



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 6 August 2019

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Mon 5 - Wedns 7 August	Yrs 5 & 6 Camp, Anglesea
Thursday 8 August	6.30pm Years 3 & 4 Camp Parents Information Evening (Mr O's Room)
Friday 9 August	Interschool Sport - RPS vs St Thomas - Home
Wednesday 14 August	Eltham District Athletics
Wedns 14 - Tues 20 Aug	Book Fair
Friday 16 August	Curriculum Day - No students at school
Friday 16 August	Interschool Sport Bye
Monday 19 August	RPS 130 th Birthday
Tues 20 & Wedn 21 August	Mrs Sargood - whole school incursion
Thursday 22 August	RPS 130 th Birthday Party
Friday 23 August	9am Assembly
Friday 23 August	Interschool Sport - RPS vs Eltham North - Away
Wednesday 28 August	7pm PFC Meeting - school staffroom
Thursday 29 August	Preps 2020 Transition morning - enrolled preps only
Friday 30 August	Father's Day Stall
Friday 30 August	Interschool Sport - RPS vs Eltham College - Away
Monday 2 September	Yrs 5 & 6 Hooptime
Monday 2 September	6.30pm Finance, 7pm School Council
Wedns 4 - Fri 6 September	Yrs 3 & 4 Camp, 'The Island', Phillip Island
Thursday 5 September	Northern Star Chess Tournament @ Kangaroo Ground Primary
Friday 6 September	9am Assembly
Friday 6 September	Interschool Sport Bye
Tuesday 10 September	R U OK Day
Tuesday 10 September	PFC Special 'Footy' Lunch Day
Tuesday 10 September	Afternoon 'Footy Colours' Parade
Thursday 12 September	Alteration to School Day - Parent Teacher Student Interviews
Friday 13 September	Interschool Sport - RPS vs Eltham - Home
Monday 16 September	Yr 6 photo
Tuesday 17 September	Prep - Y2 Showcase Spectacular
Friday 20 September	Afternoon Assembly (Time to be confirmed)
Friday 20 September	Term 3 Ends 2.30pm - (no canteen or school banking on last day of Term)
Monday 7 October	Term 4 starts 9am - (no canteen on first week of Term)
Tuesday 8 October	Years 3 & 4 All Stars Hooptime Regional Finals - Mill Park
Thurs 17 & Fri 18 Oct	Yrs 3 - 6 Production - Kids at Sea - Eltham College
Monday 21 October	6.30pm Finance, 7pm School Council
Sunday 27 October	10am - 2pm RPS 130 th Birthday Mini Fair
Tuesday 29 October	Japanese Incursion
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
Wednesday 13 November	Prep - Yr 2 RACV Incursion
Sunday 17 November	PFC Bunnings 'Eltham' BBQ
Thursday 21 November	Prep - Yr 2 Swimming Program starts
Monday 25 November	School Council
Thursday 28 November	Northern Star Chess Tournament at Kangaroo Ground PS
Thursday 12 December	Yr 6 Graduation Evening
Thursday 19 December	Years 5 & 6 Funfields End of Term Excursion
Friday 20 December	Assembly - Time TBC
Friday 20 December	Term 4 Ends 1.30pm - (no canteen on last day of Term)

PRINCIPAL REPORT

This term continues to be an exciting one. A huge congratulations to the preps for 100 days of school. It is such a fabulous achievement and they had an exciting day celebrating it on Friday. We are so proud of how far they have come and how well they have settled into the school routines. They are so proud of themselves when they tell me they can now read and write.

Research Primary School is turning 130 years old. It is time to celebrate an amazing birthday. Our official celebrations will occur during week 6 of this term. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Mrs Sargood will come out and teach each class for a session. Mrs Sargood is an olden day teacher who provides the students with the experience of schools in the olden days. On the Thursday of week 6 we will have cake to celebrate the big birthday and class parties. Further information regarding the day will come out soon.

On Tuesday 10th September we are changing our program for the day to focus on some different topics. In the morning we will highlight and recognise 'RUOK? Day. We know this day officially covers a very sensitive topic, however the focus will be on being a good friend and looking out for each other. A note will come home soon to inform you exactly what will be covered during this time for each year level. While we are focusing on supporting a community, we will also run our annual footy day. We will have a parade for student to show off their footy colours and some special activities in the afternoon. I am looking forward to seeing all the Geelong colours. This day will also coincide with PFC Special 'Footy' Lunch Day (further details to follow).

We are currently readdressing our mobile devices and technology agreements. With Cyberbullying being such a prevalent topic in the media at the moment it is timely to address this with the students. You may receive a note regarding this from your child. We suggest you take this opportunity to open up a conversation with them about safe use of technology.

Anxiety is an ongoing challenge for our student of today. Recently we put in a couple of funding applications to get some money to put towards some wellbeing resources. This will include calm down boxes for students to access when they sense their anxiety is taking over. Above is a cute little resource that I found online that can help students when they are working through anxiety. *Mrs Glembin*

What to Tell Myself When I'm Feeling Anxious

1. This feeling won't last forever.
2. Thoughts and emotions aren't facts.
3. I can feel anxious and still handle this.
4. My **bravery** is stronger than my fear.
5. **I am safe right now.**
6. Anxiety is reminding me to **slow down my breathing**.
7. I've survived other tough times before, and I will be resilient this time, too.
8. This feeling is a normal reaction. I will use my coping tools to respond with thoughtfulness and self-compassion.
9. I don't have to figure this all out right now, I will **trust** the process.
10. **Thank you anxiety** for always trying to look out for me, but it's okay now, **I got this**.

FROM THE OFFICE

PARENTS OPINION SURVEY

If you have been randomly selected to participate in the parent opinion survey you would have received an email from us on Wednesday 24 July. The survey is anonymous and the data that we receive is invaluable to helping us make improvements to our school. Thank you to those who have taken the time to complete it already, although a large percentage are still to do so. We would absolutely love to hear your feedback.

The survey needs to be completed by next **Sunday, 11 August**.

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.

Isla 1S

Finn 1S

Saige 1S

Claudia 34W

SRC NEWS

Congratulations and well done to our 2019 semester 2 School Representative Councilors:

Class	SRC	SRC
Prep	Skyla H	Ryan E
Grade 1	Linda M	Kai S
2K	Ronika G	William McD
3/4 O	Sophie L	Zac C
3/4 W	Ivy D	Montie I
5/6 E	Ella S	Angus D
5/6 H	Kasia T	

SPORTS & PE NEWS

INTERSCHOOL SPORT TERM 3

Interschool Sport this Friday, 9 August, is a home game against St Thomas. Rounders and Softball will be played at Research Park. Parents are encouraged to come along and watch, with games starting at around 1pm.

On Friday 16 August RPS has a bye. (Curriculum Day).

Mark O'Halloran

EDPSSA ATHLETICS

EDPSSA Athletics will be held next Wednesday, 14 August at Rieschecks Reserve, cnr of George & Victoria Street, Doncaster East... Please complete payment and permission via COMPASS as soon as possible.

PFC NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Buy your entertainment book before they have all gone! Great value of \$70 each and the school received commission from each book sold. 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 the link listed. The entertainment book is available as digital or hard copy. www.entbook.com.au/188r741 Aristea

FATHER'S DAY STALL

This year the father's day stall will be held on Friday 30th August. A notice will come home in the next fortnight for all students.

NEXT PFC MEETING

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday 28 August at 7pm in the school staffroom. All welcome.

RPS 130TH BIRTHDAY MINI FAIR

This year will we be celebrating Research Primary School's 130th birthday with a Birthday Mini Fair.

As a community we will be holding the mini fair to celebrate the many years of education at RPS on Sunday 27th October 10-2 PM so put this in your diary.

Who's in for Fun, Food and a massive cake!!

Apart from coming and enjoying yourself on the day, we need HELP, whether it be for an hour or so on the day or being a part of the organisation of this special day.

So far, we have brain stormed some ideas and have the following planned for the event:

Garden Stall (vacant), Pamper Stall (Rachel B), Roast Roll Stall (Leah D), Fun & Games Area (Gabbi F), Bits & Bobs Stall (Bec McD & Jess H), Music (Heidi M), Mini Silent Auction (vacant), Cake Stall (vacant), BBQ & Canteen (vacant), Birthday Cake Coordinator (vacant), Set up & Clean up Coordinator (vacant)

Soon a roster will be put up in the school office and you are welcome to slot your name into a position / job. Each newsletter we will be letting you know more details. This special day will be run as a fundraiser for the school.

If you have any other ideas or want to be a part of the festivities please contact the PFC, or the fair coordinators *Olivia G 0410 327 175 / Jacqui R 0414 362 275*

UNIFORM NEWS

Our uniform store is open every Tuesday from 3:15pm until 3:45/4:00pm. Orders received at the office during the week will be collected and filled on the following Tuesday.

We also sell good condition second hand items for \$5 per item. If you have any good condition & clean items to donate please hand them into the office. Many thanks
Silvia & Tomoko

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK FAIR

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the library from next Wednesday, 14 August, starting at 3.30pm and concludes on Tuesday 20 August, open times are listed below.

The theme this year is **Dino-Mite**, where we hope you will **Stomp, Chomp, and Read!** Yep dinosaurs!

The opening times for Book Fair are:

Wednesday 14th August 3.30-4pm Heidi, Gabby & Leah

Thursday 15th August 9-9.30am, Tish

Thursday 15th August 3.30-4pm, Tish & Jess

Friday 16th August - Closed - Curriculum Day

Monday 19th August 9-9.30am, Mandy & Haysa

Monday 19th August 3.30-4pm, Gabby & Kristen

Tuesday 20th August 9-9.30am, Gabby & Haysa (last sales and close)

Sales from the Book Fair help our school to earn points which are then used to purchase books and resources.

See you there, **Mandy**

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS



Student Banking is held on 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>

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to Lucy Varley-Kean (Sarah & Ben Kean's mum), School Banking Coordinator

CANTEEN ROSTER & NEWS

Lunch orders and counter sales are only held on **Fridays**. We are looking for volunteers for Term 3 so, if you are able to help and cover a shift or two, please contact Jacqui Robinson (0414 362 275) or the school office. Grandparents are welcome too 😊

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

Date	Time	Volunteer
Friday 9 Aug	9 - 11:30am 11:30 - 1:50pm 11:30 - 1:50pm	Pauline M Jess H *****
Friday 16 Aug	Curriculum Day No students at school	
Friday 23 Aug	9 - 11.30am 9 - 11.30am 11.30am - 1.50pm 11.30am - 1.50pm	***** ***** ***** *****

