9 September 2022



OFFICE UPDATE

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

Term 3, Week 10

Monday:

• Yrs 5-6 H&HR

Tuesday:

Canteen Open Countersales

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

- 12.30pm Welcome to County & Smoking Ceremony
- 2.30pm Term 3 Ends

See last page for upcoming dates

Transition Days for

Preps 2023

Tues 15 Nov

Tues 22 Nov

Tues 29 Nov



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School Administration

RATs

RATs are available from the school office.

Working with Children Check

All volunteers and helpers in schools must hold a current Working with Children Check, this check is free and applications can be made via this link. https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au

Child Safety

RPS is committed to Child Safety. It is important to us that it is engrained in our culture, and families and students feel empowered and supported to speak up. All of our policies are up to date and standard, however, we are always looking for potential risks and finding ways to reduce them. We want you to explicitly know that you can contact the school at any time if you have any concerns for a child's safety, are not sure what to do in a situation, would like to raise a potential risk, would like access to the policies, or anything else to this nature! We would also like you to know that if you don't like the way something is handled here at school, that you have a right to complain, and the process is outlined in the "complaints policy" which is available on our website along with all of the other child safe documents. Alternatively, please contact the office and we can send it through to you. Transparency and communication is paramount!

Finally, as a consequence of all of the above, we will now require parent helpers to complete a "classroom helper and worker agreement". Next term we are hoping to have you officially return to the classroom as a parent helper or volunteer!

Please note that the office will be asking for your signature, along with a copy of your working with children's check prior to commencing this work.

https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au



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Parking At and Around School

Please park in the parents parking to the left of the entrance, up at the top parking area or the overflow parking area behind the canteen / gym (please drive slowly in the school grounds & reverse into the parking spaces). If you are parking in Kanandah Court please be aware of the parking restrictions and drive up to the turning point to park on the Little Scooters side of the court. The school side of Kanandah Court is either 'no standing zone during school hours' or in some areas a 'no standing all day'.

3 – 6 Camp at Camp Weekaway

There was movement in Research as the students from Years 3 - 6 gathered in the BER for word had got around that there was a camp after 3 years. The energy was abuzz with nerves and excitement as we eagerly waited for the buses to arrive. The journey began and before we knew it we were at Camp Weekaway.

Our first glimpse of the camp was a dam with canoes, a maze and the outdoor volleyball, all in glorious sunshine. We had a tour of the camp and then it was time to learn who our cabin buddies for the next 2 nights were going to be. Next it was time to make our beds – there were certainly some interesting ways to put on a fitted sheet!

Before we knew it, we were off to our first rotation of activities. The Year 3/4s had fun at the following activities over the next few days - flying fox, yabbying, canoeing, low ropes, crate stacking and hut building. The Year 5/6s didn't miss out with some fantastic activities too – canoeing, low ropes, archery, possum glider, the maze and mountain biking.

The students tried all the activities and discovered new skills. One of the teachers may need a compass next time as they became lost on the mountain biking which was a circuit. Another teacher had a little dip in the dam disembarking from a canoe. Others learnt a new fashion trend.

All jokes aside it was wonderful seeing our students finally going on camp after 3 years and witnessing their excitement. We hope your children shared many a story from camp, from cabin antics, to trying a new activity, to the food fest at meal times. A huge thanks to all the staff who attended camp and a massive thanks to Gabbi Favrin for her tireless efforts, always with a smile.





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PFC News

Thank you to all our helpers for our last two fundraising events to finish off Term 3. Special thanks to Leah who headed up our Father's/Appreciation Day event last week and to Jess, Penny & Gabbi who fed our hungry footy fans on Footy Day Special Lunch this Wednesday.

As we move forward to Term 4, we will have the Election Day BBQ so will be asking for volunteers- cooks/ servers / cashiers along with a cake stall. Please put your hand up for helping on the day and / or bake a delicious treat to sell.

In addition to the Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall we will run our usual mango fundraiser and Christmas raffle.

We are even planning a school fete for 2023—see below for further information.

Those keen to be part of the school community events, in anyway, can email <u>research.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> — the school office will pass on your details.

