



## THE UPDATE

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

### Term 2, Week 1 dates

Monday 19th April  
Term 2 begins 9am

Tuesday 20th April  
7pm PFC Meeting staff-room

Wednesday 21st April

Thursday 22nd April

Friday 23rd April  
Interschool Sport AWAY v  
Eltham North PS

### Upcoming dates

#### **April:**

26th  
6:15pm Finance  
Subcommittee  
6:30pm School Council

30th  
Interschool sport v Eltham PS  
AWAY

#### **May:**

7th  
School Photos—full school  
uniform required

10th  
Curriculum Day—no students  
at school. OSHClub closed

11th-13th  
NAPLAN—Year 3 and Year 5

\*See last page for more dates

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## Principal's Passage

### Mr Patrick Walsh

#### **Term 1 Recap**

It is hard to believe we are at the end of Term 1 already. From a school point of view, we are operating at about 95% of normal operations, save for the density limits in buildings and classrooms. We are hoping that restrictions will ease further in Term 2 and we can move back to what we are all more accustomed to.

We are definitely in a period of growth and change at Research Primary School. Staff going on maternity leave (Ms Vale, Ms Kepitis), new staff appointed (Mr Clarke), building works being completed (almost!), the most prep enrolments we have had at this time of year for many years, (most of these being new families to Research PS!), a new school council.... the list goes on.

There are also a few things that have slipped off our radar over the past 18 months or so due to the building works and remote learning (working bee anyone?) More to come about this early next term!

#### **Holidays And Our School**

We love the fact that the broader Research community can use our grounds after hours and on weekends—we welcome and encourage this use! However, from time to time, some people do not respect our facilities. With the building works nearing completion, and a high level of interest in the community, we are in no doubt that the grounds will be popular during the holidays. If you are around the school during the holidays, please don't hesitate to contact the local police if you see something that is suspicious, as your vigilance helps keep our school free from vandalism.

### Principal's Passage (continued)

#### Parents and Friends Community (PFC)

The PFC are having their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 20th April at 7pm in the staffroom (or another room if density limits require us to do so). The amount of support that is provided by this parent community is amazing (e.g. Bunnings BBQ), but we do need some people to be in 'official' roles: President, Vice-President and Treasurer, and this will be sorted out at this meeting.

We hope to see a few parents come along and be a part of this important group. Having been at the school council meeting a few weeks ago at school, in person, I thoroughly recommend coming and seeing everyone in person! (subject to any guidelines from DET or the state government of course!)

There is a PFC Easter Raffle fundraising effort recap on page 4.

#### Class Library Donations

Please don't forget that we are still looking for donations for our class libraries as per Ms. Glembin's Compass Newsfeed item last week. There is a box at the office where you can donate to the school any books that are still of reasonable quality, and are appropriate content for a primary school student to read (approximate age between 4 and 13).



Have a great weekend and holiday!

Patrick  
Acting Principal





### Canteen Roster

Lunch orders and counter sales are held every fortnight on **Fridays**.

#### RPS Parents and Friends Community

Date	Time	Volunteer
Friday 23 April	10-12.30	Penny
	12.30 – 2.30	Jess & Gabbi
Friday 7 May	10-12.30	Leah
	12.30 – 2.30	Kristin & Hailey
Friday 21 May	10-12.30	Jess & Hailey
	12.30 – 2.30	Kristin & Ashley



### Easter Raffle

Thank you to all families that got on board and purchased tickets for the Virtual Eater Raffle.

We had the opportunity to draw winners on 30 prizes raising \$755— an amazing effort!

We would like to acknowledge school families and businesses that have donated:

- Leonie and Melbourne Plumbers
- Jess and Dream Creations Teepee Parties
- Massaros restaurant and winery
- The Donato family
- The Temple family
- Tomoko and Maki Sushi
- The Main Eltham
- Lotte Fog and Mark Rogers
- Gabbi Favrin
- Brent's Patisserie Eltham
- Eltham Leisure Centre
- Micky's Fitness
- Mitre 10

Another great community event!







## Research Primary School — The Update

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Upcoming dates:

<b>April</b>	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Term 1 finishes at 2:30pm
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	PFC Virtual Easter Raffle drawn
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Term 2 begins
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	PFC AGM and first meeting
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Interschool sport v Eltham North PS AWAY
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	6:15pm Finance Sub Committee 6:30pm School Council
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool sport v Eltham PS AWAY
<b>May</b>	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos – please send students in school uniform
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Day – no students at school
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN (Years 3 and 5)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	District Cross Country
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Interschool sport v Our Lady's PS AWAY
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool sport - BYE
<b>June</b>	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool sport v Eltham College AWAY
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool sport v St Thomas HOME
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Queen's Birthday
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool sport v Eltham North PS HOME
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Term 2 finishes at 2:30pm
<b>July</b>	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Term 3 begins
<b>August</b>	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	3/4 Balance Gym starts (weekly for 5 weeks)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	1/2 Balance Gym starts (weekly for 5 weeks)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Research Primary School 132nd Birthday
<b>September</b>	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Teacher Interviews (this is an alteration to the school day, where the students attend their interview only)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Term 3 finishes at 2:30pm
<b>October</b>	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Term 4 begins
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Years 3 – 6 Camp @ Campaspe Downs, Kyneton
<b>November</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Curriculum Day – no students at school
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Melbourne Cup
<b>December</b>	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Term 4 ends 1:30pm