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Red Hill Consolidated School



10 October, 2019

SCHOOL VISION

Through the Contemporary Learning Experience framework we will provide a rich learning environment that is student centred, technology enriched, question driven, skills based and contextually relevant. We will promote creativity and provide every opportunity for students to develop the essential skills to be active participants in a global community.



Sunday, 13 October

Fire Season Ready Working Bee 9.00am—12pm

Wednesday, 16 October Year 6 Exhibition 6.30pm

Thursday, 17 October Regional Athletics

Mon 21 October—Wed 23 October

Year 3 Briars Camp Year 5 Urban Camp

Wednesday, 23 October

Year 2 Briars Excursion
Prep 2020 Transition Session 1
9.30-10.30am

Friday, 1 November

Year 5 Science Expo Excursion
Tuesday, 4 November
Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Tuesday, 12 November

Prep 2020 Transition Session 2 9.30-10.30am

Wednesday 20 Nov—Friday 22 Nov Year 6 Waratah Beach Camp

> School Council Meeting Tuesday, 18 October

Education—6.30pm School Council—7pm in Staffroom

Term Dates Term 4

7 October to 20 December

Term 1 2020

29 January to 27 March

Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome back. I hope everyone enjoyed the time with their children over the break, especially those lucky enough to get away. I enjoyed the school holidays camping at Cape Conran with my family. Lots of swimming, bike riding and camp fires.

As always, the term ahead is going to be another busy one, full of some exciting events such as our Grade 3 Camp to the Briars, Grade 5 Camp to Melbourne and our Grade 6 Surf Camp at Waratah Bay. However, first up is our **Fire Readiness Working Bee this Sunday from 9:00am until 12:00pm**, followed by a sausage sizzle lunch. The aim of this working bee is to reduce fuels around our school buildings in preparation for the upcoming bushfire season. This is just one of the strategies required of a Code Red school to improve student safety in the case of a bushfire. If you are free this Sunday, please pop up to school to help out.

Our swimming program is up and running for Term 4. Mr Milenkovic would like me to remind all students to pack their swimming gear each week and that he is always on the lookout for parent helpers in the pool. Our new pool boilers and solar heating is working perfectly and our coping tiles were removed, cleaned and replaced over the holidays. Our change rooms have also been painted and chemically cleaned since Term 1. Thanks to all involved in these projects.

As we begin a new term it is quite common for our bus travellers to change their bus schedules. If your child uses the bus and has made a change to his or her travel habits, please inform the office to update their permanent schedule. This is crucial for us to send buses off on time each evening. We also ask that parents inform the school of any day to day changes using the bus hotline prior to 2:00pm on the day of travel. Older students may also complete a bus note to alert us of any changes.

This term, our wellbeing focus switches to encouraging habits that promote good mental health such as improved sleep and diet, exercise, mindfulness and reduced screen time. I am just putting the finishing touches on our revised and scaled down)

Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies Challenge and I'm hoping to have some fantastic prizes up for grabs for those students who complete it. Watch this space.

Don't forget that all student must wear a **broad brimmed hat** when outdoors in Term 4, regardless of weather. As of next week any student without a hat will be directed to the no hat area near Ms Morfett's office. Please remind your child to pack a hat each day or leave one at school.

We are now accepting **parent considerations for 2020 class placements**. This is not a chance to request certain teachers, but an opportunity to request friendships and provide us with your understanding of a learning environment best suited to your child. Rest assured that our teachers do know your children and spend hours developing class lists and considering their academic and social needs. This is a complex and time consuming task that we do not take lightly. We would like all considerations emailed to the school email account (red.hill.cs@edumail.vic.gov.au) no later than the 26th of October.

Finally this week, just a reminder that we are **no longer printing newsletters** in an attempt to reduce our environmental footprint. This recommendation came out of our parent forum earlier this year and from our Student Voice Team. Newsletters will be available each fortnight on our school's website, the Sentral App and the Sentral portal. I strongly urge all families to download and set up the Sentral App. Users of the app will be sent notifications when newsletters are available. There will also be a small number of newsletters each fortnight available for pick up from the front office.

Be kind, be grateful and be mindful! - Gus Wettenhall

UNIFORM SHOP DETAILS:

Just a reminder to our families, the uniform shop is no longer located at school. PSW is now in Mornington at 1/22 Watt Road for all your child's uniform needs.





STUDENT BOOK PACK, ESSENTIAL ITEMS & VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS 2020

Yesterday Student Book Pack, Essential Items and Voluntary Contribution information for 2020 were sent home with each child. It is a new and improved system of distributing Student Book Packs to families for 2020.

The Student Book Packs will be delivered to your nominated address during December 2019. Please note there is no additional charge to families for this delivery service.

As the Student Book Packs are pre-ordered we ask families to please complete and return all forms by Thursday, 31 October as after this date there will be **NO opportunities for late Student Book Pack orders.** Families will need to purchase their own stationary items after the cut off date.



SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

Scholastic Book Club forms went home with children this afternoon. Online orders close on the 25th October.



WEEKEND JAPANESE HOMESTAY PROGRAM

Downunder Recreational Tours are seeking host families for a group of Japanese students from

<u>14 to 16 December 2019</u>. You do not need to speak the language, just a desire to enjoy this experience. The students will all speak varying degrees of English. There will be boys and girls: average age is 15. All ages host at present, families, single parents, singles, retired.

Host family requirements:

Provide accommodation for 2 nights

Pick up and drop off at Benton Square Community Centre

Attend a brief gathering on arrival and departure

Provide own or shared room

Provide 3 meals a day

Include your student in family activities

Show around your local area

Small payment to offset some cost

For further information, please contact:

Theresa Stelling Mobile 0419 502 081





Under 10 Girls Basketball Players needed!

The season is about to get under way, and we have places in an under 10 girls team that desperately need filling. If your child would like to play, please

contact Owen Gilbert on 0411 449 348.

Child must be born in 2011 or younger

CANTEEN DUTY

Term 4

Monday, 14th & Friday, 18th October PH Monday, 21st & Friday, 25th October PΡ

Monday, 28th October & Friday, 1st November PW

Monday, 4th & Friday, 8th November 1HE & 1L Monday, 11th & Friday, 15th November 1M & 1R Monday, 18th & Friday, 22nd November 2B & 2D Monday 25th & Friday, 29th November 2ES & 3D Monday, 2nd & Friday, 6th December 3G & 3H Monday, 9th & Friday, 13th December All grade 4's

Monday, 16th December - no volunteers required

Friday, 20th December - CLOSED

Please contact Tamara on 0416 171 854 or tcleine@gmail.com





Main Ridge Day

Sunday October 27 10am - 3pm

DISCOVER YOUR COMMUNITY FAMILY FUN & ACTIVITIES

Monster Garage Sale CFA Displays and information Australia's Biggest BBQ in aid of Childhood Cancer Research **Coffee Cart Devonshire Teas Family Games and Fun** Free Health, Environment and Community Presentations **CPR and Defibrillator Awareness Training Community Mu**ral

Free Hearing Assessments in the Hearing Bus Blood pressure monitoring by Baker institute Photo Competition of Repurposed item (entry form lionsnewslet-

GARAGE SALE

Don't have enough goods for a stall of your own? Donate goods to Lions to help raise funds for local projects and Lions World-wide Charities & disaster relief redhillviclions@gmail.com