



## WHAT'S ON Dates to Note

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February  
District Swimming Carnival

Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> March  
Yr 3 Mock Orchards

Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> March  
Family Picnic

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> March  
Curriculum Day (student free)

Wed, 19<sup>th</sup> – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Year 4 Camp Manyung

## School Council Dates

Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> March  
AGM

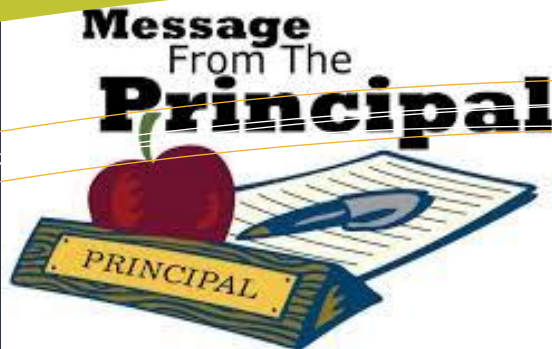
### Term Dates

Term 1  
28<sup>th</sup> January – 1<sup>st</sup> April

Term 2  
19<sup>th</sup> April – 25<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3  
12<sup>th</sup> July – 17<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4  
4<sup>th</sup> October – 17<sup>th</sup> December



## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly this week, I would like to thank and congratulate our entire school community for their efforts during the recent “snap” lockdown. I couldn't be more impressed with how staff quickly switched back to teaching online. I was also extremely proud of our students. We had almost 100% attendance in our morning Webex meetings and the majority of children completed and submitted their learning tasks. Thank you to all parents, older siblings and grandparents who helped our students with their learning from home. Although I hope that it is not required, I am confident that our school, staff and students are well prepared if a similar lockdown is announced in the future.

### Swimming trials

One of the events impacted by this lockdown was our swimming trials that was booked for Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Crib Point Pool. Unfortunately, we were unable to reschedule this event before the upcoming District Swimming Competition, therefore this event was held using our own pool last Friday. Well done to Coach Milenkovic and Billie who organised and ran our trials and a huge thank you to our parent and staff helpers who pitched in at late notice.

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Our swimming squad has been selected and will be competing at the District level this Friday. I would like to wish them the best of luck and hope all involved get a lot out of this experience.



### School Photos

Our School Photograph day will be held on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> of March. This year, all orders and payments will need to be made online. This will hopefully make the process easier for families as well as our staff, and save paper and avoid cash handling. All families should have received an email with information on how to order online. If you missed this email, please make contact with the school using our email address: [red.hill.cs@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:red.hill.cs@education.vic.gov.au).

By now you should have received the ballot papers for our school council parent category elections. Parents have until 4:00pm Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March to submit their vote. Please follow all instructions carefully to ensure your vote is valid. Votes will be tallied next Wednesday and the results will be announced to our community shortly afterwards. Thank you to all parents who nominated to be a member of school council and to all parents who have already voted.

Some of you may have seen our Family Picnic listed in our newsletter's important dates. After some uncertainty caused by the most recent lockdown, I am pleased to announce, that we can now proceed with this evening (weather permitting). This will be a great opportunity to reconnect as a community and for new families to meet others. Our specialist team will be organising a number of simple activities to keep the children active. Please see the attached flyer for more details. I hope to see you there.

The other date to be aware of is our upcoming student free day on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of March. Our staff will be attending the Bayside and Southern Peninsula Mathematics Forum on this day, where we will hear from and attend workshops with a number world class presenters. TheirCare will be running on this day for Parents and Carers who require supervision for their children. Bookings can be made on their website.



Finally this week is a reminder for all families to download and regularly check ClassDojo to keep up to date with the exciting things happening at our wonderful school. We also use this platform to distribute the newsletter and post important announcements. If you are having trouble accessing ClassDojo, please get in touch with your child's teacher.

Be kind, be grateful and be mindful!

Gus Wettenhall



## Contemporary Learning Experience Update

### CLE SPOTLIGHT – Grade 1

The students in Grade 1 have had an incredibly busy week as they explore the Big Idea “People and Places are Always Changing”. This unit of inquiry has seen the Grade 1 students investigating what life was like in the past, including discovering how schooling has changed over time. On Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, the Grade 1 learners had a visit from Mrs Sargood, a teacher from the past, who gave them a taste of what school was like in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.



