

## Principal's Report from Mr. Coffey

**Parents & Carers please note that due to the footpath works you are requested to park in King Street for school pick up and drop off. DO NOT USE Taverner Street as access in clear sight of vision for buses is needed for bus pick up and drop off each day**

### Student Leadership Recognised

At a whole school assembly this week I announced the wonderful news that Mikayla Keller has been awarded the Helen Handbury Leadership Award for 2019. This award recognises Year 12 students in rural and regional Australia who have shown strong community leadership and initiative. Along with the award certificate the award provides Mikayla with \$5,000 towards an international trip (during a university undergraduate degree) to participate in voluntary work. Mikayla joins past Rainbow students Phoebe O'Halloran 2016, Matilda Herben 2008 and Abbey Frew 2007 who also received this prestigious award.



Mikayla with her parents Jodie & David after receiving her award

### We Want You to Tell Us What You Think!

Our school is once again conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 50 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. The survey will be conducted online, only takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The survey link, unique school survey PIN and other information will be sent home this week with the eldest child in the family to those families selected. Last year we had a great 100% response rate that provided valuable feedback from 42 of our families.

### Upcoming Meetings...

The next School Council meeting will be held on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of August at 7:30pm in the multi-purpose building.  
The Parents & Friends Meeting will be held on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of August at 10:00 a.m. in the multi-purpose building.

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## Calendar 2019 – Term 3

### Term 3

#### Week 4

5<sup>th</sup> Aug  
5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> Aug  
6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Aug

Cluster day @ Hopetoun  
Dreamchasers First Aid Course (Yr 9)  
**BOOK FAIR**

#### Week 5

12<sup>th</sup>  
13<sup>th</sup> Aug  
15<sup>th</sup> Aug

School Council  
Global Dance  
P/1 Transition with Kinder

#### Week 6

19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Aug  
19<sup>th</sup> Aug  
21<sup>st</sup> Aug  
23<sup>rd</sup> Aug

**Production**  
Parents & Friends meeting 10am  
Skekere Beats (Drumming)  
VCE English study day & Yr 7/8  
Active Girls Brunch

#### Week 7

29<sup>th</sup> Aug  
30<sup>th</sup> Aug

Responsible Pet Ownership (P-4)  
Cluster Aths @ Rainbow

#### Week 8

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept  
  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sept

"The Man Cave" Community Evening  
"The Man Cave" Workshop  
7-12 boys

### Understanding Student Wellbeing

This year our school has accepted the invitation for our Year 5 and Year 8 students to participate in the Middle Years Development Instrument initiative. The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) asks young people about their 1) social and emotional development; 2) feelings of connectedness to school, family, friends, and communities; 3) school experiences; 4) physical health and wellbeing; and 5) activities after school. Students answers to the survey will be kept confidential – no one will use the results to identify individual students. Further information can be found at <https://mdi.srcentre.com.au>  
Further information regarding this initiative will be sent home with the Year 5 and 8 students this week.

## Students of the Week



Back row— Haylee, Jessica, Bronte, Gracie, Sarah, Lachlan & Matthew  
Front row—Riley, Clancy, Kayla, Angel, Jamieson & Mason (absent Ian)

## Students of the month Award certificates



Lachie & Evan both for helping clean & packup without being asked.

## MultiLit



Multilit – Haylee 100 words  
Inara finished the program & Clancy  
200 sight words

## Mathletics



P/1 Mathletics awards  
to Adalyn & Edi

## Camp awards 3/4



Baxter and Millie best boy & girl on  
camp and Archer received the  
Principals' award



## Here are the reasons for Students of the Week.

### Senior

**Jamieson**

For continually showing great maturity in his spares by guiding others with his display of excellent study habits.

**Lachlan**

For working like a Trojan in English on his autobiography.

**Mason**

For concerted effort to build upon his social intelligence in Business Management and generally around the school.

**Matthew**

For staying up to date with his VCE PE 3/4 work despite his setbacks.

**Ian**

For taking on feedback from his report and increasing school work ethic.

**Haylee**

For demonstrating determination to improve and help others understanding in Mathematics.

**Gracie, Bronte**

For continued display of grit and curiosity in Humanities.

**Sarah & Jessica**

### Junior

**Riley**

For working hard to complete work while others were on camp.

**Angel**

For staying committed to her goals.

**Kayla**

For her wonderful attitude in all aspects of her learning.

**Clancy**

For showing initiative and always helping teachers and peers.

