From the Principal’s Desk

NEW STUDENT
Welcome to our new family – Venessa, Nathan, and Zane Meldrum. Zane started in our Prep class on Monday.

PREP INFORMATION SESSION
Our Prep information session will be held on Tuesday 21st October from 9-11am. If you know of anyone who is thinking of sending their child to Avondale next year, please let them know.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOLS COMMUNITY
Thank you to Mrs Sharee Heath, Mrs Linda Havers and Mrs Sue Whitney for their efforts in providing AASC throughout this term. The sessions for the term have been well supported and proven very popular, student behaviour continues to be a focus to ensure the safety of everyone and it is important that students learn to be respectful when relating with others even on the playing field. The aim of the program is to have fun and to be active so please help us to make this experience what it should be, by talking with your children about their behaviour and encouraging them to have fun and to always use kind words with others. Next term we are fortunate to have Fiona Stevenson from Football Bundaberg (winner of the FFA 2012 Female Coach of the Year) available to deliver Soccer/multi-skill games however, the session must be on Tues. morning from 8.00am to 9.00 am beginning on the 14th of October. A healthy snack will be provided at the conclusion of the activities before the students commence classes. Given that the weather is warming up in Term 4 and this is a great opportunity for the students, we trust that the morning will be a good alternative. On the 13th October the Monday afternoon session will commence from 3.00pm to 4.15pm with multi-skill games and Sharee Heath will coach the students.

PLAYGROUP
We all know how important play is to a child. From birth onwards, play helps to develop physical skills, encourages problem solving, communication, social interaction - and of course it's great fun! Every Monday morning of the school term, from 9.00 to 11.00am, playgroup at Avondale School is an exciting time for young children and their families to experience connection and learning through play. This week was a very stimulating time for all; including the school children, thanks to Melanie Edgerton, as the children were able to feed her two young lambs and this was pure delight for one and all! We welcome new families and children to playgroup so if you know of any young families in our community please let them know that the next morning is on Monday the 13th of October.

SWIMMING
Please ensure that swimming notes are returned before the end of term. Another reminder that swimming will begin on the 1st day back in term 4 (Tuesday October 7).
STUDENTS AWARDS

Week 9
Student of the Week P-2: Maddison Goudie
Reading Award: Jakob Shearer
Student of the Week Yrs 3 - 6: Zac Maythers

Week 10
Student of the Week P-2: Hayley King
Spelling Award: Maddison Goudie, Archie Pratt, Jakob Shearer, Matilda Pratt, Lilly Gadsby, Julia Edgerton, Kohan Heath, Hayley King
1000 Sight Words Award: Jakob Shearer
Student of the Week Yrs 3 -6: Carly Handford

DATE CLAIMERS

Saturday 4th October, 6.30-10.00am, the P & C are holding a Sausage Sizzle at Tegege Hall to raise funds. Please support or help if you can.

Please keep Saturday 22nd November free, for our ‘Avondale Barn Dance and Shindig’. At the last P&C meeting, it was decided to hold a spit roast and barn dance and also incorporate our concert night. It should be a great night, so mark the date on your calendar. More information will be provided in the near future.

TAVERN ROSTER

We are still looking for some extra helpers for our raffles next term. If you can help please send back the roster form with your preferred dates.

MELBOURNE CUP FUNDRAISER

Don’t forget to save the date for the Melbourne Cup Day at the Tavern. The P&C Organising Committee have started planning a great day, so please support them in this great fundraising activity. If you are able to assist on the day, please contact our fundraising co-ordinator Sharee Heath on 07 4156 1419.

FATHERS DAY RAFFLE

Thank you to all who supported the Father’s Day Raffle. The winners were:

1st Prize : Pratt Family
2nd Prize: Ben M
3rd Prize: Clark Family

On behalf of the staff at Avondale, I would like to wish you a fantastic holiday. We will see you all back in term 4. Don’t forget that school starts on Tuesday 7th October.

Bernadette Rodgers
A/Principal

Public Notices

AVOCA SS CENT SALE

Spring into Avoca State School P & C Cent Sale on Saturday 25 October 2014 at the CQ Leagues Club (Western Suburbs) at 1.00pm. Entry will be $5.00 and includes afternoon tea. There will be plenty of prizes, jackpots, whip arounds and raffles. For more information and bookings please phone Naomi on 0401 947 757 or email: pandc@avocass.eq.edu.au.

RUMMAGE FOR RELAY

Bundy’s mega community garage sale

Do you want to be a part of the Garage Sale Trail without the hassle of opening your home? Join our mega community sale at the Bundaberg Recreational Precinct on October 25 and help us to raise money for Relay for Life. Sites are reasonably priced and all funds raised will support the Cancer Council.

Suitcase site (inside 1.5mx1.5m) - $5
Stall (inside 3mx3m) - $10
Car boot (outside) - $10
Stall (outside 5mx10m) - $15

Find an application form at bundaberg.qld.gov.au or call 1300 883 699 for more information. If you don’t want to hold a sale, but have some unwanted items to giveaway you can contact the team to donate them.