



OFFICE UPDATE

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Term 2, Week 8

Monday:

Water Watchers P −2

Tuesday:

• Water Watchers 3-6

Canteen Open

• 6.30pm School Council

Wednesday:

Thursday:

• Yr 4s Visiting Kinders

Friday:

 Canteen Open—lunches and counter sales

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See last page for upcoming dates

Bank Details

Commonwealth Bank BSB: 063-093

Account Number: 10002875 Account Name: Research Primary School Official Account

> SPECIAL LUNCH DAY \$10

Wednesday 12 June

Order through Trybooking:

https:// www.trybooking.com/ CRXKN **Phone:** 9437 1917

Address: 1570 Main Road, Research, Victoria, 3095

Email: research.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Website: www.researchps.vic.edu.au

Compass: https://researchps-vic.compass.education/

Social: www.facebook.com/researchps

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School Administration

Assemblies Term 2 2024

Please see assembly dates for term 2 2024

• Week 9 9.15am Friday 14 June Class in the Spotlight 4/5B

• Week 11 9.15am Friday 28 June End of Term 2 Assembly

WWCC and Helpers Guidelines

Please remember that **ALL** helpers at school must hold a current working with children's check and have read & signed the helpers guidelines. Signing in and out of school at the office when volunteering is also a **must**.

All visitors must wear a RPS lanyard while they are volunteering. We feel that this is a "quick" way to identify if someone is authorised to be in the school or not and promptly direct them to the office.

https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov

IMPORTANT: Students — late arrival or leaving early

Please remember to **always** sign your child into school, at the office. If they are late in the morning and sign them out of school if they are leaving early. Children's attendance is taken from Compass and reported to the Department of Education, which is a legal obligation. Also unexplained absences will show on your child's report. If you have trouble entering an absence on Compass please either call or email the office and Carol or Jac will be happy to enter the details for you.

Photo Day—Tuesday 18 June

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 18 June. Please send your child to school in their school uniform.

Photo packages are ordered online through Compass, details are listed on page 5 of this update.



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Sports News

Junior School Athletics

On Tuesday 21st May RPS ran its inaugural Junior School Athletics event, which was a fantastic day filled with fun, friendly competition, and vibrant house colours. It was wonderful to see our younger students enthusiastically participate and showcase their athletic talents. A big thank you goes out to all the parent helpers, particularly Taryn and Charlotte for helping us run the morning's events.

Senior School Athletics

This Tuesday, 28th May, our Year 3-6 students headed to Willinda Park in the lovely sunshine to compete in the Senior School Athletics. We couldn't be happier or prouder of the students' effort, attitude, and behaviour on the day. Congratulations to **Green House** for finishing in first place overall. A big thank you to Penny, Charlotte, Paul, and Daniel for assisting the teachers in running the morning's events, and to everyone who helped with timing the running races. Students who will be representing Research Primary School at next term's Eltham District Athletics Day will be notified next week.

Nillumbik Division Cross Country

Congratulations to Finn H, Mia D and Elsa B for making it through to Division Cross Country and competing at Bundoora Park. You have done yourselves and your school proud!

Soccer Sessions

In the remaining weeks of Term 2, students in Years 1-6 will participate in four one-hour soccer sessions. These sessions will be conducted by coaches from Soccer Australia and are free for families thanks to a grant secured by Research Primary through Sporting Schools Australia.

Water Watchers Incursion

We are thrilled to announce that Yarra Valley Water will be visiting our school, on Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th of June, for a special incursion, teaching our students to become 'Water Watchers'. After the incursion, our students will be equipped with valuable tips on how they can make small or big changes in their daily habits to conserve water and protect our environment.

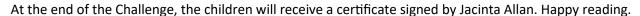
In addition to the 'Water Watchers' program, we are excited to share that our Green Team and school leaders will participate in a workshop focused on sustainability. This workshop will provide them with deeper insights into sustainable practices and how they can make a positive impact on our planet.

A massive thank you to Yarra Valley Water for providing this wonderful opportunity for our students to become more aware and proactive about environmental conservation.

Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge

Your child should have received their Premiers' Reading Challenge log on code. Please log on to the website and enter the books they read. You will also find a list of books on the website—www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge



Book club

Catalogues were sent home last week and orders close next Tuesday, 4 June.

Book Fair

Great result! Thank you to everyone who volunteered and / or purchased from our book fair this year, we took over \$1600 which means lots of new books for our library.





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Research Ridge—Years 5 and 6

We would like to thank you for supporting Research Ridge. We had an amazing day – the students looked amazing in their costumes and the grassy area behind the top court was transformed into the 1850s goldfields. The day began in the mist and was very atmospheric and felt quite authentic! Everyone was quick to get their fires going – in need of warmth and eager to start cooking their stews and damper. Before long smoke was billowing from the various campfires and resembled a scene from the goldrush!





As the morning progressed, smoke shifted to the aromas of mouth-watering stews, and it was wonderful watching the students faces light up as they realized that their stews may actually taste delicious. The smell of damper wafted through the air and was eagerly demolished (minus the burnt bits – though this added to the authenticity of cooking on open fires).

With the cooking behind us, the next task was to set up the camps & build shelters. There were many different versions and much problem solving was required by the groups. Of course, no goldfields day would be complete with out mining for gold – luckily it was surface gold and the students had fun trying to make their fortune!

