

The Blue and White Armidale City Public School "the heart of Armidale" Quality Teaching since 1861

13 September 2023

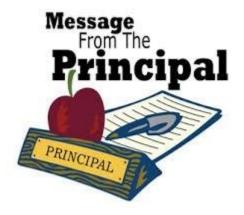
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Principal's Report



This week, we celebrate NAIDOC Week with the theme of *For our Elders*. Students and staff participated in a flag raising ceremony on Monday morning and have been involved in a range of activities throughout the week. Members of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community have been invited to a morning tea and performance by our First Nations students on Thursday. We thank our Aboriginal Education committee for their organisation.

Professional learning

Yesterday afternoon, our staff participated in annual cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training, in addition to training around the use of adrenaline injectors such as the Epipen and Anapen. It is through maintaining currency in CPR and anaphylaxis management that we keep our students and visitors safe, particularly on excursions and swimming activities. Every overnight excursion or swimming activity must have at least one person trained in CPR. In most instances, every teacher attending an excursion is trained.

Safety reminder

We ask that parents help us to keep children safe by making **use** of the **pedestrian crossings** on Dangar, Brown, Faulkner and Mann Streets and **not walking near or between buses** when collecting students. We continue to have some parents walk children through bus zones as buses are driving in the area or across roads without ensuring that it is safe to do so. It is also important to remain alert and not distracted when crossing roads to ensure the safety of your children and yourself.

We would also like to remind adults that young children playing on footpaths near busy roads is unsafe, particularly during afternoon pick up when there is an increase in traffic.

Tell them from me

Each year we ask parents and carers to provide feedback to the school about what we do well and what we can do better. It is important to hear from as many families as possible to provide the most accurate information to help us with our planning for the future. You are invited to click on the following link to have your say: http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/74ygx

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 who have not been withdrawn, will participate in the student survey. This is a wonderful opportunity to discover what our students think we do well and can do better. This semester, the students will be able to have the questions read to them through a text-to-speech option.

Kindergarten in 2024

Notification of acceptance of enrolment at Armidale City Public School will be sent to families of children starting Kindergarten in 2024 next Wednesday.

If you have not applied to enrol your child in Kindergarten for 2024, please do so as soon as possible to ensure that you are advised of any Orientation to School activities in Term 4. Enrolment applications can be made online at https://enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/#/?schoolCode=1057

Transition to school activities will be held on Wednesday, 1 November, 8 November and 15 November for those children who have completed their enrolment.

End of term

Staff and students will finish Term 3 on Friday, 22 September and begin the spring vacation period on Saturday, 23 September 2023. **School resumes** for Term 4 on Monday, **9 October 2023**. There is no pupil free day on the first day of Term 4.

Take care and stay safe,

Deborah Nay

School Calendar



- 14 Sep NAIDOC Morning Tea and Activities
- **15 Sep** Stage 3 Leisure Sports
- 22 Sep Stage 3 Leisure Sports
- 22 Sep Last Day of Term 3
- **9 Oct** First Day of Term 4 for both Staff and Students

Notes and Money Due

Weekly	Stage 3 Leisure Sports Weekly Payment- \$8.50
19 Sep	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion Final Instalment, \$30
19 Sep	K-2 Life Education Van, \$6
25 Sep	Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic, \$11.50

Year 4 Lake Keepit payments are now overdue. Please send outstanding payments to the office as soon as possible

General Information



P&C News



The P and C are excited to be holding both a BBQ and Cake Stall on Saturday, 14 October 2023 at ACPS, the day of the Australian Indigenous Voice Referendum. Yesterday a note was sent home to all families and also placed on school stream requesting contributions for the cake stall. Please consider baking for this stall and returning your notes asap to classroom teachers to indicate what amazing, yummy creations you will bake. The P and C also plans to hold a special one day only raffle on 14/10/23 with the main prize being some more fantastic Tupperware. We would also welcome any volunteers who may be able to assist us at either the BBQ or Cake Stall on the day. If you have any questions or to volunteer, please contact Jo Akerman jcommens@hotmail.com or Michelle Koina, hobbseykoina@gmail.com

Our next P and C meeting will be held on Wednesday, 1 November at 6.30pm in the school library and we are always eagerly seeking new members to join our wonderful team. If you would like any further information on what becoming a member of our P and C may involve please contact Michelle Koina, President at hobbseykoina@gmail.com



Class News from KP and Ms Killen

Wow Term 3 is almost done and dusted, **Kinder Purple** has had the most exciting term ever. Our trip on the steam train was great fodder for our writing and an exciting Book Week was a major highlight. We had some Harry Potters, some soccer players and even an appearance from Barbie.

