



RICHMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Learning & Caring for Life'

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Dear families,

We would like to draw your attention to a number of upcoming events. Firstly there will be a **Pupil Free Day on Friday 8th March**. On this day teachers will receive professional development focusing on best practice and advice in terms of numeracy. One of our Site Improvement goals is to increase achievement of all of our students in the higher achievements range in numeracy. A recap of the day's events will follow in our next newsletter. OSHC will be open on this day if you require care for your child, but please book in now to ensure a position.



We look forward to our much loved and well recognised **Harmony Day Celebrations, Friday 22nd March**. Please refer to flyer in this newsletter. We will welcome His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia, and Mrs Lan Le and there will be a variety of performances. Children are asked to dress in national/traditional clothes or orange.

Our school will also take part in an External Review process in Week 8. Each school undertakes this within a three year cycle as a form of "health check". Each school is given an overarching question; "How well does the school improve achievement, growth, challenge, engagement and equity?" We also have lines of inquiry which are site specific, derived from our data and conversations. All of our staff have been asked to be involved and we would like to hear from **parents who are available to meet with the Review Team on Tuesday 19th March, 9-10 am**. (Via email or phone please).

Over the next two weeks parents and teachers will have the opportunity to meet for **parent/teacher interviews** and discuss our core business; your child and the teaching and learning process. Presently our South Rd sign highlights the importance of working together; child, parent and teacher, to achieve successful outcomes.

Lastly, we have had some recent staff changes. Glenn Hart has accepted a full-time Wellbeing Counsellor's position at Kilkenny Primary and Renie Sotiropoulos has accepted a Project Officer's role with the Department for Education. We are pleased to welcome Ryan Harris as Year 1/2 class teacher commencing this week until the end of Term 2 and our Wellbeing position is currently pending. We wish both Glenn and Renie every success in their new roles.

Cordiali saluti (Kind regards),

Ella and Stacey



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Points of Interest

- **4/3/19 — 15/3/19**
Parent / Teacher Interviews
- **THURSDAY 7/3/19 Yrs. 3-7 Assembly**
- **FRIDAY 8/3/19**
PUPIL FREE DAY
- **MONDAY 11/3/19**
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- **22/3/19 HARMONY DAY**
ASSEMBLY 11.30 a.m



Once again Richmond Primary has been privileged to have our friend and author Phil Cummings visit our school. Phil conducted writing workshops with the two Years 5/6 classes, the Year 7s, IELP 4 and our newly formed Writers Club consisting of 30 students from years 5-7. Phil gave the students a window into his writer's world with his usual personal and often amusing anecdotes, many of them becoming the basis for his books. He deconstructed the language choices and his purpose as an author for choosing them in his beautiful picture book "Ride Ricardo Ride" and guided the students through the process of getting a book just right and ready to be published. He then led the students through a process for developing and extending language choices and gave them the opportunity to practise this for themselves.

The Writers Club was privileged to have an extra session with Phil where they had the opportunity to stretch their writing skills and to use more descriptive phrases. They were also lucky to have a Q and A where they got to know a lot more about Phil the author and Phil the man and Phil generously signed all of their Writers' Notebooks.

All of our students were so engaged with Phil's writing workshops as you can see in the photos and left with the knowledge that each one of them has the potential to be a writer. Phil's writing "tips" will be further developed in the classrooms this term with our focus on narrative writing. His beautiful books will be used as models of excellent author craft. As a school we thank Phil for once again inspiring our students to become lifelong writers and giving them the confidence and skills to have a go.