All in all, it was a great day – the students embraced the spirit of the day! Thank you for all your support through helping source costumes, providing food, supplies and equipment. A huge shout out and thank you to the parent helpers for coordinating the individual groups and our local CFA. Also thanks to parents/families who dropped in during the day. Research Ridge would not be possible without your assistance. And thanks to the students for embracing Research Ridge.



Art News

We were very lucky to have Shanai Kellett of Maloga Art come to RPS and run an Art & Culture workshop with our Year 3/4 students, linking in with their Integrated Studies topic of First Nations Peoples. The students learnt how to tell their own stories using Aboriginal symbols, and got to express themselves by painting on canvases. It was a wonderful learning experience!

SRC News

Sport Theme Dress Day—Slam Dunk Success!

We are thrilled to share that the SRC's Sport Theme Dress Up Day Fundraiser was a massive success—we raised over \$600! Thanks to our amazing community, that's well over a quarter of the way towards our goal of \$2000! CRAZY! You really hit it out of the park!

The kids looked incredible in their sport outfits. From tiny dancing queen, basketball stars to mini Socceroos, our school was a lively parade of athletic enthusiasm.

Thank you so much for your continued support and for helping us make this event a real game-changer



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K'gari news!

Now that everyone has planted their spring flowering bulbs, if you look carefully you will begin to see beautiful terracotta planter labels appearing, marking where each students bulb has been planted. Thanks to Andrea, Krista and the Prep team for helping in their creation! Hopefully they will be a marker for posterity! We are also planning a mass planting of natives, one per student early next term as well as each class planting a fruit tree! (thanks Bunnings)

Also an incredibly big thank you to Damien McMaster (Ava's dad), for instigating and working on a very complex application for a biodiversity grant! Absolutely brilliant! Fingers crossed that this is successful! The kids will really benefit as well as helping us to transform our school ground into Paradise!

Reconciliation Week

Dear RPS families.

As mentioned in assembly this morning, please don't forget to wear your splash of yellow in recognition of Reconciliation week. Wear your yellow accessories on Tuesday 4th June.

Canteen News

Counter Sales - Every Tuesday Lunch Orders and Counter Sales — Every Friday Canteen is closed on the last day of term.

Canteen drinks: Available juice flavours —Orange, Apple and Paradise Punch. Available NEW Glee Soda—Sour Watermelon (Blueberry Sour is no longer available).

Lunch Order Bags are back in stock and available from the school office at \$5 for 50 bags.

Please ensure you are using a current pricelist when placing your child's order - an updated pricelist attached.

For more information, please contact our *Canteen Supervisor Murray Sayers on 0490 542 160*. There is a Canteen WhatsApp group you can join also: https://chat.whatsapp.com/JxHSZwHLsR206N5wetCm99 Thank you - *Murray*

PFC News

Special Lunch—Wednesday 12 June



Who's ready for a PFC Special Lunch?

Our wonderful PFC will be running a special lunch on Wednesday 12 June. For only **\$10** your child can order either a **hot dog or sausage roll or pie or vegetable pastie** and a choice of juice: **apple or orange or paradise punch**. All orders come with **an iced donut**.

Order through trybooking: https://www.trybooking.com/CRXKN Please bear aware that trybooking charge 50c ordering fee.

Orders are **open** and will **close on Thursday 6 June** (due to the following Monday being the Kings Birthday public holiday).



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PHOTO DAY TUESDAY 18TH JUNE 2024

Orders can now be made through your Compass Portal via your email link or under the **COMMUNITY** tab

PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW TO ENSURE OUR BEST PRICES!



FAMILY PHOTOS

Family/Sibling photos are available for students attending school Orders must be placed by 11:59PM the day before photo day.

Parents with 3 or more children can receive a concession with our **Premium** or **Classic** packs. To take up this offer, please contact us prior to photo day.

GROUP STYLE





We're here to help.

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Do you have a daughter in Grade 5?

Year 7 2026 enrolment applications close Friday, 16 August 2024.

Apply today via our website clc.vic.edu.au/enrol

Limited tour spots available, register at clc.vic.edu.au/enrol/book-a-tour

Hear from our Principal Stephanie Evans



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Upcoming dates:

June 2024	
Monday 3rd	Water Watchers Incursion starts
Tuesday 4th	6.30pm School Council Meeting
Thursday 6th	Year 4s visiting local kinders
	Orders close for special lunch
Friday 7th	Preps walk to Research shops
Monday 10th	Kings Birthday Public Holiday
Wednesday 12th	PFC Special Lunch
Friday 14th	Assembly
	ISS RPS vs Our Lady's (Home)
Tuesday 18th	School Photos
Friday 21st	ISS RPS vs Briar Hill PS (Home)
Friday 28th	Assembly
	2.30pm Term 2 ends
July 2024	
Monday 15th	9am Term 3 begins
Monday 29th	Yrs Prep / 1 and 2 Balance Gym starts
Tuesday 30th	District Athletics
	6.30pm School Council Meeting
August 2024	
Wednes 14—Friday 16th	Yrs 3-6 Camp, CYC The Island Adventure Resort, Philip Island
Friday 30th	Curriculum Day—no students at school
September 2024	
Thursday 12th	Parent Teacher Student Conferences (P-6) —Alteration to School Day
Friday 20th	2.30pm Term 3 ends
October 2024	
Monday 7th	9am Term 4 begins
November 2024	
Monday 4th	Curriculum Day—no students at school
Tuesday 5th	Melbourne Cup Day
December 2024	
Friday 13th	Curriculum Day—Teacher 2025 Planning, no students at school
Friday 20th	End of Year—school finishes 1.30pm
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