



# NEWSLETTER

Rainbow P-12 College is a Child Safe School

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## Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

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### **Student Free Day**

Next Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> of June has been approved as a Student Free Day. This will allow our staff to spend a full day on preparing our Pre Review Self Evaluation for the reviewer, prior to our school review next term.

### **Another Welcome!**

We wish to extend a friendly Mallee welcome to another new student! This week we had Melissa Clark join our Year 9 class. If we maintain this increase in enrolments we may not be able to continue promoting our small class sizes! I'm sure Melissa will enjoy our safe and friendly rural school and the rich opportunities our community provides. Mellissa's arrival brings our total enrolment to 114 students, with 54 students in the junior school and 60 students in the senior school.

### **2021 Attitudes to School Survey**

We have commenced the annual Attitudes to School Survey for students from Year 4 to Year 12. Historically we have very high participation rates and are aiming at achieving a 100% response rate.

### **Capital Works News**

This week, we met with representatives from the Department and the VSBA to clarify the scope of works, so that design work can continue. Due to the costs associated with upgrading the necessary infrastructure at the West paddock site all of the future upgrades will occur on our main campus. Negotiations are still occurring regarding which buildings on our site will be the focus of the improvements.

### **Stay Informed and further information**

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/departments/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

### **2021 Calendar**

#### **June**

##### **Week 9**

Mon 14 Queen's Birthday  
Public Holiday (no school)

Tue 15 School review staff planning day  
***Student free day***

Wed 16 Jnr 5/6 Winter sport - Horsham

##### **Week 10**

Fri 25 School Breaks up at 2.30pm

### **2020 Annual Report to the School Community**

School Council will present the 2020 Annual Report to the School Community at 7.30pm on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

Print copies of the 2020 Annual Report will be available at the front office, on the Skoolbag app, and on the website.

Everyone is most welcome to attend the presentation evening in June.

### **Important Meetings**

The next School Council Meeting will be Monday 21st June at 7:30pm and the Parents & Friends Meeting will be on Wednesday 16th June at 10am.

## Prep Words



Congratulations to Jurie for completing her Red words and Evie for her Purple words on Monday



On Tuesday we had more students complete their words.  
Congratulations to Noah - Blue words, Elsie & Nate - Green words, Tanner - Blue words and Hayden - Red words

## May Student Awards Winners



Chelsea & Clancy

### Greater Western Region Cross Country from Miss Schumann

To all those students involved, please make note that the GWR Cross Country has been postponed until further notice. When we have more information we will let you know.  
Thank you for your patience.

### Great Victorian Bike Ride from Tessa Leach

Hi everyone!

On Monday the 21st of June there will be a lunchtime meeting about the Great Vic Bike Ride that is happening later on this year.

I would like to explain a few things and confirm numbers. If you are interested in doing the GVBR please come to this meeting.

Any questions just talk to me!

Thanks, Tessa



## Reading achievements to the end of week 6 & 7



This week we congratulate  
the following students

### 25 nights reading

**Year 5/6:** Zach

### 50 nights reading

**Year 1/2:** Tyler, Kolby

**Year 3/4:** Pippa

**Year 5/6:** Riley, Kane

### 75 nights reading

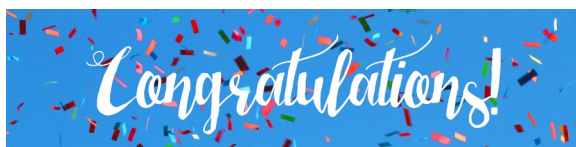
**Year 1/2:** Koby, Lane, Murphy

**Year 3/4:** Edison

### 100 nights reading

**Year 3/4:** Haylee, Adalyn

**Year 5/6:** James



## **Ecolinc - from Mrs Roll**

We were extremely fortunate to have a visit from Anthony, Ainsley and Amy from Ecolinc as part of their Outreach program on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Ecolinc is a science and technology innovations centre that provides sustainable environment programs for Victorian government schools. Students from Prep-Year 8 were involved in the workshops across the day which included:

