

Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

Business As Usual

At present, the best place for students to learn is at school. Chief Health Officer Dr Brett Sutton advises pre-emptive school closures are not likely to be effective as a public health intervention to prevent community transmission of COVID-19 at this time.

The exception is where students are being kept out of school due to self-isolation requirements or based on medical advice. In such cases, schools should work with families to ensure that students can remain engaged in learning and are provided with appropriate materials and support, drawing on a range of options.

Schools are not obliged to support continuity of learning where the school remains open and parents choose to remove their children from school due to general concerns in relation to COVID-19.

If a staff member or student at our school is in one of the categories below, we must contact DHHS on 1300 651 160 for advice on what to do next.

the person is a confirmed case of COVID-19

the person is a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days.

Unless we have a student or staff member in one of the two above categories, we do not need to take further intervention action.

For the last two weeks, the Department of Education has been sending principals a daily bulletin outlining the best actions to take in maintaining learning continuity and managing COVID-19.

School closures will be made on the recommendation of Victoria's Chief Health Officer. Once this occurs, the Department of Health and Human Services will inform the Department of Education and Training, and they will then work with us to implement the closure.

Please ensure the school has up to date and accurate contact details for your family.

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

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

2019 Annual Report to the School Community

School Council will present the 2019 Annual Report to the School Community at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 10th of June. The Annual Report is prepared to inform parents and the wider school community of the school's successes, activities and achievements throughout the year.

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.

Print copies of the 2019 Annual Report will be available at the front office, on the Skoolbag app, on the website and you are welcome to attend the presentation evening in June.

School Council

The next School Council Meeting will be Monday the 11th of May at 7:30pm. Parents & Friends next meeting will be on Wednesday 6th May at 10am.

Calendar Term 1 2020

March

Week 9

Mon/Tue 23-24	Parent teacher interviews
Wed 25	Earth Ed (P-6)
Thu 26	Film workshop 3
	MARC Van
Fri 27	End of term 1
	Casual dress day
	Easter theme– gold coin donations
	School finishes at 2.30pm

May

Wed 6	Parents & Friends at 10am
Thu 7	Mothers day stall
Mon 11	School council

Shout outs for the week



Bailey—for staying back after school to do work



Emma— for putting 100% into all tasks.
Baxter—for social intelligence- helping others in class

Kolby— for ignoring distractions and writing independently



MultiLit

Congratulations to Kayla for completing her first 100 sight words in MultiLit

SRC Casual Day

Friday 27th March

Easter dress up theme

Gold coin donation

All funds raised go to the Good Friday

Appeal



VCAL INNOVATORS

OUR TRIP

Refer to Gracie's great article about the trip in this week's newsletter!

FOUNDATION VCAL

Students have been busy measuring up the container in preparation for building the framework to put up the internal walls.

We are hoping the materials will arrive next week so we can start construction.

They also researched and ordered the necessary personal protection equipment (PPE) to ensure a safe work area.

SENIOR VCAL

Last week Matt & Max ran an OH&S induction session for the Foundation VCAL students.

The session was well organised and informative



Talk Time Topics

Hilarious jokes! We loved getting some new material for our stand-up routines. With Easter just around the corner we have a special Easter activity for now until the rest of term.

Talk Time Topic – Until the end of term

Create an Easter basket
It must hold at least 3 chicken egg sized eggs

VCAL Melbourne Trip from Gracie Hurlstone

At 6am on Thursday we, the VCAL foundation students set off and was on our way to Melbourne, until Friday afternoon.

When we got to Melbourne our first stop was the Holocaust museum, the people at the holocaust museum were very nice. There we had a small group discussion about the things we already knew about the holocaust and our guide also briefly spoke about the purpose of the holocaust museum. After our discussion we moved on into the museum part. There were lots of interesting things to read about. The most interesting part to me was the big display model of Treblinka Concentration Camp.

After we had a quick walk through the museum, we got to meet a survivor from the holocaust. His name was Henri, he was born in Germany, but his parents were from Poland, making him a German Jew. He told us his story and what had happened to him. We were very fortunate to go here and meet a survivor of the Holocaust, and to just overall learn and see the different outcomes of the holocaust.

Next, we went to Richmond Hill Hotel, this was where we would be spending the night. The place just gave me grandma vibes, like I felt like I was spending the night at my Nan's. Once we unloaded the bus, we got our room keys and made our way to our rooms. The rooms were okay...let's just say that the girls' room didn't stay too clean after we unloaded everything. We stayed here until 5pm, after that we walked down to the nearest 7/eleven to purchase/top off our myki cards. Then we had to find where we had to catch a tram to Crown Casino where we will be having tea.

Once we made it crown, we were all very excited and hungry and couldn't wait to eat. As we were walking through Crown to the food court Paddy spotted out an AFL player and started to fan girl over him. After a few minutes of Paddy fan girling over him, we approached him and asked if he could get a quick pic. He was kind enough for Paddy to get one. Once we finally made it to the food court, we looked around all the different food and decided what we wanted to eat. The food was good and tasty.