### Camp Awards

**Millie**

For being voted as best female camp mate by her peers, showing excellent optimism, grit and social intelligence at Billabong Ranch.

**Baxter**

For being voted as best male camp mate by his peers, showing excellent optimism, grit and social intelligence at Billabong Ranch.

**Archer**

Principals award for showing character strengths



# A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

A visual summary of some of the events from this week



Nekeisha & Lilly in their usual pose!

Koby in action at PMP with Hugo waiting in the background

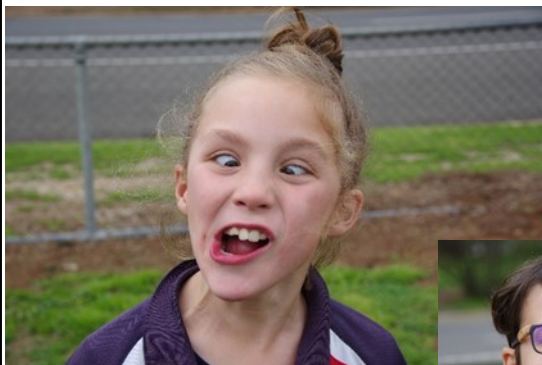


Pippa (Butter wouldn't melt in her mouth cough cough)

Hayley helping out with PMP as part of her Dreamchasers program



Thumbs up from Phoenix!



What can you say....definitely a Gaaan moment!



Curtis in serious or silly mode?



Unique warm up for triple jump from Annika, Millie & Caleb



Should someone tell Flynn he has something in his hat?



Mr. Smith in his laid back mode painting props for the production



The HOL lads...Christian & Flynn painting props for the production

### **Wimmera Eisteddfod 2019 – from Mrs Staples**

The Wimmera Eisteddfod was held over 3 days last weekend. Rainbow P-12 College had 7 students compete in 10 sections on both the Friday and Sunday sessions.

Lily (and her Mother!) made a special effort to travel from her camp at Echuca to get to Horsham on time. Edi performed on Friday in the Novice section, with Cooper, Baxter, Clarissa, Phoebe and Tessa competing on Sunday.

The competition was fierce, nerves were abounding and the piano unfamiliar, so they all did a great job in completing their performances in front of the adjudicator and audience. Some sections had more competitors than others, but the biggest challenge for each student had already been won – doing heaps of practice to get their pieces the best they could!

Lily obtained an honourable mention, Cooper placed second in one of his sections and Tessa, third.

The reports from the adjudicator indicate that he had a very difficult task in separating all the competitors, so well done everyone. Special mention must also go to all the parents, Catherine, Nicole, Tammy and Casey for taking the children to Horsham and supporting their hard work at home.



**Eisteddfod competitors– Edi, Lily, Tessa, Phoebe & Clarissa (absent Cooper & Baxter)**

### **Careers & Pathway News- from Mrs Leach**

Our students are continually having to think about their pathways through school and beyond and we do our best to help them navigate through their options and decisions. Below are some of the activities & resources students have accessed this year as well as information about sessions and upcoming dates to be aware of.

#### **Work Experience**

Students in Years 10 and 11 are expected to undertake work experience during the year. Year 10s should do this during their holidays as well as the week we set aside at the end of Term 3. Year 11s and Year 12s are encouraged to undertake work experience as well to help them make decisions about what they might like to do beyond Year 12. Mr Cook is our work experience co-ordinator and can help students with this part of their education.

#### **Open Days**

Tertiary Institutes around Australia hold Open Days and On-Campus Experiences for students at various times during the year. Many of the Open Days are fast approaching with the bulk of them being in July and August. Students have been given a calendar with dates for Victorian and South Australian Tertiary Institutes. They are well worth checking out for any Year 10, 11 and 12 students to help them, and parents, make decisions for this part of their lives. You can attend seminars, information sessions, campus tours and even check out accommodation while you're there. Please consider this in the next couple of weeks, plan ahead and make the most of the opportunities. They can be invaluable experiences. It is also worth checking out the websites as many Tertiary Institutes offer assistance with transport, parking, maps and timetables for the Open Days. It is also worth considering car-pooling with other students and families if you can.

#### **VTAC (The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre)**

The Year 12s who are considering going on to further study next year will need to apply through VTAC or SATAC (for SA unis). This process opens soon and remains open until September. It also opens again once students have their results in December. Along with this, students and their families need to think about moving away, accommodation etc beyond Year 12. I plan to hold an information session to help you through this process next

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 8pm in the College library.** It is really important that all students and parents attend please.

