



# **OFFICE UPDATE**

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

#### Term 1 2025, Week 10

Monday:

#### Tuesday:

- Canteen Closed
- 1.30pm Colour Explosion Fun Run

Wednesday:

Thursday:

#### Friday:

- Canteen Closed
- 1.30pm Easter Hat Parade and Assembly—Top Court

See last page for upcoming dates

### **Bank Details**

Commonwealth Bank BSB: 063-093

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

COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN

Tuesday 1st April

1.30pm start from the oval

Children to attend school in old clothes and bring/ wear a white t-shirt

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**Social:** www.facebook.com/researchps

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## **School Administration**

### Assemblies Term 1 and Term 2 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 10 1.30pm	•	Easter Hat Parade
Friday 4th April		

Week 2 Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May  Week 4 Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Welcome back  Ms Vale  2 Students of the week  OSH awards x2  Mrs Glembin  2 Students of the week  OSH awards x2
	• Class in the Spot Light- 1/2 K
Week 7 Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul> <li>Ms Vale</li> <li>2 Students of the week</li> <li>OSH awards x2</li> <li>Class in the Spot Light- 1/2 S</li> </ul>
Week 9 Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul> <li>Ms Vale</li> <li>2 Students of the week</li> <li>OSH awards x2</li> <li>Class in the Spot Light-1/2 U</li> </ul>
Week 11 Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm	<ul> <li>End of Term</li> <li>Ms Vale</li> <li>OSH award x2</li> <li>2 Students of the week</li> <li>Class in the Spot Light- Preps</li> </ul>



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## **School Savings Bonus**

There are a lot of families who have not allocated their school savings bonus to school activities. Therefore, their child's term planners have not been paid. **Your immediate attention would be appreciated.** 

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.

### 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.

## **Arriving at school**

**The school yard is not supervised until 8.45am**, unless your child is booked in with OSHClub, for safety reasons, please ensure you do not drop your children off too 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

## **Student Emergency Information Sheet**

You should have received your child's emergency information sheet (lilac sheet). This sheet is compiled from the information you gave on your enrolment form. It is a requirement of the Department of Education to have this information checked and updated annually.

**Important**—Please read and check <u>all</u> details carefully.

If everything is correct, sign the sheet and return to the office.

If you need to make any amendments, write the changes on the sheet, sign and return to the school office for us to update their records.



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## **Pedestrian Survey**

#### Dear Community,

As you are aware, we have a very committed bunch of people advocating behind the scenes to improve pedestrian safety around our school. We are at the point where we are trying to gather information that is very specific to the individuals who frequent our community. If you could please take the time (it is short, I promise) to fill in the survey, it would be very greatly appreciated by the team. Please see link and QR code below. Thanks, Ms Vale

"We are interested in better understanding our communities needs when it comes to pedestrian access and support for students and their families attending Research Primary School. Several families have raised concerns regarding the lack of school crossing or pedestrian support for students and their families when walking to and from school. With increasing school enrolments and levels of traffic in the area the risks for students and their families when walking to and from school have changed. To support advocacy for a review please answer the following questions regarding your experience both walking and driving around the school. We will use responses to support discussions regarding potential solutions with Nillumbik Shire Council.

The survey is open to the community, however, has a focus on the safety of students during school times. Please share with anyone in your family's support network who would like to contribute or has an experience they feel is relevant to our understanding of the issue.

The following questions are to better understand the problems families, or the community see as important regarding pedestrian safety for students walking to and from school. Even if you do not have children at the school, we welcome your input if you walk, drive, or live near the school".

https://forms.office.com/r/nVKSCChg5q





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#### **PE News**

#### **Intraschool & Interschool Sports**

We are thrilled to introduce Intraschool Sports for our Year 3/4 students in Term 2! Each Thursday, students will be placed into teams and compete in a variety of sports, fostering teamwork, skill development, and friendly competition.

Over eight rounds, students will play Bat Tennis, Basketball, Futsal (indoor soccer), and Frisbee Golf, with each sport being played twice over the term. All games will be played onsite at Research Primary School.

Meanwhile, our Year 5/6 students will be competing in Interschool Sports next term! They will participate in AFL 9s, Soccer, Netball, and Bat Tennis, facing off against local schools, including Eltham College, Our Lady Help of Christians, St Thomas, Sherbourne, Lower Plenty, and Briar Hill. These matches will take place over six rounds on Friday afternoons.

Teams will be announced next week, and the fixture will be shared with parents as soon as it becomes available. We look forward to an exciting term of sport and encourage all students to give their best effort.

#### Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) – Parent Helpers Needed!

Just a reminder for our Prep parents that our Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) is running on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:30 PM. PMP is a movement-based program designed to help our students develop essential skills such as eye/hand and eye/foot coordination, fitness, balance, locomotion, and eye-tracking.

Each session includes 7-8 individual activities, and having as many parent helpers as possible makes a huge difference in ensuring the program runs smoothly. If you are available, willing, and able, we would love for you to come along and assist.

Before volunteering, please ensure you have shown your Working with Children Card at the office. We completely understand that many parents have work or other commitments, but if you can spare the time, your support would be greatly appreciated! Please remember to always sign in and out at the office when helping out.

### **Individual RPS Sports Tops**

Years 3—6 parents, please ensure you have completed and returned the order form for your child's individually named sport top **by Wednesday 2nd April**. We will order on Thursday in the hope that we receive the tops by week 2 Term 2.

