

Principal's Report from Mr. Coffey

Leading Learning For Excellence

On Monday and Tuesday this week, I attended the Education State School Leadership Conference in Melbourne along with approximately 1000 other school leaders. Over the course of the two days I had the opportunity to hear from international education experts providing their reflections and predictions on how the Victorian Education system is performing now and what are the next steps to continue the improvement into the future. The four optional workshops I chose have provided me with insights and strategies to continue working with our school team to prepare our students for a future that is far different from our own post school lives.

Thanks

I'd like to sincerely thank Carl and Gilda, Junior School Captain Lilly Williams' parents for finding the great learning opportunity for our junior school that the students experienced on Wednesday. Gilda's brother is a teacher with Ecolinc, the Science and Technology Innovation Centre in Bacchus Marsh and Gilda and Carl let me know that Ecolinc were planning an outreach program in our area. From the terrific positive reaction from the staff and students we will definitely be trying to secure future sessions with this valuable DET resource.

Calendar 2019 – Term 2

Week 8

Mon 10 th June	Queens Birthday (no school)
Wed 12 th June	GAT
	School Council (Annual report)

Week 9

Tue 18 th June	MARC van
June 19 th - 21 st	Student Led Conferences

Week 10

Mon 24 th June	Defence Force Visit
Tue 25 th June	Careers Expo

Dates for Term 3

24 th & 25 th July	3/4 Camp
25 th July	Grade 2 sleepover
4 th Aug	Cluster day
19 th & 20 th Aug	Production
30 th Aug	Cluster Aths @ Rainbow

2018 Annual Report to the School Community

School Council will present the 2018 Annual Report to the School Community at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 12th of June. The Annual Report is prepared to inform parents and the wider school community of the school's successes, activities and achievements throughout the year. Print copies of the 2018 Annual Report will be available at the front office, on the skoolbag app, on the website and you are welcome to attend the presentation evening in June.

Teacher Housing

The four teacher flats on King Street are now for sale. Please contact North West Real estate for further information.

Upcoming meetings...

The next School Council meeting will be held on Wednesday the 12th of June after the presentation of the 2018 Annual Report.

The Parents & Friends Meeting will be held on Monday the 22nd July at 10:00 a.m. in the multi-purpose building.

Office– First port of call

Parents, friends, contractors and visitors **PLEASE** enter via the school front office to sign in.
This is a requirement of the Department of Education.

'Cosi' and Careers in (Cold) Melbourne - from Mrs Leach

Despite unfriendly weather predicted, most of the Year 10s, 11s and 12s headed off to Melbourne on Sunday for a couple of days to explore tertiary institutes and have a bit of fun. Sunday evening saw us battle it out at Lasertag and Bowling with the use of bumpers and interesting bowling techniques to help!! Sadly the fries weren't curly but students had fun nonetheless.

On Monday morning, we braved the predicted weather warnings and made our way to LaTrobe University in Bundoora. Matt Thomas (another one, not the one we know) showed us around the campus with impressive facilities including a moot court, mock hospital wards and a stock exchange as well as a food court with great smelling food and cheap coffee on offer! Students were presented with a range of information about studying there and accommodation options too.



Bronte, Erica & Chelsea enjoying their food.

We enjoyed a packed lunch along the way to our next stop at Deakin University in Burwood. Meg was our guide here and she similarly showed us the facilities on offer at this campus, including a peek at the common room at the residences and the laboratories and education learning areas. With students in the midst of exams, the campus was buzzing with activity and studying and we did get to say hi to ex-Rainbow student Olivia Mellington who is now a student at Deakin.

Our evening activity was the much anticipated theatre trip to see a live performance of 'Cosi'. Most of our students have studied this well-known Australian play and were excited about our trip to the theatre. After a quick tea in Richmond, we were off to the Southbank Theatre. It was so lovely to see some of our students get dressed up for the occasion with some girls in frocks and heels and some boys in dress shirts and their runners gone! The theatre was invitingly warm and the students enjoyed the literal "madness" of the show and the experience for some to see their first live stage play. It was cold on the way back to our accommodation, but the discovery of the Krispy Kreme donut shop on the way home seemed to lift their spirits!!

