



RICHMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Learning & Caring for Life'

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Department for Education and
Child Development

Principal: Tracey Davies

Dear families,

It is with great pleasure that we can now announce that Tracey Davies has been reappointed as Principal of Richmond PS for the next 5 years.

Deb Graham, our Regional Education Director has sent her congratulatory response;

Tracey's leadership has inspired, supported and challenged the staff to provide a learning environment in which all children are valued and in which their learning is always focused upon. Tracey models the values of the school and encourages all she comes in contact with to do the same. Tracey's leadership also extends outside of Richmond PS as she actively seeks to influence our Department of Education and is a true collaborative leader with her peers in other sites. I have the utmost confidence that Richmond PS will continue to develop and provide students with a wonderful learning environment under Tracey's leadership.

Recently we were able to witness yet another ACARA cross curricula priority focus at our school; providing the opportunity for all young Australians to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures, deep knowledge traditions and holistic world views. Uncle Moogy Sumner visited Ms Emma and Ms Renie's classes to extend their understanding of indigenous people and places. Seerat in Year 1 wrote; *Uncle Moogy brought Aboriginal artefacts with him. We touched boomerangs, spears, message sticks and a shield. I felt very happy.*



Much time and energy has been invested in your child's report recently. These reports will help you to better understand how your child is progressing and how our teachers are supporting your child's development. These will be sent home Wednesday next week.

Each learning area has achievement and effort indicators Achievement standards describe what students should typically know, understand and be able to do and can be found on the ACARA website;

<https://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/parent-information/>

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Points of Interest

- **TUESDAY 3/7/18**
Year 3/4 Excursion
- **WEDNESDAY 4/7/18**
SCHOOL PHOTOS
- **THURSDAY 5/7/18**
Year 3 Excursion
IELC Graduation
- **FRIDAY 6/7/18**
Assembly
LAST DAY OF TERM 2
2.00p.m. DISMISSAL

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Our teachers use the achievement standards to make on-balance judgments about the quality of learning demonstrated by students – that is, whether the students have achieved below, at or above the standard. To make judgments, teachers draw on assessment data they have collected throughout the first semester this year. An achievement level has not been assigned for Italian as it is a newly introduced subject. A 'Parenting Ideas Insights' by Michael Grose has once again been included in this newsletter as it may help as a precursor to reading your child's report.

During the upcoming holidays we are planning to acquire the remainder of our STEM furnishings, resources and complete any necessary changes. We are also hoping to begin the next exciting development, our new outdoor Nature Play area. We hope you will enjoy the last week of this term and the winter break ahead. We look forward to welcoming you back for Term 3 on Monday 23rd July.

Moving?

To assist us with student numbers and class placements for Term 3 could you please notify our front office staff in person or via email dl.0381.info@schools.sa.edu.au if your family has decided to move to another school? There are many reasons for relocation and change of school so if you could "keep us in the loop" it would be most appreciated.

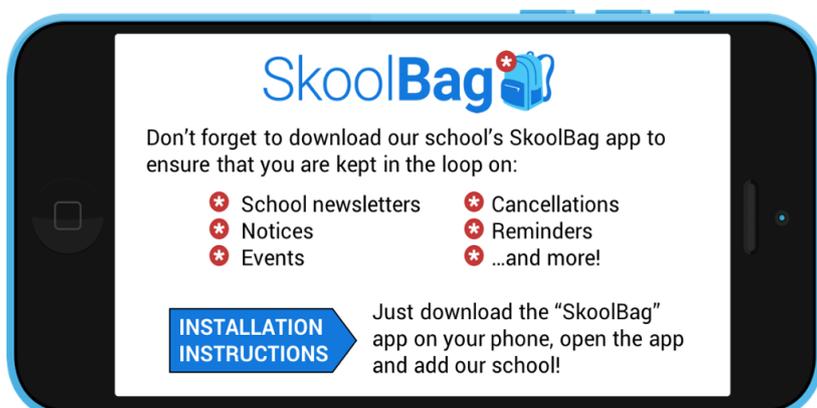


RICHMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNICATION TO PARENTS

From the beginning of Term 3 Richmond Primary School newsletters will be communicated via our school website and SkoolBag – paper copies will only be available upon request from the Front Office.

The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up to date with school events, last minute notices, Assembly times and more!!

If you don't already have the SkoolBag App—please follow the instructions below today!!



iPhone/iPad Users – search 'Richmond Primary School Keswick' in the App Store.

