

Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

Merry Christmas

On behalf of the staff and students of Rainbow P-12 College we wish you a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year. The last day of school this year for all students from Prep to Year 9 is Friday the 18th of December and students will be dismissed at 1:30pm. Staff will commence the 2021 school year on Wednesday the 27th of January and **ALL** students will start on Thursday the 28th of January.

Student Awards Presentation

The last Tuesday of the last week of school each year is our student awards presentation event. This year, due to the recent easing of restrictions, we have been unable to plan well in advance for our Presentation Evening.

The arrangements for the presentation of our student awards will be as follows.

Next **Tuesday the 15th of December at 9:30 am** we will present all of the **Prep to Year 9** awards in the school assembly hall. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend, the ceremony will be available live on Webex Meeting number 576 878 464 and recorded and then posted on the school's Facebook page for those unable to attend because of work commitments.

As we are unable to present the VCE and VCAL certificates at that time and cannot announce the school Dux for 2020 we will hold a **Year 10 to Year 12** awards ceremony on **Tuesday February the 9th** next year.

We believe these arrangements will allow us to present the awards for the majority of our students before the end of the school year, alleviate parents and senior students who work having to attend a short event at this busy time of year, and enable us to present the senior school awards in person to the students and before our current year 12's commence the next stage of their lives.

I look forward to celebrating the achievements of our students at these events.

Capital Works Funding

The survey I mentioned in last week's newsletter, will be available early next week to capture your thoughts on the benefits of our school and what you wish for our school to provide in the future.

These ideas will be then be collated along with other information regarding our current facilities and submitted by the 4th of February as part of phase 1 of our AMP (Asset Management Plan).

Two words that are helping me focus my thoughts on our future direction are **viable** and **sustainable**.

We want to develop facilities that don't just duplicate or replace what we currently have, but will remain 'fit for purpose' for the future. Please get involved and no idea is too out there.

Calendar

December

Mon 14th	Hopetoun Lake trip
Tues 15th	Student Awards Presentation Prep to Year 9 @ 9.30am in the hall
Wed 16th	Whole school lunch
Friday 18th	School breaks up at 1.30pm

2021

January

Thur 28th	School starts
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February

Tues 9th	Student Awards Presentation Year 10 – to 12
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Tidying Up Loose Ends

As a school we strive to keep the expenses for Parent Payments for our families to a minimum. Unfortunately each year, we have a significant amount of outstanding unpaid fees for Essential Learning items. The school has paid our creditors and we 'are out of pocket' due to the refusal by a small number of families to pay for the consumable items their children have used throughout the year.

If you have not paid your fees for this year, we are seeking your cooperation to contact Michelle in the office to arrange payment of those fees or to negotiate a suitable payment plan. As I write this there is over \$6000 outstanding!

Stay Informed

I encourage all parents and students to continue to access the Department of Health and Human Services website for the latest public health information.

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>



More Information

More information about schools and coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the Department's website, which will continue to be updated:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/departments/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

School Council and Parents and Friends

The next School Council meeting will be held via Webex at 7:30pm on Monday the 8th of February 2021.

Parents & Friends will meet in 2021 with the date to be advised.



School Term Dates for 2021

Thursday 28th January to Thursday 1st April.

Monday 19th April to Friday 25th June.

Monday 12th July to Friday 17th September.

Monday 4th October to Friday 17th December.

Activities week money

Activities week money is due and needs to be returned tomorrow 11th November.
Attached to the Newsletter are all the details about Activities week.

Reminders

Booklists & Parent Payment Forms need to be returned to the office by tomorrow Friday 11th December.

Canteen Lunches

No canteen lunch orders next week. On Monday 14th students will have a BBQ lunch at the Hopetoun Lake, Wednesday 16th is the Whole School Christmas Lunch and school finishes at 1.30pm on Friday 18th.

Student School Banking Program

From Term 1, 2021 the Victorian Government has ceased school banking programs in Victorian government school. As a result, the CommBank School Banking Program will no longer operate at our school after the end of this term. If you are unsure of other methods of depositing to your child's account, please feel free to contact your local CommBank.

Canteen 2021

The canteen will reopen on Friday 29th January. Canteen lunch order days are Monday, Wednesday & Fridays. Can you please fill in the Canteen roster preference below and return it to the office.

On Monday & Wednesday we will only require one parent and two parents on the Friday shift. We will monitor the orders and make changes if needed at the end of the first term.

