



Tuesday 19 March 2019

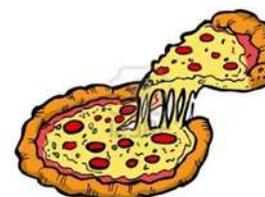
Newsletter No. 4

Wednesday 20 March	7pm PFC AGM	
Friday 22 March	P - 2 Mindful Monkeys Incursion ( <b>Date change</b> )	
Monday 25 March	6.30pm Yr 6 Graduation Committee, Staffroom - first meeting	
Thursday 28 March	Alteration to School Day - Parent Teacher Student Interviews	
Friday 29 March	School Photo Day (Will you need new school uniform??)	
Friday 29 March	3pm Assembly	
Monday 1 April	Term 1 Special Lunch Day - Order forms have been sent home	
Wednesday 3 April	Yrs 3 - 6 Cross Country @ RPS	
Thursday 4 April	Northern Star Chess Tournament @ KGPS	
Friday 5 April	Term 1 Ends 2.30pm - (no canteen on last day of Term)	
Tuesday 23 April	Term 2 starts 9am - (no canteen on first week of Term)	
Thursday 25 April	ANZAC Day	
Tuesday 7 May	District Cross Country	
Thursday 9 May	Yrs 5 & 6 Immigration Museum Excursion	
Friday 10 May	Curriculum Day - No students at school	
Wednesday 15 May	Yrs Prep & 1 Collingwood Farm, Yr 2 Edendale Farm	
Thursday 13 June	RPS Athletics Day @ Willinda Park	
Friday 21 June	Yrs 3 & 4 Hooptime	
Friday 28 June	Term 2 Ends 2.30pm - (no canteen on last day of Term)	
Monday 15 July	Term 3 starts 9am - (no canteen on first week of Term)	
Mon 5 - Wedns 7 August	Yrs 5 & 6 Camp, Anglesea	
Wednesday 14 August	Eltham District Athletics	
Friday 16 August	Curriculum Day - No students at school	
Monday 2 September	Yrs 5 & 6 Hooptime	
Wedns 4 - Fri 6 September	Yrs 3 & 4 Camp, 'The Island', Phillip Island	
Thursday 12 September	Alteration to School Day - Parent Teacher Student Interviews	
Friday 20 September	Term 3 Ends 2.30pm - (no canteen on last day of Term)	
Monday 7 October	Term 4 starts 9am - (no canteen on first week of Term)	
Thursday 31 October	Yrs 3 & 4 Balance Gym begins (Every Thursday - 5 weeks)	
Monday 4 November	Curriculum Day - No students at school	
Tuesday 5 November	Melbourne Cup - No students at school	
Friday 20 December	Assembly - Time TBC	
Friday 20 December	Term 4 Ends 1.30pm - (no canteen on last day of Term)	

<b>RPS bank account details</b>	
ANZ Eltham	Account Name: Research Primary School Council Official Account
BSB: 013 308	Account Number: 254090034
Please ensure you use a detailed description as a reference, so we can identify your deposit.	

## Easter Special Lunch Day

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019**



## PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dear Parents,

Dusty has officially begun his school journey. We are so lucky to have Dusty the therapy dog join our Research community. Dusty is enjoying his time in the classrooms with students. He is lucky enough to go to Ms Vale's office every recess and lunch time for a nap. As a highly trained therapy dog, Dusty follows a set of hand signals on command. We are in the process of learning the hand signals to make the most of Dusty's training. The best part of having Dusty around the school is seeing the smile he puts on the students' faces as soon as they see him. Whilst Dusty will spend a lot of his time in 5/6, the rest of the school will certainly get to enjoy his company too. Below is Dusty's current timetable as he transitions into the school.

<b>Week 8</b>		<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
	Session 1	5/6	5/6
	Session 2	5/6	5/6
	Session 3	P/1	Year 2
	Session 4	5/6	5/6
	Session 5	5/6	5/6
<b>Week 9</b>		<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
	Session 1	5/6	5/6
	Session 2	5/6	5/6
	Session 3	3/4W	3/4O
	Session 4	5/6	5/6
	Session 5	5/6	5/6
<b>Week 10</b>		<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
	Session 1	5/6	5/6
	Session 2	5/6	5/6
	Session 3	P/1	Year 2
	Session 4	3/4W	3/4O
	Session 5	5/6	5/6

Last Friday was a big day around the school. It was Crazy Hair day as well as the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. Crazy Hair day supports the awareness of cystic fibrosis at the Royal Children's Hospital and all funds raised on the day will be donated towards the cause. It was fabulous to see the students get on board and parents thank you so much for helping them with their fabulous hair styles. There were certainly some crazy styles. To raise awareness for the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, students participated in activities throughout the day around friendship, community, supporting each other and cyber safety.