I am super proud of how hard my students work and their reading and writing are showing the fruits of their labour. Our classroom is littered with great recounts, wombat stew instructions and hooting owls. We have just started working on Scary poems and can't wait to share them with our families and friends.

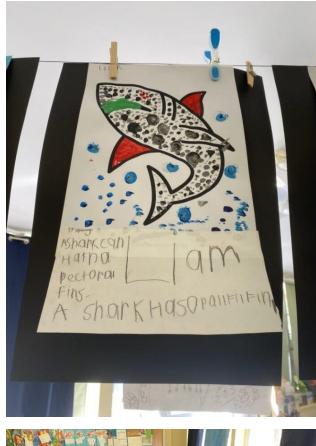
Mathematics is so exciting at the moment. We are measuring and comparing length, area and weight. Our warm ups have the students dancing and grooving, students may have come home singing "check baby" as I have some budding rap artists learning their friends of 10.

Our favourite brain break at the moment is "sharks" which was used to teach the diagraph /sh/ but it has become a brain break favourite.

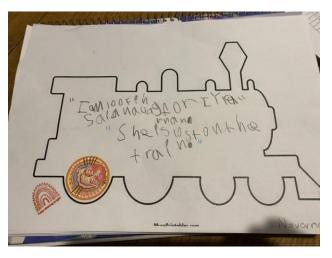
Kinder Purple is loving NAIDOC week and can't wait to take part in traditional Aboriginal games. We hope everyone has a restful break and comes back ready for a fun and festive term 4.



Kinder purple







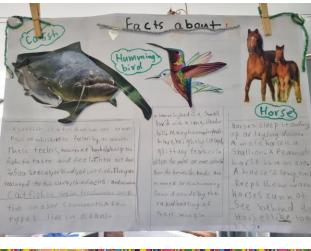




Class News from 3/4M and Mrs Carson

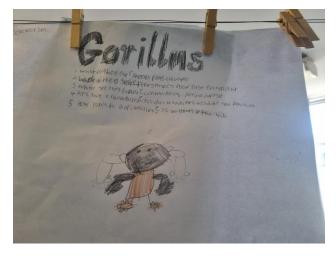


Well done to all students who have researched animals at home and presented them to the class. It has been fantastic to see the many ways students have creatively presented their findings and provided classmates with the chance to gain a wide range of knowledge on these. Students have been working in class to write information reports that engage and inform their reader. **Congratulations** to our class members who have been involved in extra activities recently including Chess teams, Tournament of Minds, Todd Woodbridge Cup tennis, Stage 2 Football (soccer) Day, Bushfest and athletics. We have been exploring Aboriginal artworks and techniques as well as playing cultural games in sport time in the lead up to Naidoc Week celebrations. This term we have seen some personal belongings get lost and go missing. Please ensure that your child's name is clearly marked in all clothing and belongings. Wishing all our families and safe and enjoyable holiday break!



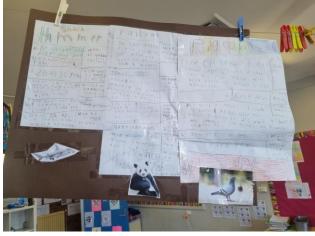














Arts and Culture News



Tournament of Minds



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Challenging the World

Congratulations to **Monty, Hamish, Emily, Elsa, Julia, Kushmi** and **Lilyanne** travelled to Sydney over the weekend to compete in the 2023 Tournament of Minds State Final. We are proud of your achievements.





Chess- North West Regional Finals



On Wednesday 6 September, **Mack, Ben, Joe** and **Max** were competing in the North-West Regional Finals of the Junior Chess League. They played St Xavier's Gunnedah. They won 5 games and lost 3. This will put them through to the next round, date and location to be advised. We wish them all luck with their upcoming matches.



Sports News



Todd Woodbridge Cup



Two Stage 2 teams headed off to Gunnedah yesterday, Tuesday 11 September, for the regional final of the Todd Woodbridge Cup. Our teams played extremely well and showed an impressive amount of sportsmanship throughout the day. The final saw our two teams face off against each other for a very

exciting end of the day. We played some great tennis; however, Tamworth went home with the win for the day and will be heading to Sydney for the next round.











