

# ARARAT NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

*~ Resilience ~ Respect ~ Responsibility*



## NEWSLETTER

Friday, November 10, 2023

### A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we inch closer to the half way point of the term, it's great to see our students making the most of the warmer weather by playing a variety of sports outside during recess and lunch breaks. The uptake in students being physical is great to see! Currently students are opting for soccer and cricket as the main sports to be played at lunchtimes, with four square hot on their heels! Physical activity is beneficial to many aspects of our students' health and wellbeing.

Last week our LA2 and LA3 students visited Ararat Primary School to be involved in a cyber safety presentation run by Victoria Police. The sessions were informative and eye-opening, we encourage you to discuss your child's online activity with them at home to ensure they are remaining safe online.

During our staff Professional Practice Day on Monday 6th November, staff were busy reviewing student academic data in anticipation of assessing student growth for our end of year reports. This is valuable time for teachers to better understand student learning needs in order to create teaching and learning experiences that meet students at their level.

*Jess Erhardt*

**Principal**

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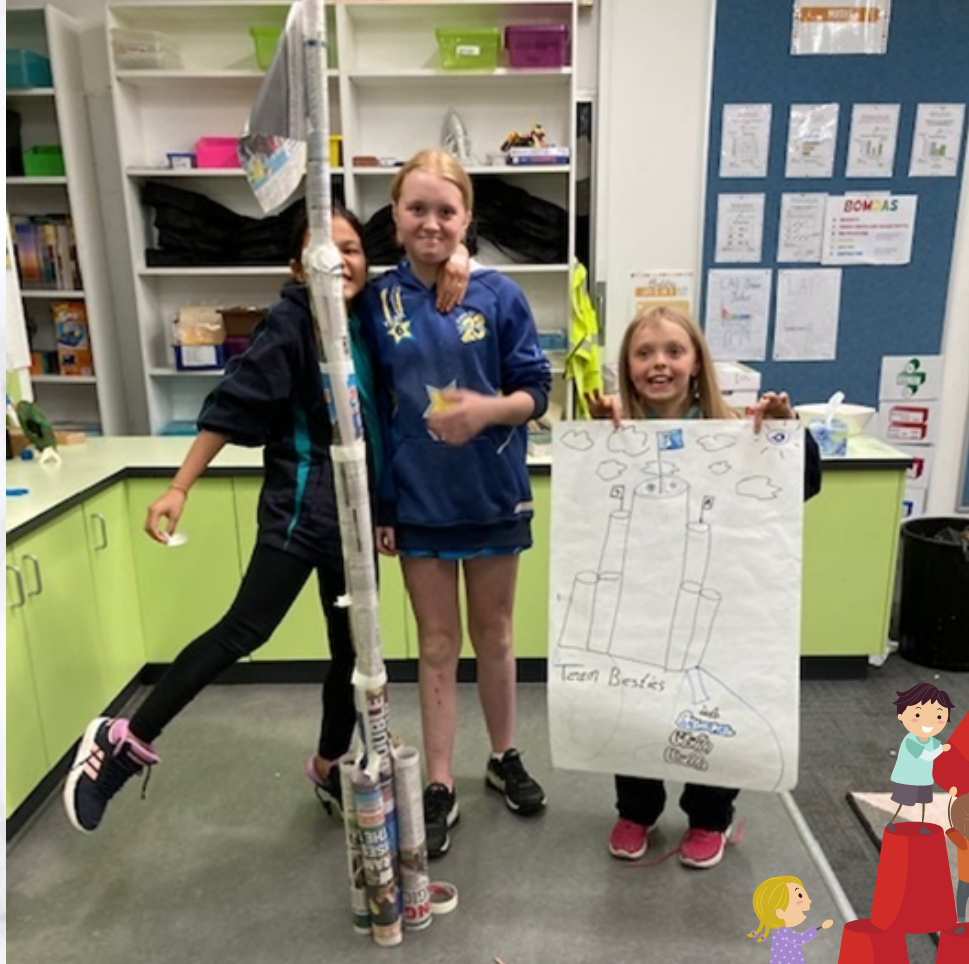
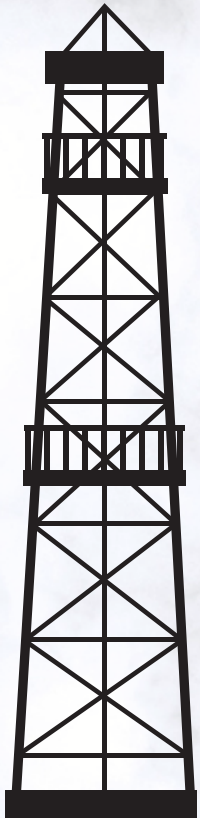
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## SPOTLIGHT ON...*LEARNING AREA 2*