The following day the learners came to school dressed in 'old-fashioned' school clothes and participated in a range of games that their parents, grandparents and perhaps even great grandparents would have played when they were at school, including skipping, elastics, knuckles, marbles and hopscotch. They drew comparisons between the past and present and discussed how and why things have changed.



### **BUILDING LEARNING AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**

Children learn best when the significant adults in their lives -- parents, teachers, and other family and community members -- work together to encourage and support them. This basic fact should be a guiding principle as we think about how schools should be organised and how children should be taught. Schools alone cannot address all of a child's developmental needs: The meaningful involvement of parents and support from the community are essential.

The need for a strong partnership between schools and families to educate children may seem like common sense. In simpler times, this relationship was natural and easy to maintain. Teachers and parents were often neighbours and found many occasions to discuss a child's progress. Children heard the same messages from teachers and parents and understood that they were expected to uphold the same standards at home and at school. However, as life gets busier the opportunities for teachers, parents and the broader community to come together get fewer and fewer and are more difficult to organise.

At Red Hill Consolidated School, we believe that our students learn best when we foster strong relationships with parents, caregivers and the broader community. In the next week we have two events that we hope will help to continue to develop and strengthen our school-home bonds. The first is our "Building Learning Partnership" evening that will be happening on Monday, 1st March. During this evening parents are able to attend a virtual 10-minute interview with their child's classroom teacher. The aim of these sessions is for parents to share about their child with the classroom teacher, giving the teacher a more detailed picture of each child. You might like to talk about your child's strengths, areas for growth, passions and interests, achievements outside of school and learning goals that you would like to see your child achieve. The teacher will be able to offer suggestions for how you might support your child with their learning at home. Bookings for these interviews is available through Sentral. Please be aware that the bookings will close at 5:00pm this Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February. In order to help facilitate conversation and build our teachers' knowledge of their students we ask that families take time to complete a short, online survey about each of their children. The survey can be accessed through the following link: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfktYQgoirravGdL1D8rr7BgiZO-3dZeXKmN\\_mqo2liXhmatQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfktYQgoirravGdL1D8rr7BgiZO-3dZeXKmN_mqo2liXhmatQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)



The second event is our “Family and Friends Picnic”, that will take place on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> March. This will be a great evening that provides our school community with the chance to come together and have some fun. It will give our new families a chance to meet existing Red Hill families and begin to establish new connections.

Our staff understand that parents often have a need to communicate with them about things happening in their children’s lives. We actively encourage parents to email or call staff to make appointments to do this. Please be aware that when staff are teaching they will not be able to chat to you as their focus is on the students in their care.

I look forward to seeing lots of you next Thursday at our picnic.

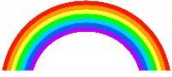
*Jo Barnes*



## Konichiwa from Harder Sensai

We were finally able to reconnect with some grade 6 students from our sister school in Japan today, Aso Elementary School. Students asked questions about favourite foods, sports they liked and even challenged each other to a game of Rock Paper Scissors. It was a bit of a challenge communicating because the Japanese students had to wear masks at school! One day we will be able to visit them in Japan.





Dearest Red Hill Consolidated School Community,

Week 5... wow! We have some wonderful events to look forward to later this term,

**BULLYING NO WAY- 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH** Bullying No Way: Day of Action is on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March. The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA) is an important day to mark Australian school communities standing together against bullying and violence.

**THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE- MARCH** The World's Greatest Shave, cut, colour or crazy hairstyle is being held in March. This event raises money for research into finding a cure and treating blood cancer for families around Australia. If your child would like to participate and get sponsored, please contact me or see the info attached.

