Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

As I have flagged earlier, this year we will have a review of our current Responsible Behaviour Plan, which has served us for the past four years. The new plan will guide our actions over the next four years and generally takes a period of consultation to arrive at the desired result. In the interim I want to emphasise five school rules, which I’ve re-written with the help of my staff, in very simple form, in order for the children to understand clearly the intent. They are based on the five pillars of our current plan – safety, respect, communication, property, and learning which are the foundations of our current plan. These will be displayed clearly around our school to gently remind the students.

The rules are:

• Always follow the directions of a staff member (Respect)
• Use your best manners and always use respectful language (Communication)
• Be safe and don’t hurt your fellow students (Safety)
• Respect your belongings and the property of the school (Property)
• Strive to meet your learning goals (Learning)

I am also very keen to address two aspects of school life that concern me greatly – using inappropriate language towards school staff and physical aggression towards other students. The consequence of transgressing in either of these areas will result in a lengthy suspension from the school. All students have a right to feel safe all the time. All staff members have a right to do their work without verbal abuse from the students.

If you have any concerns that your child may transgress – I suggest you do something now – talk to your children – talk about the rights of all people who come to our school. Don’t wait until your child offends.

I am also making some changes to the before school supervision arrangements. We have children arriving at school very early of a morning – even before me, and over the next hour and a half all the other students begin to arrive. The majority of our students act responsibly all the time.

From next Monday on arrival at school, students that arrive before 8:00am must sit outside the admin block. From 8:00am students will go to three designated areas to wait for classes. The Prep and year one will go to the covered play area near the prep classrooms. The year two and three will go to the covered area outside our SEP. The year four, five and six will go to the large uncovered area. From 8.15am I will have staff on duty – children will sit quietly waiting to be released to class. At 8.40am students will be released to make their way to class. Students who are accompanied by parents may sit with their parents until classes begin. This is not a time for playing. It is a time to sit quietly talking with friends or some quiet activity.

That's a lot to condense this week.
Next week we have the **cross country** – all kids will be running and then on Friday evening we have the **discos**. Thanks to those parents and staff who have volunteered to help at the disco. It is not too late to join us.

Have a great weekend,
Michael Kelly
Principal

**CLASS AWARDS (JUNIOR SHARING)**
Harley, Jessica, Molly and Eijaz – Prep A
Summer, Dakota, Travarn and Zayd - Prep B
Aaliyah, Meeka, Connor and Simone – Prep C
Archie, Ruby-Rose, Xavier and Ai - Prep D
Kelon, Hayley, Kaleb and Blake - Prep E
Cassidy, Destini, Seyara and Tyler - Prep F
Ava, Bronson, Phoenix, Tahlia – Prep G

Abdullah, Cooper, Amna and Chelsea - 1A
Carter, Kaya, Mya-Rose and Makayla - 1B
Brianna, Amaan, Harry and Carly - 1C
Izayah, Kairon, Jesse and Calah - 1D
Duran, Chelsea, Samuel and Madison-Jean - 1E
Harrison, Sumaya, William, Mikayla - 1F
Caitlyn, Isobel, Rhys and Maximus - 1G

Oliver, Cooper, Iris and Caitlin - 2A
Jack, Samuel, Matthew and Dallin - 2B
Jessica, Emily, Asher and Mia - 2C
Charlie, Alexander, Adam and Alayna - 2D
Jason and Mary - 2E
Timothy, Levi, Joshua and Tyson - 2F
Youssef, Cooper, Eden and Savannah - 2H

**SENIOR SCHOOL PARADE – YEAR 3 TO YEAR 6**
Monday, 23 March 2015 - 2:10pm

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**UP AND COMING EVENTS**

**Friday, 27 March**
Cross Country
Easter Disco - 4:30pm-6:00pm Prep to Year 2
- 6:30pm-8:00pm Years 3 to 6

**Wednesday, 1 April**
Easter Extravaganza Prep and Year 1 – 2:00pm School Hall

**Thursday, 2 April**
Free Dress Day
Last day of Term 1

**Friday, 3 April**
Good Friday – Public Holiday

**Monday, 20 April**
First day of Term 2

**13, 14 and 15 May**
Year 4 Bike Safety

**NEWS FROM THE P&C**
We are planning on building a raised garden for vegetables and herbs using an Energex grant received by the P&C. We are hoping to theme it around recycling and are seeking input from any passionate gardeners out there who might want to help plan and execute this project. If anyone can offer some time and/or skills to build and fence a small raised garden, please contact the P&C via email (arundelpandc@gmail.com). This promises to be an awesome teaching tool so we welcome any input from families and teachers.
EASTER DISCO FRIDAY 27 MARCH
4:30pm – 6:00pm – Prep to Year 2 students
6:30pm – 8:00pm – Years 3 to 6 students
Presales on Friday morning 27th March 8:00am - 8:45am
$7 package – entry + sausage sizzle
$5 entry – is also available at the door.

