

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. Today is the last day of school this year for all students from Prep to Year 9 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

As we are unable to present the VCE and VCAL certificates 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.

A Uniform Approach

Many thanks to the students who arrive at school each day in the correct school uniform and to the supportive parents who ensure their children are appropriately dressed for school.

Next year, we will introduce a number of strategies to ensure that all students are in correct uniform. There are no excuses for students to be out of uniform, as the school has stock of almost all items available at cost price. If there is a legitimate excuse we request you contact the school to explain the situation.

We really don't want our teachers spending more of their valuable teaching time chasing up the small number of students who regularly don't wear uniform but we realise it is difficult for parents to encourage their children to wear the correct uniform if other students don't.

Capital Works Funding

The survey I mentioned in last week's newsletter will be available this 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 just don't 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.

2021 Calendar



January

Week 1

Wed 27

Thur 28

Staff return

School starts for all students

February

Week 3

Tues 9

Student Awards Presentation
Year 10 to 12
(time to be confirmed)

Fri 12

Rainbow P-12
Swimming sports

Week 4

Tues 16

Pancake day

Fri 19

SM Cluster Swim at Hopetoun
Year 12 English study day

March

Week 6

Tue 2

Little Desert Swim

Week 7

Mon 8

Labour day holiday

Tue 9 to Fri 12

VCAL Job Camp

Week 8

Fri 19

GWR Swim
Flourish Girl & Man Cave

Week 9

Tue 23

Senior Aths

Thur 25

School Photos

April

Week 10

Thu 1st

School breaks up @ 2.30pm

Principal's report continued.....

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 February and the date will be published in the Newsletter next year.

School Uniform for 2021

If you need school uniform for 2021 please contact Tammy Bigham on 0427 820 684 by Tuesday 5th January, 2021 as an order will be placed during the holidays. You will be notified when the uniform is able to be picked up from the College. Payment will be required prior to collection.

Thank You

As part of the IGA Community Chest program, the Parents Club has received a cheque from Ian Turner of Rainbow IGA, for \$232.23. We are very grateful for this donation, especially in a year where other fundraising activities have been extremely limited. A portion of the cost of any items with the community chest logo that are bought in Rainbow, goes back into the community and we are very thankful to Ian for his support of the school.



Youth Strategy Survey

Hindmarsh Shire is creating a Youth Strategy for 2020-2024 and they need students from age 12 to 18 to complete it. It is an electronic survey and will take about 4-7 minutes to complete.

Here is the link: <https://form.jotform.com/202978938369073>



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.



School bags and hats

If you are in need of a school bag or hat they are available to purchase from the office.



2020 Presentation Awards - Foundation to Year 9

Bow Bakery All-rounder

Year 2 Adalyn Clugston
Year 3 William Boyle
Year 4 Amaya Eckermann



Lions Club All-rounder

Prep Murphy Jochinke
Year 1 Kolby Bigham
Year 5 Baxter Stasinowsky

Rainbow P-12 College All-rounder

Year 6 Will Fisher



PL Wood Award

Caleb Tregenza

Rainbow P-12 College All-rounder award

Year 7 Zander Eckermann
Year 8 Clarissa Bigham
Year 9 Tessa Leach

Music Awards

P-6 Lily Saul
7-12 Cooper Stasinowsky

Hands on Learning Award

Jamie Eckermann



The awards for Years 10 to 12 will be presented on Tuesday 9th February 2021

2021 Canteen Roster

Term 1

Fri 29 Samantha Smith

Feb

Mon 1 C. Petschel

Wed 3 C. Cocks

Fri 5 T. Bigham/ A. Roberts

Mon 8 G. O'Halloran

Wed 10 N. Leach

Fri 12 C. Saul/ S. Coyne

Mon 15 E. Eckermann

Wed 17 J. Fuller

Fri 19 S. Cocks/ T. Tregenza

Feb

Mon 22 C. Stasinowsky

Wed 24 R. Bastin

Fri 26 R. Keller/Roschelle Clugston

March

Mon 1 Sharon Smith

Wed 3 K. Preston

Fri 5 J. Thomas

Mon 8 Labour day holiday

Wed 10 Renee Clugston

Fri 12 N. Eckermann/ L. Heinrich

Mon 15 B. Eckermann

Wed 17 A. Ey

Fri 19 S. Clark/F. Czuczman

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. All families will be rostered on for canteen duty.

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

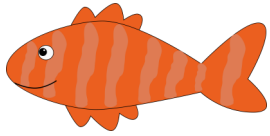
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I will be choosing to pay a canteen emergency worker at \$20 per day
so I have no preference which day I am rostered on.

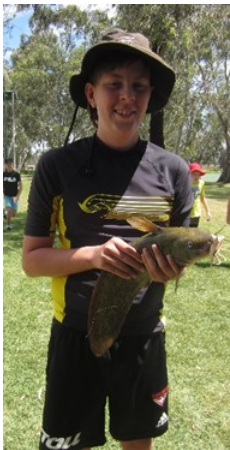
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I would like to become an emergency worker.

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The day @ the Lake





Our Whole School Lunch





Our last avocado session for the year!

