

Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

Understanding Poverty

On Friday the 5th of April Rainbow P-12 College will be hosting day 2 of the "Bridges out of Poverty" professional learning. As well as all Rainbow staff, teachers and staff from other district schools will be participating in a full day to learn more about how to provide a more inclusive setting for our students and teachers to learn in.

The content of the workshops is drawn from Ruby Payne's "A Framework for Understanding Poverty":

This discusses the hidden rules that govern how each of us behaves in our social class. These rules, because they are hidden and only known to those within the group, can prove to be a major stumbling block for individuals trying to operate in a different social class. Students from poverty often languish in classrooms because middle class rules are usually those that govern, yet as educators, we can be unaware of the price we and our students are paying, and what we can do about it. Children of different classes need not suffer through an educational system oblivious to their needs.

Day 1 was extremely enlightening and relevant and I am sure the second day will provide all of us with a greater understanding of how to create a supportive and inclusive learning environment.

Public Safety

Our school has recently purchased a new Zoll defibrillator unit to be easily accessible in case of emergency. Once all of the mounting equipment arrives we will advise the community, through our newsletter, where the unit is located.

Teacher Housing

The four vacant teacher units on King Street will go to Auction on Friday the 5th of April at 2:00pm. Please contact North West Real Estate for further information.

School Council



School Council

The next School Council Meeting will be Monday the 13th of May at 7:30pm.

Calendar 2019

March

Mon 25th Jodie Toering- author visit
Tues 26th MARC Van

April

Mon 1 /Tue 2 Parent Teacher Interviews

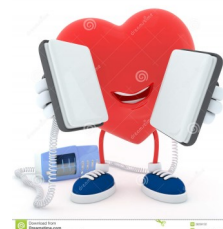
Thur 4th School finishes at 2.30pm
Fri 5th **Student free day**
Staff PD day

Term 2

Tues 23 Start of Term 2
Thu 25 ANZAC day –no school
Tue 30 Senior school athletics

May

Fri 3 Cluster X Country @ Beulah (Jr)
Mon 6 Little Desert Aths @ Nhill (Sr)
Tue 7 MARC van
Wed 15 P-12 X Country
Tue 21 MARC van
Little Desert X Country @ Kaniva



Students of the Week



Sharni, Kayla & Sally (Millie absent)



Christian, Lewis, Chelsea & Gracie

Here are the reasons for this week's awards

Christian – for demonstrating self-control and zest in completing tasks in D&T

Chelsea – for her enthusiastic approach to activities in Ag and Hort

Gracie – for always being enthusiastic and staying on task in Humanities

Lewis – for displaying zest and persistence in his Mathematics class

Sally – for consistently displaying all the school character strengths, both in and out of the classroom

Millie – for demonstrating respect and social intelligence, being an all-rounder and showing an awareness of those around her

Sharni – for her respect and social intelligence, always showing kindness to classmates and others at school, in the classroom and in the yard

Kayla – for her respect in helping others, self-control in coping positively with change and using her initiative in class



From our School Captains– Liam & Mikayla

Hi everyone! For those who may not already know, we are the School Captains at Rainbow P-12 College for 2019, Liam Preston and Mikayla Keller.

This will be a regular section in the newsletter each week, where we will write about and discuss different topics. For example, it could be about achievements of our students, values or behaviours we would like to see students demonstrating at home/school, or even just a quote. We might even sneak in a cheeky joke or two every now and again!

We are both very approachable people, and if anyone - parents, guardians, students or anyone from the wider community, have anything that they wish to speak to us about, we encourage you to come and have a chat.

This week, we would like to acknowledge those students who are involved in the Rainbow Scout Group, junior cricket and Mr Leach for organising a Pink Stumps Day game at the College. It is wonderful to see our students not only getting involved in sport outside of school, but also supporting such a worthwhile and important cause, such as the McGrath Foundation. We would like to congratulate each and every student involved in the organisation of this event. We are very proud of your efforts!!

We would also like to extend a congratulations to the students who competed in the Greater Western Region swimming today – Ayla, Shanae, Lucy and Celie. It is a great achievement to be swimming at this level, and we know you will have represented the school well and done us proud!

Finally, we would like to say a big HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Zander, Jacob B, Shekinah, Murphy and Izak!!



A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

A visual summary of the last week through the lens of Mrs P's camera!



Lewis getting his eye in with the camera



7/8 DigiTech girls checking out material for robot costumes



Mrs Gregory in action!



Flynn & NAO having a great conversation!



Look at that concentration! Parker working hard



Sally looking very happy about her work



Our Prep/1s hate the camera!!

**Storytime in the
Prep/1 room....**



Headspace in schools session

On Tuesday 19th March Megan Campbell from Headspace in Schools came to Rainbow to present a number of sessions to our senior students. Below are some thoughts on the sessions.



7/8

On Tuesday Megan from headspace came to see us to teach us about mental health and bullying. She made the session fun by including lots of games and laughter but also taught us lots. We learnt about how to stop bullying if we see it and what to do to prevent it. We also learnt how to calm ourselves down and get from the red zone (really angry & frustrated) back to the green zone (calm & collected). I enjoyed this program and would recommend it to all students. (Clarissa)

On Tuesday 19th March we had a session run by Headspace about bullying and what mental health is all about. I think it was really good and it was inspiring for young teens and young adults. Megan taught us lots of helpful information about Headspace. She also mentioned eheadspace that is an online website that you can go online to talk about your problems.