Next, we walked to the Eureka Skydeck. The Eureka Skydeck was an amazing experience, especially when the sun is setting over Melbourne. The views were spectacular. A few of us paid for the edge experience. This experience was amazing, we were in a glass box and were 3 metres out in the open. This was amazing and so scary. The Eureka Skydeck was spectacular and a great experience.



Views from Eureka Skydeck

On Friday it was just us waiting to hear the final news about the Grand Prix and whether if it was going ahead. Let's just say that the boys had an early start to the morning where the girls didn't really get out of bed till 8am. We had breakfast at Richmond Hill and as we were eating our brekkie there was talk about other plans for today, due to the Grand Prix being cancelled.



Bumper cars at Wyn City

We decided as a group that we go to Wyn City. Wyn City was a place where lots of fun happens, there's lots of different activities to choose from and do. We decided to play a game of ten pin bowling, a game of laser tag and bumper cars. Ten pin bowling was fun but hard without the side bumpers, to stop my ball from going in the gutter. Laser tag was extremely fun and used lots of our energy. Bumper cars were different but fun and not as much work.

After that we just hung out there because they had an arcade and we played lots of different games. Wyn City was great.

Next, we found a place to have lunch and then we were back on the road. The trip home wasn't too bad, a lot of us had a nap on the way home with the weird taste in music.

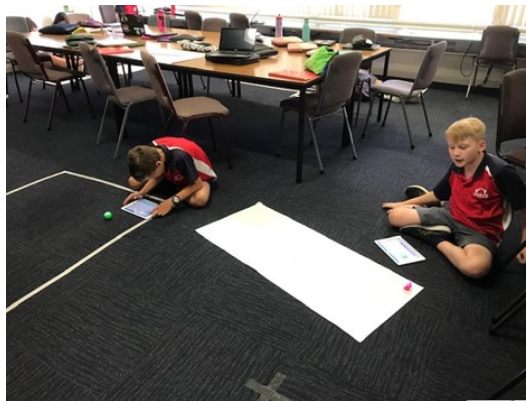
Overall the trip to Melbourne was good but it was a bit disappointing about the Grand Prix being cancelled.

A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

A visual summary of some of the events from last week



Pack up time at Shake, Rattle & Read



Year 7 DigiTech students coding their names for light painting



Parker & Lenny



Archer & Dustin



Paddy & Phoenix in action
(doing what we are not sure!)



Fletch & Sharni



Mr Glover showing us his bowling moves

**Term 1****March**

Mon 23 C. Petschel
Wed 25 S. Clark/ F. Czuczman
Fri 27 A. Riordan

Term 2**April**

Wed 15 C. Roll
Fri 17 C. Saul. S. Coyne

Mon 20 Sharon Smith
Wed 22 E. Clarke
Fri 24 L. Jochinke

Mon 27 T. Bigham/ A. Roberts
Wed 29 K. Preston

May

Fri 1 Samantha Smith

Mon 4 B. Eckermann
Wed 6 A. Ey
Fri 8 Renee Clugston

Canteen Emergency Workers

Kim Kajewski 0448352251

Debbie Lowe 0488115973

Lauren Heinrich
(Wed & Fri only) 0459363319

Samantha Smith 0431152327

Please contact the above emergency workers if you are unable to do your canteen duty.
\$20 is to be paid to the emergency worker.

Notice from CommBank School Banking

The health, safety and wellbeing of our communities and our people is our first priority. Due to the rapidly developing situation with coronavirus, School Banking has been temporarily paused from **20 March 2020** until the start of **Term 2**.

Please don't bring your deposit book with your weekly banking into school and we will notify you when banking will recommence.

This week the new jackets were approved by school council and below is the order form if you wish to purchase them.

RAINBOW P-12 COLLEGE

RED & NAVY JACKET ORDER FORM – YEAR 7-12

Name.....

Junior sizes \$32

Size 8

☐

Size 10

☐

Size 12

☐

Size 14

☐

Size 16

☐

Senior sizes \$39.50

Small

☐

Medium

☐

Large

☐

XLarge

☐

2XLarge

☐

3XLarge

☐

Total Payable: \$

Payment required with your order – Cash/Cheque/EFT/Direct Deposit

Orders required by 9am Thursday 26th March.



Reduce your risk of coronavirus

- ✎ **WASH** your hands often with soap and running water, for at least 20 seconds. Dry with paper towel or hand dryer.
- ✎ **TRY** not to touch your eyes, nose or mouth.
- ✎ **COVER** your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow.
- ✎ **STAY** at home if you feel sick. If you take medication make sure you have enough.
- ✎ **PHONE** your doctor or the hotline – **1800 675 398** – if you need medical attention. They will tell you what to do.
- ✎ **CONTINUE** healthy habits: exercise, drink water, get plenty of sleep.
- ✎ **WEARING** a face mask is not necessary if you are well.
- ✎ **BUY** an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with over 60% alcohol.



Find out more

www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

If you are concerned, call the

Coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 (24 hours)

Please keep Triple Zero (000) for emergencies only

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