#### **VCE/VCAL Subject Selection**

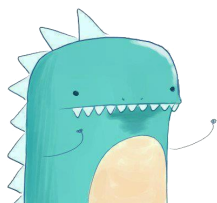
Year 10 and 11 students need to be thinking carefully about their pathway through VCE or VCAL in Years 11 and 12. With this in mind, I will be holding an information session next **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 7.15pm in the College library.** We will outline the requirements and considerations for these choices. This will be followed by a one-on-one meeting with students, parents and me at which we will discuss, and hopefully plan, your child's pathway through this part of their schooling. I have sent home a separate letter with details of this session. It is really important that all students and parents attend please.

#### **Anything else.....**

I am more than happy to help any students and/or families with pathways through school and beyond. It can be an exciting, but equally confusing time for all concerned. Please don't hesitate to contact me at the College if I can help in any way.

### Wanted

If any families have Dinosaurs that could be loaned to help promote our book fair it would be greatly appreciated. Please label them and drop them into the school office.



### Absences

If your child/children are going to be absent or have been absent can parents/carers ***please*** use the skoolbag app, send a note or phone the College office on 53951063.

***Please do not contact the class teacher re absences by phone, text or class dojo***

If no contact is made a phone call will be made to you if your children are absent.

Our absence co-ordinator Leonie Clarke is then able to enter the absence details which is a requirement from the Education department.

Thank you

### **MS Readathon - from Miss Newton**

Our school is doing the MS Readathon! We are reading as many books as we can throughout August and raising funds for children who have a parent living with multiple sclerosis.

We would love for you to join us by registering on the website [www.msreadathon.org.au](http://www.msreadathon.org.au) and signing up with our school! Our page is:

#### **Rainbow P-12 Bookworms.**

If you'd like to donate a few dollars to this worthy cause, that would be greatly appreciated (make sure you donate to our school fundraising page

**Rainbow P-12 Bookworms.**) We have a goal to raise \$500! We've already raised \$543.12!



### Headlice

Can parents please check their students hair for head lice and if found please treat.

For further details please google [www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice)

### Junior School Athletics Practice

Over the next few weeks, students will be working on developing their athletics skills.

As classes will be going out most days (weather permitting) we ask that students bring their runners each day.

If their runners are not required at home, they can leave them at school.



### **Preliminary Notice for Junior Athletics Sports Day**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of September, 201**

#### Helpers needed

If you can assist with the marking of the oval (prior) or assisting on the sports day, please complete the form below and return to Mrs Gregory as soon as possible. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Valma Gregory and Veronica Huff.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ will be able to assist marking the oval and/or assist on the sports day.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Grade 2 Sleepover and local town excursion**

On Thursday last week our Grade 2 students had a sleepover at the school! They also got to experience some super fun activities around Rainbow including Christmas in July at the hospital! Miss Newton and Miss Teasdale both had an interesting nights sleep!

We went to the Clugston Butchers and saw them make kabana! – Clancy, grade 2

We went to Ian's IGA and did a scavenger hunt, it was fun! – Clancy, grade 2

We played at the kinder and I saw my brother Brock. – Seth, grade 2

We went to Clugston Butchers and we saw the meat hanging on chains. – Seth, grade 2

We played flamingo tiggy and Miss Teasdale joined in! – Inara, grade 2

At night we watched The Lion King it was great! – Inara, grade 2

It was really fun painting JR Storm people at the Turbo Gallery. – Ruby, grade 2

We had lunch at Rainbow Hospital and we saw Santa! – Ruby, grade 2

We all went to Bow Bakery and I had pizza. – William, grade 2

We got in our beds and watched The Lion King, with popcorn! – William, grade 2

We went to the Turbo Gallery and we painted JR Storm players. – Ava, grade 2

We went to the Bow Bakery and they made us a cake that said "Grade 2". – Ava, grade 2

We made some peppermint smelling play dough that was soft and squishy! – Riley, grade 3



Grade 2 out  
and about in  
Rainbow



## **Grade 3/4 Camp to Billabong Ranch**

Last Wednesday, 18 extra keen year 3 and 4 students departed for Billabong Ranch at Echuca under the expert driving skills of Mr Coffey. All students thoroughly enjoyed the fantastic facilities and meeting the expert staff of Billabong Ranch. A big thanks to Miss Newton for organising the camp, and all parents for farewelling the students with everything they required for their adventure. Our group was highly complimented by the staff at Billabong Ranch for the way they represented Rainbow and their school. It was really a pleasure and certainly a great first Rainbow P12 camp for both Mr Coffey and myself Miss Downing

