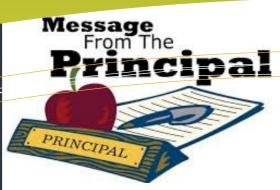
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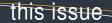


From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the Easter break, just one week away. I'm sure I'm not alone in wondering where Term 1 has gone? Despite a rocky start to 2021 and a snap lock down, we've managed to settle in to a period of normality and routine over the past few weeks, with some fantastic learning in our classrooms. I'm sure this will continue in to Term 2! This fortnightly newsletter is a little longer than usual, but please read on, it's full of some very exciting announcements and important reminders.

The biggest news going around is that our \$3.2 million Capital Works Project can now proceed. This funding was announced in June 2019 and since then we have been working behind the scenes with the Victorian Schools **Building Authority and MSM Architects** on a building design to suit the needs of our students and appoint a builder capable of taking on such a build. We hit a brick wall last year when COVID-19 hit, making it difficult to progress through the tender stage in selecting a builder. I am pleased to report that Orion Builders have now been officially appointed. It is likely that the demolition of classrooms 1 to 3 will be completed over the school



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holidays and building works will begin at the start of Term 2.



WHAT'S ON Dates to Note

Thursday, 1st April
Last day of Term 1
2:30 finish

Monday, 19th April First day of Term 2

Wed, 19th – Fri 21st May Year 4 Camp Manyung

School Council Dates

Tuesday, 18th May

Tuesday, 15th June

Term Dates

Term 1

28th Januuary – 1st April

Term 2

19th April – 25th June

Term 3

!2th July – 17th September

Term 4

4th October – 17th December





The new building will include four flexible classrooms accessed by an internal shared space complete with tiered seating looking on to our beautiful oak tree. The project will also include new bathrooms and wet areas, a teacher office space/withdrawal space, an under-croft storage area and a large south facing deck overlooking our pool, perfect for outdoor learning. I will display plans and drawings of this project in our administration area for parents and community members to view. Although this is great news for our school community, a building project of this size in the heart of our school will cause disruption to our operations and make access difficult at times. We will all need to be patient at times and understand that the inconvenience will be worth it. Student safety will not be compromised during the construction period. For now, here's two drawings of our building design to get you excited!

Given the demolition and other projects likely taking place over the school holidays, I am advising against using the school grounds over the upcoming break.

This week, I met with the Mornington Peninsula Mayor, Despi O'Connor and Councillor Sarah Race to discuss and observe our parking and traffic management challenges. Although an improvement to parking is no doubt required, we spoke at length about encouraging active bus travel to reduce the demands on our limited parking spaces. Despi has had success in other schools in developing this program and accessing funds to support its implementation. To better understand the travel habits, gauge interest and establish a baseline to improve upon, we need your help in completing a short survey - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T7BGG5Q. We are hoping to divert traffic away from the school by utilising alternative parking and encouraging students to safely walk no more than 1km each way. As well as reducing traffic around our school, this is also a great way to develop healthy habits for our students and prepare them for learning each day. This option would be encouraged and promoted at school, but would be entirely parent choice.



Please don't forget that we still have plenty of spaces on most of our bus services. Bus travel is available for all students, with many eligible for free travel. If you would like more information about using our buses, please visit https://redhillcs.vic.edu.au/school-bus/ or call the school.

Speaking of parking, the Red Hill Lions Club has asked for volunteers to assist with parking at the Red Hill Market. A percentage of the proceeds from parking will go to our school if we supply the volunteers. The more volunteers provided by RHCS, the higher the contribution. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise much needed funds to improve our school. Please contact me by emailing the school email address red-hill.cs@education.vic.gov.au with your contact details if you are interested.

It was great to finally be able to meet in person as a school council recently, farewelling our residing members and welcoming our new ones. I would like to announce that Glen Sullivan was elected as our new school council president. Glen has been a long time member of the RHCS School Council and has been the Treasurer and Finance Committee Sub Convenor for the past 3 years. I would like to thank Glen for taking on this important role. Our next school council meeting will take place on Tuesday May the 19th, where we will present the 2020 Annual Report to the Community. The presentation of this report will be open to all parents. Please email the school if you wish to attend.

I have some more exciting news, this time from our uniform providers, Primary School Wear. As of next term, RHCS Beanies will be available for purchase. This is thanks to our amazing 2020 Student Voice Team, who were responsible for organising and designing this new option. I would imagine that school beanies will be very popular up here as the Red Hill winter slowly creeps closer. How good do these look



We are now accepting enrolments for our Prep students of 2022. With our building project continuing in to next year, we will be limited to four Prep classes. We are asking all families with a prep child starting next year to submit their application as soon as possible to help us with our enrolment process. This is even more important if you don't live inside the Red Hill Consolidated School zone. Enrolment packs can be collected from the office or downloaded from our website. This year we are not accepting enrolments without all required documents. A copy of Birth Certificate and Immunisation Certificate must be included when submitting Enrolment form – Application will not be considered until these documents are received.

