



14 February 2025

Term 1 Week 3

OFFICE UPDATE

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

Term 1 2025, Week 4

Monday:

Tuesday:

- Canteen Open
- 3pm Meat n Greet

Wednesday:

- No Preps at school

Thursday:

- 9.15am Assembly

Friday:

- Canteen Open
- District Swim @ WaterMarc

See last page
for upcoming dates

Bank Details

Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 063-093

Account Number: 10002875

Account Name: Research
Primary School Official Account

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
The Update: Published fortnightly

School Administration

Assemblies Term 1 2025

School Assemblies will be held on Thursdays (fortnightly) starting at 9.15am (unless otherwise stated—such as the last assembly for term 1).

Please see the dates below:

Week 4	• Announce SRC's
Thursday Feb 20 th	• Swimming Recount- Sport
Week 6	• Community Champions
Thursday March 6 th	• Recounts

Research Primary School 2025 'Meat' and Greet Tuesday 18th February 3.00pm – 5.00pm

We invite families to come along next **Tuesday 18th February** for our annual **'Meat' and Greet**. Come and meet your child's teacher, visit their classroom, check out a game or two in the gym, or get involved in some science activities in the art/science room. Wash it all down with a delicious sausage from the BBQ!

Classrooms will be open from 3.00pm if you want to see the classes in action, then teachers will be available for a chat from 3.30pm – 5.00pm in their room.

Preps – Classroom open doors from 3.00pm
followed by a **Prep Information session 4.00pm – 4.30pm.**



MOVIE NIGHT
Come to watch 'IF' under
the stars on our Oval
Friday 28 March

Tickets via trybooking

[https://
www.trybooking.com/
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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.

School Savings Bonus

Apologies for the delay in supplying this information – we have now got our heads around it (more or less!)

We believe that there are two preferred options for you to use your child(ren)s \$400 SSB.

Option A:

Allocate all \$400 per child to school activities.

1. Locate your Department of Education email, sent to you in November 2024.
2. Log on to the Parent Portal with the details supplied in the November email.
3. Click on the box named School Activities.
4. Select \$400 and confirm your allocation.

The money will be available on your child's account within 48 hours. And will be held there until you authorise the school to use it towards future activities.

Option B:

Allocate individual amounts towards activities as needed.

Please contact the office to discuss this option.

You will be receiving a request shortly via compass (an event) requesting permission to use some of your SSB for Term 1 Term Planner.

Arriving at school

The school yard is not supervised until 8.45am, unless your child is booked in with OSHClub please ensure you do not drop your children off to early.

Enrolling with OSHClub is Free and Highly Recommended

We have an awesome OSHClub that runs before school and after school care here at RPS and it's free to enrol. However, you **must** have your children enrolled to attend, even on a casual or last minute basis. If you are running late to collect your child, the school office is happy to look after your child for a few minutes but if you end up being, say over 15 minutes late, you should arrange to have them sent to OSHClub until you arrive.

Please check out their website for details www.oshclub.com.au



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K'gari—making paradise

Pavers— Please read

As part of our aim to enhance the schoolgrounds, as well as helping to give each student a real sense of ownership, we are giving everyone the opportunity to design (draw) a named paver. These pavers will be used to create formal pathways through the garden beds, where at present there are 'shortcuts'.

Our first set of pavers were installed for the schools centenary in 1989 and the more recent ones exactly 10 years ago! The original pavers can be seen up by the canteen/gym. What a great tradition to continue.

The students will be drawing their designs for these pavers during school time and they will then be available for 'purchase' for the school at **\$31.00 each**. This covers the cost of engraving & installing the paver with their name and drawing. You will be a piece of RPS history!

