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Red Hill Consolidated School



21 November, 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.



Wednesday, 20 Nov-Friday, 22 Nov

Year 6 Waratah Beach Camp Friday, 22 November

Canteen Closed

Thursday, 5 December

Year 5 Innovators Arcade

Friday, 6 December

Prep Scienceworks Excursion

Tuesday, 10 December

Prep Transition Session 3 9.30—10.30am

Year 6 Transition Day

Thursday, 12 December

Christmas Concert

Friday, 13 December

Colour Run

Monday, 16 December

Year 6 Graduation 6.30pm - 9pm

Tuesday, 17 December

Year 6 Amazing Race Day

Wednesday, 18 December

Year 6 Pool Day BBQ

Thursday, 19 December

Year 6 Top Fun Excursion

School Council Meeting Tuesday, 19 November

Education—6.30pm

School Council—7pm in Staffroom

Tuesday, 17 December

6.30pm in Staffroom

Term Dates
Term 4

7 October to 20 December

Term 1 2020

29 January to 27 March

Canteen News!!

Please note the canteen will be closed

Friday 22nd November

Dear Families and Friends,

I hope you're all surviving the busy countdown to the end of the year, just 35 days until Christmas. This is often a very stressful time as we all frantically try our best to get everything done before Christmas. If you're like me, the job lists are getting longer and the days to get everything finished are getting fewer. Our students are feeling this too and many of our little ones are beginning to show signs of fatigue. A good night's sleep and a healthy diet is even more important at this stage of the year. This is also the time when children are more likely to make poor choices. You may like to reinforce the message of Stop-Think-Do at home with your children and give them plenty of down time. Mindfulness is also a proven tool to help us all rejuvenate and de-stress, as well as assist us better self-regulate.

Traffic and parking update

Last week I again met with representatives from the Mornington Peninsula Shire and the Department of Transport to discuss Red Hill Consolidated School's current traffic and parking situation. We again observed the difficulties faced by our community at pick up time. Although no immediate actions to improve our situations were promised, the Shire has committed to reviewing our parking along Arthurs Seat Road. If the Shire considers it safe to do so, we may see the no standing signs to the east of our staff car park entrance removed. Our School Council have already started a campaign to raise awareness of this problem to our local member of parliament and the Minister of Transport. If you would like to know how to express your concerns, please contact your class representative. Again, please remain patient during pick up times and follow all traffic and parking rules. I understand this is a frustrating situation, but the safety of our students cannot be jeopardised.

Mobile Phones in Schools

As you may have heard on the news, starting in 2020, mobile phones in all Victorian schools will be banned. This is to address higher instances of cyber bullying, students accessing inappropriate content and interruptions to student learning and socialisation. All schools are required to update their existing mobile phone policy ready for the start of next year. Our new policy outlines that students who require a mobile phone at school must turn them off and store them in safe storage provided by the school during school hours. Our local policy also includes

the use of mobile phones when travelling to and from school on the buses. As you know, mobile phones are valuable items, and we strongly discourage students bringing them to school. In an emergency, students and parents can use the school phone. We are finalising the logistics of this, but our policy is almost ready to go. This policy will be available on our school website shortly.

School Voice Team Fundraiser

Congratulations to our Student Voice Team (SVT) for organising not one, but three fundraisers this term and thankyou to our school community for getting behind these causes. This year our SVT agreed to support three different charities and organised a gold coin donation free dress day. Students were provided the choice of donating their coin to either the RSPCA, Canteen or the Captain's Ride/Steve Waugh foundation. Our students raised over \$1000 combined for these three causes. Well done everyone.

Giving Tree

Speaking of charities, I will be setting up our annual giving tree in the office foyer on the first week of December. Families are encouraged to provide a gift for a school aged child and place it under the tree. These gifts will be collected by the local charity "Food for All" and distribute the gifts to families in need on the Mornington Peninsula.

2020 Bus Travel

This week I met with most students intending to use the bus system next year. Students who attended this meeting received all of the forms and information required to use our bus services. It is a legal requirement for bus applications to be completed for each year. Please return all forms by Friday the 6th of December to secure your positions on our buses. If your child did not attend this meeting for any reason or has misplaced the forms, please pick up a copy at the office. We are making a number of small changes in 2020 to ensure our buses run smoothly and on time, so please ensure you read the provided cover letter. For more information on our bus services, including eligibility for fare and fee paying travellers, please visit our school website: https://redhillcs.vic.edu.au/school-bus/

Coming Up

We have lots of great events coming up, so make sure you pop the dates in your calendar. This week our Grade 6s are off to Waratah Bay for their Grade 6 Camp. I am sure they will all have a wonderful time. I would like to thank our wonderful Grade 6 teachers and Mr Milenkovic for attending this camp and of course our team of great parent helpers. Also, just around the corner is the Red Hill Rainbow Run, Grade 5 Innovators Arcade, Christmas Carols, The State-Wide Transition Day and Grade 6 Graduation. And of course lots and lots more.

That's it from me this fortnight. Enjoy the improving weather and as always.....