Our Grade 6 Circus is only a few days away, with matinee performances scheduled for our students next Monday, Tuesday and the big event next Tuesday night for parents of Grade 6 students. Unfortunately, due to density restrictions, we cannot invite families from other year levels this year. I would like to congratulate our Grade 6 team for their hard work and dedication throughout this term, learning new skills and talents as well as showing determination and resilience. And of course a big thank

you to Bronwyn and Marcos talented team of Grade 6 together. Be sure to keep an Story next week for pictures action. I can't wait.



from Soul Circus and our teachers for putting this show eye on our ClassDojo School of our circus performers in

Please check your child's bag each night, especially Thursday nights, for notices and ensure permission slips are returned and payments made on time. This will ensure your child doesn't miss out on any upcoming events and will save our staff valuable time in chasing up payments and permission slips. Red Hill Consolidated School cannot cover the costs of unpaid camps and excursions. A number of families may be eligible for funding through the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). For more information, please visit https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx. Alternatively, payment plans can be arranged by calling the office.

School photograph were taken today. If you missed ordering and wish to do so, please contact Leading Image on 1800 750 586. Late orders will be accepted up until Thursday the 1st of April, 2021.

Please also be aware that we will be finishing at 2:30 pm on the final day of term, which will be Thursday the 1st of April (no joke) this term.

Thank you everyone for a brilliant Term 1 up here at Red Hill Consolidated School. Have a safe and happy Easter break and I look forward to welcoming you all back in Term 2.

Be kind, be grateful and be mindful!

Gus Wettenhall

Principal



Join Red Hill Consolidated School for Prep in 2022.



Red Hill Consolidated School is committed to providing the very best education for all students in our care.

We are inspired by the moments when students recognise new learning opportunities.

Teachers are motivated by the challenge to ensure that every student is always progressing at their own point of need.

Be sure to take advantage of a school tour and find out about the outstanding learning opportunities provided to students at Red Hill Consolidated School.

Tour Dates for Prep 2022.



Tuesday, April 27th 2021 Wednesday, May 12th 2021 Thursday, May 27th 2021 Monday, June 7th 2021 Monday, June 21st 2021 All tours start at 9.30am.



Prep 2022 Parent Information Evening Tuesday, 18th May 2021 at 6pm

To book a space on one of our tours contact the office on 5989-2321

All attendees must register and adhere to Department of Education Covid-Safe measures.





Red Hill Consolidated School is the home of The Contemporary Learning Experience.





Red Hill Consolidated School Wellbeing Newsletter



Wellbeing Newsletter March 2021

Hello Red Hill Consolidated School Community!

EPILEPSY AWARENESS DAY – 26th MARCH

March 26th is Purple Day, the global incentive for raising awareness around Epilepsy. Let's all aim to wear a purple ribbon to raise awareness about Epilepsy. People from around the globe are asked to spread the word about epilepsy by wearing purple. Purple Day aims to encourage people to talk about epilepsy and to remind those who live with seizures that they are not alone. Purple Day is dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy worldwide. If you have some purple ribbon at home, please encourage your child to wear a little in the hair or on their wrist to show their support!

RESILIENCE

Each newsletter, I thought we could discuss with students and teachers what our school values mean to them and how we demonstrate them around the school and in the classroom. With all that has happened in the last 18 months, I thought it would be good to look at resilience. The following info is taken from the BeyondBlue website, a great resource to have a look over.

Resilience ... it's a familiar word, isn't it? But what does it really mean?

When we talk about resilience, we're talking about a child's ability to cope with ups and downs, and bounce back from the challenges they experience during childhood – for example moving home, changing schools, studying for an exam or dealing with the death of a loved one. Building resilience helps children not only to deal with current difficulties that are a part of everyday life, but also to develop the basic skills and habits that will help them deal with challenges later in life, during adolescence and adulthood.

Resilience is important for children's mental health. Children with greater resilience are better able to manage stress, which is a common response to difficult events. Stress is a risk factor for mental health conditions such as anxiety and depression, if the level of stress is severe or ongoing.

How can I build resilience in my child?

There are five areas that offer the best chance for building resilience in children.



As a parent, carer, or significant adult, you can help to develop essential skills, habits and attitudes for building resilience at home by helping your child to:

- build good relationships with others including adults and peers
- build their independence
- learn to identify, express and manage their emotions
- build their confidence by taking on personal challenges

For more information please visit: https://healthyfamilies.beyondblue.org.au/healthy-homes/building-resilience

What is resilience?