Tuesday's itinerary included a visit to the impressive Chadstone campus of Holmesglen TAFE. This was especially interesting to those students who are looking at a trades pathway and they were suitably impressed with what a large TAFE in Melbourne has to offer. This was followed by a drive through the Monash University Clayton campus, with unfortunately no tour, but a glimpse at another tertiary offering for future consideration.

Again, the packed lunch along the way meant that we could get to one more tertiary institute before heading home. This was Australian Catholic University in Ballarat. Gemma was our capable tour guide and we dodged the especially cold and drizzly weather of Ballarat to tour the campus with her. It was an interesting contrast to see a smaller regional campus compared to the larger ones in Melbourne. This will allow students to consider which they might prefer when they make their choices in the near future.



Above: Alana, Mikayla, Maddi, Macy & Kirsten

Our accommodation in Richmond was warm and comfortable and students settled in with a cuppa and supper before bed.

It was then time to get home. With a fully loaded bus and a luggage-filled car, we headed for Rainbow.

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"Cosi' and Careers in (Cold) Melbourne continued.....

The trip was an opportunity not just for a bit of fun together and some "down time" away from school, but also to allow the students an opportunity to consider pathways for their future. With many of them still very unsure about what they "want to be when they grow up", hopefully they can now make more informed decisions about what lies beyond Year 12 at Rainbow P-12 College. I encourage students to undertake as much Work Experience as they can to help explore industries and workplaces and I also encourage students and their parents to visit Open Days at tertiary institutes to check out options down that pathway. It can be a confusing time, but hopefully we can work together to help students to make decisions which are best suited for them.

A copy of an Open Day schedule will be given out to Year 10-12 students and I will have more available if necessary. We have encouraged car-pooling where possible for families to get to Open Days and I encourage students in Years 10-12 to consider making the effort to check out tertiary institutes this year.

Huge thanks must go to Murray Robinson who goes above and beyond on trips like this. His care for the students and his ability to get the kids around all of the places we went in the bus safely and happily does not go unnoticed. This extends to his care for our students' safety even at midnight in his PJs!!

We hope that your children enjoyed the trip and that it provides a talking point for you and the kids to help think about and hopefully plan out their pathways. Please don't hesitate to contact me at the College if you need any guidance or information.

WELL DONE PHOENIX!

After qualifying at Kaniva Little Desert Cross Country in May, Phoenix Oakley travelled to Warrnambool to compete in the Greater Western Regional Cross Country Championships on Monday 3rd June. He competed against 65 other students from the region in the Under 15 Boys 3km cross country race and placed 12th with a finish time of 11 minutes and 4 seconds. This time now qualifies Phoenix for State Finals in Melbourne to be held on July 18th at Bundoora Park.

Phoenix recently set a new school record at Rainbow P-12 College of 11 minutes 49sec and ran 11 minutes 30sec at Kaniva. Over the next six weeks, Phoenix intends to continue his training at home and at school, with a personal goal of reducing 30+ seconds from his Western Region time. We wish Phoenix all the best for the upcoming State Finals!



Phoenix in action..he is going so fast that the image is blurry!fast

Students of the Week



Junior school - Memphis, Morgan & Jacob (Ava was away)

Senior school -
Phoenix Oakley & Emma
Boyle
(No picture)

Tyler Webb & Haylee Tumeth
received the monthly student
awards

Photo will be in next week's
newsletter due to student
absences this week



Congratulations to Inara
on achieving 100 sight
words for MultiLit

A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

A visual summary of some of the events from last week.



Our lads

Fletcher, Charlie, Dusty, Cooper, Will,
Zander, Memphis & Parker

Our girls

Phoebe, Nekeisha, Angel & Holly

An intrepid bunch of Grade 5/6 lads and lasses headed off to Horsham to represent the SM Cluster in the local Football & Netball Carnival.

The girls played well in the rather challenging (& freezing) conditions and the boys all put in a great effort.

Thanks to Sandra Millward-Coyne & Mal Smith for taking on a variety of roles on the day!



...meanwhile back at school **Nao (Tanoshi)** was having a busy week..talking to Ayla, adventures in the jungles with Millie & Annika or trying on a new outfit made by Clarissa!



A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

Our Ecolinc adventures in the junior school



Parker holding a spiny leaf insect



Aiden with a question!