Android Users – Search 'Richmond Primary Keswick' in Google Play Store.

Drop Off and Pick Up

Please model safe behaviour
Please pay attention to road and parking rules



Please refrain from using staff carpark



Another Super Swimmer from Richmond
Congratulations to Jaagriti. She recently won a
bronze medal for freestyle swimming.

STEM Day at Warriappendi School

A group of students and Mrs B went to Warriappendi School for a STEM Day recently. We constructed and tested CO₂ Cars. Did you know that the CO₂ Cars can go for 70 miles per hour? We also learnt how to create a strong truss bridge. We designed and made a bridge made up of pop sticks. We had to make our bridge so strong it could hold bricks. Our bridge (Angel, Jashan and Raji) was the winner, it held the weight of 7.5 kg (3 bricks).

We really enjoyed the adventure of learning and we appreciate the teachers and students of Warriappendi High School for inviting us.

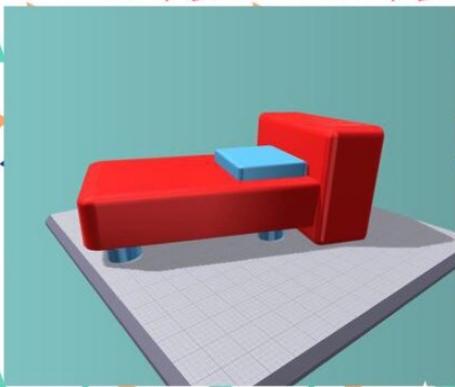
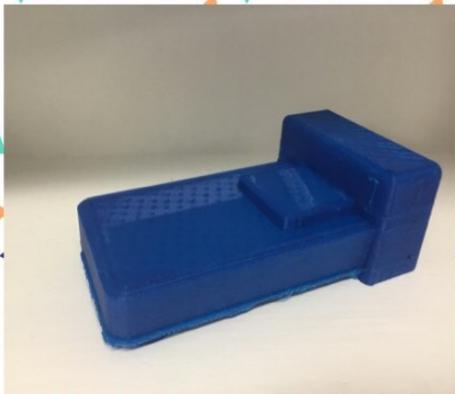
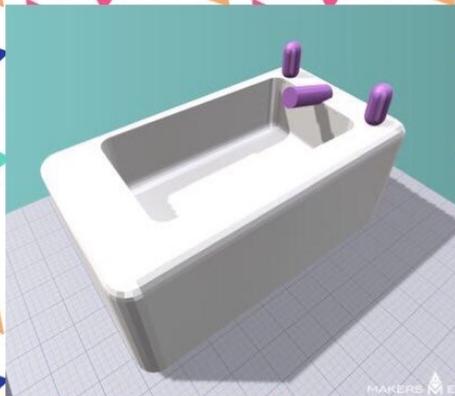
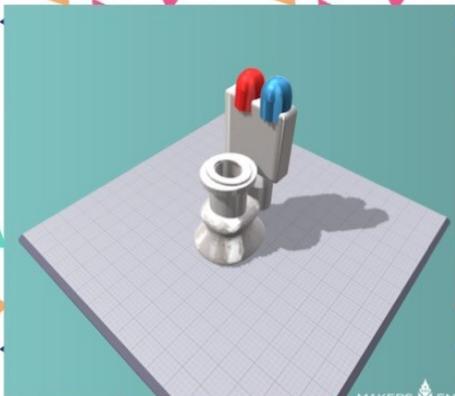


IELC2 STEM CHALLENGE

WE HAVE DESIGNED
FURNITURE FOR OUR DOLLS
HOUSE USING MAKERS
EMPIRE.



**WE HAVE USED THE
3D PRINTER TO
PRINT OUR DESIGNS**



Soccer Fever!

Hi Everyone,

This week I am playing at the SAPSASA Soccer State Carnival. So far it has been awesome! There were 4 soccer trials earlier this year and I got to meet students from other schools. I did not make it into the Airport District team but I was selected to play for the Lower Eyre Peninsula team, I was really excited.

This week I have met lots of new really nice people. I am playing with Year 6/7 girls who live in and near Port Lincoln which is on the Eyre Peninsula. We have won some matches and I have played in defence and midfield. We play teams from other country areas, like Mid North, Barossa & Light, Onkaparinga and Northern Yorke Peninsula.

