



Red Hill Consolidated School



18 June, 2020

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.



Term 2, 2020

Monday, June 22

Prep 2021 Applications Due

Wednesday, June 24

Student Reports available via
Sentral

Friday, June 26

Last Day of Term

Current staggered pick up times

**School resumes Term 3 Monday,
July 13**

Next School Council Meeting

Tuesday, 18 August

Term Dates

Term 1

January 29 to March 27

Term 2

April 14 to June 26

Term 3

July 13 to September 18

Term 4

October 5 to December 18

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS SURVEY LINK

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GHT8XZQ>

Dear families and friends,

The run of beautiful winter weather continues in Red Hill. I hope you have been enjoying the sunshine. Some of you may have seen on Class Dojo that we have two new and very woolly members of the Red Hill Consolidated School community. Mr Jarman has adopted two baby lambs, Agnetha and Frida, who will be coming to school each day. These two cuties need to be bottle fed twice a day to help them grow big and strong. Just another reason for kids to look forward to art this term. Mr Jarman is very proud of his little lambs.



Last week saw the return of Grades 3 to 6 students in schools across Victoria, joining the younger children who started back at schools two weeks prior. Our students did not disappoint and they have returned and settled back in without a hiccup. It is very nice to have all of our students back on site. It is also worth acknowledging how well most of our students adapted to and coped with remote learning, some even thrived. The majority of our students showed great commitment to their learning and resilience when things didn't go well. All students from Grades 4 to 6 will complete a short survey on remote learning before the end of term. I have had a quick look at the results and there are some really positive responses and comments so far. However, the most common positive reflection on learning from home from our students was that "you could eat whenever you wanted."

Key to the success of our remote and flexible learning was the support of our parents and carers. On behalf of all of the staff at RHCS, I would like to thank you all for the support and encouragement you showed your children during this period. I know for many of us, this was a challenging time and juggling careers, house work, younger siblings and learning from home was a tough balancing act. I would also like to thank all of our parents who completed the short survey on your experiences with remote learning. This survey is open until the 26th of June if you would like to have your say. **Please click on the link and use the login details on the next page:**

Survey link: <https://www.orima.com.au/lfh/parents>

School Name: Red Hill Consolidated School

School PIN: 218408

RHCS STAGGERED START AND FINISH TIMETABLE	
Drop off	Pick up
8:45 Grade 2 and 5	3:00 Grade 2 and 5
9:00 Grade 1 and 4	3:15 Grade 1 and 4
9:15 Preps and Grades 3 and 6.	3:30 Preps and Grades 3 and 6

I would also like to sincerely thank all of our parents and carers for their cooperation with our staggered timetable. There was a noticeable improvement this week, making it so much easier and safer to connect children with their teachers in the morning and parents in the afternoon. There is still no change to the advice from the Department about staggered start and finish times, so please keep up the great work. I would also like to clarify, that RHCS is supported by and supports our local businesses and encourages our parent community to do the same. By all means visit the shops across the road, but please follow the parking signs around our school, especially our 2 minute drop and go parking during peak periods.



One area that still requires a little improvement is our bus service. We are still holding the bus up for students who have not had their permanent schedule updated or have not completed a bus note for the day. This is instrumental to the smooth running of our bus service. Can I also please remind you that yourself or another adult must meet your child/ren at the bus stop each evening. By all working together we can hopefully return to a more consistent time of departure in the afternoons.



This week the Somers Camp Road Show came to RHCS as part of our planning week. We are very grateful for the support provided to us by the staff at Somers Camp, who also supervised our students who attended on-site during remote and flexible learning. This time, the Somers Camp teachers worked with our Grade 3 and 6 students, running bush camping, orienteering and drama activities. The kids all had a great time learning new skills in the outdoors.

Speaking of camps, you may have heard the announcement that camps and excursions are back on for Term 3 and 4 in Victorian Schools. No advice regarding this has been received from the Department as yet. However, we will be following all DET guidelines and will be working closely with our providers in the coming weeks to formulate a plan. We will communicate any news regarding camps and excursions as soon as it becomes available.

Garden Centre

A big thank you to the wonderful team of Education Support Staff who gave our Garden Centre a winter clean up on last Friday's student free day. The weeds and vines had returned over the learning from home period, but our team of green thumbs worked hard to get it back under control, ready to plant a winter harvest. The amazing Ms Green is organising seedlings and coordinating our teachers to get this underutilised area of the school back in action.



LAST DAY OF TERM 2 CURRENT FINISH TIMES

With all of the changes and confusion to timetables this term, we are sticking with our regular staggered timetable finish for the last day of Term 2. Traditionally, we would finish an hour earlier, but this will not be the case this term. I hope this makes sense and will not cause any inconvenience for families.

SURVEY— Out of School Hours Care

Finally this week, would all families please complete a very short survey about our Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) service. We are currently reviewing this service and we are hoping to establish the needs of our community in this survey. Even if you do not use OSHC, we would still like you to take part. To complete this survey, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GHT8XZQ>.

This is the final newsletter of Term 2. If you do get some time off, please have a restful and enjoyable break with your children at home.....again. Keep an eye out for updates on ClassDojo.

Thank you again for an amazing, challenging and very different Term 2 at Red Hill Consolidated School.

Stay safe and healthy!

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

2021 Prep Enrolment

It is that time of year again to welcome applications for enrolment for 2021.

If you have a child or you know someone who has a child commencing prep in 2021 and you wish to submit an application please either:

- ◆ contact the office on 5989 2321 for an application form
- ◆ visit our website to download an application www.redhillcs.vic.edu.au
 - ◆ email: boucher.louisa.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

Applications are due Monday, 22nd June



Ski and Snowboard August 24-30



It's on Again !!!

Want to represent Red Hill CS in either Ski or Snowboard at this years Victorian Interschools?

Keen to have fun with your mates in the snow?

Contact Darius Alekna at dalekna@bigpond.net.au or by mobile on 0448 219 203 to secure your spot.

Entries are now open

