Primary Calendar - Term 4
Kindy 2020 Orientation Morning ..........Oct 21
HRIS Golf ..................................................................Oct 21
Y3-6 Swimming Starts__________________________Oct 23
Y2 Science Discovery Day.........................Oct 24
HRIS Senior Basketball.................................Oct 24
HRIS Chess.............................................................Oct 25
Y5 Colonial Day ___________________________________Oct 29
Kindy & Y1 Bike Day ......................................Oct 30
P&F Meeting 3.15pm......................................Oct 30

Secondary Calendar - Term 4
Y9 Bungonia Camp .....................................Oct 21 - 25
Y10 Exams Part 1 ..................................................Oct 23 - 25
HRIS Junior Touch Football..........................Oct 28
Y11 Parent Teacher Night .........................Oct 29
P&F Meeting 3.15pm......................................Oct 30
HRIS Opens Touch Football..........................Nov 8
Remembrance Day .......................................Nov 11
Y12 HSC Exams End.....................................Nov 12
Y10 Exams Part 2.............................................Nov 13 - 15

School Terms 2020
Term 1 ........................................................Jan 28 - Apr 9
Term 2 ..........................................................Apr 27 - Jul 3
Term 3 ..........................................................July 27 - Sep 25
Term 4 .....................................................Oct 12 - Dec 11

THE VIEW
Let Go
Last night our Year 9 students and their parents came together for our 2nd annual Challenge Fire Night.

The night started with a sausage sizzle and cold watermelon. After dinner each student and parent had the chance to write something down on a helium balloon that they would like to let go of in their lives. Fear, worry, guilt and anger were a few of the things spoken of around each circle.

After a prayer of surrender, everyone came together and on the count of three released their balloons into the evening sky. This was followed by the lighting of candles and a time of commitment to being Respectful, Responsible and Resilient.

The lighting of the candles reminded us of what Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.” Releasing our struggles, hurts, past regrets, anger, guilt and shame, allows us to walk in the light and be a light to those around us.

That’s why Jesus died ... He took our ‘stuff’ and buried it forever, so we can walk in His light and enjoy His goodness, grace, love, and life within us.

Our Year 9 students and parents had the awesome privilege of watching all that ‘stuff’ float away up towards heaven, creating a memory that will last a lifetime.

Brian Reed
Secondary Chaplain
SPORT

Term 4 Sport Uniform
Kindy, Year 1 & Year 2: Wear sports uniform on Mondays.
Years 3 & 4: Wear sports uniform on Wednesdays.
Years 5 & 6: Wear sports uniform on Fridays.

Y3-6 Swimming Program
Commencing Next Week
The swimming program for all students in Years 3-6 will commence next week. Students in Years 3 and 4 will swim on Wednesdays and Years 5 and 6 on Fridays. The students will be under the instruction of qualified swim instructors at the Morisset Heated Pool. All students are to wear their sports uniform on their swimming day ONLY. Please note that swimming replaces Friday sport for the rest of Term 4.
Students are required to bring clearly named swimmers (girls are required to wear a one-piece or a rash shirt over swimmers), towel, and goggles are optional. A signed note from home is required if students are unable to participate due to illness. Students are assessed in swimming classes and certificates are awarded.
Years 3 & 4 - Wednesdays
Year 3 depart at 115pm, return at 2.25pm
Year 4 depart at 1.50pm, return at 3.00pm
Years 5 & 6 - Fridays
Year 5 depart at 115pm, return at 2.25pm
Year 6 depart at 1.50pm, return at 3.00pm

Kindy – Year 2 Learn to Swim Program
November 11 – November 22
All students in Kindy, Years 1 and 2 will participate in a Learn to Swim Program at Morisset Heated Pool from Monday November 11 until Friday November 22. Students are required to bring their clearly named swimmers and towel (goggles are optional) each day for the two-week program.