*For bush first aid we learned what we should keep with us to be prepared – Amaya, grade 3*

*Orienteering was worrying because we thought we were going to get lost but came 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lenny, grade 4*

*In the low rope course there were 3 courses, some involved swinging and balancing – Annika, grade 3*

*We watched exciting fire twirling at night where Matthew did dangerous tricks – Jacob, grade 3*

*Archery was fun and I almost hit Millie's arrow! – Jasper, grade 3*

*We went bouldering and it was hard to get a grip on the rocks but my group won – Curtis, grade 3*

*I felt scared on the night walk because there were a lot of scary noises – Addison, grade 3.*

*The commando and laser courses were challenging because you slipped on a tyre and had to crawl – Evan, grade 3*

*We had some delicious food at camp like lasagne and perfectly cooked hot dogs – Kane, grade 3*

*We were all nervous before our camel rides but once we got on we had a GREAT time – Millie, grade 4*

*Matthew gave us marshmallows to roast on the fire and mine set on fire – Giaan, grade 3*

*The 3/4s went on a fun night adventure to see a huge paddle steamer at the Port of Echuca – Ryder, grade 4*

*We went to the animal nursery and most animals are there because their mothers are dead or can't look after them – Lily, grade 3*

*We played 3 different initiative games that made your brains really turn on called Marshmallow River, Limbo and Blind Eye – Caleb, grade 3*

*The camels were really fun and it was like a rocking bull rocking back and forward! - Baxter, grade 4*

*It was really cool when Matthew was doing fire twirling – Archer, grade 4*

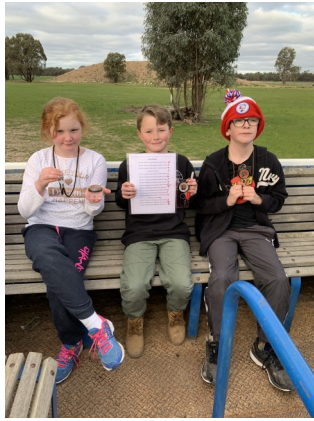
*The animal nursery was really fun and there was an old museum out the back – Sharni, grade 4*



**Grade 3/4 at Billabong Ranch**

.....More great photos on the next page





A snapshot of some of the Billabong Camp adventures





## Rainbow P-12 College Book Fair

It's on again!

Our annual Book Fair  
will be held from Tuesday 6th August  
to Monday 12th August in the

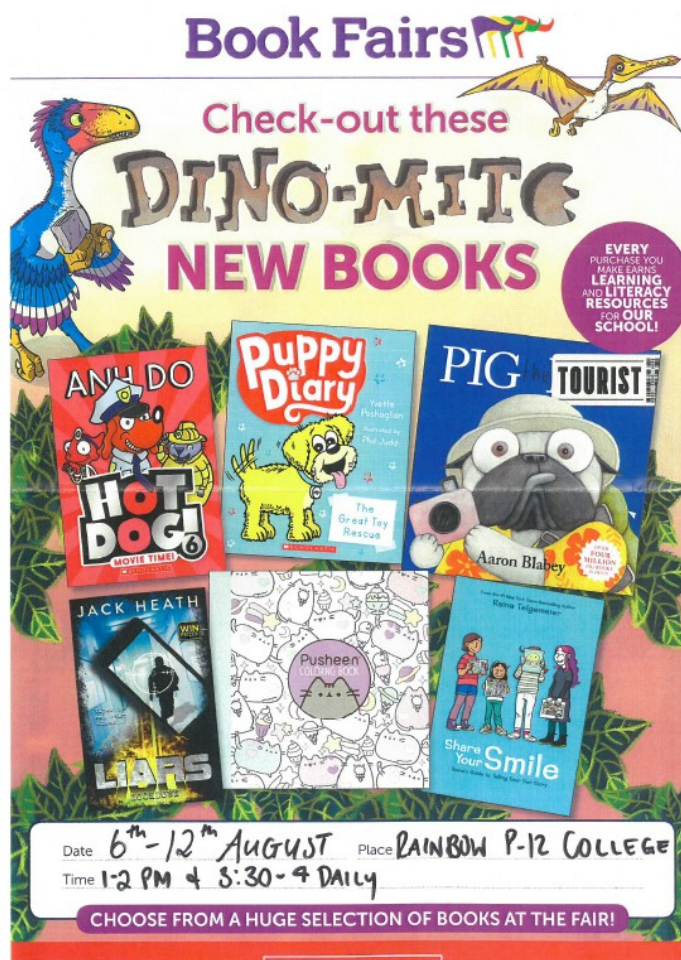
Junior building

Parents & friends are most welcome

to come and view

this years selection of books.

