



The Blue and White Armidale City Public School

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1 December 2021



Stage 2 Thalgarrah Excursion



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Calendar

2 December	Super Meal Deal
3 December	Stage 3 Leisure Sport
7 December	Year 6 Farewell dinner
10 December	Presentation Day
16 December	Last day of school

P&C NEWS

The last P&C meeting is being held tonight at 6.30pm at the Wicklow Hotel. A booking for 10 people has been made and a few spots are still available. If you are curious about the P&C or are thinking of joining next year - this is the perfect opportunity to come and just say 'hi'. Please contact Secretary Melissa Gibbs on melissagibbs76@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

This Thursday is **Super Meal Deal** day!! We hope everyone enjoys their yummy morning tea and lunch.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last week our Stage 3 students enjoyed being involved in the *Creating Chances* fun day. We have received an email from the team stating:

I would like to extend a huge thank you from the whole Creating Chances team for your efforts in making the World Traditional Games Wellbeing Day happen at Armidale City last week!

It was wonderful to meet your students and they displayed outstanding Fair Play, enthusiasm, and a willingness to learn new sports throughout the day. It was a lot of fun!

The team sent through some photos of students enjoying the day. We look forward to continuing our relationship with *Creating Chances* in 2022.



Pedestrian Safety

Our Ezidi students participated in road safety lessons with Mrs Cornall, Mrs Close and Hasan on Monday. The children have taken the safety information on board and are helping their parents understand how to use pedestrian crossings. We are very proud of our younger children being strong by insisting that parents follow the rules.

Reports

Final touches are currently being made to the Semester 2 reports. Reports will be distributed on Monday, 13 December. This semester's reports reflect an unprecedented period of education during the COVID-19 pandemic and has been adjusted to cater for students learning from school and at home. Please be aware that all students may not have covered the same syllabus outcomes or content during this time. This report will not grade student achievement using the A-E scale but may use word descriptors where appropriate. The teacher's comments will focus on English and Mathematics as well as learning that students have undertaken in other subject areas. This report will also provide information about student attendance.

Class organisation for 2022

As we prepare class allocations for the new year, teachers have been giving a great deal of thought to the best placement of students for learning and wellbeing. The determination of classes will be based on student need and numbers, with some composite classes in the K-2 area of the school and all classes in 3-6 being stage-based.

To prepare students for the new academic year, we are planning to hold a transition day for students across our school. This will allow our students to

meet with teachers who will be working on their stage in 2022, with at least one of these people likely to be your child's teacher. To remain COVID-safe, students will remain in a designated classroom during transition and teachers will move between classes. Classrooms will be cleaned prior to students returning to their usual classroom.

Presentation Day notes

As mentioned in last week's Blue and White, we will be doing things a little differently when celebrating Presentation Day this year. To allow all families the opportunity to see their children presented with awards we will be recording the day and uploading two videos to the school website - one for the Kindergarten to Year 2 cohort and a second for students in Years 3 to 6. Last year parents could only see the proceedings during the live streamed event. A link to the video will be provided to parents via School Stream and email.

Permission to Publish notes will only be provided to students receiving an award and all Year 6 students who will be presented with their Primary School completion certificates on 10 December. Students not involved in a presentation will be seated out of view and will not require a note.

Parenting Ideas Blog

Have you ever been worried about your child's behaviour? You may find this article, describing alternative ways to view situations, interesting: <https://www.parentingideas.com.au/blog/misbehaviour-or-mistake?>

Take care and stay safe,

Deborah Nay
Principal

Year 7 book packs will be available through Armidale Secondary College canteen at the end of year for \$50. As a welcome to high school, the P&C have kindly reduced the cost of the book packs from \$60. The book packs contain all the necessary books and stationary, and include a scientific calculator that will be required from Year 7 to Year 12. Parents and carers will be notified when book packs arrive and are ready for purchase.