- ◆ Paper as a resource
- ◆ Water as a resource
- ◆ Wind power
- ◆ Hydrogen fuel cells (green energy)

Some of the Year 5/6 students described their wind energy session, testing what made an efficient wind turbine:

*There were two groups on blade length, two groups on blade angle, and two groups on the number of blades to test which wind turbine produced the most energy - Oscar*

*We made a wind turbine and there were two cords that attached to the volt meter. I got to read the volts - Lily*

*It was lots of fun but we had to think hard when we had to put the blade on the certain angle - Zach*

Students had an excellent and informing time in the sessions and we can't wait until the next time Ecolinc can come and visit our school - thanks Ecolinc for the fantastic opportunity!



Students enjoying the Ecolinc activities



## **Jump Rope for Heart – Jump Off**

Once again the Junior school are participating in Jump Rope for Heart. We will hold our school Jump Off Day on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June (Last day of Term 2 at 11.45am on the tennis courts at the school)



Jump Rope for Heart is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for over 35 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since Jump Rope for Heart started in 1983, schools like ours have raised more than \$75 million for the Heart Foundation's lifesaving work.

It's important you **register your child online**, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started.

**<https://jumprope.heartfoundation.org.au/register>**

During the next few weeks you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause. Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program.

Heart Foundation  
**Jump Rope for Heart**



# A week in the life of Rainbow P-1 2 College



*Hendrix, Sadie, Lane, Evie & Murphy trying out the new Lego!*



**The Preps proud of their Gruffalo**



**Tanner  
proudly  
showing off  
his shapes**



**Nate eagerly going through his green words**



**Hayden with the start of  
his very long rectangle**



**Evie with her many shapes**



**All smiles....Evie, Elsie & Jurie**



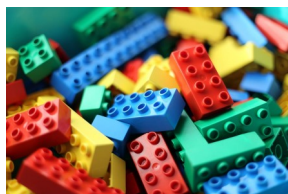
**Jess & Yosha having fun making shapes**



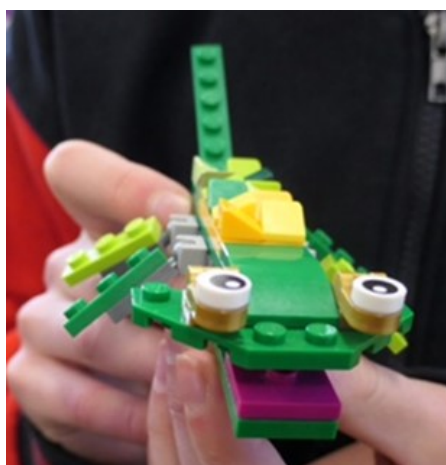
## The magnificent Lego skills of our students....



Emma with our new emotions Lego



Giaan with her outstanding parrot for her presentation



Annika and her fantastic lizard





## STUDENT VOICE, AGENCY & LEADERSHIP (SVAL)

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**SRC:**

**JR SRC:**

**STUDENT FORUM:**

**JR FUNDRAISING:**

## SRC NEWS



Beanies have been ordered!

## STUDENT FORUM 8/6/21

**Some discussion points included:**

Electives at Year 7/8 level  
More lunchtime activities  
D&T at junior level  
Run subjects like drama & textiles  
Young farmers  
we also had a visit from Petra  
Croot the Youth Officer from the  
Hindmarsh Shire

## SURVEY RESULTS

During remote learning a survey went out to all students to get an idea of what they thought about student voice.