It is not compulsory to purchase a paver, but if you would like to participate please follow the link below to try-booking to purchase (trybooking do charge a 50c booking fee). <https://www.trybooking.com/CXGKA>

Orders close on Wednesday 12th March. Thank you *The K'gari Team*



PE News

Swim Trials and District Swim

Today, a group of enthusiastic swimmers travelled to Eltham College to try out for the Research Primary School Swim Team. It was fantastic to see the dedication and effort of all the students who participated. A special shout-out to our Year 3 students, who took part for the first time and gave it their best shot! The final team will be announced on Monday, and they will compete at WaterMarc on Friday, 21st February.

A big thank you to our wonderful parent helpers, Charlotte, Angela, Vanessa, and Kristy, for their support.

Year 3/4 Intra-School Sport

We are excited to introduce Intra-School Sport for our Year 3 and 4 students in Terms 2 and 3! Students will be placed into teams and compete in a variety of sports, fostering teamwork and skill development. More details will be shared later this term.

Individual RPS Sports Tops

With the launch of Intra-School Sport, we are pleased to announce that our Individually named Research Primary Sport Shirts will be available for Year 3 students to purchase. These shirts will be a great way for students to feel part of their teams and represent our school with pride! A letter will be sent home next week.

Mr O'Halloran

PFC News

Are you interested in joining the Parents and Friends Committee?

We have a wonderful group of parents who form our Research Primary School PFC. They have raised a lot of money over the years which has led to so many opportunities for our students. The great thing about this group is that there is an excellent understanding amongst everyone that life these days is busy! Therefore, there is no pressure or expectations around what you must do, more around, if you can help, that would be wonderful!

If you think that this is something that you might be interested in taking part in, please contact the office and we can get you linked into our distribution list. Thanks, **Ms Vale**

Moonlight Cinema

Book your tickets via trybooking

<https://www.trybooking.com/CYYAL>

Early bird prices available until Sunday 9th March.

Come along for a fun night under the stars, bring a picnic and beach chair or blanket.

Kristy 0402 467 484

RPS PFC presents

MOONLIGHT CINEMA

IF

Friday March 28th 2025

Doors open 6.30pm, movie to start after 7pm (when its dark enough)
Come and enjoy a movie under the stars on Research Primary School oval

Invite your friends and family, bring a picnic and enjoy the movie
No camping chairs please, beach chairs and picnic blankets welcome



Buy tickets:
<https://www.trybooking.com/CYYAL>

Early bird tickets available until Sunday March 9th 2025
\$20 individual (\$17 earlybird), \$60 for family of 4 (\$53 earlybird), \$70 family of 5 (\$62 earlybird)
includes: admission, popcorn, drink and chocolate
OR
RPS Gold Class
\$30pp, (\$25 earlybird)
includes: admission, LARGE popcorn, drink, chocolate, cookie or cupcake, and seating at front

Fete— Sunday 19 October 2025!!!!!!

Yes, it's happening once again—we will be holding another infamous School Fete in 2025. Mark it in your diaries—**Sunday 19 October from 10am to 3pm.**

We have started offering package deals to sponsors, market stall spots to stall holders & traders and looking for volunteers leading up to the fete with approaching companies / friends / family member for silent auction donations etc and on the day to help out with running our stalls, set up and packing away.

