10 March 2023



OFFICE UPDATE

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

Term 1, Week 8

Monday:

Labour Day

Tuesday:

- Canteen Open
- SC Agm/SC 2023

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

 Canteen Open for lunch orders

See last page for upcoming dates

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FETE NEWS—

WOW! What a day! What an effort!

As I drove into our school last Sunday, I must admit that although I was feeling excited, I was also a bit exhausted. That all changed the minute I approached Main Road and saw a sea of red and blue balloons, bunting and our famous RPS sign (that even has its own Facebook page!) Immediately, I felt my lips move into a huge smile, and my heart turned outwards. I actually let out a giant "WOW"! I parked my car and jumped out to hear a buzz of laughter and chatter, music playing and the most incredible feeling of togetherness – Community. It was at this point, that I had to pull myself together! I could feel the tears of pride and happiness coming!! ***how embarrassing*** I was overwhelmed at how much effort had been put into the day already, and it was only the beginning. For the entire day I couldn't take more than 5 steps before chatting with the next person. Old faces, current faces, and new faces. So many stories and so many compliments on our amazing community.

I would like to extend the BIGGEST thank you to each and every one of you who played a role in making our fete the incredible day that it was. What an effort! What a team! When Jess H said that she was bringing the fete back and there wasn't a thing I could do about it, I was hesitant!!! But I also know not to argue with Jess right??!! (Kidding!!!) Boy did she rally an army, and boy, did you all do a phenomenal job. Thank you so much for everything that you did to give our RPS Community a day that will go down in history. I'm all warm and fuzzy inside and no words will reflect my appreciation.

We have raised a truckload of money for our beautiful school. Just in case you missed it, we made a profit of, \$20,408.88. I look forward to discussing the spending with School Council, the PFC, and the wider community. THANK YOU.



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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Supervision in school grounds

Research Primary School's grounds are supervised by school staff from 8.50am until 3.40pm. Outside of these hours, school staff will not be available to supervise students.

Working with Children Check & Parent Guidelines

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.

Please show your WWCC card to the school office **and** read / sign the Parent Guidelines.

Student Emergency Information

Student emergency information sheets have been sent home (lilac sheet) This sheet is compiled from the information that you have given to the school, so **please check** the details carefully, make any necessary changes and <u>return the form</u> to the school as soon as possible.

Please, if there are no changes to be made, initial the emergency contact form and return it to school

Students with Asthma will receive a new asthma plan proforma which will need completing for 2023. This will need completing and returning to the school office.

Both these forms need to be updated annually as required by the Department of Education.

Sport News

Years 5 & 6 Cricket Gala

Last Friday (3rd March) our Year 5 & 6 students participated in a Gala Cricket day at Eltham Lower Park run by Cricket Victoria. The weather turned on for us and we had a great morning and early afternoon session playing three round robin games made up of boys, girls and mixed teams. We played Eltham East and Eltham North. The altered rules and play ensured that everyone had a chance to bat, bowl and wicket keep, and gave the students some great pointers and a chance to mix with the students from the other schools. Thank you to Mr O'Halloran for organising the event and for everyone's participation and eagerness to have a go!

District & Division Swimming Carnivals

On Friday 24th February the Research Primary Swim Team competed at a packed WaterMarc for the District Swimming Carnival. Our swimming team consisted of a range of students from Grade 3 to Grade 6. All of our students gave their very best effort and represented our school wonderfully. Many of our students did very well during the day with our school finishing sixth overall. A special mention goes to Skyla Hurst who qualified for the Division Swimming Carnival in backstroke and Mia Hurst who qualified for backstroke and freestyle. Both Hurst girls completed at the division level on the 29th February with Skyla finishing third in backstroke, Mia finishing third in backstroke and fourth in freestyle. Well done girls! Thank you to all of the students who tried out for the swim team and those who competed on the day.

Eltham District Swim Sports

On Friday 24th February, the RPS swim team arrived at WaterMarc, eager to do their best. Excitement filled the stands as the races began. We were off to an amazing start, and we kept it up the whole time. Everyone who competed tried their best and persevered throughout the day. The encouragement from the supporters really helped as some hard-earnt ribbons were handed out. It was a very successful day. Congratulations to everyone who competed. Congratulations to Mia & Skylar who progressed to Nillumbik Division Swim Sports. *Eli C & Anna F*



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SRC News

Hello everyone, it's time for some exciting news from the SRC's! We have drafted a letter to the Nillumbik Council to request a recycling bins serves to be implemented at our school. Fingers crossed that we successful and can make some positive changes in our school community! Additionally, later this term, the SRC are lucky enough to be participating in a free incursion focused on waste and sustainability (Thank you Nillumbik Environmental Education team!). We're excited to learn more about how we can make a difference and reduce our impact on the environment.