9/10

On Tuesday we had a special guest come and talk to the Year 9-10s. Megan covered a variety of things to do with mental health and bullying. Overall everyone was impressed and came out with lots of knowledge. (Gracie & Erin)

VCE

Tuesday headspace visited the school and spoke to us about our mental health, how to notice problems in our friends mental health and what can influence our mental health in day to day life. The session was overall very beneficial and we talked about resources provided by headspace online and onsite and how they can be useful in times of need with our VCE .(Kirsten)



eheadspace



eheadspace provides online and telephone support and counselling to young people 12 - 25 and their families and friends. If you are going through a tough time, eheadspace can help.

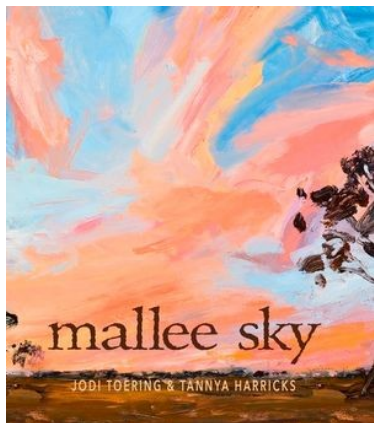
Here you can talk 1-on-1 with an eheadspace clinician via an online chat, email or over the phone. You can also join group chats which cover a variety of helpful topics and are a great way to learn from other people's experiences.

For many people, the best place to start is the [information library](#) where you can find tips and resources on a range of topics and issues.

How they can help...

- * If you are feeling down
- * If you are feeling stressed
- * If you are being bullied
- * If you have concerns about drugs and alcohol
 - * Getting along with your family and friends
 - * Romantic relationships
 - * Questions about sex
- * Questions about gender and who you are attracted to
 - * Getting advice about helping a friend
 - * Anything you want to talk about!

eheadspace.org.au



Author Visit – Monday 25th March

We are exceedingly lucky to host a visit by local author Jodi Toering this coming Monday 25th March.

She will be working with students from P-8 using her book as stimulus for the following activities :

- * book readings
- * art response workshop
- * using Mallee Sky as a mentor text to unpack
- * language & word choice
- * looking at the notion of audience

She will also be working with staff after school on using our Fountas & Pinnell resources to improve student writing.

Payment of 2019 School Fees

School Fees are now due and can be paid at the office with cash or credit card, you may also choose to direct deposit

The direct deposit details are as follows:

**Bank CBA 063737
A/C Number 10049249**

Asthma, Anaphylaxis and Allergic Reactions forms

If your child has any of the above medical conditions they are required to have a form filled out by a Doctor.

The allergic reactions form is a new form and if your child/children have any allergies they should fill out this form.

All medication for the student is to be sent to school in the original packing with instructions clearly written.

If you require a form or wish to check if your current form is out of date, can you please contact Leonie Clarke at the College



SRC MARCH CASUAL DAY

WATER THEME

FRIDAY THE 29TH OF MARCH
GOLD COIN DONATION

THE MONEY RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS
THE SENIOR SRC'S GOAL OF PURCHASING
BUBBLE TAPS FOR THE HALL



Shake Rattle and READ Term 1 Dates



April

Monday 1st - Shake, Rattle & Read
Tuesday 2nd Playgroup

DON'T FORGET YOUR READING BAGS



Canteen Roster 2019

March

Mon 26 A. Gebert
Wed 27 A. Ey
Fri 28 T. Tregenza/ S. Gelligen

April

Mon 1 S. Smith
Wed 3 C. Cocks
Fri 5 **Pupil free day**

Wed 24 R. Bastin
Fri 26 E. Clarke/ N. Kruger

Mon 29 C. Petschel

May

Wed 1 S. Clark
Fri 3 K. Weir/ C. Fisher

Mon 6 J. James/ M. Zadow
Wed 8 R. Richards
Fri 10 J. Thomas

Mon 13 E. Eckermann
Wed 15 D. Huff
Fri 16 N. Eckermann/ L. Heinrich

Mon 20 K. McKenzie
Wed 22 D. Camilleri
Fri 24 T. Tregenza/ S. Gelligan

Mon 27 T. Bigham/ A. Roberts
Wed 29 J. Keller
Fri 31 T. Gould/ A. J. Heinrich

June

Mon 3 C. Saul/ S. Coyne
Wed 5 K. Preston
Fri 7 B. Eckermann

Mon 10 *Queens Birthday Holiday*
Wed 12 C. Roll
Fri 14 R. Keller/ R Clugston

Mon 17 M. Ismay
Wed 19 N. Leach
Fri 21 A. Riordan

Canteen Emergency Workers

Lauren Heinrich (Wed & Fri only)	0459363319
Kim Kajewski	0448352251
Debbie Lowe	0488115973

Please contact the above emergency workers if you are unable to do your canteen duty.
\$20 is to be paid to the emergency worker.

Canteen operating days are Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Senior students have access to the sandwich toasters & microwave 5 days a week

The Hindmarsh Shire Youth Council
Presents the inaugural

Hindmarsh Youth -Making a Difference- Awards Night

Doors open 5:30pm
Friday 5 April, 2019
Nhill Memorial Community Centre
77-79 Nelson Street, Nhill

**Come dressed to impress!
And enjoy an evening of
celebration and entertainment**

\$10p/p

Awards ceremony to begin at 6PM
Includes: Canapes, PhotoBooth & Entertainment
Drinks at bar prices

Tickets available from Hindmarsh Shire Council Customer Service Centres. For more information please call 5391 4444.

