



***A school that values Community, Confidence,
Ambition and Respect.***

4 March 2021

Good afternoon Research community!

Welcome Mr Clarke!

I would like to formally welcome Mr Tim Clarke to Research Primary School. He has been appointed to replace Ms Kepitis. A few other changes around this appointment are that Ms. Owen will, from Monday 15th March, work 3 days per week on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays; and Mr Clarke will be the classroom teacher on Mondays and Tuesdays.

You will also see Mr Clarke on Wednesdays and Thursdays as he will be taking PE classes and some Art classes. This is because Mrs Glembin will be running the Tutor Learning Initiative in Terms 2 and 3. I know that you will give Tim a warm welcome!

Student news

We would like to congratulate Mia (45O) and Michaela (56W) on their fabulous swimming achievement last Friday at the swimming finals at Northcote. They were both competing against the best of other districts in their respective events and age groups – you are both stars!

Emergency Evacuation Drill

As mentioned last week, we completed an Emergency Evacuation Drill today after lunch. To add to the excitement, we had to make our way around the gym instead of up the stairs as they are blocked off (due to soil stabilising works at that corner). As is the case when a drill is conducted, there are always little modifications that we can make to ensure that if this ever happens 'in real life', we are better prepared to keep your children safe.

Covid update

We received another update from DET on our Covid responsibilities at 10:18pm last Friday night... We are still holding off from having parents coming into the classrooms. Our challenge around this is that as soon as a person who is not a staff member or student enters the room, we must abide by mandated density limits.

Building Works

The building works are progressing at a great rate. A new concrete path is being laid that will run from the carpark next to the gym, next to the canteen, around the new play area to the top of the new amphitheatre and seating, connecting with the new ramp that is being built. Accessibility for people with mobility challenges and prams is going to be vastly improved from what it currently is now.

Tomorrow - Friday 5th March

Curriculum Day – Staff are getting together with local schools to learn about the Respectful Relationships Program. There is no school for students and OSHClub will not be running. Please note that this is being held offsite so there will be no staff at school.

Have a great weekend. See you all on Tuesday!

Patrick
Acting Principal

Research Primary School excites, engages and empowers our students.

Some other dates for you *(subject to change):*

MARCH	
Friday 5 th	Curriculum Day (no students at school)
Monday 8 th	Labour Day (Public Holiday)
Tuesday 9 th	Preps start full time
Wednesday 10 th	Years 3 - 6 Supreme Incursion
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th	3/4 Swimming
Monday 15 th	AGM and first School Council Meeting for 2021
Wednesday 17 th	P-2 Mindful Monkey
Saturday 20 th	PFC Eltham Bunnings BBQ
Thursday 25 th	Parent Teacher Interviews (this is an alteration to the school day, where the students attend their interview only)
APRIL	
Thursday 1 st	Term 1 finishes at 2:30pm
Thursday 1 st	PFC Virtual Easter Raffle drawn
Monday 19 th	Term 2 begins
May	
Friday 7 th	School Photos - please send students in school uniform
Tuesday 11 th – Thursday 13 th	NAPLAN (Years 3 and 5)
June	
Monday 14 th	Queen's Birthday
Friday 25 th	Term 2 finishes at 2:30pm
July	
Monday 12 th	Term 3 begins
August	
Monday 16 th	Curriculum Day - No students at school
September	
Thursday 9 th	PST Interviews - Alteration to school day
Friday 17 th	Term 3 finishes at 2:30pm
October	
Monday 4 th	Term 4 begins
Wednesday 20 th - Friday 22 nd	Years 3 - 6 Camp @ Campaspe Downs
November	
Monday 1 st	Curriculum Day - No students at school
Tuesday 2 nd	Melbourne Cup