Please speak to **Jess Hayes** for further information—**0403 746 085**





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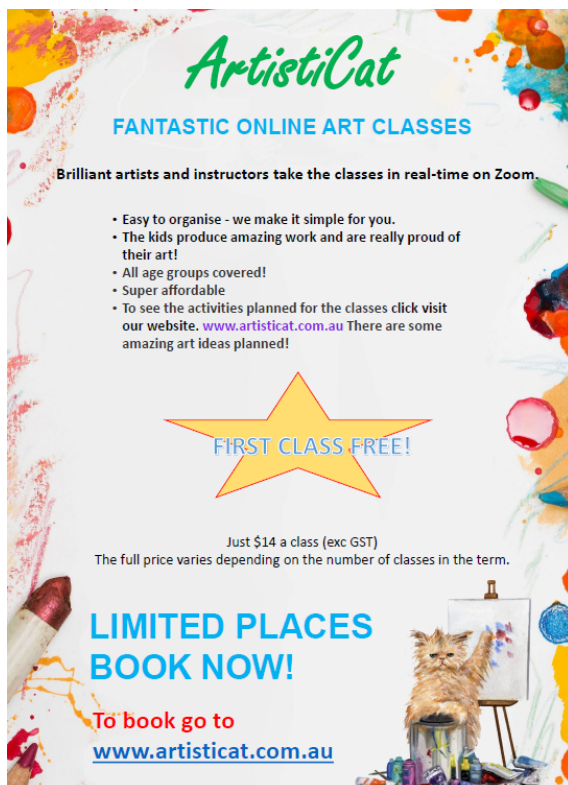
15TH FEBRUARY
10 AM - 1 PM

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BLUE LIGHT
DISCO**

14th FEB 2025
7-9.30 PM | 8 to 13 YEAR OLDS | \$8 ENTRY

Diamond Creek Community Centre
28 Main Hurstbridge Road, Diamond Creek

Contact: Snr Sergeant Wayne Spence 9438 8300
Please ensure children have an emergency number on them.

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MyTime Warrandyte

Why MyTime?

MyTime is for parents and carers of a child with a disability, chronic medical condition or other additional needs including developmental delay.

Unwind and share experiences with others who understand

FIND US AT:
Warrandyte Community Church
57 Yarra Street
Fridays 9.30am - 11.30am

CONTACT:
Sue Batcheler - Facilitator
Email: suzanneb@mytimevic.com.au
Phone: 0413 655 659

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10 Week Program

13-16 yrs
17-22 yrs

Stagecraft Seminars

1st March - 25th May*

- Wk 1: **Auditioning:** Who, What and How. (13-16 yrs)
Directing: The Play, Vision and Cast. (17-22 yrs)
- Wk 2: **Improv & Accents:** Yes and... now Irish.
- Wk 3: **Set:** Bringing your vision to life
- Wk 4: **Props:** Making something from nothing
- Wk 5: **Costumes:** Dress for the part!
- Wk 6: **Lighting:** Your moment behind the spotlight
- Wk 7: **Sound:** Can you hear that?
- Wk 8: **Stage Management:** Keeping it organised
- Wk 9: **Tech Run:** Bringing all the pieces together
- Wk 10: **Performance:** Show Time!

Register via QR code or go to: www.elthamlittletheatre.org



*includes 2 week break for school holidays





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Upcoming dates :

February 2025	
Tuesday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meat n Greet— 3pm to 5pm
Wednesday 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Preps at school unless for their Wednesday Appointment
Thursday 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.15am Assembly—SRC semester 1 to be announced
Friday 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Swim Event @ WaterMarc
Monday 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preps—Responsible Pet Ownership workshop
Wednesday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Preps at school unless for their Wednesday Appointment
Thursday 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yrs 5 & 6 SEA begins
Friday 28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PFC Moonlight Cinema—Tickets via trybooking
March 2025	
Monday 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 6 National Young Leaders Day—Melbourne Convention Centre Preps start school full time
Tuesday 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yrs 1 and 2 Mind & Body Incursion
Wednesday 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole School Incursion P-6 —Kaboom Sports
Thursday 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.15am Assembly
Monday 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Day
Wednesday 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN begins
Tuesday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Council AGM followed 2025 School Council (first meeting)
Thursday 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.15am School Council
Monday 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yrs 3 & 4 Swimming Program starts
Thursday 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Student Teacher Interviews—alteration to school day
April 2025	
Tuesday 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colour Explosion Fun Run (details will follow soon)
Friday 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly (time to be confirmed) Easter Hat Parade 2.30pm School finishes
Tuesday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Term 2 starts
October 2025	
Sunday 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am—3pm RPS School Fete