Last Wednesday we were lucky enough to have a police officer come to the school to discuss the dangers of a single punch and how the outcome of a single punch can change the lives of everyone involved. It was great to see the students take the conversation seriously and be mature in their response and questions. Growing up is about learning and sometimes making mistakes. As a school we believe in working with families to support students to make informed choices to prevent them from making mistakes which will negatively affect their future. Discussing the effects of a single punch and strategies to avoid the situation provides students tools for life.

Parent/Teacher interviews for Year 1-6 students are being held next Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Please make sure you book a time on compass to meet with your child's teacher. If you are having trouble making a time please contact your child's teacher or the office. A reminder that it is an alteration to the school day, where the students attend their interview and we would love to see them in their school uniform.

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April we will be holding our school cross country for year 3-6 students. The cross country is held in the school grounds. We would love some parent helpers for the day to help direct the students through the course. Please make sure your child wears runners on the day.

*Mrs Glembin, Assistant Principal*

**SCHOOL COUNCIL**

School Council conducted their AGM last night, followed by the first meeting of the new School Council. Welcome and thank you to our continuing and new school councillors.

The *School Year 2018 Annual Report to the School Community* will be presented at the next meeting, which will be a public meeting, on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May. The Annual Report includes the School Council President’s report on the year, the Treasurer’s report, the Principal’s report in “What Our School is Doing”, the compilation of Government Schools data and where RPS sits in areas such as Student Learning, Opinion Surveys, Teacher Assessments and Student Engagement and Well Being. The School’s ‘Financial Performance and Position’ is also included.

Once passed The Annual Report will be available on the school website.

Congratulations and thank you to our new School Council:

President	Adam Humphreys	Vice President	George Tsakiris
Treasurer	Carolyn Sternberg	Executive Officer	Fiona Vale
Minutes Secretary	Jackie Smith		

Parent Members: Michael Settle, Liz Shewan, Jess Sharp

Staff Members: Jocelyn Watts, Ailsa Glembin

**FROM THE OFFICE**

**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY**

School Photo Day this year will be held next **Friday 29 March**. Order form envelopes have been sent home and family photo slips are attached to your eldest child’s photo envelope (family photos can only include children at Research Primary School, no younger or older siblings). If possible, please complete and return the envelopes with payment to your **child’s teacher prior to photo day**. Please ensure that children are in full school uniform on photo day.

School Uniform - **order now** if you require new polo shirts etc for the school photo day. Uniform takes two weeks to arrive, if the uniform shop is out of stock!

**Ordering:**

Payment Options include Cash or Online

**TO ORDER WITH CASH**

- On your envelope please select which package you would like to purchase & enclose CORRECT MONEY in your child's envelope
- Please include correct money as there is NO CHANGE AVAILABLE on or after photo day

**TO ORDER ONLINE**

- Using your child’s SHOOTKEY logon to **www.msp.com.au** and click **ORDER ONLINE**. Following the on screen prompts you may select your chosen package and make payment
- You will receive an email once the order is complete. Please record your child’s **Reference Number** on their envelope
- The online ordering system closes at midnight of photo day

**Sibling Photos:**

**FAMILY PHOTO SLIPS ARE ATTACHED TO YOUR ELDEST CHILDS PHOTO ENVELOPE**

- Please leave the slip attached to your envelope and follow listed instructions
  - Pay Online using the family SHOOTKEY
  - Please note Family Photo’s are taken **LANDSCAPE**
  - Spare Family Slips are available at the school office if you did not receive one
- \*\*PLEASE NOTE FAMILY ORDERS MUST BE MADE ONLINE\*\***

**FAMILY ORDERS MUST BE MADE ONLINE BEFORE 11.59PM THE NIGHT BEFORE PHOTO DAY.**

**Packages available:**



**WOULD YOU LIKE A FAMILY PHOTO?**

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE FAMILY ORDERS MUST BE ORDERED\*\***  
**\*\*ONLINE BEFORE 11.59PM THE NIGHT BEFORE PHOTO DAY\*\***

1. Select your package to ORDER (see list below)  
 2. Fill in your details (shown on the right)  
 3. Pay Online using the SHOOTKEY and record your reference number  
 4. This form, with your SHOOTKEY, must be returned to the school office

Choose how to pay for your order:

ORDER PACK \$30  
 VALUE PACK \$25

ShootKey #: EV3RPPGT  
 ShootKey #: [Barcode]

Write Reference No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 School: Research Primary School  
 Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT / STUDENT / TEACHERS INTERVIEWS

Our parent/student / teacher conference for Semester One will be held next **Thursday 28 March**. The conferences are an opportunity for your child's teacher to discuss your child's level, what is happening in the classroom to support them and how you can support them at home. We strongly encourage your child to attend their conference. Their involvement will help them to understand their point of learning and how the school and home are working together to support their success. We would love for students to proudly wear their school uniform.