Dress up in your favourite Easter costume to win a prize
Awesome glowsticks available for purchase

We need lots of parents to help for:
- ticket selling Fri morning (8-8:45)
- at the door (4:15-4:45 and 6:15-6:45)
- set up in the afternoon (1:30-3pm)
- BBQ and tuckshop (4:30-6 and 6:30-8)
- glowstick stand (4:30-5:30 and 6:30-7:30) and
- cleanup (8-9)

If any parents are able to help please email Kristy kristyannclark@gmail.com with time available and mobile number.

Parents are asked to note the following:
- Prep students are invited to attend, providing their parents are in attendance.
- Parents who nominate to help out through official processes may bring along a younger child, providing the child is thoroughly supervised and cared for individually.
- Students should be escorted to the hall by parents.
- All students must be collected within the hall after their disco is completed. No student will be allowed to walk out to a car alone. Pick up must be prompt after the advertised closing time.
- Only students who are attending Arundel SS are allowed to attend.
- Older brothers and sisters are not to attend or be on the school premises.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parent teacher interviews will be conducted for Prep to Year 6 in weeks 9 and 10 of term 1 (23/3/15 to 2/4/15). This year to schedule parent teacher interviews Arundel State School is using the internet-based booking system “Parent Teacher On-Line” (PTO). By using this system you will be able to book the interview times that suit you best from the available time slots from any internet-connected computer.

Complete instructions for accessing this online system was distributed to students on Monday, 16 March. These instructions include each student’s individual EQ ID number which is required to logon to the interview booking system.

Bookings opened on Monday, 16 March at 6:00pm and will close at 3:00pm on Wednesday, 1 April.

- The link to the booking page for parent teacher interviews can be found on the school’s home page (www.arundelss.eq.edu.au). Please click on the (PTO) icon.

- Or logon to https://bookings.parentteacheronline.com.au?school=88am4

If you do not have internet access, please contact the school on 5561 4888 for assistance.

Please note the class teachers of Prep B, Prep E, 1E, 2G, 3A and 5A are currently on leave or will be on leave during the interview period. These teachers will organise interview times on their return to school.
Arundel State School Annual Cross Country Championships Friday 27 March 2015 (week 9)

Students have been working on their fitness in PE, at Badge running and at home to prepare for this annual school sport event. Program for events are

- 9.00am  12 year boys & girls (Born 2003)
- 9.30am  11 year boys & girls (Born 2004)
- 10.00am 10 year boys & girls (Born 2005)
- 11.40am Year 3 classes
- 12.15pm Year 2 classes
- 1.40pm  Year 1 classes
- 2.10pm  Prep classes

All students to wear hats and bring a water bottle. Students with asthma should bring their puffer.

**Badge Running**

Over 100 Arundel State School students have attended the morning Badge Running sessions. Student’s enthusiasm and interest in this activity continues to grow and so is their fitness! Walk, jog or run- it doesn’t matter just come along and give it a go. Parents welcome! **Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.00am to 8.30am.** 40 laps equals 10 km - your first badge. Badges will be available for purchase for $4 on Tuesday mornings at the oval. Students will be presented with their badge at Parade. **Please note the following Badge running sessions will not occur - Thursday 26 March as Arundel State School Cross Country Championships is the next day; and Thursday 2 April as this is the last day of term.**

**District Representatives**

Congratulations to Jye and Filisi who were selected for the Broadwater District 12 years Rugby League Team and Seminita on her selection in the Broadwater District 12 years Girls Basketball Team.

**NEWS FROM 2D**

Hello everyone from 2D. We have had an amazing start to the year. We are learning so many new things our brains must be growing every day. In Maths, we have been learning all about the different strategies we use when working out our number problems. In English, we have been learning about the features of Poetry. We are now the alliteration Kings and Queens of year 2 - just ask us! Reading “Captain Underpants” has helped us with that too! We got to kick start the year with swimming and have been doing lots of experiments in Science looking at the properties of materials.

All of our adventures can be found on an edStudio on The Learning Place, we have just for our class and we have lots of photos and class work on it to share with our families.