Tomorrow we are going to Bounce as a team, to have some fun and to get to know each other better. It has been a really great experience and I am glad I tried out. I will definitely go to try outs again next year.

Harmony

Hi Everyone,

Recently I was in Serbia to learn more soccer. I took part in a Soccer Camp/Tournament, representing Dragos Football Academy. I was selected as part of the Under 12s squad. For 2 weeks we practised twice a day, learnt from some European coaches and got really good at soccer.

A highlight for me was going with my dad, spending time with some of my friends and playing the game I love. I hope to play for the A League when I am older, taller and stronger! Jack



We are proud of our Litter Busters from Ms Angela's class!

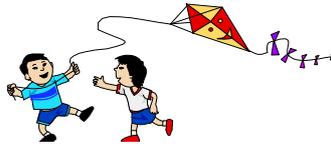
Thank you to these students for taking pride in our school and spending their break times to address the problem of littering in the yard. The next step is ask all of our students to use the bins provided to dispose of their litter and follow the positive example these children are setting.

END OF TERM 2 FRIDAY 6 JULY

SCHOOL DISMISSAL 2.00p.m.

OSHC AVAILABLE FOR THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

PHONE 3510794 TO BOOK YOUR CHILD(REN) IN FOR VACATION CARE



“Famous Persons Day”

Casual Day

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Gold Coin Donation



advancedlife
photography

School photos will be taken on **Wednesday July 4** this year. Each student was given an envelope from the photographers explaining the packs available. If you pay on-line you do not need to return your envelope to the school. If you are paying cash you need to return the photo envelope to the school with the correct money inside (change will not be provided) and the child's details on the front of the envelope.

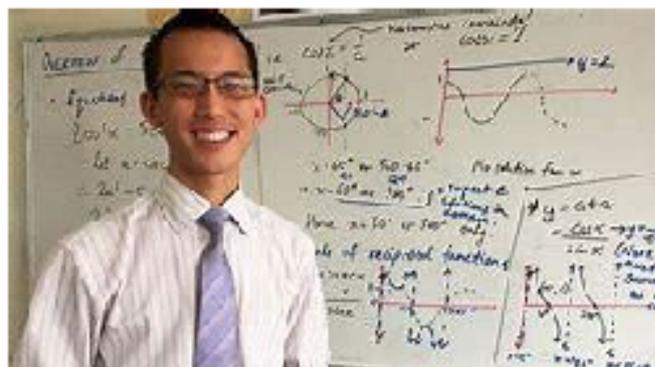
STEM really does Matter!

Tern 2 Week 9

This week some of our Richmond Primary School teachers and I went to listen to Eddie Woo, a famous maths teacher. He just LOVES maths!

On 25 January 2018 Woo won the National Australia's local hero Award at the Australian of the Year Awards.

You and your parents might like to know more about Eddie Woo by accessing this link.



<https://www.youtube.com/user/misterwootube>

Something fun to do is reading words on your calculator? You can if you turn it upside down!

Find a calculator. Got it? Good. Now type in 0.7734 Turn the display upside down. Hello!

Try these sums on your calculator. Turn the answer upside down and you should get a word.

1. $39459 \div 7 =$

(Spiders have 8 but millipedes do not have millions)

2. $15469 \times 5 =$

(Put it to your ear and you may hear the sea.)

3. *The square root of 59876644. You may need to find out what this means!*

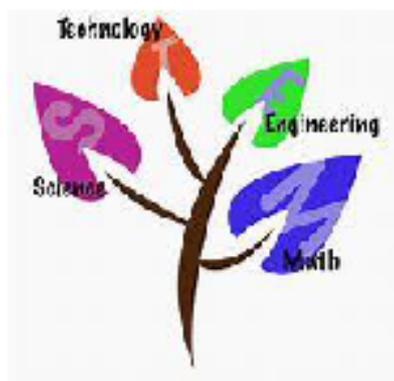
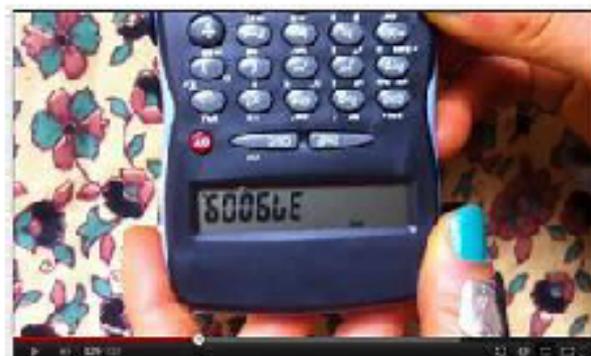
(It sounds like he invented the telephone.)

