lot of people are struggling to put food on the table, and pay the bills.

You are not alone, and there is help available.

Ararat Neighbourhood House

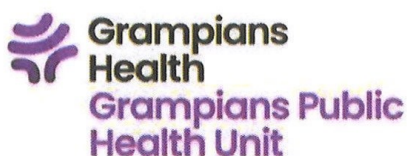
56 Campbell St, Ararat

Ararat Neighbourhood House provide food relief Tuesday – Friday each week.

ANH Food Hub is made up of two food relief programs – the SecondBite program and ANH FoodBank.

Individuals are able to access ANH Food Hub by contacting Ararat Neighbourhood House on **(03) 5352 1551**.

All welcome!



Ararat Emergency Relief

Ararat Emergency Relief runs on a rotating roster by 5 Ararat church groups.

Food relief, vouchers, personal items, counselling and crisis accommodation are available between 1pm and 2pm, Monday to Friday.

All welcome!

Date	Church	Location	Phone No.
2 nd – 8 th September	St Vincent de Paul	264 Barkly St, Ararat	5352 5560
9 th – 15 th September	Uniting Church Outreach	Cnr King and Barkly St, Ararat	5352 5580
16 – 22 nd September	Anglican Church	49 High St, Ararat	0407 857 378
23 rd – 29 th September	Salvation Army	Shop corner Vincent & High St Ararat	5352 2720



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.

CHANGES TO STUDENT DETAILS

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

• 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.

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>