In Technology, LA2 and LA3 have been designing and making a tall structure. All groups have agreed, a tall structure required a good base and that they needed to modify their plans for improvements as they progressed with building a tall structure.



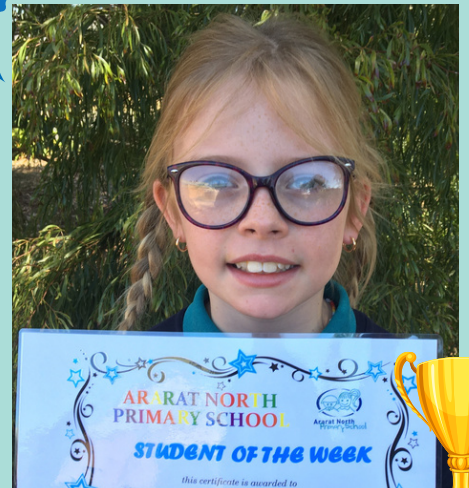
Around the School:





# Awards

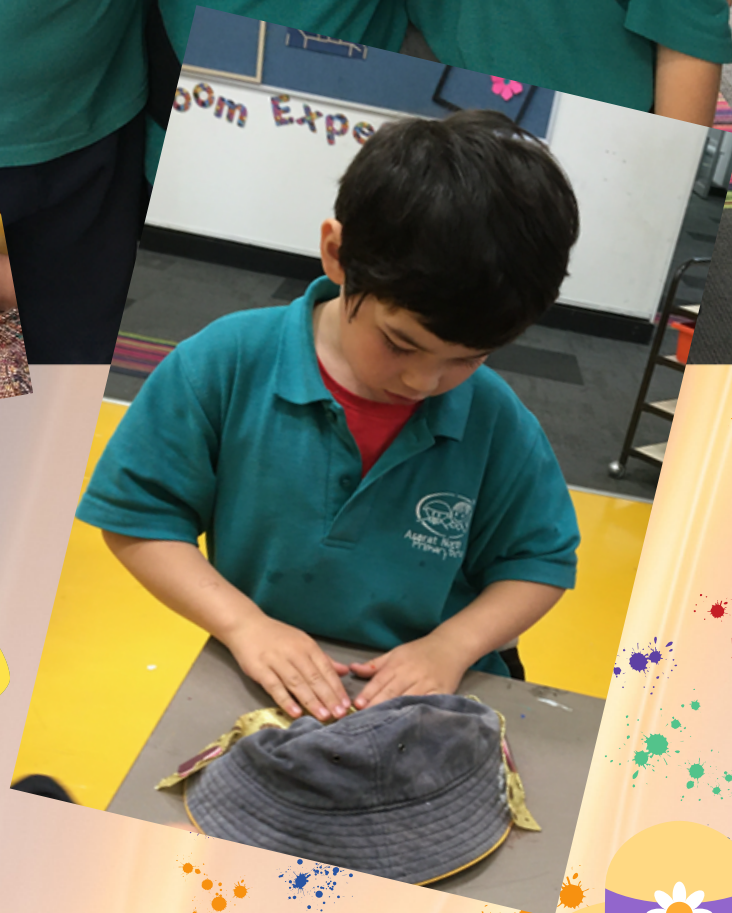
Awards are presented at each assembly to acknowledge student achievement in demonstrating our School Values of **Resilience, Respect and Responsibility**. Some lucky students also receive awards from the Principal or for their efforts in Health and PE. Here are some of this week's award winners:



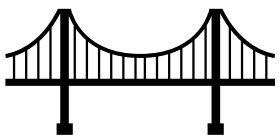


# From the Art Room

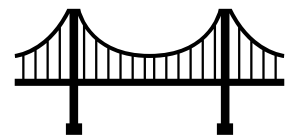
Students have started working on their upcycled hat project with some fabulous headwear starting to emerge! This week students will complete their hats and begin learning about the work of Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama.



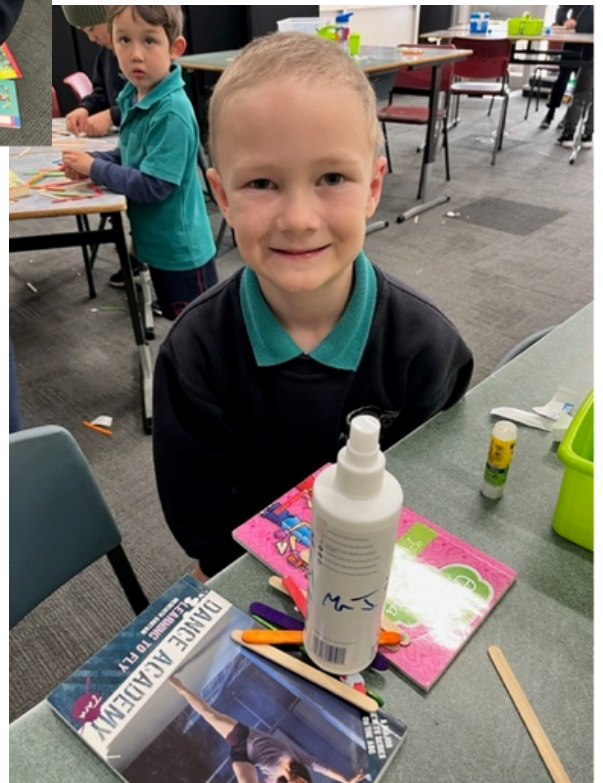
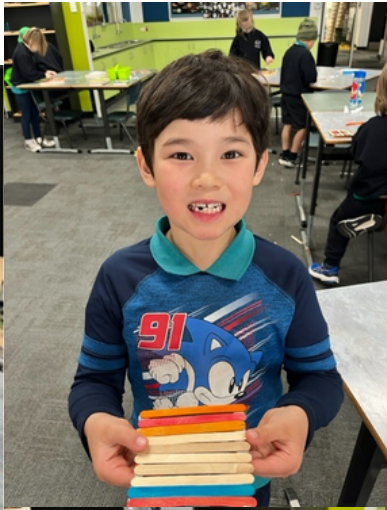




# Science Update



Over the last few weeks in Science, students have been completing some STEM based activities. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. As part of this program, students have been completing some STEM challenges. Last week, students had to engineer a bridge out of icy-pole sticks and blue tac. Before we started, students had a look at bridges from around the world. We looked at some that are over 2000 years old. We also had a look at how modern bridges are made. The challenge students had, was to make the bridge strong enough to hold/support a bottle of water. As you will see in the photos, we had a wide variety of bridges that did meet this challenge.





# FROM THE ARCHIVES - OUR SCHOOL'S HISTORY



Above is the 1989 whole school photo. The school was 10 years old in 1989. The Acting Principal was **Graeme Trickey**, the School Council President was **Bryan Kennedy** and the Junior School Council President was **Daniel Clark**.