If you are unable to do your canteen duty you can choose to pay an emergency worker or arrange a swap with another person on the roster.

Canteen Roster Preference 2021

Name.....

Phone Number.....

Have you worked on Canteen before Yes/ No

Please circle any day that you are unable to work.

Monday

Wednesday

Friday

Name of any parent that you would prefer to be rostered on with

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I will be choosing to pay a canteen emergency worker at \$20 per day
so I have no preference which day I am rostered on.

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I would like to become an emergency worker.

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A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

Grade 6 Graduation



Parker & his parents



Fletch & his parents



Sally & her parents



Dusty & his parents



Caleb & his mum



Memphis & his parents



Will & his parents



Travis & his mum





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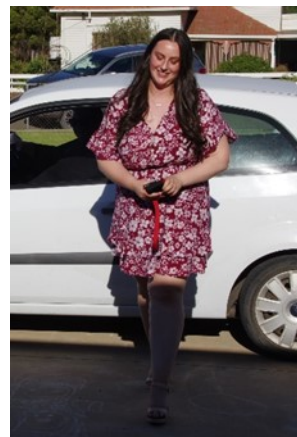
Year 12 Graduation Dinner



Jordy & Xavier arrive on their bikes



Matthew



Kirsten



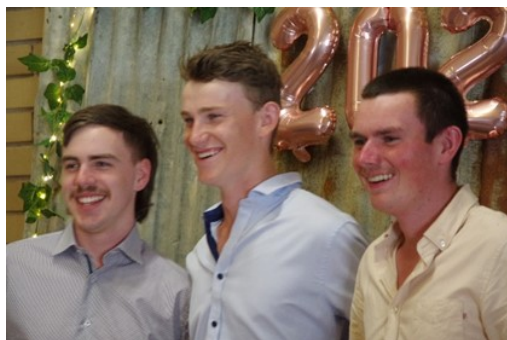
Some of the mums at the Graduation Dinner



Jordy & Xavier



Mr Leach



Nicholas, Matthew & Max



Macy & Alannah



Kirsten, Macy & Alannah



The Class of 2020

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Prep Transition activities



Nate & his great hat!



Evie & Tanner showing off their skills



Noah ready for action



Hayden working hard!



Tanner and his big smile!



Jurie concentrating on her work



Elsie proud of her efforts



Jess & Yosha teaming up!



Bubbly blowing!!!



Activities Week Information

Activities Week next week starting Monday 14th to Friday 18th December..

The Junior and Senior sections of the College will be participating in a variety of activities and excursions.

If you have any questions regarding the costs, activities, excursions etc, please feel free to contact the College on (03) 53 951 063.

Junior School Activities Week

Cost:

All junior school students are required to contribute a small fee of \$5.00 to go towards paying for resources for the week of activities. This includes art and craft items, groceries as well as and other student consumables. Students who are a member of the Rainbow Swimming Pool will not have to pay entry. However, if you are not a member the cost per person \$2.50.

Appropriate Clothing

School uniform is to be worn by all students, unless stated otherwise for specific activities.

Students will need to pack their swimming gear for their respective water-based activities.

Monday 14th – Hopetoun Lake Day

Wednesday 16th – Water Investigations

Thursday 17th – Swimming Pool

Senior School Activities Week

Cost:

Senior students who have selected any art or craft activities during Activities Week are required to bring \$5.00 to pay for resources and consumables, and so they can take home their artwork at the end of the session.

Students who are a member of the Rainbow Swimming Pool will not have to pay entry. However, if you are not a member the cost per person \$2.50.

Appropriate Clothing:

Wearing school uniform is required, unless stated otherwise for specific activities.

EG – Nature walk, Hopetoun Lake Day, arts and crafts, tech where appropriate attire for each activity is accepted.

Students attending the Hopetoun Lake day will need to bring their swimming gear and Sun Smart clothing.

Students selecting to go to the swimming pool will need to bring their swimming gear for the session.

Hopetoun Lake Day

Staff and students will go on an excursion to the Hopetoun Lake on Monday 14th December.

Information and permission forms have been given out separately.

All information regarding this excursion has been included on the permission form.

The SRC have kindly offered to pay all expenses for the day. There will be no cost to students for this excursion.

A big thank you to Bronte and the SRC for funding this activity.

Whole School Lunch and Christmas Dress Up Day

On Wednesday 16th Dec it has been tradition to have a whole school lunch with staff and students to celebrate the year together as a school community. Of course, this will be done COVID safe way.