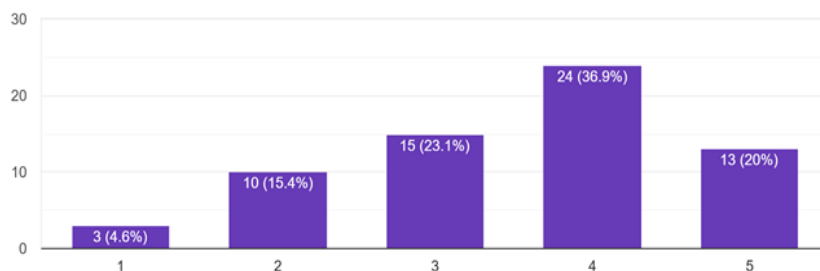
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## STUDENT VOICE SURVEY

65 response as of 4/6/21

Do you think the opinions of students about our school are valued by teachers?

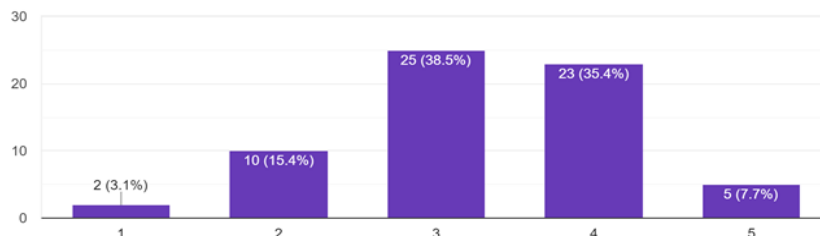
65 responses



1 : none at all – 5 : lots

Do you feel like you have the opportunity to have input into some of the decisions made within your school?

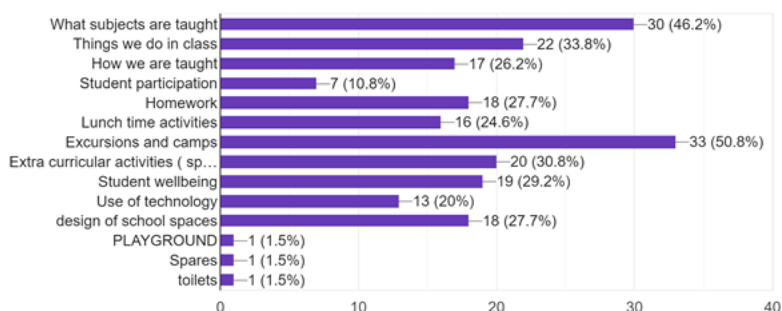
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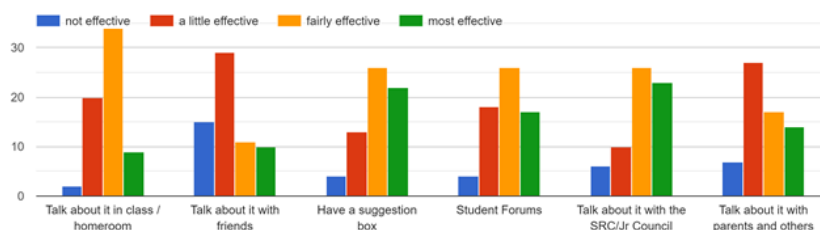
1 :not really – 5 : absolutely

What would you like to have an opportunity to have a say about in our school?

65 responses



How could you have a say on changes in this school? How could your voice be heard? Please indicate level of effectiveness for each option.



# VCAL INNOVATORS

## GROOVY BEAN CAFÉ

As part of Ash Francis' Intermediate VCAL project and Gracie Hurlstone's Business Management class the students are opening a café called the Groovy Bean.



**THE GROOVY BEAN  
CAFÉ**

From Ash....