#### **Division Swimming**

A huge congratulations to Reet on her outstanding achievement at the NMR Region Swimming Championship! Reet's dedication and hard work paid off as she secured a silver medal in the backstroke event and also clocked up a PB in the race! Her commitment to training is truly admirable, making this a well-deserved result.

#### **School Sports Captains**

We also congratulate our school sports captains, Oscar and Cameron from Year 6, on their selection to lead us this year. They will take on a variety of responsibilities in their roles, and we have no doubt they will do an excellent job representing RPS.

Mr O'Halloran



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### **PFC News**

#### **Easter Raffle**

Thank you, once again, for your continued support and generous donations every time we ask. So here we go – **this is an URGENT** call for donations for our infamous Easter hampers. **There will be one hamper prize per class**.

As Easter falls at the end of the holidays, we will draw the winning tickets and hand out the prizes at our last assembly on Friday 4 April, this is a pretty tight timeline so we would love you to drop donations off at the office ASAP (by Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to allow for wrapping of the hampers). Donations can include food (nut free and no alcohol), easter items/accessories, easter eggs, colouring in books, pens, pencils, toys/games etc (a little less sugar).

We are sure our amazing school community will be able to help out – all donations will be greatly appreciated.

Sorry for the late notice and we really appreciate any donations that you can give. Please contact Penny 0421 088 672 if you have any questions or can offer any help.

Ticket pricing: 1 ticket \$2 3 tickets for \$5

To get involved & purchase tickets please click on the following link

https://www.trybooking.com/DADZU

## **Moonlight Cinema**

Come along **tonight (7pm)** for a fun night under the stars, bring a picnic and beach chair or blanket. **Tickets available at the door (Cash only)** 

Prices: \$20 pp, \$60 family of 4, \$70 family of 5 (prices include: admission, popcorn, drink and chocolate. *Kristy 0402 467 484* 



# Fete— Sunday 19 October 2025!!!!!!!

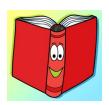
Yes, it's happening once again—we will be holding another infamous School Fete in 2025. Mark it in your diaries—**Sunday 19 October from 10am to 3pm**.

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 members 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

### **Fete Book Stall**

I will be organising the fete book stall for October. If you are clearing out your bookshelves could you keep some for the Fete. As there is minimal storage, I will start collecting books at school from September. We will need children's books, adult fiction and VERY NICE cookery books. Please nothing torn or stained. No magazines or school text books. Thanks Joy





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Get Active with Tennis and Pickleball at the Research Tennis Club.

Looking for a fun way for kids and parents to stay active together? Join the Research Tennis Club and Research Pickleball Club for fun programs for all ages and skill levels!

- Tennis: Book a Court for social hit ups, family-friendly club, memberships available.
- Pickleball: A fast, fun sport that's easy to learn perfect for kids and parents to play together!

Come along, learn new skills, and enjoy a great community atmosphere.

For more information, visit our website: Research Tennis Club or contact Kylie Coutts for Pickle Ball: 0419523229!



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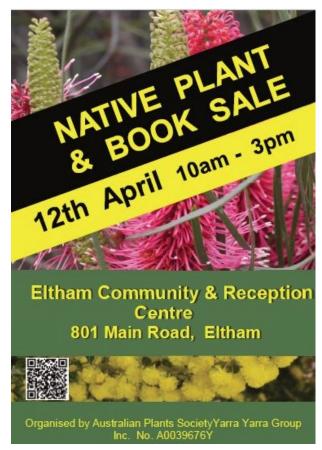
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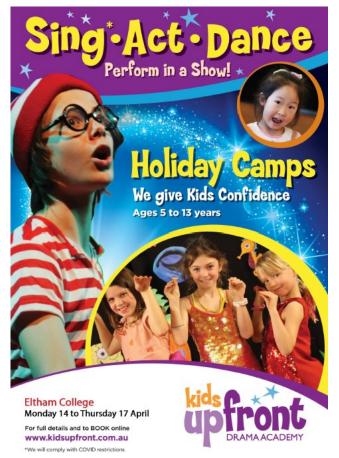








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Do you have a daughter in Grade 5? Year 7 2027 enrolment applications close Friday, 15 August 2025.

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

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







# Research Primary School - The Update

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### **Upcoming dates:**

April	
Tuesday 1st	1.30pm Colour Explosion Fun Run
Friday 4th	1.30pm Assembly (Top Court)
	Easter Hat Parade
	• 2.30pm School finishes
Monday 21st	Easter Monday Holiday
Tuesday 22nd	9am Term 2 starts
Friday 25th	ANZAC Day Holiday
Wednesday 30th	RPS Cross Country—Years 3—6
May	
Thursday 1st	Hats Off
Friday 2nd	Yrs 3 and 4 City Excursion
Thursday 8th	Preps—2 Healesville Sanctuary Excursion
Friday 9th	PFC Mothers Day/Appreciation Day Stall
Tuesday 13th	9.30am—11am Open Morning
Friday 16th	District Cross Country
Wednesday 21st	P—2 Junior School Athletics
Tuesday 27th	Yrs 3—6 RPS Athletics Day Willinda Park
Thursday 29th	Years 5 and 6 Amazing Race Excursion
June	
Monday 9th	Kings Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 10th	Curriculum Day
Tuesday 17th	School Photos
Wednesday 25th	Year 1 and 2 Melbourne Museum Visit
July	•
Friday 4th	2.30pm Term 2 Ends
Monday 21st	9am Term 3 starts
August	
Thursday 7th	Preps Collingwood Farm Excursion
Wedn 20th—Friday 22nd	Yrs 3 6 Camp Rumbug
October	
Sunday 19th	10am—3pm RPS School Fete