



WHAT'S ON Dates to Note

Thursday, 22nd April
School photos going home

Friday, 23rd April
Grade 6 Dromana SC Transition
Visit 9:30-11:30

Wednesday, 28th April
Whole School Cross Country

Wednesday, 5th May
Boys Netball/Girls Footy day

Tue, 11th – Thu, 13th May
NAPLAN

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

Friday, 11th June
Curriculum Day
Student free day

Monday, 14th June
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

School Council Dates

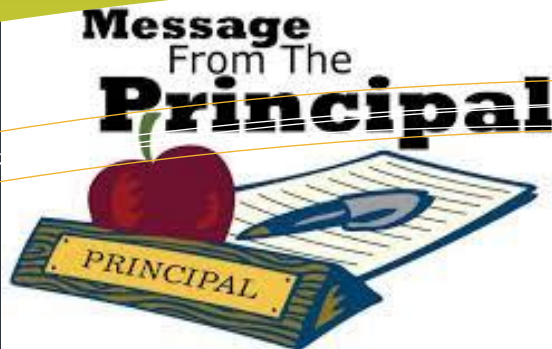
Tuesday, 25th May
Tuesday, 15th June

Term Dates

Term 2
19th April – 25th June

Term 3
12th July – 17th September

Term 4
4th October – 17th December



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back to another exciting term at Red Hill Consolidated School. I hope that you all enjoyed the break with your little ones at home. After speaking with our students, it seems like many families took the opportunity to get away over the holidays and I even bumped into a few familiar faces down at Wilson's Promontory.

First of all this fortnight, I would like to warmly welcome our newest member of staff, Alice Bainbridge. Alice will be taking over from Alissa Worboys in Grade 1W while she is on family leave. I would also like to thank Alissa and wish her the very best as she awaits the arrival of her first child.



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Our Grade 6 Circus Performance took place during the last week of Term 1, with our students showcasing their amazing talents and skills over three shows, including a night time performance to families. For those who were able to see this show, I'm sure you'd agree that it was absolutely incredible. We were so blown away by how quickly these students picked up new skills and along the way developed their confidence, independence and friendships. This truly was a spectacular event and such a unique opportunity for our students to be involved in. I would like to thank our Grade 6 teachers and of course Bronwyn and Marcos from Soul Circus for making this magical event a reality. Well done to all involved.

As reported in our last newsletter, our highly anticipated building project has begun, with the demolition and excavation completed over the school holidays. Footings will be poured over the next two weeks which will provide us with a better idea of the design's location and size. As soon as I receive the revised plans I will share the design of the building with our community on a notice board in the administration area. Just to remind you, this build will include four flexible classrooms and central common space, staff office, bathrooms and wet area, south facing deck and undercroft storage. This is such exciting news for our school. However, given that this project is taking place in the heart of our school, it will cause disruption over the course of the build. Our students are doing a wonderful job of navigating the temporary fencing and allowing extra time to return to class after their recess and lunch breaks. Please be aware that we have lost access to our gymnasium driveway. This will impact our families using Outside Hours School Care. If you are using this service you will be required to park in the staff car park and walk down to the gymnasium. I apologise if this causes you any inconvenience.



A number of other projects took place over the holidays, with two of our Grade 3 classrooms receiving new carpets and some repairs to stairs and retaining walls around the school. We were also lucky enough to secure the support of a volunteer environmental work crew from Port Phillip & Westernport Catchment Management Authority (PPWCMA), who spent three days undertaking removal and treatment of weeds around the classrooms, Lower Sandy Playground, Garden Centre and the bank north of the gymnasium. The school looks great, particularly the 'frog pond' on the northern boundary. Our thanks go out to Ian, Dan Sally, Jack, Chris, Esta, Leigh, Warren & Tanie for doing the work and Adrian Howard of PPWCMA for organising and scheduling the teams. I would also like to thank Andrew Sides for his support with these works over the break.

Our solar panels have arrived and this week our new 22kw solar system is being installed. This system will hopefully reduce our environmental footprint as well as our electricity bills. I'll be sure to post some photos of this on ClassDojo.