4. $10\,000 - 9\,393$

(It's easy to fall off this)

5. $1792202 \times 3 =$

(Put these on to see underwater)



There are loads more words you can make up. Try them for yourself.

Can you make a five letter word?

Can anyone make up a whole sentence?

Can anyone find another 7 letter word, or even more?

Have fun and send in your work to me, Mrs B!

Parenting *ideas*

INSIGHTS

Building parent-school partnerships

WORDS Michael Grose

Reading your child's report

Reports can mean anxious times for children. Will my parents be disappointed or proud? This is the main concern of most children.

Could try harder ... always does her best ... lacks concentration ... easily distracted ... a pleasure to teach ... Do these comments, taken from a batch of student reports sound familiar? Student reports bring mixed feelings for parents. Pleasure and pride if they are performing well but considerable angst when children are not progressing as you hoped.

Reports can mean anxious times for children too. Will my parents be disappointed or proud? This is the main concern of most children. Kids of all ages take their cues from their parents, so your reaction to their school report can affect the way they see themselves as learners and as people.

Before you rip open the sealed envelope containing the report do a little self-check to see if you are in the right frame of mind:

1 Are your expectations for your son or daughter realistic and in line with their ability?

Expectations are tricky. If they are too high then kids can be turned off learning. Too low and there is nothing to strive for. Pitch your expectations in line with your child's abilities. A quick check of your child's last report cards may provide you with a good yardstick.

2 Do you believe that children learn at different rates?

There are slow bloomers, late developers and steady-as-you-go kids in every classroom, so

avoid comparing your child to siblings, your friends' children and even yourself when you were a child. Instead look for individual progress.

3 Are you willing to safeguard your child's self-esteem rather than deflate it?

Self-confidence is a pre-requisite for learning, so be prepared to be as positive and encouraging as possible.

School reports come in different formats. Some are prescriptive while some use grading systems such as A, B, C, etc. with room for teacher comments. Regardless of the format school reports should provide you with an idea of your child's progress in all subject areas, their attitude and social development.

Here are some ideas to consider when you open your child's report:

- **Focus on strengths.** Do you look for strengths or weaknesses first? The challenge is to focus on strengths even if they are not in the traditional 3Rs or core subjects.
- **Take into account your child's effort and attitude to learning.** If the report indicates that effort is below standard, then you have something to work on. If your child is putting in the required effort, then you cannot ask any more than that, regardless of the grading.

- **Broaden your focus away** from academic performance to form a picture of your child's progress as a member of a social setting. How your child gets along with his or her peers will influence his happiness and well-being, as well as give an indicator to his future. The skills of independence and co-operation are highly valued by employers so don't dismiss these as unimportant.
- **Take note of student self-assessment.** Kids are generally very honest and will give a realistic assessment of their progress. They are generally very perceptive so take note of their opinions.
- **Discuss the report with your son or daughter** talking about strengths first before looking at areas that need improvement. Ask for their opinion about how they performed and discuss their concerns.

After reports are read and discussed celebrate your child's efforts with a special activity or treat. In this way you will recognise progress and remind them that the holidays are just around the corner when they can forget about assessment, tests and reports for a while.

Michael Grose



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Languages Alive!

Language and cultural workshops
18 and 19 July 2018



Discover new languages and cultures with our school holiday program for kids. Workshops are hands-on opportunities for children to enjoy exploring new languages and cultures.

All children will receive a show bag of goodies and make a range of arts and crafts over the day to take home.

With 4 different workshops per day, why not book in for both days and enjoy all of the experiences on offer.



Reception to Year 7



18 and 19 July 2018

9.30am to 3.30pm



School of Languages

255 Torrens Rd, West Croydon



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Chinese

Discover dragon culture. Learn how to write simple Chinese characters using ink and brush on Chinese rice paper.

French

Design your own Eiffel tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows.

Hindi

Learn to dance like a Bollywood star and draw your own Rangoli and henna patterns.

Italian

Learn to play cards - Italian style!

Japanese

Become a Ninja and participate in an action packed game and quiz.

Korean

Take part in a real Korean tea ceremony.

Spanish

Learn about Spanish music and instruments and make some maracas to take home

Register online
www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive

