

## **NEWSLETTER**

Rainbow P-12 College is a Child Safe School

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## Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

## Many Thanks

I'd like to sincerely thank my team for carrying on the important work of educating and caring for our wonderful students, during my recent period of Long Service Leave.

A big thank you to Assistant Principal Colleen Petschel who was Acting Principal in my absence and as always was the 'energizer bunny' creating opportunities for students and staff.

The break enabled me to re-charge the batteries, catch up with family and spend some time at home. It is amazing how much the students seem to grow in such a short period and it was great to return on Monday and be reminded of what a great school we have.

Tue 17th

Wed 18th

### End of Year Events

We acknowledge that many people are curious about how we will conduct our many end of year celebrations and activities. We are too!

Long term planning has been difficult this year due to the effects of the COVID 19 restrictions and as we achieve more "double donut" days, we expect restrictions may lift to allow us to hold events similar to past years, if safe and appropriate to do so.

## **VCE Exam Timetable**

November

Mon 16th Further Maths 2

**Business Management** 

Tue 17th Maths Methods 1

Wed 18th Maths Methods 2

Thur 19th Health & Human

Development

Mon 23th Chemistry

Tue 24th Economics

Thu 26th Environmental Science

### We Want You to Have Your Say!

The 2020 Parent Survey was emailed to all of our families on the 19<sup>th</sup> of October and this year all 58 of our families are invited to participate.

The survey closes **today** Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November and so far we have had 39 families respond giving us a response rate of 67%

Reaching our target of 100% seems a little 'out of reach' at the moment but we can beat our previous best total number of responses of 42!

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes or less to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

#### 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 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/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx

### School Council and Parents and Friends

The next School Council meeting will be held via Webex on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of December. Webex meeting number will be the same as previous meetings.

Parents and Friends will be holding their next meeting via Zoom on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> of November at 10:00 am. Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3673842736?pwd=amh0bVZjU1J2OXQ1ekE3Rit2OUVPUT09

## **Friendly Reminders**



## <u>School Banking</u>

Banking days are each Tuesday. If you do not have a school bank account and your child/children wish to be part of the program please contact your local CBA to set up an account.

Rewards for 2020 have been organised for the eligible students.

## Medical forms for Asthma, Anaphylaxis & Allergies

Asthma, Anaphylaxis & Allergy forms that were sent home several months ago need to be completed and sent back to Leonie Clarke at the College.

If you have lost your form please call and a new copy will be sent home.

## **Absences**

If your child/children are absent or going to be absent can you please send a Skoolbag absentee form, note or phone the school office on 53951063.

Please do not call, email or message the classroom teacher.

## **Uniform**

Please ensure that students are in correct school uniform each day. If you require new uniform please contact the office so we can make an appointment for you to purchase uniform from our uniform shop.

The uniform is reasonably priced and a wide variety of sizes & styles can now be purchased.

## Canteen

Canteen lunch orders are continuing to be provided from the Bow Bakery until further notice.

## Jump Rope for Heart -Take Two!



Ince again the junior school will be participating in Jump Rope for Heart.

We will be holding our school Jump Off Day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. However, all fundraising will need to be completed by the 25<sup>th</sup> November so that prizes can be sent out before the end of the year. This will mark the end of the program and is a chance for the students to come together to skip (COVID Safe) and show off their newly learned skills.

If you decide that your child is going to raise money it is important you <u>register your child online</u>, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising.

Simply follow the link to get started <u>www.jumprope.org.au/parents</u>

You can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

Grade 6 - Jump Rope Coordinators



## **VCAL INNOVATORS**

In very hot and trying conditions our depleted crew of VCAL students worked tirelessly to make progress on the sensory room. They worked on putting up the ceiling plaster sheets (with varying degrees of success) and started constructing the frame for the ball pit.





Ash & Lachie R working on the ball pit frame

# REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY ON SITE

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we commemorated Remembrance Day at school this year. A very big **THANK YOU** to our senior school captains **Jordy Leach & Alannah James** who interrupted their SWOTVAC to lead the ceremony.



They read out the poem *In Flanders Fields* with the reply. Our junior school captains **Parker Gould & Sally Smith** then read out the Ode.

All our school captains spoke exceptionally well with clear loud voices. This was followed by the playing of The Last Post, a minutes silence and then the playing of Reveille.

Due to the thunderstorms we had to have the ceremony in the hall. **Will Fisher and Fletcher Keller** (Junior Council Presidents) held the flag up during the ceremony and then walked up stage with the flag to symbolise the raising of the flag during Reveille.

Thanks to all the students and staff who supported the day by buying poppies or pens. We raised over \$130.



Our junior school Captains, Parker Gould & Sally Smith with the wreath.

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

A visual summary of some of the events from this week



Prep/One with their Ozobot



Murphy deep in thought!



Sadie ready for action!



The Ozobot city in action





What you happen to find on the ipad!



Love the expressions of Ayla & Shanae!







Serious Battlebot rivalry between Zander & Aiden in Yr 7 DigiTech



Here is a frame for a stop motion movie the lads (Lenny & Will) are making..can't wait to see the finished film!

Oscar is in the group too..but he was on Ohbot duty this week!



## Kindergarten Additional Assistant 2021. At Rainbow Kindergarten 12 hours per week over 3 days

Leading Community Services Organisation (Uniting Wimmera)
Salary packaging, and competitive sector remuneration
Casual positions available in Rainbow

### About the opportunity

We are seeking a Kindergarten Additional Assistant to join our team during school terms until the end of the school year with the option to extend depending on funding.

The Kindergarten Additional Assistant will work as a member of the team delivering a kindergarten program that is inclusive of all children in the group. The Kindergarten Additional Assistant will be employed by Uniting but may work in a service managed by another body within the Wimmera Region.

View the Position Description on Seek (or call/visit Sue W at Rainbow Kindergarten 53 951 172)

#### About you

You will:

Require no specific qualifications, however you must hold or be willing to apply for a Working with Children Check and pass a National Police Check

## How to apply

If this sounds like you, find out more or apply today. Please upload the following as part of your application:

Cover Letter (1 page outlining your suitability according to the position description) Current Resume (no more than 3 pages)

Applications closes

#### Thursday, 26 November 2020

#### Get in touch

For more information regarding this position, please contact

Jenny Carter, KIS Coordinator

#### T: 03 5362 4084

Applications can be made through SEEK website or directly to Jenny Carter Jenny. Carter@vt.unitimg.org

#### **About Uniting**

At Uniting we are passionate about working together to inspire people, enliven communities and confront injustice. **Visit us:** unitingvictas.org.au