We will hold a PFC meeting early in Term 4 and all are welcome. Please keep checking The Update for details. *Kim Temple, PFC President*

Canteen News

Next Canteen Dates: Countersales **Tuesday 6 September** Lunch Orders & Countersales **Closed last day of term Term 4**

Countersales Tuesday 4 & 11 October Lunch Orders & Countersales Friday 7 & 21 October

Fete 2023 News! - Sunday 5th March 2023 11am—4pm

Reviving a RPS tradition and a wonderful community event for all!

Please mark this date in your calendars and let your family and friends know so everyone can enjoy this amazing day.

We are **seeking** volunteers from school stall coordinators to helping on the day / sponsors / outside stall holders. School stall coordinators and volunteers will be required leading up to the fete and on the day. Ideas of some of the stalls on the day are : A Sausage Sizzle, Hot Food & Drinks (Canteen), Face Painting, Cake Stall, Plant Stall & White Elephant Stall.

An initial fete meeting will be held in the first few weeks of Term 4. All are welcome to come along.

Please contact the office if you would like to help in any way and the wonderful office angels will pass on your information to the PFC.

Is there a **graphic designer / printer** out there who would be happy to put together some marketing ideas, example flyers? Again please contact the school office.

If you would like to run your own stall please contact the office for details.

Thank you, The PFC

OSHClub News

As of the start of Term 4, all Prep children need to walk over to the OSHClub room after school on their own. Next week, we will have our practice week of them arriving without any supervision. Please ensure that if your child is in Prep, that you are reminding them when they are attending OSHClub, so they can walk over by themselves!

Also, just a friendly reminder to book your children in for our End of Term party before Wednesday the 14th of September, to help us confirm numbers for catering purposes.





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Neighbourhood character is what visually differentiates one neighbourhood from another, and is the measure of local identity.

Council has developed a first draft of a new Neighbourhood Character Strategy to better identify and suitably protect neighbourhood character in the Shire's residential areas, including the rural townships.

Visit participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/ neighbourhood-character-strategy or scan the QR code to:

- · Learn more and read the draft Strategy.
- Register for one of our face-to-face or online engagement sessions.
- View the proposed character areas for a street or property and provide feedback.

Provide your feedback

There are several ways you can provide your feedback:

- Join us at any of the engagement sessions on offer.
- Complete a short feedback form, or make a submission.

Feedback closes 11.59pm on Monday 10 October.

If you have any questions please email strategic.planning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au or call Council's Strategic Planning team on 9433 3111.







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Community News:





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Upcoming dates :

September	
Friday 16th	12.30pm Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony
	Last day of Term 3 2.30pm finish
October	
Monday 3rd	First day of Term 4
Thursday 13th	Yrs 3 & 4 Balance Gym begins
Friday 14th	Yr 6 / Keyboard / Guitar Photo
Tuesday 18th	School Council : Finance Committee 6.15pm / School Council 6.30pm
Sunday 23rd	Working Bee
Thursday 27th	Yr 1 & 2 Excursion to Scienceworks
Monday 31st	Curriculum Day—No students at school
November	
Tuesday 1st	Melbourne Cup Day - no school
Friday 11th	Remembrance Day
Monday 14th	Yrs 1 & 2 Swimming Program starts
Tuesday 15th	Prep 2023 1st Transition morning & Parent Info Session
Tuesday 22nd	School Council : Finance Committee 6.15pm / School Council 6.30pm
Wednesday 30th	Prep Swimming Program starts
December	
Thursday 8th	Yr 6 Graduation
Friday 9th	Professional Practice Day—No students at school
Tuesday 13th	Yr 6 Orientation Day / Prep-5 Step Up Day
Thursday 15th	Yrs 5 & 6 Funfields
Friday 16 December	Last assembly of 2022 and Raffle draw
Monday 19th	Clean Up Day
Tuesday 20th	Clean Up Day
	Last day of school year and Term 4 1.30pm
January 2023	
Friday 27th	Teachers first day
	Book Bag to be collected (TBC)
Monday 30th	Students first day (TBC)
March 2023	
Sunday 5th	School Fete 11am—4pm
Monday 13th	Labor Day—no school
April 2023	
Thursday 6th	Last day of Term 1 2.30pm Finish
Monday 24th	First day of Term 2
Tuesday 25th	ANZAC Day