To be brave and do stuff that really isn't you. Hana Mitchell Prep C

To be brave and try new things. Kesia Sullivan. Prep C

 ${\it `Resilience is accepting that things are difficult and consciously challenging yourself to do something about it'}$

Miss Cuttler 6C- 'Resilience to me is stepping into challenging situations where I feel vulnerable or uncomfortable and I am able to use strategies to overcome these challenges and therefore build confidence in my abilities.

When have you shown resilience?

When I feel in the pool, I had to hold my breath for a really long time before someone helped me. Now I am scared of the water, but am being brave at swimming lessons and trying to learn to swim, so I can help someone one day! Soren Albrecht Prep C

When I went to Karate, I thought I was going to fail at everything, but I went and loved it and wanted to do it again and again. I was resilient! Albi Tankard Prep C

Ella Ingram 6M- 'When I was younger, I fractured my foot, I felt nervous about coming back to school as I was in a wheelchair, everyone stared at me. I had to take a deep breath and know that I would get better soon.'

Why do you think resilience is important?

If you never try, you will never know if you can do new things. Kesia Sullivan

In Prep C we believe that mistakes are a very important part of learning, so we need to be resilient and learn how to celebrate our mistakes, as we know that these experiences make us stronger and better learners. Prep C

Ms Morton 6M- 'Resilience is so important as it builds your confidence and gets you through confronting or new situations. If you have strategies when you feel overwhelmed, you will be able to face all challenges that you encounter in your everyday life and enjoy all the amazing experiences that life has to offer.'

'If you don't have resilience, you can never challenge yourself' Nino Limpiado 4G

Matilda Johnson 6M- 'Resilience is so important, because it gets you through different stages and situations in life, so you feel confident when you feel challenged and in new situations.'

Thank you for a wonderful term, looking forward to a spectacular Term 2.

Enjoy your April holidays, stay safe and enjoy the moment!

Louise Kusel – Acting Wellbeing Coordinator.







FIRST AID PROCEDURE UPDATE



We are very fortunate to have a qualified Level 2 First Aid Officer attending our school sick bay over the peak recess and lunch periods. Outside of these times children that require first aid treatment will be attended to by one of the caring administration team, who are also trained in basic first aid.

Many visits to the sick bay are for minor incidents only requiring a band aid, ice pack, or a little time out to rest and then the children are able to return to the classroom or playground. To keep families informed we will be sending an auto generated email through Sentral, alerting you to login to the portal when convenient to view the sick bay details. You DO NOT need to call the school – this is for information only.

SAMPLE EMAIL OR PUSH NOTIFICATION (NOT REQUIRED TO CONTACT SCHOOL)

From: Red Hill Consolidated School <noreply@msgr.sentral.net.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 24 March 2021 11:29 AM

To: Sam Smith < Sam Smith @education.vic.gov.au >

Subject: You have a new Sickbay Notification from Carmel Mitchell

Dear Sam Smith,

You have received a new Sickbay Notification regarding Sammy SNAKE. Please login to Red Hill Consolidated School Parent Portal to view this message, click here to login.

Kind Regards,

Carmel Mitchell

Red Hill Consolidated School

341 Arthurs Seat Rd, Red Hill

Phone: 5989 2321 | Fax: 5989 2808 | Email: red hill cs@education vic.gov au

In the event of a more serious illness or incident, you will be either phoned directly or sent an SMS message (auto generated SMS through Sentral) advising you that your child is in the sick bay and requesting you to call ASAP. There is no need for panic, should you receive an SMS, as it may just be a slight bump above the shoulders or something similar that we are required to notify you about. However, it would be appreciated if you could respond as soon as possible should you receive an SMS message.

SAMPLE TEXT MESSAGE:

Sammy Snake from class 6G was admitted to Sick Bay on the 24/03/2021 at 10.31am.

Reason: Dizziness

Please contact the school on 59892321 for further information ASAP

SPORTS REPORT BY COACH MILENKOVIC

Divisional Swimming

Congratulations to our Divisional Swimming squad who swam at Pines Pool last Wednesday. The team had practised twice a week at lunchtimes leading up to the event and all did the school very proud.

There were some brilliant results from the team of 13, but only 1st place winners at this level were invited to go on to the Regional Championships at MSAC. This event is one below the State Championships to be swam on Monday.



The following Grade 6 boys are representing the school:

Oscar S Individual Freestyle

Individual Butterfly 4 x 50 metre relay Medley relay

Rohan L 4 x 50 metre relay

Medley relay

Max A 4 x 50- metre relay

Medley relay

Ollie B 4 x 50 metre relay

Medley relay

From the entire RHCS, Good luck legends!