*Please remember also that it is an alteration to the school day so students will only attend for their conferences.*

We are once again using the COMPASS booking system, to organise the parent/teacher/student conference. Each conference will run for **10 minutes**. Teachers will be available from **1pm - 7.40pm**, with a break between 3pm - 3.10pm and between 5.20pm - 6pm.

You will need to log on to Compass, following the instructions below, to book a time that best suits you and your family.

If you do not have internet access or have any further questions, please contact the office on 9437 1917.

- On your COMPASS Home page click on the **'Book your interview time'** link shown on the right hand side of your home page.
- You will be taken to the booking screen with all times available.
- To the top right - **select your child**
- On the booking in screen - **select your preferred time**
- To the centre right - **select your child's teacher**
- Your selected time will turn **green** and you'll receive a confirmation notice.

If the time you have selected for that teacher is already booked it will not turn green - you will need to select another time.

If you have more than one student at RPS repeat the process from step **(1)** for all your children

(Parent Student Teacher Interviews are held for students in Year 1 to 6 during Semester 1 - not Prep students)

## VALUES AWARDS

Congratulations to our Values Awards winners, which reflect our RPS Values of Respect, Excellence, Sense of Fun, Equality, Achievement, Resilience, Co-operation and Honesty.

Mathias 56E  
Luka 1S  
Montie 34W

Bridie 56E  
Evelyn 1S  
Zeke 34W

Florence Prep B  
Samantha 34O

Cameron Prep B  
Ronika 2K

## SPORTS & PE NEWS

Congratulations to Angus R who played Regional Tennis finals yesterday. Unfortunately he lost the semi-final, but a great achievement.

## SRC NEWS

Thank you to everyone who took part and donated to Crazy Hair Day last Friday. We raised \$202 which will be sent to the Royal Children's Hospital to support awareness of cystic fibrosis.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### BOOK CLUB

Catalogues for Book Club Issue 2 have been handed out. Some terrific deals are available and remember every order earns our school 20% back in rewards for library purchases.

Orders will need to be placed **online** via the LOOP by tomorrow, **Wednesday 20th March**. Unfortunately cash orders are not accepted. Simply go to website [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) register then enter your orders against your child's grade and pay with credit card. All instructions are in the catalogue. Thank you for your support.

### LIBRARY OPEN TIMES

Our library is open for students to access on Monday & Thursday during the lunch break and Wednesday & Friday during recess. A nice, alternative option for students to outdoor play! Students are welcome to wander in to browse books & newspapers, play with soft toys/puppets, play piano, research or play games on computers and even colouring in.

## PFC NEWS

Our **AGM** will be held tomorrow evening, **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**, at 7pm in the staffroom, all are welcome.

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Once again the PFC is offering the Entertainment Book at the very good value of **\$70 each**. The Entertainment Book is full of discount vouchers for local restaurants, as well as venues and activities around Melbourne and Victoria and valid until June 2020. Payments **are processed online** and can be ordered via this link [www.entbook.com.au/188r741](http://www.entbook.com.au/188r741) The entertainment book is available as digital or hard copy.

**Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership and receive bonus offers you can use right away!**  
*Aristea*

### EASTER RAFFLE

Our Easter Raffle will be drawn on the last day of term and raffle ticket books have been sent home to all students. Please return your completed stubs and money as soon as possible.

Once again there will be one hamper prize per class. A flyer with information will be send home shortly, but in the meantime please bring **any hamper donations along to the school office**.

## CANTEEN ROSTER & NEWS

Lunch orders and counter sales are only held on **Fridays**. If you are able to help and cover a shift or two, please contact Jacqui Robinson (0414 362 275) or the school office.

**Vacant shifts are marked below with an asterisk \* Please contact the office if you can help this Friday**

**Thanks again for your continual support. RPS Parents and Friends Community**

Date	Time	Volunteer
Friday 22 March	9-11.30am	*****
	11.30-1.50pm	Kristin T
	11.30-1.50pm	*****
Friday 29 March	9-11.30am	Jacqui R
	11.30-1.50pm	*****
	11.30-1.50pm	*****

**STOCK** - Unfortunately sushi is currently out of stock.

## SCHOOL BANKING NEWS



School Banking is held every **Friday**.

If your child would like to join the program and open their very own bank account please go online to:  
<https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/accounts/savings-accounts/youthsaver/apply-online.html>

Hello Everyone,

Over the last fortnight the children were able to participate in fitness and sports activities as well as arts and crafts. The children were able to play on the top courts, big kids and little kids playground! The children were engaged in activities such as ball tiggly, cricket, monster under the bridge and playground games. One morning last week we were able to go to the top courts and do a small fitness circuit which the children really enjoyed. We did exercises such as running, star jumps, burpees, sit ups and push-ups. The children have also been enjoying using the lego to build little towns and race courses for the cars. The children have also been really enjoying using the light box for tracing pictures, which have linked to our themes of the week. We also had a Friday night drawing competition which all the children participated in and they all displayed some awesome art works! Over the next fortnight we are focusing on all things Disney and Under the Sea.

