## **Richmond Primary School Newsletter**



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### Term 1, Week 10, 2020 Week ending Friday 03 April

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### WELCOME

Dear families.

Our Richmond Primary School community is an incredibly supportive one. Thank you for helping us to plan our teaching and learning programs by completing our recent surveys. We realise this has been tricky as there are so many issues to consider. We are trying to estimate student attendance numbers for Term 2 in order to best utilise next week's Pupil Free Days.

These Pupil Free Days are purposed to help us plan and prepare for new models of learning that can be delivered consistently to students at home and at school. Please be reminded our OHSC service is available during next week and in the holiday break. Bookings are essential.

We also surveyed our families in regards to devices and internet connection. For those of you who have indicated you do not have a device and will continue at home learning next term, we are loaning equipment. Our staff have been made contact with these families and arrangements are being made. In general terms we will loan iPads to



Reception to Year 2 students and laptops for Year 3-7 students as of Monday 6 April. This will operate from the school library, between the hours of 9am -2pm, 6- 9 April. This will include a signed agreement. If you believe you may require a loaned device and we have not made contact with you, please call 8293 1863 to organise this.

To finish on a positive note, last Friday's Pop Up Distance Disco (and ice block) was great fun and well received by staff and students alike. Today's Dress Up (and once

again...ice block) was another chance to join together and have some fun.

I imagine we will all be thinking of

each other over the holiday break. We will continue to communicate any updates as efficiently as possible. Please take the extra precautions to stay safe. Thank you once again for your support.

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success." Henry Ford
Kind regard,
Ella

### 2020 DIARY DATES

### TERM 1

<u>April</u>

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day

4 Pupil Free Days before Easter (6, 7, 8 and 9 April) for all of our schools and preschools.)

TERM 2

May

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> RPS Pupil Free Day

TERM DATES:

Term 2 27<sup>th</sup> April - Fri July 3 July
Term 3 Mon 20<sup>th</sup> July - Fri 25<sup>th</sup> September
Term 4 Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri 11<sup>th</sup> December

### **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

In regards to learning at home; we can only ask that you do the best you can. We are all adapting to many changes. Perhaps for some of you, your work commitments have changed or you may be working from a home space for the first time. We need to consider all of the needs of our family members whilst working with children either online or via take home packs.

Teaching and learning is presently a delicate balance for all of us. Please aim to engage your children with meaningful work that is also manageable for you. The <u>Our Learning SA</u> curriculum portal is an excellent resource and one that can be used by both staff and parents at this time. This link also helps to briefly explain each year level's curriculum <a href="https://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/parent-information">https://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/parent-information</a>

IELP (Intensive English Language Program) students and teacher always work on a modified curriculum.

Take home packs will still be available to pick up next week, Monday- Thursday. Please be aware, it is not expected that children are completing school work in the holidays. As additional support, our school library is open next week, 9am -2pm for students to return loaned books and borrow new ones if required.

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### **OSHC**

OSHC services are available for the 4 Pupil Free Days, Monday 06 – Thursday 09 April as well as the April school holidays Bookings are essential. Program details are available on Skoolbag and at the end of the newsletter

### STUDENT ACTION TEAM

End of Term One Messages from the Student Action Team Hello families,

We hope you stay safe and keep others safe. Because of COVID-19 people can't do as many things. So instead, you can stay home, spending more time with your families and pets. Remember to enjoy your hobbies and most

important stay calm. Chit.

Due to the Covid-19 virus, we've been afraid, we've been anxious but there's one thing that we all feel and that's confusion. When will it end? When will things go back to normal? But more importantly, what will we do? Well to answer your questions, we will stay calm and interact more with our immediate families. We will connect to others using technology. Now is a time to spend with family and stay together. Sandro.

The recent Covid-19 has been confusing, but we're going to get through it, all we need to do is stay calm. Whilst stuck at home, there are various activities you can try out such as: Reading, writing, baking, playing outside with pets (if you have any), call family members and even do online tasks. Stay safe and clean. Georgia.



# DRESS UP DAY FRIDAY 03 APRIL 2020

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# Richmond Primary School Pupil Free Days and Vacation Care Program

Ŋ	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	OSHC available for the 4 Pupil Free Days in week 11
<u></u>	Tuesday 31st	Bookings essential
) X	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	*Program to be confirmed*
🔆	Thursday 2	CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY
∭еек <u>11</u>	Monday 13 April	EASTER MONDAY Public Holiday - Vacation Care CLOSED
Easter Monday	Tuesday 14 April	FUN EASTER DAY CELEBRATION  Egg hunts, Easter games  Lots of Easter arts activities  Daily activities posted in OSHC  PLEASE BRING LUNCH
WEEK 1	Wednesday 15 April	WHEELS DAY and AUTUMN CRAFT  classic movies to watch  Bring Bikes, Scooters, helmets and safety gear  Daily activities posted in OSHC  LUNCH PROVIDED
	Thursday 16 April	Life skills - LETS BUILD and MAKE  CARPENTRY and SEWING DAY  Daily activities posted in OSHC  PLEASE BRING LUNCH
	Friday 17 April	Cultural Day - Learning about the cultural diversity of staff and families  of our service  Design and make your own jewellery and fun friendship bracelets  Daily activities posted in OSHC LUNCH PROVIDED
Week 2	Monday 20 April	CHEFS HATS ON All day cooking  Sushi making, Cake delights And yummy soup  Plus more Autumn Arts and Craft  Daily activities posted in OSHC  LUNCH PROVIDED
	Tuesday 21 April	SCIENCE CHALLENGELet's build a CLOCK and some great, so easy science experiments to Daily activities posted in OSHC  PLEASE BRING LUNCH
	Wednesday 22 April	Kite Making plus celebrate EARTH DAY Daily activities posted in OSHC PLEASE BRING LUNCH
	Thursday 23 April	more Kite Flying and Autumn Arts Daily activities posted in OSHC PLEASE BRING LUNCH
	Friday 24 April	Plus ANZAC DAY Activities  Make the Australia Flag, Design your own Poppy wreaths and cook Anzac biscu  Daily activities posted in OSHC BBQ LUNCH PROVIDED