2019 Schools Fees

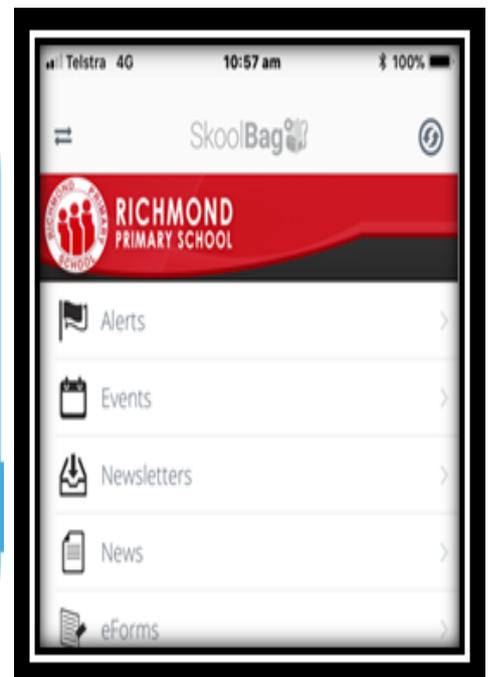
Thank you to those that have finalised or made arrangements for payment of schools fees which were due on the 28th of February. If you have not already finalised payment or made arrangements for payment please do so by Monday 4th of March 2019.

Thank you, Nathalie Finance



Thank you to these wonderful Litter Busters!

Ananya and Manreet have been picking up litter in our yard. Our school community is proud of your efforts. We hope more children will use the bins more often to place their litter in. This will help to eliminate any litter in our yard in the future.



iPhone/iPad Users—search 'Richmond Primary School Keswick' in the App Store.
Android Users—Search 'Richmond Primary School Keswick' in Google Play.

Harmony Day at Richmond Primary School 2019



Friday 22 March 11.30am

His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia, and Mrs Lan Le, will be in attendance.

Community members welcome.

Please be seated prior to 11.30am

Our school hall has a predetermined seating capacity, standing room at the rear of the hall may need to be utilised. We will have priority seating for senior citizens and community members with mobility concerns. Please consider the amount of family members you may consider inviting and keep this to a minimum if possible.

11.30 am Welcome from Richmond PS students (Kauma welcome) and Ella Blake, Principal Richmond PS

11.35am National Anthem

11.40 am Student Performances

11.50 Honourable Hieu Van Le AC addresses Richmond Primary School community.

12 Whole School Performance

12.10 Student Performances

12.50 Assembly concluded





We are sorting out words, in Words their Way.



We are practising to form our letters correctly.



IELC5 is learning about community Helpers.



TROUPE AUDITION DETAILS: 4:15 – 5:30pm / (Vocalist audition) 5:30 – 6:00pm



Wednesday 6 March – Stomping Ground Studios

9 Stepney St, Stepney

Thursday 7 March– Cheryl Bradley Dance Studio

1 Clearview Cres, Clearview (Access via Leicester Street)

Wednesday 13 March– Flava Dance Studio

15 Hampton St, South Goodwood

Thursday 14 March – Ding Productions Warehouse

Corner Light Tce and James Street, Thebarton (enter off James St)



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Lunchtime Clubs

Ms Narelle (our Pastoral Care Worker) and I, have started six lunchtime clubs to provide socially engaging activities for students as an occasional alternative to lunchtime yard play. Together we have developed the following six lunchtime clubs:

- Card games
- Knitting (Yarning)
- Music (Singing with choreography)
- Recorder
- Mandala colouring
- Jig-saw

We have needed to restrict student numbers in the various clubs to maximise their functionality and we have also needed to limit students to one club each week. Across the year we will make the clubs available to different classes so that all students have the opportunity to participate in a lunchtime club for one term. At the moment (across the six clubs) we have eighty three students participating in lunchtime clubs each week.

Glenn Hart

Yarn Club



**Narelle Schultz - Pastoral Care Worker
(PCW)**



This year Knitting Club is having a “makeover”...enter the Yarn Club!

The **Yarn Club** is all about three main things - chatting (having a “good old yarn”), learning about wool creations (using “yarn”) and working together towards giving back to the community.

This term, we have started with plaiting friendship bracelets. Next, we will be learning the wonderful art of knitting, and are currently exploring how we can put our talents together to create something special for people in need in the wider community.

If any parents, grandparents or caregivers are interested in hearing more about being involved in any way with a Yarn Club community project, please let me know! You can contact me at the school on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

Warm regards

Narelle Schultz

Pastoral Care Worker (PCW)

Mondays: 12-3pm

Wednesdays: 11:30am-3pm

Friday: 11am-3pm