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

Big changes at our canteen

The way the school canteen is run will change next year. Our wonderful canteen co-ordinator Tamara Cleine is moving on to be a high school mum and to other opportunities. We have asked an external group who has experience in local schools to run the canteen for term 1 and 2. At the same time, we will look at different models for how we could run the canteen long term. If you would like to be part of this investigation group, please contact Naomi Douglas on nbdouglas@gmail.com.

Student Bus Payments

Any fee paying bus travellers, please ensure bus payments are paid immediately. Thank you.



2020 Booklist/Essential Items

A reminder to families that have payment plan arrangements that the next instalment for 2020 Booklists/Essential Items is coming up on 30th November.





INSTRUMENTS WANTED!!!!

Our music room is in desperate need of some new keyboards and guitars. If you happen to have a keyboard, electric guitar, acoustic guitar or amplifier in good working order that you no longer use at home could you please phone the school or email Louise Kusel on wallace.louise.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

Thank you... your help and support is very much appreciated!!

Louise Kusel

Performing Arts Teacher

CANTEEN DUTY

Term 4

Please Note the canteen will be closed tomorrow Friday 22nd November No Lunch orders available



Friday, 22nd November

Closed

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



"DID YOU KNOW THAT
FLINDERS PRESCHOOL
HAS VACANCIES FOR 2020
IN THEIR
THREE YEAR OLD GROUP"

"If you would like a tour, Please contact the Preschool on: 5989 6022 Or alternately, call the Mornington Peninsula Shire on: 5950 1034 to enrol



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.

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



Life Skills
Creative Time
New Experiences
Construction & Manipulative Play
Outdoor Play Time
Homework & Quiet Time

To book, visit: www.campaustralia.com.au or call 1300 105 343

Outside School Hours Care

We have just finished the amazing fun of Recycling week, Children are happy to continue researching information on the three R's of Recycling, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Children have shown an interest with creating a poster, this experience will be completed next week and displayed in the OSHC room.

As the holidays are fast approaching we will be focusing on promoting our Holiday Clubs. There is no Holiday Club at Red Hill but there are other services you can use on the Peninsula. Dromana/Pearcedale/Mount Eliza. These services and contact details are online.

It is our duty of care to remind all Parents to please supply your Child/Children with a Sun Hat to stay at the Out of School Care Services.

All Children are to wear hats that protect their face, neck and ears (legionnaire, broad-brimmed or bucket style) Peak caps and visors are not considered a suitable alternative. At OSHC we follow a Sun Smart policy NO HAT/NO PLAY.

We do provide a SPF50 broad spectrum sunscreen but If you prefer your Child/Children to have their own sunscreen, could you please provide us with one clearly marked with your Child's name. Thank you

Regards

Jillian Boyde (Co-ordinator of OSHC)

To find out more about the Camp Australia OSHC program, please visit our website at www.campaustralia.com.au or call our friendly Customer Care on 1300 105 343. The team are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except National Public Holidays).

Have a wonderful day and don't forget to stay Sun Smart!

Harbour Care Stationary Drive

Pens, Rulers, Scissors and Erasers Wanted! The War Against Waste Continues!

The Vine and Adams family wants your surplus stationary for a very good cause.

Why? Because we want to reduce waste and help people in need. But how do we do that? Just go through all your drawers at home and find all your extra scissors, pens, pencils, rulers, erasers, highlighters, manila folders, plastic folders, blank books and display folders and donate them to the hall near the office between now and the end of term 4. Where are they going? They will be packaged up into bundles and given to Harbour Care – a Not-for-Profit organisation that helps struggling families on the Peninsula! A feel- good way to get rid of too many items before your new book list is issued!

Make sure you take your name off the items. Know that your excess will be helping another family (a saving of \$135 per student per family) and reducing waste on our planet! Thanks in advance for helping this awesome charity! Heidi & Jeremy (offers of assistance greatly appreciated – 0414 860636)

Let's Help Others! Harbour Care Stationary Drive

Grab all your extra stationary scissors, erasers, rulers and paper Add it to the Boxes in the Hall Give to those who can't afford new items & reduce, re-use & recycle!

Ta, Heidi & Jeremy

Red Hill Consolidated School Colour Run Friday December 13



Get ready for a blast of colour!

This will be a great whole school activity.

Date of Colour Explosion: Friday December 13th.

Student permission forms went home last week.



Red Hill Junior Football Netball Club



Netball Players Wanted

- We are looking for players 8 -13 years of age in 2020 to join.
- Both boys and girls welcome!
- Training is held Tuesdays after school at the Red Hill Recreation Reserve.
- Games are played Saturday mornings in Mornington – 32 Hampden Street.
- Experience the wonderful community spirit and join our newly created club and become part of the future.

Details:

- Season starting early March 2020.
- For further details and expressions of interest please contact Robyn Comer 0409 873 804 or by email: redhilljuniornetballclub@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you on the court @



ROSEBUD SC OPEN DAY

We warmly invite you all to join us on our open day for 2019 as we show case what our club has to offer. There will be a BBQ and various activities along with T3, an accredited soccer program aimed at teaching our juniors the basic skills in soccer.



We are proud to have the lowest fees on the peninsula & therefore will also be offering early-bird discounts for those signing up on the day.

01 DEC 19 | 10AM - 4PM

OLYMPIC PARK RESERVE, BESGROVE ST ROSEBUD