We are now accepting enrolments for 2022 Prep students and a number of tour dates and an information night has been scheduled for this term. If you have family or friends interested in RHCS, please make sure they are aware of these events. As you may know, all Victorian Government Schools are zoned and must manage enrolments in accordance with the Department's Placement Policy. (<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/enrolment/guidance/placement-policy>)

If you have a child starting school next year, please submit your enrolment papers, along with your child's birth certificate and immunisation records as soon as possible. This will secure your child's position at Red Hill Consolidated School and help us with the enrolment process. Enrolment packs are available from the office or can be downloaded from our web page.

And finally this week, our travel habits survey is still open. This really takes less than one minute to complete and will provide us with important information to improve our parking and traffic conditions. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T7BGG5Q> .

I hope you're all staying warm and dry with this wintery weather.

Be kind, be grateful and be mindful!

Gus Wettenhall



CONTEMPORARY LEARNING EXPERIENCE UPDATE

NAPLAN

As children progress through their school years, it is very important that checks are made along the way to see how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and mathematics – skills that will set them upon the path to success as adults. NAPLAN is a point-in-time assessment that allows parents to see how their child is progressing in literacy and numeracy against the national standard and compared with their peers throughout Australia. At the classroom level, NAPLAN provides additional information to support teachers’ professional judgement about student progress.

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are expected to participate in NAPLAN tests, and schools should not exert influence on parents to withdraw their child from the tests. NAPLAN tests give you information on how your child is progressing against national standards. This information can be used to identify areas in which your child may benefit from additional assistance. NAPLAN does not replace, but rather complements assessments run by your child’s classroom teacher throughout the year.

Parents or carers may withdraw their child from the tests to address issues such as religious beliefs and philosophical objections to testing. It is recommended that withdrawal be considered in consultation with your child’s school. If you are considering withdrawing your child please talk to your classroom teacher.

This year NAPLAN will be held from Tuesday 11th May to Thursday 13th May. Different assessments occur on each day and these are outlined in the table below:

Year	Day 1 Tuesday	Day 2 Wednesday	Day 3 Thursday
Year 3	Language conventions: 45 minutes Writing: 40 minutes	Reading: 45 minutes	Numeracy: 45 minutes
Year 5	Language conventions: 45 minutes Writing: 40 minutes	Reading: 50 minutes	Numeracy: 50 minutes

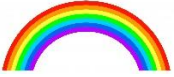
LEARNING EXPLORATIONS

This term each grade will be exploring a new Learning Exploration. Through these Learning Explorations students are looking carefully at their Big Idea and expanding their understanding of themselves and the world around them through these. The Big Ideas for this term are:

- **Prep** – “All people have similarities and differences.”
- **Grade 1** – “Scientists make discoveries every day.”
- **Grade 2** – “Every day gadgets have evolved over time to make our lives easier.”
- **Grade 3** – “Australia is made up of diverse communities.”
- **Grade 4** – “Ocean biodiversity requires conservation and community action.”
- **Grade 5** – “Effective resource management is vital to sustainability.”
- **Grade 6** – “When people take action change occurs.”

If you have expertise in a particular area we encourage you to get in touch with classroom teachers. Our students always enjoy the chance to work with parents and community members and it really enhances the learning.

Joanne Barnes



Welcome Back for a Wonderful Term 2 Red Hill Consolidated School Community Letter. It has been lovely seeing all the children back at school and so happy to be here. It will no doubt be a fun-filled and action-packed term, with new lunchtime clubs up and coming, school cross country next Wednesday, celebrations of Naidoc week in June, lots to see and lots happening with the new build and as a school we will be thinking about how grateful we are in May.

In addition to our Student Voice Team, we also have a new Student Health Team meeting to work on Mental Health & Wellbeing in alliance with Peninsula Health. Watch this space for their ideas and thoughts on how to improve our daily routine.

Empathy...our highlighted value of the month

What is empathy?

Empathy is the ability to step into the shoes of another person, aiming to understand their feelings and perspectives, and to use that understanding to guide our actions.

Building an understanding of what others are feeling, how their own actions can impact on others, and why someone might be experiencing feelings at a particular time is a valuable life skill for children to possess.

Helping young children to develop a strong sense of empathy is beneficial because:

- It helps them to build a sense of security and stronger relationships with other children and educators, positioning them well for learning
- It encourages tolerance and acceptance of others
- It promotes good mental health
- It promotes social harmony and can reduce the likelihood of bullying
- Higher levels of overall happiness

How can we help children develop empathy? Parents are children's first and most enduring teachers, and modelling empathetic behaviour is one of the best ways parents can teach their child this valuable skill. Other simple ways empathy can be developed include:

- Helping your child to [name their feelings](#), as understanding their own feelings is an important first step in understanding the feelings of others
- Talking to your child about how other people may be feeling, and why. This helps to build their emotional language and think about other people's perspectives.
- [Caring for animals](#) and plants, which helps children understand the role they play in helping another living thing survive, thrive and be happy.