After School Sport Program – Term 4
Avondale School has joined the Australian Sporting Schools Program in Term 4 with five sports on offer to students in Years 2-6. As we have now received the government grant for this program, we are able to offer this for FREE for this term, but may incur fees in the future as it is dependant on ongoing government funding. If your child would like to participate, please register their name and the sports they will be participating in at the Primary Campus Office. The program will run from 3.30 – 4.30pm on the following days:
Mondays Cricket
Tuesdays Basketball
Wednesdays AFL
Thursdays Tennis and Chess

Participating students will need to meet at 3.30pm and be picked up at 4.30pm at the Years 1/2 lunch area. Parents will need to sign their child out upon picking them up.

2020 Class Lists
Teachers will be working on class lists for next year in the next few weeks. While we are unable to take requests for class lists based on preferences, we are happy to give consideration to special needs or circumstances relating to your child. Please email Nathan Hill, Acting Head of Primary, at nhill@avondaleschool.nsw.edu.au with special considerations by Monday October 28.

Crossing Carports
To ensure the safety of everyone, we ask parents and students to use the marked pedestrian crossings when crossing the campus and carpark areas. Crossing in front of the bus circle area where there is no pedestrian crossing is extremely dangerous. Thank you for noting this.
STEM Sustainability Expo
At the end of last term Year 7 students and their parents gathered for a culmination of a two-part integrated STEM PBL unit on Sustainability. It was an awesome celebration of the outstanding work done by Year 7 students and their teachers.

STEP UP
3.30 - 4.30PM THURSDAYS in the iCentre

A chance to:
» do independent study
» complete your homework
» get some help with writing (just sorting that essay out!)
» get some help with maths (even that tricky homework question!)
» get some guidance on that assessment task you need to start!
Private Music Tutors
Are you interested in having music lessons? We have many great tutors and instruments available to learn on. Please contact tutors directly to arrange lesson times.

Piano
- Kylie Stacey / 0409 939 302
- Sandi Lowe / 0447 006 209
- Cybèle Coutet (AMEB) / 0423 455 977
- Jan Hughes / 4977 2037
- Henry Higgins / 0490 0404 308
- Sophie-Lee Johnson / 0490 451 781

Voice
- Cybèle Coutet (AMEB) / 0423 455 977

Strings
- Henry Higgins (cello) / 0490 040 308
- Esther Albert (cello / violin / double bass) / 0439 420 661

Woodwinds
- Meldi Arkinstall (flute) / 0413 548 985
- Fred Cracknell (saxophone / clarinet) / 0404 082 151

Brass
- Fred Cracknell / 0404 082 151

Guitar
- Jake Bisognin / 0400 389 612
- Toby Zeuschner / 0405 405 131
- Henry Higgins / 0490 0404 308
- Gary Lowler (group lessons / ukulele) / 0438 608 180

Drums
- James Dennett / 0401 549 084

K-6 Term 4 Borrowing
It’s been great to see so many K-6 students remembering their library bags and borrowing lots of exciting books this week. Don’t forget that if you forget your library bag on your library day then you can come and borrow the next day, your ‘extra chance day’. If your library bag is looking a little sad we have colourful bags for sale in the library for just $5.00. Enjoy your reading everyone!

Comfy Seating Areas!
The library has many comfortable areas for quiet reading and study. We found out this week that boxes also make fun places for students to have a quiet read with a friend! This could be a saving on our furniture budget!

LIBRARY

K-6 Book Club
Last chance to order from Scholastic Book Club this year! Scholastic Book Club Issue 7 will be coming home this week. This will be your last chance to order this year. Look out for a great range of books including Christmas titles and the heavily discounted books scattered through the catalogue. These books start at $2 and are chosen to try and make books affordable for everyone.

If you would like to order books for Christmas presents, simply email us at the library (hlindsay@avondaleschool.nsw.edu.au or jlitster@avondaleschool.nsw.edu.au) and let us know and we will keep them aside until we have arranged a time for you to pick them up. All orders should be lodged online by next Friday October 25.

A new $100 Creative Kids Rebate can be put towards the cost of registration, participation or tuition fees for creative and cultural activities such as music lessons with registered teachers. You can apply for an active kids voucher at Service NSW online or in person.

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