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## Zen Club Pics:







# PREP 2024 INFORMATION NIGHT

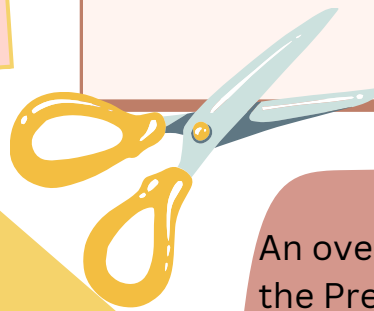
Join us and learn about our Prep program. Hear about the exciting opportunities we have to offer your children at our wonderful school.

## **INFORMATION EVENING**

WHEN: Monday 4th December  
VENUE: Ararat North Primary School Hall  
TIME: 4:30PM ONWARDS

## **CONTACT**

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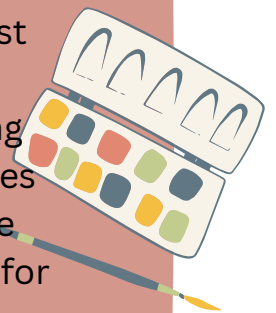
## **FOCUS**

An overview of our school and the Prep program. Meet school staff and find out about:

- The school's vision and values
- Our Prep learning curriculum
- The school's specialist programs
- Our student wellbeing systems and strategies
- Our Buddies initiative
- Preparing your child for school

## **SCHOOL VALUES**

- Respect
- Resilience
- Responsibility





# LET'S PLAY TENNIS

PATRICK HALL TENNIS PRESENTS

A JUNIOR SATURDAY MORNING  
TENNIS CLINIC

This event is an introduction to  
Tennis.

Cost is only \$5

Where - Ararat Tennis Club

When - November 11

Time - 9am to 10:30am

**SEE YOU THERE!!!**



# EGHS Residents' Support Group Shopping Spree Week

**Friday November 10th -  
Thursday November 16th 2023**

*Join the 2023 Shopping Spree to  
support our local businesses, pick up  
some great bargains and go into the  
draw to win a voucher from  
participating businesses.*

**\$20 PER PERSON**

(Cash only)

Purchase your passport at CAS  
Footwear, 2Taggs, Sportspower,  
We're Knot Crazy and Growmaster  
Grampians, from Friday October 27th.

Many businesses will remain open until  
7pm on Thursday November 16th.

Raising funds for new outdoor  
furniture for residents at 70 Lowe  
Street.

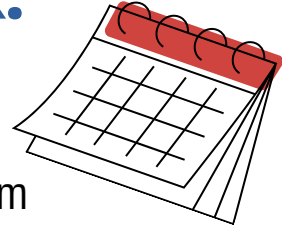
For further information, phone Marlene on  
0419 117 279.

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Blinds Hughan's Nursery  
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Mountainside Wines**





# KEY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- **Friday, November 17, 2023 - school assembly @ 2.45p.m.**
- Monday, November 27, 2023 - whole school swimming program begins.
- Monday, November 27, 2023 - Book Fair begins.
- Monday, December 4, 2023 - Prep Information Night @ 4.30p.m.
- Wednesday, December 6, 2023 - School Council @ 4p.m.
- Tuesday, December 12, 2023 - State schools' Transition Day
- Wednesday, December 20, 2023 - last day of 2023 school year - **early dismissal** (2.15p.m.)



Ararat Neighbourhood House provide food relief Tuesday – Friday each week.

ANH Food Hub is made up of two food relief programs – the SecondBite program and ANH FoodBank.

Individuals are able to access ANH Food Hub by contacting Ararat Neighbourhood House on (03)

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We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the first peoples and Traditional Owners and custodians of the land and waterways on which we live. We honour and pay our respects to Elders past and present.



Our Newsletter is published every second week. Our next Newsletter date is **Friday, November 24, 2023**. If you would like to **submit something** for our Newsletter (e.g. a community or sports group announcement) please send it to school by **Wednesday, November 22, 2023**.



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