Perhaps one of the simplest ways of all to help children develop a sense of empathy is by reading books together, as children learn to associate feelings and actions with their favourite characters and stories.

Some of our students reflect on what empathy means for them.

“Once my friend was hurt, my other friend helped them up and said positive things about them!” - Ace 3H

“Empathy to me is when a person shows the other three values of respect, resilience and responsibility to make others feel loved, warm and safe and it brings love into their heart” - Phoenix 6HD

“One of my friends was feeling sad and my other friend helped her with her problems- that’s empathy!” - Jemima 3H

“Empathy is a wave of all the values.” - Ro 6G

“Making sure everyone has a part.” - Oliver 6C

“Empathy is important because you help others and have respect for them, it also helps other people feel better!” - Liv 3H

“Empathy is about sharing your icy poles with others on a hot day!” - Tom 5F

“Talking to someone and really listening to them is showing empathy .”- Mia 6G

Strategies to Teach Empathy at Any Age

- ✓ **Model** empathy.
- ✓ **Discuss** emotions.
- ✓ **Help out** at home, in the community, or globally.
- ✓ **Praise** empathetic behavior.

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As always, should you or your family be experiencing any concerns or hardships and you wish to discuss how the school can help to support your children, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at louise.kusel@education.vic.gov.au

Have a wonderful week, and I will leave you with this great expression- “Be mindfulnot..... mindful!”

Louise Kusel – Acting Wellbeing Coordinator.



SPORTS REPORT

During the school holidays, Macey B from 4G attended Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre to represent the school in the Interschool Victoria State Championships. The Championships were run from 10th-14th April and consisted of a variety of different disciplines of competition; Show Jumping, Combined Training, Dressage and Showing.



Macey and her pony, Zorro, competed in Show Jumping, Combined Training and Dressage in some interesting weather.

Macey represented the school proudly and had fantastic results in all of her competitions. Of particular note, Macey and Zorro placed 7th in the state for Show Jumping.





RED HILL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL



ON-LINE LUNCH ORDERS

You can now order your child's lunch online @ www.myschoolconnect.com.au/

Download the App at the App Store or Google play

We have everything ready to go to make Lunch orders easy. All you need to do is register, add your kids, don't forget their grades, choose their lunch and we will take care of the rest. You can order in advance or on the morning until 9am Too easy!!

CANTEEN LUNCH ORDERS

For orders direct to Canteen Please write the following details for your child's lunch order on a Paper Bag:

Child's Name & Grade, Food order, Cash amount enclosed

Food Allergies in Red Pen
Please provide one bag per order

*If a bag is not supplied 20c for a bag will need to be included.
* To help us to comply with Food Safety Regulations all Paper Bags must be new



Grab a Coffee or Hot Choc on Canteen Day
Hot Chocolate \$2.20
Coffee \$3.50
Tea \$2.00
Light Milk and Soy Available

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CANTEEN MENU



Nutritional Guide

All The Food in this Canteen Menu has been ranked by Nutrition experts using smiley faces. This allows you to make informed choices about your child's daily nutritional requirements.

😊😊=Green 😊= Amber

This Menu is in line with the DEECD School Canteen and other School food Policy

Whilst we offer Gluten Free choices they are prepared with care in a Gluten environment

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TUMMY TEASERS

Available for lunch orders and every Canteen day at Recess and Lunchtime

😊😊 Orange 1/4	.30c
😊😊 Slinky Apple	\$1.00c
😊😊 Slice of Fruit in Season	\$1.00c
😊 Mini Muffin	\$1.00c
😊 Anzac Biscuit	\$1.00c
😊 Corn Flake cookies (Gluten Free)	\$1.00c
😊😊 Garlic Finger	.50c
😊😊 Fresh pop corn Small	.50c
😊 Ginger Bread People	\$2.00
😊😊 Yoghurt Tubs—Topped with Fruit Coulis	
Sml- \$1.00 Med- \$1.50 Lge-\$2.00	
Available Frozen	
😊😊 Quelch—Frozen Fruit Icy Pole	\$1.00

