



Newsletter

Dates to Remember

30 Nov-2 Dec	Year 4 Camp
30 Nov-2 Dec	Year 5 Camp
1 Dec-2 Dec	Year 3 Camp
2 Dec-4 Dec	Year 6 Camp

If your intention to attend camp has changed from Term 1 or you need to enquire about payment or refund, please contact the front office via email info@arandaps.act.edu.au

Scan the below QR codes for:

School Calendar



Parent Resource Folder



Executive Report

Dear Aranda Community,

Preschool to Kinder, Year 6 to High School Transitions

ACT public schools support all transitioning students by providing a range of programs and services for transitions from: preschool to primary, primary to high school, high school to college and college to post-school options.

At Aranda Primary, our preschool and high school transition programs have been underway since Term 3. In Term 3, staff from Canberra High School visited Year 6. This visit provided Year 6 students with some insights into what they could expect in Year 7 at Canberra High School. This week, the Year 6 students were able to experience the high school firsthand. A range of other transition opportunities and discussions will continue throughout Term 4.

Starting preschool and moving from Preschool to Kindergarten is also a giant step in the life of a small person. Although some of our planned activities have been limited by COVID-19 times, our preschool children have already had several opportunities to visit the 'big' school, including our library and canteen, and to play in the playground. This term, all preschoolers will be spending time in the Kindergarten classrooms, with opportunities to enjoy playing with children from other preschool groups.

On 6 November (Week 4), the Preschool and Kindergarten teams will send home an information session video, via email, to help parents prepare their children for the upcoming school year. Parents will learn about aspects of the curriculum for Preschool and Kindergarten and be provided with some handy tips to help make their child's first days as a Preschool or Kinder student a success. Preschool families for 2021 are also invited to the school on Wednesday 9 December for a 'getting to know you' interview with their child's 2021 teacher. An email with information about how to book in for a meeting time will be sent to those families closer to the date.

COVID-19 Protocols

A reminder that we are asking adults other than school staff to remain outside the school building. Where this is not possible, visitors need to enter via the Front Office and sign in. We thank everyone for being so understanding during this challenging time.

Tim Miller – ACT Local Hero 2021

We would like to congratulate Tim Miller for being recognised as the ACT Local Hero for 2021 in the Australian of the Year awards. Tim is an Aranda dad and valued member of our community. Tim runs Lids4Kids, a national organisation which encourages households, schools, businesses and organisations to collect plastic lids to be recycled into sustainable products for children.



Important Messages

Current, up-to-date information

Updated information for the education sector and other public sectors can be found on the Education Directorate's website

(<https://www.education.act.gov.au>) and

ACT Health

(<https://www.health.act.gov.au>)

Home Learning Website

The directorate has provided a comprehensive set of Home Learning resources for parents to access during the pupil-free weeks. It can be found at:

<https://www.education.act.gov.au/schooling/learning-resource-library>

Seesaw

If you are unable to access Seesaw, or do not receive communications from the school to connect your child, please contact the Front Office with your updated email address.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open for Flexischools orders only. If you have any questions, please email apsuniformshop@gmail.com.

Canteen

The Canteen operates from Wednesday to Friday. The Canteen can be contacted via email on arandacanteen@gmail.com or phone on 0459 599 114.

Medication at School

All student medication must be signed in by a parent/carer at the Front Office on arrival at school. Medication must be clearly labelled with the child's name and class. No medication is to be left in school bags during the day.

Newsletter Publication Deadline

Items for inclusion in the fortnightly newsletter must be emailed to info@arandaps.act.edu.au by 3.30pm every odd week on a Tuesday.

Anaphylaxis

Aranda Primary School is an ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL avoiding eggs and all nuts. Our policy is available on the website.

Lids4Kids now has over 25,000 participants across Australia. Tim coordinates leaders from all states to spread the message about Lids4Kids in their communities and collect, clean and sort lids from drop off points around towns and cities. His efforts have saved millions of lids from landfill while educating children about the issue of plastic waste and empowering them to take action.



Art Portfolios

It's that time of year again and teachers are collating the amazing artworks your children have produced throughout the year. These are sent home at the end of each year in the black plastic art portfolios. If you still have your art portfolio at home from last year, we ask that you return it as soon as possible to your child's classroom teacher.

SunSmart

With the warmer weather having arrived this term, we would like to remind everyone to ensure your child comes to school wearing sunsmart clothing. As a school, we have some sunscreen available to students, however we realise many of you have a preferred sunscreen. It would be great if you could make sure you have some sunscreen packed in your child's schoolbag and teach them how to apply it correctly if you would like them to wear it while on the playground.



Kind regards,

Scott Pearce

Deputy Principal



SRC Fundraiser Term 4 2020

Our Term 4 fundraiser will be a fun one!

We are raising funds to support the ongoing care and rehabilitation of Tombi, our Aranda orangutan who resides at the Sepilok Rehabilitation Centre in Borneo. Please use this link to view more information about [Tombi's Story](#)

Tombi means 'Spirit of the Forest'.

Our SRC has formulated the idea that in support of Tombi we should come to school on Friday of Week 6 (20 Nov) dressed in a manner inspired by 'The Spirit of the Forest'. This theme should give us a lot of scope to be as creative as we choose.

We ask all students to bring in a gold coin donation to support Tombi and the Sepilok Rehabilitation Centre.



Canteen Update: Wednesday Burrito Specials

Please find the latest Aranda Canteen Menu attached to this newsletter. It's a great resource to print out and stick on your fridge at home.