<https://worldsgreatestshave.com/take-part>

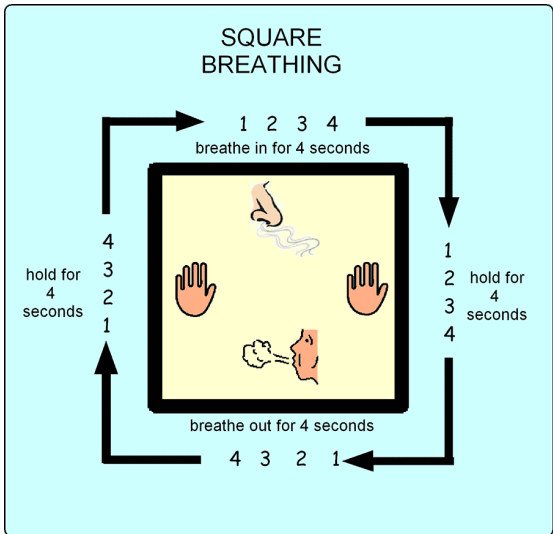
**EPILEPSY AWARENESS DAY – 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

March 26<sup>th</sup> is Purple Day, the global incentive for raising awareness around Epilepsy. There will be more information closer to time.

**LUNCHTIME CLUBS** Lunchtime clubs are open to any students from the specified year level that would like an alternative to the playground. There is no need for parents to book, children can just go to the one they would like to. Children do not need to stay at the club if they change their mind and would prefer to go outside. Thank you to the incredible teachers who offer to run these clubs.

Please find the timetable attached- there have been more clubs added since our last timetable!

**MINDFULNESS** Breathing exercises can be wonderful for both children and adults. I asked a few students what their favourite type of breathing exercise was....square breathing! Your child may know this activity, but if not, here is a little visual to help out. Some students and adults, find the hold part a little tricky or long, so just adapt as you need and feels right for you.



## LOCAL INDIGENOUS AND FIRST NATIONS ACTIVITIES AND EVENT

### Cultural Activities & Information

Cultural resource hubs worth saving to your favourites.

- [Deadly Story - Keeping Culture Activities Hub](#)

Downloadable arts & crafts. Links to video, resources & social media.

- [VACCA Cultural Hub](#)

A space that celebrates Culture and is full of activities & resources.

- [Koorie Heritage Trust Online Exhibitions](#)

Supporting, promoting and celebrating contemporary Victorian Aboriginal art and artists.

- [WellMob](#)

Social, emotional and cultural wellbeing online resources for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

BALNARRING PRESCHOOL PRESENTS

THIS IS AN ALCOHOL & DOG FREE EVENT

*Womin Djeka.*

Balnarring Ngargee

**SATURDAY 13TH MARCH 11AM - 7PM**  
COMMUNITY FESTIVAL • FAMILY FRIENDLY • ENTRY BY DONATION  
HONOURING AND CELEBRATING INDIGENOUS CULTURES  
BALNARRING BEACH, ROBERTSONS PARK AND CAMPING RESERVE

**ENTERTAINMENT • FOOD STALLS • CRAFT STALLS  
CULTURAL WORKSHOPS • CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

NEIL MURRAY • GANGA GIRI  
KEE'AHN • JALGANY • WALA CONNECTIONS  
JESS HITCHCOCK • AMOS ROACH • DJIRRI DJIRRI  
MADI COLVILLE WALKER • JOHN WAYNE PARSON • WELCOME TO COUNTRY

CAMPING AVAILABLE // OFF STREET PARKING AVAILABLE // GATES OPEN 10AM

We acknowledge the festival is held on the land of the Boon Wurrung language group of the Kulin Nations. We acknowledge all First Peoples across Australia. We pay our respects to all Elders past and present, and thank them for sharing their stories and Knowledge. Get in contact early to let us know if we can help you to enjoy the festival even more by meeting your individual needs.

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT:  
[womindjeka.balnarring.ngargee@gmail.com](mailto:womindjeka.balnarring.ngargee@gmail.com) [facebook.com/Busid2018](https://www.facebook.com/Busid2018) [instagram.com/womindjekabalnarring](https://www.instagram.com/womindjekabalnarring)

Enjoy everyone, stay safe and mindful and make everyday count!

Louise Kusel – Acting Wellbeing Coordinator.