Mrs Ridleys Word of the week



Circumscribe (verb)

(SER-kum-skrybe)

Circumscribe means "to limit the size or amount of something," or, in other words, "to constrict the range or activity of."

Community Notice Board







From Tuesday 1 August, Your Tutor Armidale is offering supervised homework sessions in town where students in Year 5 to Year 9 can complete their homework under supervision and access academic help with their homework. WHERE? 209-213 Beardy Street, Level 1

WHEN? weekdays during term time, 3.45pm to 6pm

HOW MUCH? \$30 per session

Places are limited so register your interest by contacting us on 0403070484 - Thank you!



ANIMALS

This year we rescued over: This year we rescued over: • 210 sea birds, 105 turtles, 3 seals • NSW will lose the sanctioned and accredited 'forever home' for maria wildlife deemed unreleasable by government wildlife authorities including bottle-nosed dolphins, Australian sea lions, Little Blue Penguins, Freshwater and Sea Turtles, rays, sharks and over 20 species of fish

TOURISM Estimated 15-million-dol

> FISHING •

PLEASE DONATE

Marine wildlife needs a

Park has been their voice for over 50years

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voice.



STAFF • 50 full-time, part-time and casual jobs for team members in marine animal care, maintenance, bookings, administration, cafe and management Our long-term custom for hundreds of suppliers which has negative

on effects for the community



EDUCATION

 Thousands of school students have participated in our marine conservatio programs.

Nearly 3,000 TAFE students have completed their animal care studies v placements at our marine conservatio park and rehab facility.

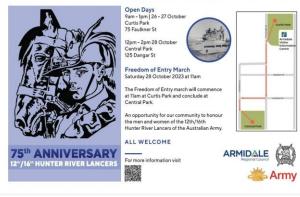








FREEDOM OF ENTRY MARCH | 28 OCT



Armidale Basketball is encouraging any player 8 – 17 years to join in for the Northern Inland Basketball League (NIBL) which starts NEXT WEEKEND.

If you haven't already done so, it's time to register now so you can receive the playing singlet & shorts at the Gala Day!

A free bus will be available to take players and parents to Tamworth for the Mega Gala Day on Sunday 10 September. Time and pickup venue to be confirmed.

Kids from all over the region will come together for a fun day of basketball, a free sausage sizzle and receive their playing uniforms! From there, the League is split into two (northern & southern). These leagues will play in September & October, then meet up again in Tamworth in November for finals day (dates below). Only \$60 for members (\$80 for non-members) which includes playing uniform and FOUR (4) BIG DAYS of basketball!!!

NIBL is aimed at junior basketballers throughout the Northern Inland Region of NSW, who want to learn some new skills, be active and have fun making new friends. It's available for both boys and girls, aged 8 - 17 years.

Dates:

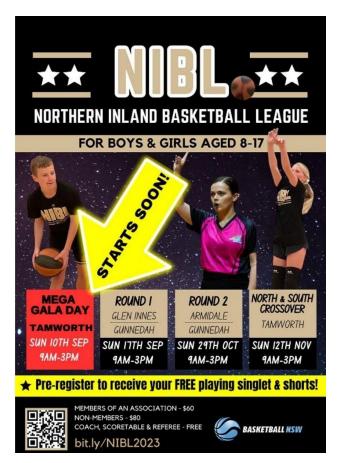
Mega Gala Day - 10 September in Tarnworth Round 1 - 17 September in Gunnedah (sth) or Glen Innes (nth) Round 2 - 29 October in Gunnedah (sth) or Armidale (nth) Finals - 12 November in Tarnworth

PLAYER REGISTRATION: bit.ly/NIBL2023

Note we're unable to accept player registrations from <u>division 1 rep boys</u> in U14-U18 as we attempt to grow the game in a fun inclusive environment. These players are welcome to participate in the free learn to referee course and become a referee. Link below.

Learn and gain accreditations in refereeing, coaching and scoring - for FREE! FREE REFEREE, COACH & SCORETABLE REGISTRATION: bit.lv/NIBL2023

To stay up-to-date with NIBL: Like our facebook page, <u>NIBL - Northern Inland Basketball League</u> Visit our webpage, <u>https://www.bnsw.com.au/new-england-region/</u>









Mixed competition for girls and boys, with different formats tailored to each age division.



For further information, contact: Andrew Curry - 0417 676 594 - Andrew Byrne - 0418 412 042 U9 & U11: \$100 - U13 & U15: \$115 Register now at hillgrovecricket.org ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS ACCEPTED





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