In Term 4, the canteen is continuing to provide freshly made beef, chicken or kidney bean burritos, all served in a 'lite' wrap filled with lettuce, shredded carrot, diced tomato, corn, cheese, rice and refried beans. All of this for \$7 – add guacamole for \$0.80 and taco sauce for \$0.50.

Please see the next page for the full menu.



GOOD MOOD FOOD

ARANDA PS
CANTEEN

SNACKS

- Popcorn* / \$1.00
 - Anzac biscuit* / \$0.80
 - Chocolate slice* / \$0.50
 - Corn Cob* / \$0.70
 - Fruit cup / \$1.00
 - Muffin of the Day* / \$1.60
 - GF Muffin of the Day* / \$1.80
 - Jelly cups / \$0.50
 - Custard cup (vanilla or chocolate) / \$1.00
- >> other snack items available over the counter

DRINKS

- Warm milo* / \$1.80
- Cold milo* / \$1.80
- Plain milk / \$1.50
- Spipahh (various flavours) / \$2.00
- Nippys flavoured milk / \$2.80 (chocolate or honeycomb)
- Juice poppers / \$1.50 (apple, apple-blackcurrant, orange, paradise punch)
- Fruit smoothies* / \$3.50 (Berry or Banana)

SANDWICHES *

- (made on wholemeal bread)
- Cheese / \$3.00
 - Jam / \$2.60
 - Vegemite / \$2.60
 - Ham / \$3.20
 - Ham & Cheese / \$3.60
 - Ham, cheese & tomato / \$4.00
 - Chicken / \$4.00
 - Tuna / \$3.50
- Customise your own (pricing varies)

WRAPS *

- Chicken + salad / \$5.00
- Ham & salad / \$5.00
- Cheese & salad / \$5.00
- Tuna & salad / \$5.00
- Customise your own

+ Sandwich & Wrap extras

- Salad / \$0.90
- Tomato or pineapple / \$0.40
- Avocado / \$0.70
- Cheese / \$0.70
- Toasted / \$0.50
- Sweet chilli sauce / \$0.50
- Mayonaise / \$0.50

SALADS

- Garden salad (lettuce, carrot, cucumber, tomatoes) / \$4.50
- ADD chicken or tuna / + \$1.00
- ADD dressing (fat free french or balsamic) / +\$0.50

HOT FOOD

- Macaroni and cheese* / \$4.50
- Sausage roll: Lite'n Up Mrs Macs (120g) / \$4.10
- Beef Pie: Lite'n Up Mrs Macs / \$4.90
- Beef, Chicken or Vege Burger* / \$5.00
additional toppings available available WED + THUR only

SPECIALS

WEDNESDAY in Term 1 & 4
Burritos* / \$7.00
Beef, chicken or vegetarian

THURSDAY
Pizza slice*
Hawaiian / \$5.00
Cheese / \$4.60

FRIDAY
Spaghetti or Vegetable Bolognese* (GF available) / from \$5.10 - \$6.60

COOL TREATS

Bulla Frozen Yogurt / \$3.00 (mango, strawberry or raspberry)

Twisted Frozen Yogurt / \$2.50 (chocolate + vanilla bean or, strawberry + vanilla bean)

Juice Stick / \$1.00 (various flavours)

GF = Gluten Free
* = homemade

Current availability and specials are available through our online ordering platform:

www.flexischools.com.au

The menu is subject to change and availability.

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Aranda Music and Art Program Update

The Aranda Music and Arts Program needs you! Did you know we have a team of parent volunteers who help to run the Program? We are in need of new volunteers to help out in 2021. The time commitment is approximately 2 hours per term, with most of the work at the start of the year when we enrol our students. Committee Members' children get priority enrolment for all AMA-run programs. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Kate Burmester at info@arandamusicprogram.org or call 0421 616 596.

The following AMA programs have vacancies:

Classes	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Continuing Music</i> <i>(Group classes)</i>			3:00-4:00pm for Year 1 who've done Introduction to Music, and Year 2		
<i>Flute, Clarinet, Oboe or Recorder</i>		4:30pm 5:00pm			
<i>Guitar</i>	5:00pm 5:30pm	5:30pm	5:00pm 5:30pm	5:00pm 5:30pm	5:00pm 5:30pm
<i>Piano</i>				3:30pm 5:30pm	
<i>Introduction to Music</i> <i>(Group classes)</i>		3:00-4:00pm for Kindy and Year 1			
<i>Violin</i>	5:30-6:00pm		4:30-5:00pm 5:30-6:00pm		

Please go to "[How To Join](#)" to register if you are interested.

To enquire about vacancies, please email info@arandamusicprogram.org



School Banking is Back

School Banking resumed on **Tuesday 3 November**.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way to help young Australians learn about money and practise good saving habits. For each weekly deposit made at school, students will receive an online Dollarmites token. Once they collect 10 online tokens, they can redeem them for a School Banking reward.

If your child has previously participated in School Banking, or has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account, they can start banking straight away by bringing their Dollarmites deposit wallet to school on School Banking day.

If your child has lost their deposit wallet, please contact your School Banking Coordinator or visit any Commonwealth Bank branch for a replacement wallet.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2020 School Banking program parent guide from the school office or visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

School Banking rewards now available!

Exciting new Treetop Savers rewards are now available, while stocks last! Some rewards from 2019 are also available.