Times: 1-2pm & 3.30-4pm each day



Rainbow P-12 College

Presents

*The Ballad of Jessica James*

by

Geoff Bamber

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August

Rainbow P-12 College Hall

Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start

Entry - Gold Coin Donation

Raffle at the door for a

\$50 local business voucher

\$1 per ticket

Drawn on Tuesday 20th August





# THE MAN CAVE

Monday 2nd September  
Rainbow Rec Reserve  
To be confirmed at this stage

## COMMUNITY NIGHT

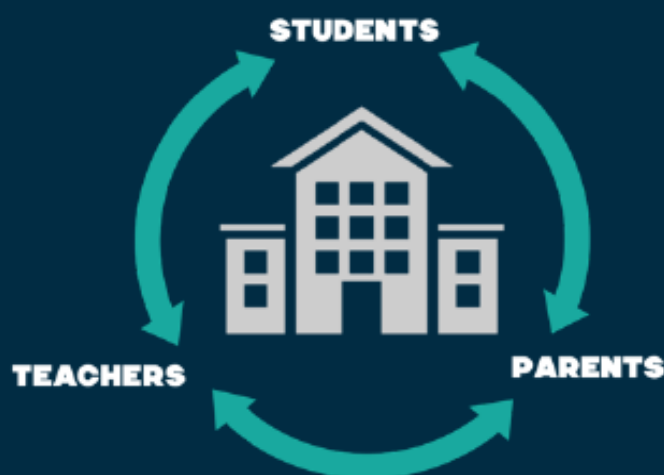
Our mission is to empower boys to become great men by providing them and their communities with impactful programs, resources and role models. We believe this work can only be effective if the whole community, including boys, teachers, parents and other role models, have the same understanding and language. This document provides more information about the intended aims and outcomes of our community night.

### *What parents have said...*

*"The training was very useful. I have become better informed to take away and reinforce the messages and good work that started with TMC sessions at school."*

*"The most useful part of the presentation was being given the dialogue to assist with talking to my son about how he is feeling"*

*100% of parents would recommend our training to others*



## PARENT INFORMATION



# THE MAN CAVE

**The Community Night is a 90-min keynote style presentation delivered by our most experienced and knowledgeable facilitators and leaders. The presentation will cover:**

- Who The Man Cave is and why we exist
- Our perspective on what's happening with our teenage boys
- Discussion of the challenges parents and other role models faced when they were teenagers
- A clear explanation of how our program works
- Provide feedback from the boys about our programs

**School session  
7-12 Boys  
Tues 3rd Sept  
9am-3.30pm**

**By the conclusion of the training, attendees will:**

- Know who The Man Cave is and trust their ability to work with their boys
- Understand why society is experiencing issues with men's mental health and how we can fix it
- Know what the boys go through in The Man Cave program
- Have tangible skills, language and principles they can use with the boys in the community



**PARENT INFORMATION**



The Rainbow Desert Enduro Committee are seeking volunteers to help at the upcoming Enduro on 9th, 10th, 11th August.

Volunteer positions include setting and cleaning up, ticket box sales, parking, recovery, helping to cook and serve hot chips and make coffee & tea.

If you are able to assist PLEASE contact Leonie Clarke 0499224472 who will pass on your details to the relevant team leaders.



## **Canteen Roster 2019**

### **Term 3**

#### **Aug**

**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

#### **Sep**

**Mon 2** S. Smith

**Wed 4** D. Huff

**Fri 6** T. Tregenza/ S. Gelligen

**Mon 9** M. Ismay

**Wed 11** J. Fuller

**Fr 13** T. Gould/ A.J. Heinrich

**Mon 16** S. Perkins

**Wed 18** N. Leach

**Fri 20** J. Thomas



## **Shake Rattle and READ**



August 5<sup>th</sup> Playgroup

August 12<sup>th</sup> SRR

August 13<sup>th</sup> Playgroup

August 19<sup>th</sup> Playgroup

August 26<sup>th</sup> SRR

Don't forget your reading bags

***Rainbow Playgroup invites you to a***

***Mobile Playgroup Van Session***

***Tuesday 27th August***

***9.30 –11.30am***

***At the Rainbow Kindergarten***

***26 Tavener St***

***Rainbow***

***Morning tea provided***

***Cost: \$2.00***

***For further details contact***

***Roschelle 0417087911***



### **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.

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