

The week ahead...

Term 2 2026, Week 4

Monday 11 May

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Tuesday 12 May

- Countersales

Wednesday 13 May

- District Cross Country

Thursday 14 May

- SRC Pirate Day Fundraiser
- 9.15 Assembly & Pirate Parade

Friday 15 May

- ISS Bye
- Lunch Orders & Countersales



Mother's Day Sunday 10th May

A BIG Thank you to our wonderful PFC members for organising this years Mother's Day Appreciation

Stall. We wish all Mothers and Carers in our school community a wonderful day for Sunday!



Assemblies Term 2 2026

School assemblies will be held on selected Thursdays during the term, starting at 9.15am (unless otherwise stated). Please see the table below for assembly dates:

Stay connected...

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BANK DETAILS

Commonwealth Bank

BSB 063-093

Account Number 1000 2875

Account Name: Research Primary School Official Account



Week 4 Thursday 14th May	9.15am Mrs Glembin & Ms Watts Pirate Parade 56H - class in the spotlight
Week 7 Thursday 4th June	9.15am Ms Vale Students of the week 34S - class in the spotlight
Week 9 Thursday 18th June	9.15am Ms Vale Students of the week 56W - class in the spotlight
Week 10 Friday 26th June	Time To Be Confirmed Ms Vale Students of the week

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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

WWCC and Helpers Guidelines

Please remember that ALL helpers at school must hold a current Working with Children Check and have read & signed the helpers guidelines. All volunteers must sign in and out at the school office.

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.

WWCC are free as a volunteer and worthwhile getting, just in case.

<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov>

CSEF (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card (Healthcare Card) or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you have previously received CSEF you do not need to contact the office as your eligibility is ongoing (unless your circumstances have changed). If you are new to RPS and hold a concession card please contact the office for an application form.

School Council Update

School Council met last Tuesday night and discussed the following items:

- Working bee – thanks to those who supported the working bee last weekend and thoughts for the next working bee
- Education Week – Open Morning May 18th
- School finances
- AEU update
- PFC – the amazing efforts from PFC fundraising including:
\$832 from the Tesselaar Bulb fundraiser
\$908 from the Easter Raffle

Copies of the School Council minutes are available at the office.

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.

Unexplained absences will show on your child’s report. If you have trouble entering an absence on Compass, please call or email the office and Carol or Jac will be happy to enter the details for you.

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PE & Sports News

Term 2 – Key Dates

Wednesday 13th May - Eltham District Cross Country Championships (Eltham Lower Park). Representing our school at the district championships will be the top 6 students from years 4-6 after competing in our RPS Cross Country.

Thursday 21st May (9:00am–12:30pm) - Junior School Athletics (Prep–Year 2). This event will be held at school and focuses on participation and skill development. Students to wear house colours.

Wednesday 27th May - Senior School Athletics (Years 3–6). Held at Willinda Park, this is a highlight of the sporting calendar for our senior students. Students to wear house colours.

Throughout Term 2, Physical Education sessions will focus on developing the skills and confidence students need to perform at their best during these events.

We will require parent helpers at all of our Term 2 events, so please sign out if you are available to assist. Fingers crossed for clear skies and a fantastic term of sport!

Interschool Sport—Years 5 & 6

Friday 15th May— Bye
Friday 22nd May— Away vs St Thomas
Friday 29th May— Home vs Sherbourne PS
Friday 5th June— Bye
Friday 12th June— Away vs O.L.H.C
Friday 19th June— Home vs Briar Hill PS

Library News

Book Club Catalogues

Please log on to the Scholastic Book Club Loop to place your order. Orders are delivered to school and will be sent home with your child. **Orders close Saturday 9th May - Tomorrow.**

Unfortunately, cash is not accepted. Orders must be placed and paid for online via the Book Club Loop.

<https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/>

RPS Art Exhibition

As a celebration of the Year 3–6 students' printmaking during Term 1 of Art, students have each selected one self-portrait relief print to display in a mini-exhibition.

When: After school on **Wednesday 13th May and Friday 15th May from 3:30pm to 3:50pm.**

Where: This will be held in the **new classroom next to the library at the top of the school.**

All welcome to come in and have a look at the wonderful printing the students have done!



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Around the school...

Umbarra Black Duck Indigenous Incursion

Ganga Giri, a local Warrandyte First Nations man, visited the 3/4's this week with a company called Umbarra Black Duck. Ganga Giri shared with us, his deep connection to country and community through his music and wealth of knowledge. Our 3/4's spent time learning some Woi Wurrung language, engaging in ochre practices, feeling possum skins and learning about the Marngrook Ball, the game ball used in traditional Indigenous AFL games. The students couldn't wait to get out in the yard to create their own ochre. It was an amazing incursion which the children really enjoyed. We look forward to an ongoing partnership with Ganga Giri.



Mrs Sargood 1800's Incursion

As part of the Integrated Studies Unit 'Now & Then,' last week the 1/2s got to dress up and experience life in an 1850's classroom with teacher 'Mrs Sargood.' The 1/2s had a great time learning about school in the 'Olden Days,' engaging in role-play and hands on activities.



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FOR YOUR CALENDAR...

MAY	
Wednesday 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">District Cross County, Eltham Lower Park
Thursday 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">9.15am AssemblyPirate Day - Pirate Parade at assembly
Monday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">9.30am -11am Open Morning
Wednesday 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Preps to Darebin Farm
Thursday 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Junior School Athletics (P-2) @ RPS
Wednesday 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Senior School Athletics (3-6) @ Willinda Park
JUNE	
Friday 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Yrs 5 & 6 Research Ridge - Goldfields Day
Monday 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Kings Birthday
Tuesday 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Curriculum Day (No students at school)
Wednesday 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">School Photo Day (order new uniform early if needed)
Thursday 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Community Maths Day - Whole School
Friday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">End of term Assembly 1:30-2:15pm2:30pm finish Last day of Term 2
JULY	
Monday 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">First day of Term 3 9amWhole School Dance Incursion begins
Friday 24 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interschool Sport Yrs 5 & 6
Thursday 30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">District Athletics at Tom Kelly Athletics Track in Doncaster
Friday 31st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interschool Sport Yrs 5 & 6
AUGUST	
Friday 7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interschool Sport Yrs 5 & 6
Friday 14 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interschool Sport Yrs 5 & 6
Tuesday 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hoop Time Yrs 3 & 4
Friday 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hoop Time Yrs 5 & 6

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CATHOLIC LADIES' COLLEGE
PRESENTS



SIX
TEEN EDITION

14 - 16 MAY **BOOK NOW!** CLC HALL



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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

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57 Yarra Street
Fridays 9.30am - 11.30am

CONTACT:
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Sustainable House Day

The Nillumbik Trail 2026

Visit local homes and hear from homeowners about their sustainable house improvements and what they have learned.

Ask questions, get inspired, and explore practical ways to make your home more comfortable, cheaper to run, and better for the environment.

Sunday 17 May
9:30AM - 3:30PM

Book your entry now:
<https://www.cleanenergynillumbik.org.au/shd2026>



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