Still being in Term 1, means that **ALL children** must be wearing hats and sun-cream at all times during operating hours outside. Please put a spare hat in your child/children's school bags as we request that their school hats stay in their classrooms. We provide a 50+ sun-cream for children to use, you can provide your own if you would like too also. If they do not have a hat they will not be able to play outside. We adore going outside and playing in lots of different spaces, so please ensure that your children have a hat so that they can have the opportunity to go outside.

Just a friendly reminder that we are not at the service between 9am and 3pm. If you are wanting to book in your child/children please call the work phone and leave their name and grade and we will follow up with the office and ensure that they are at the service. If you haven't already, please check that all child information, payment details, and parent information is correct and current on your KidSoft enrolment. We moved onto a new system last year, if you haven't already please check this information or make a new account as it is **free** and saves time if you need a last minute booking 😊!!

If you have any inquiries about our program please feel free to pop down and see me during our service hours.

Have a wonderful fortnight! **Teresa & Fraser**



All families must be enrolled to attend the program and remember enrolment is free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au), bookings and cancellations can be managed via your online account.

For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

**OSHC program phone: 0427 793 936**  
**OSHC Coordinator: Teresa**

**OSHClub Head Office: 03 8564 9000**  
**OSHC Assistant: Fraser**

\*Families can apply for Child Care Benefit and the 50% Child Care Rebate. The CCR is not means tested which means just about all working or studying parents are eligible to receive it. Enrol and book sessions through our website [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au)

The program is as follows:

BSC 6.28 to 10.15 (20.30 if parents don't apply or are not eligible for the 50% CCR)

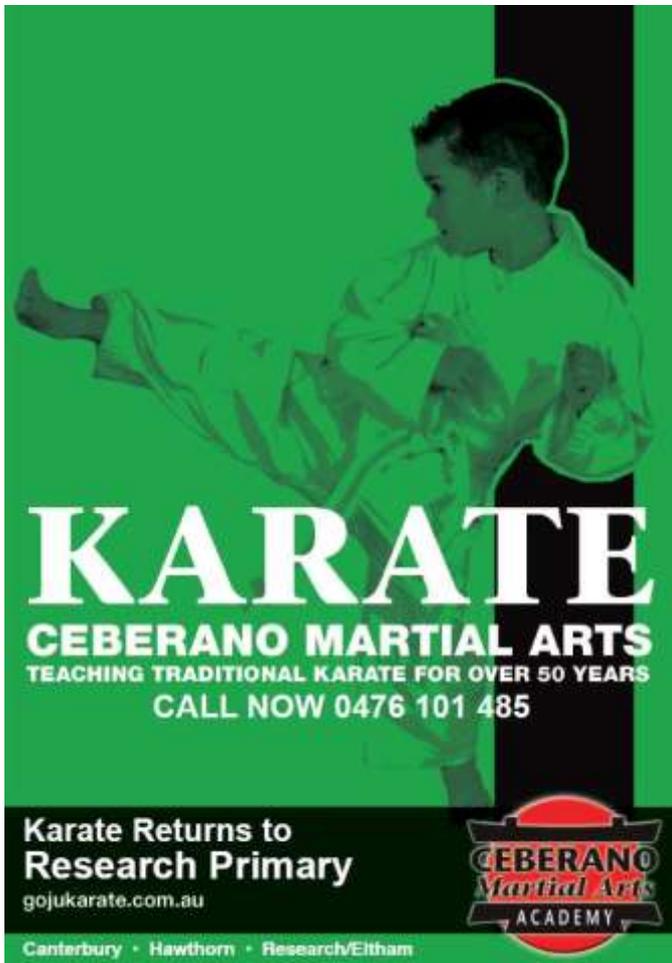
ASC 7.91 to 13.13 (26.25 if parents don't apply or are not eligible for the 50% CCR)

## YEAR 6 GRADUATION

This year the Year 6 Graduation will be held on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> December with the venue to be confirmed. The first graduation meeting will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm in the staffroom. The meeting is open to all year 6 parents to come along with their ideas and suggestions - we look forward to seeing you there.

*Sam Kilby & Liz Shewan*

## COMMUNITY NEWS



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## OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

4:00pm-6:00pm and 6:45pm-8:00pm **School Tours**

6:15pm **Information Session**

School Tours: Wednesdays Call: 9844 2749



**DREAM**

**CREATION  
EVENTS**

Jessica (0403 746 085)  
Jemara (0412 715 305)

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