DRINKS

😊😊 Juice Box 250ml- Apple /Orange	
Apple & Blackcurrant	\$2.00
😊 Oak Milk 250ml	
Choc / Straw /Van	\$2.60
😊😊 Plain Milk cup	\$2.60
😊😊 Lactose Free Choc Milk	\$2.60
😊 Hot Chocolate	\$2.20
😊😊 Bottled water	\$1.60



Red Hill Consolidated School

SPECIAL MEAL DAYS

MUNCHY MONDAY

- 😊😊 Home made Chicken Noodle soup \$4.50
Served with a dinner Roll

TASTY TUESDAY

- 😊😊 Meat Ball sub \$5.50
Beef meat balls with passata sauce and cheese in a garlic buttered long roll.

WICKED WEDNESDAY

- 😊😊 Crispy Chicken Tender Wrap \$5.00
With Lettuce and Mayonnaise
Add cheese .50c

TEMPTING THURSDAY

- 😊😊 Steamed Dim Sims \$1.00
Gluten Free \$1.50
With or without Soy sauce

FANCY FRIDAY

- 😊 Hot Dog \$4.00
White long roll and Frankfurt
Add Cheese .40
With or without sauce or mustard

SPECIAL MEAL DEAL

Include an Oak Milk or Plain Milk for \$2.40

Add a Slinky Apple, Anzac, Corn Flake Cookie or a Mini Muffin for .90c each

RIGHT-ON-WRAPPS

Tortilla Style Wrap with your choice of:

😊😊 Cheese & Salad	\$4.00
😊😊 Ham & Salad	\$5.00
😊😊 Chicken & Salad	\$5.00
😊😊 Tuna & Salad	\$5.00

Add cheese for .50c and avocado for \$1.00

SUPER SALAD BOWL

- 😊😊 Super Salad Bowl \$4.00

Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber & Cheese

Add any extra filling for \$1.00 EA

Chicken, Ham, Tuna, Egg, or Avocado

YUM! YUM! YUM!



HOT ITEMS ANY DAY

Meal Deal Any Day

- 😊 Penne Pasta & Oak Milk \$6.40
Add a Slinky Apple, Anzac, Corn Flake Cookie or a Mini Muffin for .90c each

😊😊 Penne Pasta with Cheese	\$4.00
(Available Gluten Free)	\$4.40
😊😊 Mini Corn Cob	\$1.00
😊😊 Hard Boiled Egg	\$1.00
😊😊 Fresh Chicken Zoomer	
With or without cheese	\$4.80
😊😊 Tuna, Chicken or Ham Melt	
Toasted with Corn & cheese	\$4.80
😊😊 Pita Pizzas Margarita	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese	\$4.40
Hawaiian	\$4.80

SUPER SANDWICHES

& ROCK 'N' ROLLS

Your Choice White Hi Fibre/Wholemeal Rolls are available for an extra 60c
Gluten Free Bread .60c Lactose Free Cheese .60c

😊 Vegemite	\$2.40
😊 Honey	\$2.40
😊😊 Cheese	\$2.70
😊😊 Cheese & Vegemite	\$3.00
😊😊 Cheese & Lettuce	\$3.20
😊😊 Cheese & Tomato	\$3.20
😊😊 Egg	\$3.20
😊😊 Egg & Lettuce	\$3.70
😊😊 Fresh Chicken	\$3.70
😊😊 Fresh Chicken & Salad	\$5.00
😊😊 Ham	\$3.70
😊😊 Ham & Salad	\$5.00
😊😊 Ham & Cheese	\$4.20

Extra fillings, Tomato, Cheese, Carrot, Lettuce
All extra fillings are 60c each
Avocado \$1.00

Truly Tasty Toasties

😊 Vegemite	\$2.40
😊😊 Cheese	\$2.70
😊😊 Ham	\$3.70
😊😊 Ham & Cheese	\$4.20
😊😊 Chicken & Cheese	\$4.20
😊😊 Cheese & Vegemite	\$3.00
😊😊 Cheese & Tomato	\$3.20
😊😊 Ham, Cheese & tomato	\$4.80

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- casual wear outside of school
- change of circumstances

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Open Wednesday and Friday 10:00 – 1:00 or by arrangement.

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Phone [0490 058 596](tel:0490058596) for an appointment.

