

# **NEWSLETTER**

Rainbow P-12 College is a Child Safe School

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## Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

#### Keeping Calm and Carrying On

The 30 responses received so far in our Remote Learning Parent Survey have been enlightening. The feedback contained in your responses, can be summarised as very supportive of the teachers' work to provide a high quality and appropriate remote learning program. Like the staff, many of you are also asking can some of the benefits of the remote learning program be incorporated into how we work in the future. Although it has been challenging, many of the staff have quickly had to learn new IT skills and some of the students have preferred learning from home, as long as part of their future schooling still involves coming to school for the social interaction. All options to question 8, regarding parent thoughts on school returning have been selected but the second choice is a clear winner!

#### Student Check-In Survey

Once again this week, Miss Petschel circulated the Student Check –In Survey to determine how our students were managing remote learning, since week 2. We've attached the results from weeks 2 and 5 for questions 1 and 2. We added an additional question this time regarding what were the students worried about on returning to school. If we stop the restrictions it could start and spread again 43%

Friendships and peer relations might be different **35.4%** 

Things will be different and I will not know what to do 22.8%

I will miss being at home 19%

We anticipated that the students may experience some anxiety regarding returning to school and these results have identified some of the key areas, where we will need to provide additional support.

#### Transition Back to School

Thank you for all your support during these past few weeks of remote and flexible learning. The is the advice from the Department of Education.

Following advice from the Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government has advised that schools can begin a phased return to on-site schooling.

To support all school staff to prepare for this transition, Monday 25 May will be a pupil-free day.

#### STAGE 1

- Students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2, senior secondary (Year 11 and 12 VCAL and VCE) students and all students in specialist schools will **return to school from Tuesday 26 May.**
- Year 10 students undertaking VCE studies, including VCE VET studies, should also attend school for those classes where practicable.

#### STAGE 2

All other year levels will return to school from Tuesday 9 June.

We understand that some families may feel anxious about this move back to classroom teaching and learning. I can assure you that this decision has been taken on the basis of the best health advice available to our state.

#### **More Information**

More information about the return to school and coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the following websites. <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx">https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx</a>

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

#### Principal's report continued.....

#### Show Must Go On!

Even in these extraordinary circumstances, pre service teachers must still undertake the practicum component of their teacher training. Working behind the scenes, assisting our Year 4 teachers Miss Teasdale and Miss Newton, has been **Georgina Morrison** who is completing a Masters of Education through Flinders University. Georgina is with us for 2 more weeks of her 6 week placement.

#### 2019 Annual Report to the School Community

The 2019 Annual Report will be available on Facebook, the Skoolbag app, the school website and print copies will be available at the front office.

#### **School Council**

The next School Council Meeting will be Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of June at 7:30pm. More information will be sent out to councillors regarding how the meeting will be held.

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#### Nico's final Creation!

Just a follow up from last week's article. Here is Nicholas Roll "modelling" his finished creation of the 3D phone holders for the tripods. He was able to mass produce a number of them for staff to use during remote learning... and I'm sure at other times too!

It is great to have someone with the know-how and skills to help us out and also have someone who is so giving with his time and expertise.

A big THANKS to Nico..you are a life-saver!!



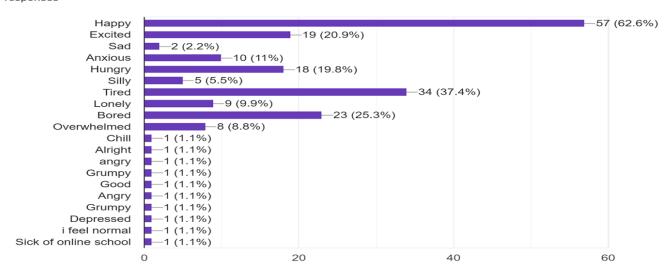




#### Student Check in Survey Comparison

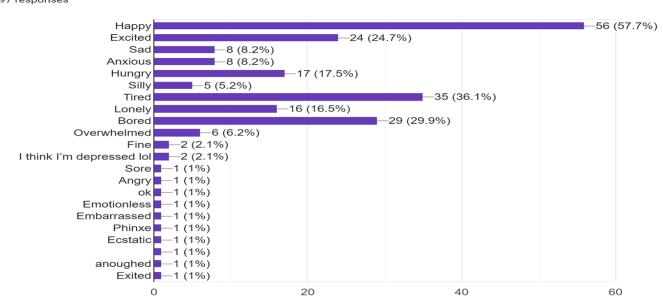
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Today I am (check all that apply) 91 responses



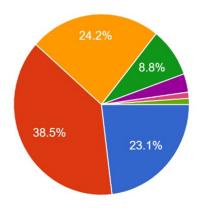
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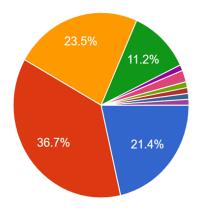
How is your remote learning going?
91 responses



- I am on track, and keeping up to date and on top of things
- I am on track, but at times I am not as motivated as I should be
- I am doing OK, I have done most of th...
- I am doing OK, I have done some of t...
- I have hardly done any, because I don...
- I have hardly done any, because I am...
- I'm only on track now because I skipp...
- I'm in between I'm doing the work bec...

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- I am doing OK, I have done some of t...
- I have hardly done any, because I don...
- I have hardly done any, because I am...
- I've hardly done any because I'd rathe...
- I hate it

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- I am on track, and keeping up to date and on top of things
- I am on track, but at times I am not as motivated as I should be
- I am doing OK, I have done most of the work
- I am doing OK, I have done some of the work but struggling with some of the work
- I have hardly done any, because I don't understand what is required
- I have hardly done any, because I am not motivated at all