Staff and students are encouraged to dress up in their fanciest Christmas attire for the day.



P-6 JUNIOR SCHOOL Activities Week - Week 11

	Monday 14 th Dec	Tuesday 15 th Dec	Wednesday 16 th Dec	Thursday 17 th Dec	Friday 18 th Dec
Period 1	Hopetoun Lake Day	Rotational Christmas Activities	Rotational Christmas Activities	Tabloid Sports	Organise For 2021
Period 2	Hopetoun Lake Day	Rotational Christmas Activities	Rotational Christmas Activities	Other Activities (Grade 2/3, 4 and 5) Buddy Activities (Prep/1 and Grade 6)	Organise For 2021
Recess					
Period 3	Hopetoun Lake Day	ICT Games and Robots (Grade 2/3, 4 and 5/6) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Art - FA - F/1	Water Investigations	Swimming Pool (Grade 2, 3, 4 and Grade 5/6) ICT Developmental Play (Prep/1)	Organise For 2021 <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Maths - VG - Grade 5/6 Maths - SN - Grade 4 Maths - MD - Grade 2/3 Music - ET - F/1
Period 4	Hopetoun Lake Day <i>P-6 students to leave Hopetoun after lunch to return to school.</i>	<u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> LOTE - NL - Grade 5/6 PE - SC - Grade 4 Music - ET - Grade 2/3 Art - FA - F/1	Scavenger Hunt (Prep/1 and Grade 2/3) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Hums - JS - Grade 5/6 Music - ET - Grade 4	Swimming Pool (Grade 2, 3, 4 and Grade 5/6) ICT Games and Robots (Prep/1) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> PE - SC - Grade 4	Organise For 2021 <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Maths - VG - Grade 5/6 Maths - SN - Grade 4 Maths - MD - Grade 2/3 PE - SC - F/1
Lunch			Whole School Christmas Lunch - 1:10pm		
Period 5	Movie (Grade 4 and 5/6) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Art - FA - Grade 2/3 Digittech - CP - F/1	<u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Art - FA - Grade 5/6 Science - PC - Grade 4 PE - SC - Grade 2/3 Hums - JS - F/1	Whole School Lunch Movie (Prep/1) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Digittech - CP - Grade 5/6 Health - JS - Grade 4 Science - PC - Grade 2/3	Swimming Pool (Prep/1) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> PE - SC - Grade 5/6 Art - FA - Grade 4 Hum - JS - Grade 2/3	School Finishes
Period 6	Movie (Grade 4 and 5/6) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Art - FA - Grade 2/3 Digittech - CP - F/1	<u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Art - FA - Grade 5/6 Science - PC - Grade 4 PE - SC - Grade 2/3 Hums - JS - F/1	<u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> Digittech - CP - Grade 5/6 ICT - JS - Grade 4 Science - PC - Grade 2/3 PE - SC - F/1	Swimming Pool (Prep/1) <u>Junior Specialist Classes</u> PE - SC - Grade 5/6 Art - FA - Grade 4 Health - JS - Grade 2/3	

Year 7-10 Senior School Activities Week - Week 11

	Monday 14 th Dec	Tuesday 15 th Dec	Wednesday 16 th Dec	Thursday 17 th Dec	Friday 18 th Dec
Period 1	Hopetoun Lake Day	Christmas Craft <u>OR</u> Tech	Robots/ Digttech <u>OR</u> Gaming Session	Paper Aeroplane Competition <u>OR</u> Feel Good Session	Paint Pouring <u>OR</u> Movie
Period 2	Hopetoun Lake Day				
Recess					
Period 3	Hopetoun Lake Day	Science Experiments <u>OR</u> Puzzles and Leggo Building	Swimming Pool <u>OR</u> Set Up For Xmas Lunch	Kahootz Quiz <u>OR</u> Scavenger Hunt	Nature Walk <u>OR</u> Tech
Period 4	Hopetoun Lake Day				
Lunch			Whole School Lunch Starts at 1:10pm		
Period 5	Hopetoun Lake Day	French <u>OR</u> Classroom Spruce Up	Whole School Lunch @ 1:10pm	Clean Up Around School Our Space Session (ALL STAFF)	SCHOOL FINISHES
Period 6	Hopetoun Lake Day		Movie <u>OR</u> Board Games <u>OR</u> Have A Nap After Lunch		