In other news, we're thrilled to announce the introduction of a lunchtime Games Club (woop woop). Older students will be teaching and playing games like chess and the Rubik's Cube with their peers. Lastly, a huge THANK YOU to all the classes and their teachers for the support in implementing the new bin roster. It's made a significant difference in the amount of rubbish in our school yard. Go team!

Remember, if you have any new ideas, don't hesitate to approach your class's SRC. Keep up the great work.

Miss Owen

Preps Full Team

It has been an exciting but tiring week for this year's Preps as they settle into school full time! What champions they are! How many new rules, places, people, processes, activities and bells they have had to come to terms with... as well as beginning their exciting journey as real school learners! Congratulations to them all!

This week we even met a real author, Olive's grandma, the famous Wendy Orr who has written many children's books. We loved it when she shared two of her stories with us!

We are all looking forward to a wonderfully exciting and fun filled year!

Avril, Miss Owen and Mr O

PFC News

Thankyou sooooooo much to all the Research Primary School family and friends, what an effort and what a day last Sunday! Thanks to everyone that donated their goods and their time. I really loved the number kids that rocked to school on Monday with their face paint on.

As scary as it is it Easter is approaching! We will be selling raffle tickets online again with trybooking. If anyone feels they are in a position to donate eggs etc for Easter baskets please drop them at the office, but we understand if you are completely 'donated' out.

Are you interested in joining the PFC? Come along to our meeting in the Art Room on Thursday 23 March, 6pm—7pm. We don't bite and there are many laughs to be had.

Again a big high five to the RPS community.

Canteen News

Next Canteen Dates: Countersales **Tuesday 14, 21, 28 March & 4 April** Lunch Orders & Countersales - **Friday 17 & 31 March**

Lunch Order Bags are **back in stock** at the school office—\$5 for 50 bags.

Kim Temple, PFC

Gabbi Favrin, Canteen Coordinator



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OSHC News

Holiday Program Fun!

OSHClub

Coming to Research Primary from Autumn 2023 School Holidays!

Bookings Open SOON! www.oshclub.com.au



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DIAMOND CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE 28 MAIN HURSTBRIDGE RD, DIAMOND CREEK 7-9.30PM | AGES 8 TO 13 ONLY | \$8 ENTRY CONTACT SENIOR SERGEANT WAYNE SPENCE 9438 8300

Have you thought about Girl Guides for your daughter?

Give your daughter the chance to meet other girls her age and to learn new & valuable skills!

Eltham Girl Guides operate at the Guide Hall on Youth Road (behind the train station, opposite the tennis courts).

With groups ranging from **Gumnuts** (age 5-7), **Brownies** (age 7-10), **Guides** (age 10-13) and going on to Rangers and beyond, there is a group to suit every age.

We offer three trial sessions before families need to commit.

If you would like to learn more, including fees, days, uniform etc, please contact Anna Kelman (Secretary for the Eltham Guides Support Group) on annakelman77@gmail.com



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Upcoming dates :

March 2023		
Monday 13th	•	Labour Day—no school
Tuesday 14th	•	School Council AGM & First meeting of 2023 School Council
Tuesday 21st	•	Yrs 5—6 SEA (Health & Human Relations) starts
Friday 24th	•	9.15am Assembly
Monday 27th	•	Year 6 National Young Leaders Day , MEC
	•	P-2 Mindful Monkeys Incursion
Tuesday 28th	•	P-2 Mindful Monkeys Incursion
	•	Yrs 3—4 Swim Program starts
Thursday 30th	•	Parent Teacher Student Conferences—Alteration to School Day
Friday 31st	•	9.15am Assembly
April 2023		
Thursday 6th	•	1.30pm Assembly
	•	Last day of Term 1 2.30pm Finish
Monday 24th	•	First day of Term 2
Tuesday 25th	•	ANZAC Day
May 2023		
Thursday 4th	•	RPS Cross Country (Y3-6)
Monday 8th	•	Super Buddies Incursion (P&5 1&6)
Friday 19th	•	School Photos
Friday 26th	•	Curriculum Day—no students at school
June 2023		
Friday 23rd	•	Last day of Term 2
July 2023		
Monday 10th	•	First day of Term 3
August 2023		
Wednesday 2nd	•	District Athletics
Friday 11th	•	Curriculum Day—no students at school
Monday 14th	•	Science Week Begins
Monday 21st	•	Book Week Begins
Wednesday 30th	•	Book Week Incursion
September 2023		
Thursday 7th	•	Parent Teacher Student Conferences—Alteration to School Day
	•	Division Athletics

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