Prep/1 meeting a frog!



5/6 class focussed on the action



Jasper & Sharni happy with their work



Kane & Ryder with their mega bug!



Lilly making a new friend!



Amaya & Lily in action



Archer making progress with his bug



Jasper & Zach working hard at bug making



Canteen Roster 2019

June

Mon 10	Queens Birthday Holiday
Wed 12	C. Roll
Fri 14	T. Gould/ A. J. Heinrich
Mon 17	C. Saul/ S. Coyne
Wed 19	N. Leach
Fri 21	A. Riordan
Mon 24	S. Perkins
Wed 26	J. Fuller
Fri 28	N. Kruger/ E. Clarke

Term 3

July

Mon 15	G. O'Halloran
Wed 17	A. Ey
Fri 19	K. Weir/ C. Fisher

Mon 22	E. Staples
Wed 24	R. Bastin
Fri 26	J. Thomas

Mon 29	J. James/ M. Zadow
Wed 31	R. Richards

Aug

Fri 2nd	L. Heinrich/ N. Eckermann
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Mon 5	C. Saul/ S. Coyne
Wed 7	C. Roll
Fri 9	A. Riordan

Mon 12	K. McKenzie
Wed 14	S. Clark
Fri 16	J. Keller

Mon 19	E. Eckermann
Wed 21	D. Camilleri
Fri 23	R. Clugston/ R. Keller

Mon 26	C. Petschel
Wed 28	C. Cocks
Fri 30	B. Eckermann

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 or arrange a swap with another person on the roster

\$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



Tissues

It's that time of year again where the sniffles, coughs and colds appear, so to be ready we would appreciate it if every family would supply a box of tissues to be used in the classrooms.

Thank you



Shake Rattle and READ



10th June no SRRR -
Public holiday

11th June Playgroup

17th June SRRR @ Hospital

18th June Playgroup

24th June Playgroup



Don't forget your reading bags

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE PUBLIC MEETING



Hindmarsh
Shire Council

RAINBOW NHILL ROAD BRIDGE (OUTLET CREEK)

Hindmarsh Shire Council is holding a public meeting to consult and inform affected landowners and community members about the upcoming works to, and temporary closure of, the Rainbow-Nhill Road Bridge (Outlet Creek).

Wednesday 12 June 2019
Rainbow Civic Centre,
15 Federal Street, Rainbow
from 5:00pm to 6:00pm

For more information contact Hindmarsh Shire Council's Acting Director Infrastructure Services on phone 03 53914444 or via email infrastructure@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au

ROAD CLOSURE



2020 Three year old Kindergarten Information Sessions

The State Government has announced subsidised funding for up to 15 hours of 3 year old kindergarten commencing in the Hindmarsh Shire as of 1 January 2020.

This State Government subsidised funding means the cost of 3 year old kindergarten will be significantly reduced for all families and children of families with an eligible concession card will have access up to 15 hours of free kindergarten in 2020.

In order for HDKA to determine how many days, hours and what programs they will offer for both 3 and 4 year old Kindergarten in 2020 we require kindergarten registrations for next year by **Friday 28 June 2019**.

There will be limited places available in 2020 and it imperative that we receive your kindergarten registration early in order for you to secure your kindergarten place.

HDKA will be hosting an information evening to answer any questions families may have in regards to the rollout of subsidised 3 year old kindergarten in 2020 and provide information on both 3 & 4 year old kindergarten programs for next year. We encourage families to come along to the information evening as we hope to have more information and details to share with you all.

NHILL INFORMATION EVENING

When: Monday 17th June

Where: Nhill Kindergarten

Time: 7.00pm

DIMBOOLA INFORMATION EVENING

When: Tuesday 18th June

Where: Dimboola Kindergarten

Time: 7.00pm

Registrations for 3 & 4 year old Kindergarten in 2020 are now open and will close on Friday, 28th June 2019.

Registration forms can be obtained from the HDKA office by phoning 5382 7997, emailing enrol@hdka.com.au, visiting the HDKA website www.hdka.com.au or picking one up from the kindergarten sites.

MALLEE MAGIC

Due to popular demand

the end of the financial year uniform sale will
continue until the
15th of June

30% off ALL uniform in stock