*We decided to start the café because all the VCAL students have done a barista course and they all enjoyed making coffees and wanted to make more. The school decided to buy a coffee machine so that we could get more experience at making coffees and setting up a small business.*

*We will be selling coffee, hot chocolate, etc on Friday lunchtimes (just to get started) in the MPB.*

*The coffee will be from \$3:50 and the hot chocolate from \$3:00.*

*We will be selling other items such as slices, cakes and lunches at a later date once we get established.*

*We will also be designing a uniform for the café and working on how to promote it effectively.*



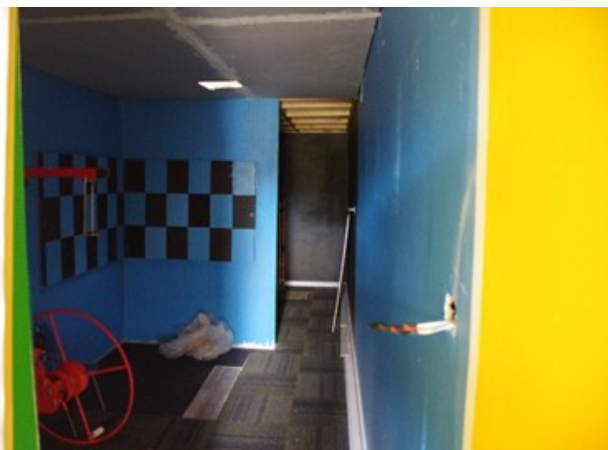
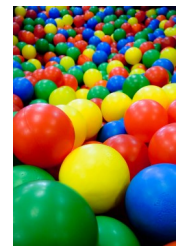
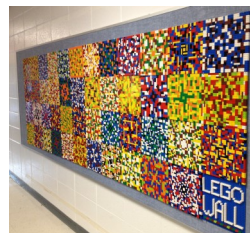
## SENSORY ROOM PROGRESS



We are nearly there!

Whilst there are still a couple of jobs to do we are hoping to get most of the interior finished this term.

At the moment we are working on the finishing touches to the ceiling.



Other jobs to do include:

- Completing & installing the texture wall feature
- Putting in the skirting board
- Finishing off the flooring
- Finishing the Lego wall
- Connecting the lights
- Installing the puzzle wall



## Shake Rattle & READ

### Term 2

**SRR - 9.30am at Rainbow P-12 College**

**PLAYGROUP - 9.30-11.30am at Kinder**

June 14th Public Holiday

June 21st Playgroup



## Tissues

It's that time of the year again  
where we ask if each family could  
provide a box of tissues to be  
used in the classrooms



### Canteen Emergency Workers

Tammy Bigham (M, W, F)	0427820684
Samantha Smith (M,W,F)	0431152327
Debbie Lowe (M,F only)	0488115973
Lauren Heinrich (W only)	0459363319
Kim Kajewski (Fridays only)	0448352251

If you require an emergency worker contact one of the above listed people or arrange a swap with a parent on the canteen roster.

\$20 payment to emergency worker.

Please contact the above emergency workers if you are unable to do your canteen duty.



### Term 2

#### June

Fri 11 T. Bigham/ A. Roberts

**Mon 14 Queen's Birthday - no school**

Wed 16 D. Camilleri

Fri 18 S. Clark/ F. Czuczman

Mon 21 C. Stasinowsky

Wed 23 E. Staples

Fri 25 C. Saul/ S. Millward-Coyne

### Term 3

#### July

Mon 12 E. Eckermann

Wed 14 R. Boyle

Fri 16 K. Kajewski

Mon 19 S. Newton

Wed 21 L. Jochinke

Fri 23 R. Clugston/ R. Keller

Mon 26 C. Petschel

Wed 28 T. Bigham/ A. Roberts

Fri 30 T. Gould/ E. Lester

#### Aug

Mon 2 G. O'Halloran

Wed 4 K. Preston

Fri 6 M. Heinrich/G. Morris

Mon 9 R. Bastin

Wed 11 Sharon Smith

Fri 13 N. Kruger/ C. Fuller

Mon 16 J. Thomas

Wed 18 E. Staples

Fri 20 K. Weir/C. Fisher

Mon 23 Samantha Smith

Wed 25 B. Eckermann

Fri 27 S. Millward/C.Saul