YEAR 6 SUMMER LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIPS

The best of luck to all of our Year 6 students, teachers and team coaches this Friday. Teams are heading off around the Peninsula to compete in basketball, cricket, tennis and softball. The students have been training all term thanks to the Year 6 teachers and some parents. Any teams who win their days event in an "A" event will compete in the Divisional Championships in that particular sport in term 4.

Thanks to all the generous parents who will give their time and effort on this day to coach the 11 teams.

Best of luck Champs! Go Hard! Coach M







Hello Everyone, Wow!! we have had a very busy two weeks, but we would not have it any other way, lots of happy smiling faces is what we love to see.

We are getting ready for easter over the next two weeks, we will be making easter baskets for the easter bunny and decorating the room to be full of easter cheer. Chess has been very popular over the last two weeks its great to see the ones who know how to play teaching the ones who don't. On Friday we decorated cupcakes and the children had so much fun choosing what they wanted on their cupcake, we even made 2 for the teachers we share our space with.

As its almost the end of term please remember to book into holiday program, we are off the to the movies to see Wallace and Gromit and Boneo maze, as well as many in house days full of great activities full of

I also want to say THANK-YOU to each and everyone who has spoken to me, the school or TheirCare about our program your feedback is amazing, I run the program for the children with their interests at heart I make it fun, exciting, and inviting every day and to hear your children are having a great time makes my day so thank you again.

Term 2 is going to be so much fun I can already tell so you all have a wonderful holiday, and we will see you bright and early on Monday, 19th April.

If you're thinking about before or after school care but are unsure, please come on down and see us I'll answer your questions give you a tour and you can see our space.

Thanks to everyone who has booked in this term who came and had fun we look forward to seeing you all back after holidays.

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

Children's Voice

I want to come as soon as it open so I can do lots of craft.

Alice.L Grade 3





Garden Centre Working Bee



Come along and help give our beloved Garden Centre a makeover!!

When: Thursday 22nd of April (First Thursday back after Easter Holidays!)

Time: 3.45pm - 6pm

In order to focus our energy, we are asking our community to come and help in the tidy up and maintence of our Garden Centre.

Jobs which are needed to give our space a spruce up include:

- Weeding
- Moving and turning soil
- Trimming
- General Rubbish Removal
- Pruning
- Leaf Litter Removal
- General Clean Up of Garden Centre and Sheds
- · Cleaning of tank murals, and
- Plenty more!

Please RSVP your attendance by Wednesday 21st April using this Google Document.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xUzj-ONtJREn2nll5pv6vYgbw3vmO6K9gJPcyccaS8w/edit?usp=sharing

This will also enable contact tracing in adherence with Covid Safe Protocols.



Thank you and I look forward to seeing you all! Miss Rebecca Holmes ◎

LET'S DO THIS

LEARN THE NETBALL BASICS, GET OUTSIDE AND MAKE SOME FRIENDS.
PLAY SUNCORP NETSETGO



VENUE

RED HILL RECREATION RESERVE OUTDOOR NETBALL COURTS

SESSION DAYS & TIMES

WEDNESDAY'S 4PM-SPM 10WEEK PROGRAM Cost \$68.00

START DATE

21ST APRIL 2021

CONTACT

nedhill juniometbal klub@gmail.com Robyn Comer 0409873804 To register go to play.redball.com.au>netsetgo>finder>club>Red Hill





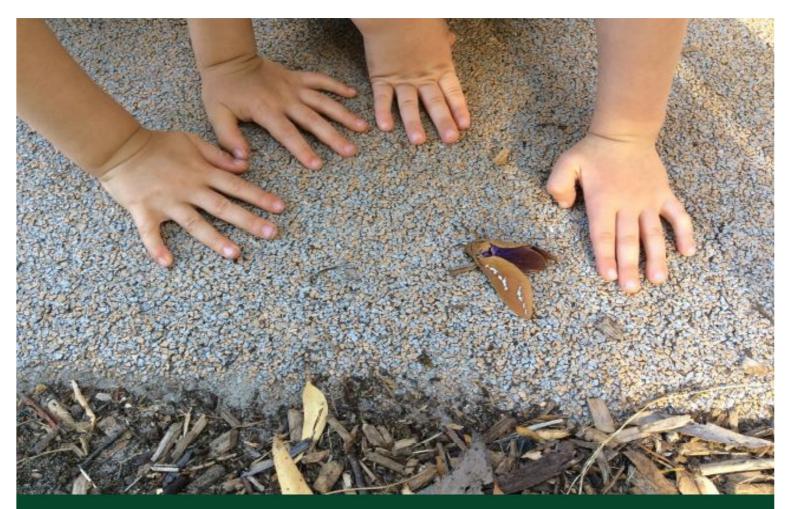


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TOUR DATES

Thursday 29th April – 4:15pm – 5:00pm

Thursday 27th May - 4:15pm - 5:00pm

Thursday 17th June – 4:15pm – 5:00pm

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