### Details & Calendar Info

**Pupil Free Days:**

6:30am to 6:30pm

**Before School Care:**

6:30 - 8:45am

Price before CCS: \$23.89

**After School Care:**

3:30 - 6:30pm

Price before CCS: \$26.52

**We are open for the PUPIL FREE DAY on the 5<sup>th</sup> please go onto Fullybooked to secure your spot, or the TheirCare website to sign up.**

**We will provide breakfast morning tea and afternoon tea, but students will need to bring lunch.**

Hello Everyone, we are having so much fun in before and after school care, last week we made slime and cloud dough.

This week is all about getting creative so we are making sensory bottles and pop stick dream catchers plus so much more on our program the children will be having a creative time.

Our self portrait wall is coming along nicely we ask the children to paint themselves, so they have sense of belonging to the room and the services plus painting is always fun!!

Cricket is the rage at the moment each morning or afternoon the children enjoy playing cricket in a team and its great to see the older ones helping the young ones with the rules and how to play.

We enjoyed our in the garden week and are about to transfer our seedlings into pots, we made greenhouses for the windows with snow pea seeds, the children have been patiently waiting for them to sprout. We also made two terrariums the children designed them and filled them with soil planted the succulents and now they look wonderful we have one on the sign in desk and one on the bench.

Once again if you need anything, want to talk or just see the room please pop on down to visit us we would love to meet you.





# RHCS FAMILY PICNIC

We would like to invite our Red Hill families to join us for a picnic on the oval.

It is a great chance to come together and meet new friends.

There will be some fun activities, organized by our amazing Specialist team, for families to participate in

## What you need to know

Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> March from 5:00pm – 7:30pm

On the school oval – There will be sign in QR codes on arrival

Bring a picnic and a picnic rug (No alcohol please)

If the weather is nasty, unfortunately the picnic will be cancelled.



# LUNCHTIME CLUBS TERM 1 2021



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>I N D O O R</b>	<p>Teacher: Miss Worboys Activity: Mindful colouring Location: Palace Year levels/s: P-3</p>	<p>Teacher: Miss Freeth Activity: Chess Location: 5F Year level/s: 3-6</p>	<p>Teacher: Mrs Trewin Activity: Nature Documentaries DVD club Location: Science Room Year levels/s: Years 3-6</p>	<p>Teacher: Mrs Hyams Activity: Mindful colouring Location: Palace Year levels/s: P-3</p>	<p>Teacher: Harder Sensai Activity: Origami Location: Japanese room Year levels/s: 3-6</p>
<b>L I B R A R Y</b>	<p>Teacher: Nikki &amp; Belinda Activity: Library Club Location: Library Year levels/s: Everyone</p>	<p>Teacher: Michelle &amp; Tricia Activity: Library Club Location: Library Year levels/s: Everyone</p>	<p>Teacher: Nikki &amp; Rach Activity: Library Club Location: Library Year levels/s: Everyone</p>		<p>Teacher: Michelle &amp; Elise Activity: Library Club Location: Library Year levels/s: Everyone</p>
<b>I N D O O R</b>	<p>Teacher: Ms Pinchbeck Activity: Drawing Location: 3P room Year levels/s: Grade 3 &amp; 4</p>				<p>Teacher: Mr Hickson Activity: Indoor ball Games Location: Gym Year levels/s: Year 2</p>
<b>O U T D O O R</b>	<p>Teacher: Mr Mehrtens/ Mr Gillick Activity: Garden Centre Activities Location: Garden Centre Year level/s: 4-6</p>	<p>Teacher: Mrs Burcheri Activity: Outdoor Sketching Location: Meet at 4B for outdoor location Year level/s: any</p>	<p>Teacher: Miss Holmes Activity: Garden Centre Activities Location: Garden Centre Year level/s: P-3</p>		
<b>S T U D E N T</b> Organised	<p>Hide and Seek with Gilbert Location: Meet at Mrs Hyams Room Year levels: Grade 1</p>	<p>Hide and Seek with Gilbert Location: Meet at Mrs Hyams Room Year levels: Grade 1</p>	<p>Hide and Seek with Gilbert Location: Meet at Mrs Hyams Room Year levels: Grade 1</p>	<p>Hide and Seek with Gilbert Location: Meet at Mrs Hyams Room Year levels: Grade 1</p>	<p>Hide and Seek with Gilbert Location: Meet at Mrs Hyams Room Year levels: Grade 1</p>

# ONLINE BOOKING



Your school has decided that school photos will only be available to order online this year. We are now also offering green screen online.