 **SCHOLASTIC**

**BOOK CLUB
ISSUE 8**

CLOSES FRIDAY, 3 DECEMBER

1B Class News

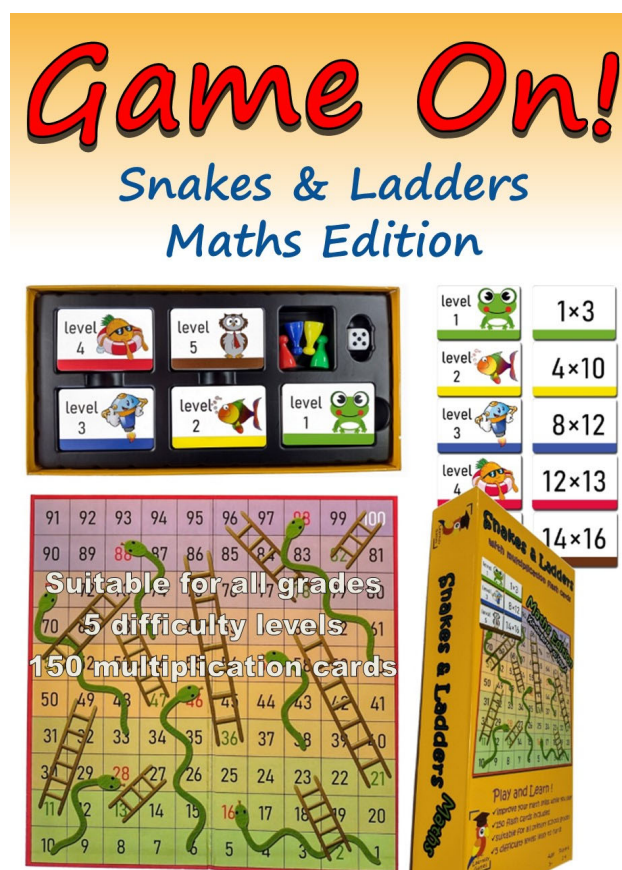
All students in 1B have continued to work very hard this term and I am very pleased with their commitment to learning.

In literacy this term, we have been enjoying learning about different types of poetry. Students have worked together to compose a variety of different poems including acrostic, limerick, cinquain, shape and colour poems, and have written some of their own poems individually.

During sport, we have enjoyed participating in the team sports of T-ball, hockey and cricket and have been learning some of the skills involved when playing each of these sports. Last week, we welcomed Brandon back with tennis on Wednesday mornings. Students were keen to pick up the tennis racquet again and to continue to build on their skills of serving and forehand and backhand return that they had developed earlier in the year.

It is hard to believe that our learning journey for this year is quickly coming to an end. We have had a wonderful year together in the 1B classroom and I am proud of all of the students and how much they have developed and learnt throughout the year and of the pleasing progress that they continue to make.

Wayne Bulmer & 1B



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\$\$ Excursion Refunds \$\$

Refund emails have all been sent for the Year 4 Lake Keepit Excursion and Stage 3 Canberra Excursion.

If you have not received this email, or are unsure what to do, please read instructions below or phone the office.

If you paid online:

- send in note signed

If you paid by cash/chq:

- send in note signed with your bank account details

If you paid by EFTPOS:

- bring note and credit card used to Gate 3 on Faulkner Street
- call the office from there and a member of staff will bring the EFTPOS terminal to you to process the refund

If your payments were a mix of cash, cheque, EFTPOS and online, each payment will be refunded separately using the methods above.

Indoor Hockey

HNE Indoor will be starting the postponed junior indoor hockey competitions in the first week of Term 1, February 3 and 4, 2022. The competition will run over an eight week period and finish a week or two before the holidays. In order to fit the competitions into a relatively short time frame team nominations will need to be in by the 17 December. Teams that nominated earlier this year will need to renominate to take into consideration team changes.

Further information see HNE Indoor Hockey FB page or contact Paul 0427668915.





ATA TENNIS CAMP ENROLMENT INFORMATION

W1: DEC 20-21
WK2: JAN 10-12
WK3: JAN 17-19

- Time: 9.00am - 12pm
- Loads of fun activities, matchplays and more!
- Improve your game and make some new friends too
- Half day camps - fruit & treats provided
- Prizes!
- To bring: hat, sunscreen, water, snacks and your racquet - don't worry if you don't have one, you can borrow one for the days you are at camp.
- Camp will be run under current COVID-19 guidelines
- If wet weather occurs that days camp will be postponed & credit issued. A decision will be made by 8am and posted on our Facebook/instagram. <https://www.facebook.com/armidaletennisacademy>





ARMIDALE TENNIS ACADEMY

SUMMER HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP

HALF DAY CAMP 9AM-12PM
WK 1: DEC 20-21
WK 2: JAN 10-12
WK 3: JAN 17-19
AGES 4.5-14 YRS

WEEK 1 : Dec 20-21 - \$50/day or \$90 for all days
WEEK 2 : Jan 10-12 - \$50/day or \$130 for all days
WEEK 3 : Jan 17-19 - \$50/day or \$130 for all days

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1 Childs Name _____ DOB _____
2 Childs Name _____ DOB _____
3 Childs Name _____ DOB _____

Please circle: CAMP 1 / CAMP 2 / CAMP 3

Any medical or other important information we should know about your child/ren? _____

Emergency contact Name & Number: _____