

# AVONVALE EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE

*Inspiring Dreams, Celebrating Success*

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## A Message From the Principal



Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

Welcome back. It was lovely to see everybody this week. Thank you to everyone for following the COVID rules and ensuring everyone is safe.

Before you know it we will be getting ready to meet parents and carers for Individual Educational Plan (IEP) meetings. I hope you and your family had a chance to rest and enjoyed some special time together with loved ones. We would like to welcome our new families and students who have joined us this year. We look forward to working closely with all Parents and Carers of the students to provide some positive and productive outcomes in the classroom. It is really important that families feel involved in the school and that you are able to keep up-to speed with all the school communications. This term things may look a little different and we ask for your support and patience whilst we navigate our way around all the changing COVID rules and directions from our department and the Chief Medical Officer. Below are some suggestions for you to stay in touch with what is happening with your child at school. Two-way communication is vital for student success, so don't forget to fill in your child's communication book to update the teacher. This year our Staffing for 2022 remains the same as highlighted in the final newsletter for 2021.

### Teacher, Individual Educational Plan (IEP) Meetings

In the first few weeks of this term, all the class teachers will be holding their parent - teacher IEP meetings. Each teacher will be distributing information about their meetings and will be contacting you individually about a suitable time to hold these meetings. We are uncertain at this stage whether these will be phone or face to face meetings. We will notify you closer to week 5.

### Communication from and about the School

Avonvale Education Support Centre Website: [www.avonvaleesc.wa.edu.au](http://www.avonvaleesc.wa.edu.au); Text/SMS; Connect our Education Department approved app—Updates, Newsletters, communication about attendance, School Development Days, Pupil Free Days

### Newsletters

Make sure you read the newsletters. They are the most comprehensive and current source of information about what is happening in the school. They contain coming events, general educational news, messages from the principal, class news, photographs and community news - to name just a few.

### A phone call or a visit to the office

If ever you have any queries about school matters, please don't hesitate to give us a ring so that we can clarify them and so you get accurate information rather than second hand or third hand and often confusing and incorrect information.

### Parent/Teacher meetings

If you would like to catch up with your teacher at any time, please contact the office to make an appointment to meet with them. This way the teacher will be available to discuss your enquiries about your child's progress. Pick up and drop off of students is not an appropriate time to discuss concerns or requests with the teacher. At these times the teacher is busy managing the students and classrooms.

Communication books provide an important link between home and school. Each student will be given one. Please ensure you check them every day. Anything that pertains to your child's health and wellbeing will be included in the communication book.

As always, in 2022 we will be working hard to achieve a high quality education for every child who attends our school. At AESC we strive to create a safe, inclusive and respectful learning environment where students feel valued and happy.

Kind regards  
Michelle OBrien

Please find attached our Parent Term  
Planner for Term 1.

## School Diary

Monday 28 February	Parent IEP Meetings begin
Monday 7 March	Public Holiday
Thursday 10 March	School Council 2pm
Monday 14 March—Friday 25 March	Swimming Lessons Primary Students
Friday 8 April	Last day of Term 1

## Student Birthdays



January and February Birthdays

Santiago, Sierrah, Ronan



## Swap Sugary Drinks

A 600mL bottle of soft drink has around 16 teaspoons of sugar.

This large amount of sugar has no nutritional benefit and can result in tooth decay and other risk factors for serious health issues. Swap sugary drinks for milk or water. **Tip:** try adding your favourite chopped fruit to your water bottle!



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## 2022 Voluntary Contributions and Charges

### Voluntary Contributions

The Voluntary Contributions remain voluntary; however greatly assist the school in running specific programs for students.

Kindergarten to Year 6 \$60.00

Year 7 to Year 10 \$235.00

### Compulsory Charges

These are course charges for students in Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13, and are compulsory.

Year 11 to Year 13 \$235.00

Payment can be made at the office or by EFT (details on the 2022 Charges and Voluntary Contributions Flyer).

Please contact the school office if you require a copy of the 2022 Charges and Voluntary Contributions Flyer.

Parents experiencing financial hardship in meeting their requested contribution and charges may discuss options available with the principal.

### Parking at the primary campus

Reminder to parents the carpark at the front entrance of the school is for ACROD Permit Holders only.



## "No Hat—No Play, Stay in the Shade"

Our sun protection policy has been adopted by both campuses and is to be implemented throughout the year. We require that hats must be worn when students are outside and at sport.



## The Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS)

The Secondary Assistance Scheme is intended to provide assistance to secondary students in meeting the costs of books and uniforms and includes eligible home-educated students. To be eligible for the allowance the parent/guardian must hold a Centrelink Family Health Care Card, a Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card or a Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession card that represents a statement of income for the family.

The allowance consists of two components:

- \$115 Clothing Allowance paid directly to the parent/guardian.
- \$235 Educational Program Allowance paid directly to the school.

Application is made by the parent or guardian for student/s registered for study in the secondary years. Application forms are available from Avonvale Education Support Centre offices. Applications must be received by the School on or before April 8th 2022.