## THE BENEFITS OF BEING ONLINE

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office.
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags.
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 15 different backgrounds to choose from.



Red Hill Consolidated School - 2021

Contact: [info@leadingimage.com.au](mailto:info@leadingimage.com.au) or call 1800 750 586

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY



To order your school photos you need to log onto

<https://www.leadingimage.com.au>

Click on Order your school photos.  
and enter the access key below.

\*Preferred Browser is Google Chrome\*

**Access Key: DP3N6XST**

Packages are available to order with this access key.

**Family photographs must be ordered by 4:30pm the night before photo day.**

**IF YOU DO NOT ORDER BEFORE THIS TIME YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE A FAMILY PHOTO TAKEN.**







## Flaut it Music

### Singing, Flute and Piano tuition available in 2021

- Trial lesson free!

- Progressive lessons in a friendly, relaxed and encouraging atmosphere.
  - Flutes available for low-cost hire through Red Hill C. S.

Chrissy has over 30 years of musical experience as flautist and vocalist in concert bands, orchestras, choirs and various ensembles, including soloist performances. She is currently Assistant Musical Director of the Frankston Ladies Choir, as well as Solo Vocalist with the Down South Big Band.

Chrissy has taught for many years in Primary school settings and can help to prepare your child for solo and/or group performance. Encourage your child to come and find out if music is for them!

*"My aim is to inspire a lifelong appreciation for music"*

Chrissy Neaves - Email [flautit.music@gmail.com](mailto:flautit.music@gmail.com) Mobile 0407624123 Website <https://flaut-it.com.au/>  
SoundCloud <https://soundcloud.com/user-416342934> Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/ifyouvegotitflautit/> Instagram [https://www.instagram.com/flaut\\_it\\_music/](https://www.instagram.com/flaut_it_music/)





## McCrae Yacht Club

### Learning and Development Program

*Fun, competitive sailing in a family friendly environment*

[www.mccraeyc.com.au](http://www.mccraeyc.com.au)

#### Try Sailing free four week program (7-10 year old)

Experience the wonder and amazement of being with your child as they unlock the puzzles of sailing in a complex craft. An ever changing environment of wind and water where rules, strategy and tactics are applied, friendships last a lifetime.

<p><b>Step 1. New Starter Try Sailing For Fun</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Complimentary sailing lessons and for four weeks</li><li>* Families get an insight into sailing life to decide whether sailing is suitable</li><li>* Australian Sailing insurance, life jacket and access to a club Optimist</li></ul>	
<p><b>Step 2. Start Sailing Learn to sail course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* For NEW STARTER sailors who want to continue to learn to sail properly</li><li>* Fees apply for Starter Squad which will include annual membership, access to the McCrae YC Learning and Development program, Australian Sailing insurance cover, continued use of life jacket and club Optimists.</li></ul>	
<p><b>Step 3. Transition to Minnow Class dinghy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* For the developing sailors close to graduation</li><li>* Sail the club Optimist and try the Minnow</li><li>* Graduates will require their own Minnow to continue</li></ul>	
<p><b>Step 4. Youth Classes (teenagers)</b></p> <p>Once children have transitioned to the Minnow class, they will continue training in our Learning and Development pathway. As they grow they will need to move into suitable boats for their body size. The single handed option is the Laser 4.7.</p>	



## McCrae Yacht Club

### Learning and Development Program

#### **Try sailing free four week course for 7 to 10 year olds**

Four intakes for the coming season:

November, December, February and March

Places are limited so bookings are essential!

Book via [www.mccraeyc.com.au](http://www.mccraeyc.com.au)

Phone enquiries can be made on 0400 552 642

Please note children should be able to swim and have confidence in water

***A lifetime of discovery and adventure awaits!***