

## Leadership report - Weekly roundup

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### WELCOME TO TERM 4

Welcome to the adventure that we call Term 4!  
We hope you all had a relaxing break.

This week we welcomed back the Prep-2s and Year 12s on Monday. On Tuesday students undertaking Unit 3&4 subjects completed the GAT and on Wednesday we said a big hello to our Year 11 students!

Next week we will welcome back the Year 7 students on-site full time and then...

- Tues & Wed : Grade 3/4 & Years 8/9
- Thu & Fri : Grade 5/6 & Year 10

This arrangement is for week 2&3 and then on **TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER** we are hoping to have all students back on site FULLTIME!!!!

### COMMUNICATION

Just thought it might be worthwhile to recap on our communication methods during this time.

- **Skoolbag & Facebook** : Our main forms of detailed communication to provide updates of changes to who is on site and other guidelines
- **Compass SMS** : for brief updates and urgent messages
- **Class Dojo** : for junior school updates and specific class information
- **Newsletter** : for our calendar, upcoming events and showcasing what the kids are doing at school.



We are in the process of moving from Skoolbag to Compass as our main source of communication, however, when we went back to remote learning it was decided that we would hold off on the transition until things had settled down a tad.

If any members of the school community have questions, concerns or issues with the College please send through an email or make a time to have a phone or Webex discussion. We are here to listen and work with you. We would appreciate it if social media was not used as a first option.  
Thank you.



### Meeting Dates

The next School Council meeting  
will be held on  
Monday 8th November  
at 7.30pm

Parents & Friends next meeting  
date is to be confirmed

### VCE Exams

#### October

Wed 27th English 9.00am - 12.15pm  
Fri 29th Biology 9.00 am - 11.45pm  
Further Maths Exam 1  
2.00pm - 3.45pm

#### November

Mon 1st Psychology 9.00am - 11.45am  
Further Maths Exam 2  
2.00pm - 3.45pm  
Tue 2nd Melbourne Cup  
Wed 3rd Maths Methods Exam 1  
9.00am - 10.15am  
Business Management  
3.00pm - 5.15pm  
Thu 4th D & T 9.00am - 10.45am  
Maths Methods Exam 2  
11.45am - 2.00pm  
History 3.00pm - 5.15pm  
Fri 5th Specialist Maths Exam 1  
9.00am - 10.15am  
Outdoor Ed 11.45 am - 2.00pm  
Accounting 3.00pm - 5.15pm  
Mon 8th P.E. 11.45am - 2.00pm  
Specialist Maths Exam 2  
3.00pm - 5.15pm  
Tue 9th Chemistry 9.00am - 11.45am  
HHD 2.00pm - 4.15pm

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### WELLBEING INFO.



There is an outline of a number of headspace sessions in October later in this newsletter.

We also have included an updated edition of the **SchoolTV** link to Transitioning back to school room remote learning.



### OUR REVIEW

Next Thursday (14<sup>th</sup> October) staff and students will be involved in the Fieldwork Day.

During the day there will be a number of parent focus groups. We would love to have as many parents involved in this process as possible. If you would like to be involved in one of these groups to share your thoughts and provide your insight into the performance of the school over the last four years please contact the school.

### BUILDING WORKS UPDATE #8

Hopefully we will have some exciting news to share next week!



### PARENT SURVEY

The winners of the Parent Survey Raffle are

**Nathan & Sharon SMITH**

Thanks to all the families who took the time to complete the survey.

Your opinions and input are valued.

#### Karcher High Pressure Washer & \$50 IGA voucher



### BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS

Rainbow P-12 College has a collection box for bread tags. This organisation turns the bread tags into bowls and plates etc and then uses the money from the sales of these items to make wheelchairs for those who are unable to purchase them themselves. So if you have any bread tags please send them in!



### Study Buddy Session from Nicole Leach

In an effort to encourage good study habits in our students, we are offering an opportunity for students in Years 10-12 to stay after school on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3.30 -4.30** this term. During this time, I will supervise students to undertake homework, extra study or an opportunity to catch up with their teachers for extra support where possible.

It has been great to see some VCE and VCAL students staying after school already to remain focused on their studies and get work done. So we are encouraging more students to try this and see how it might change their work habits to catch up, keep up or even get ahead with their studies.

Of course, students are able to stay after school on other days if that suits them or their teachers' schedules better. We also understand that this opportunity might not always suit out-of-town students who need to catch a bus home, but we'd like to give it a try.

### **Changes to Canteen for the next 3 weeks**

Starting on Monday 11th October until further notification  
the following canteen changes will apply.

Canteen lunch orders will be supplied by the Bow Bakery on  
**Monday and Fridays only** (No orders on Wednesday)  
The canteen will NOT be open for lunchtime sales.

Pies, pasties & sausage rolls will be available as per usual prices  
(No pizzas)

Salad rolls (no sandwiches)

Ham salad roll	\$6.00
Chicken & salad roll	\$6.00
Salad roll (no meat)	\$6.00

#### **Wraps**

Ham, cheese, tomato & mayo	\$6.00
Chicken, lettuce, cheese & mayo	\$6.00

Sweet treats will **only** include

Iced donuts	\$3.20
Eclairs & Matchsticks	\$3.40
Hedgehog	\$2.80
Pink biscuits	\$2.30

### **Production News**

Some disappointing news this week, as we have had to make  
the hard decision to postpone the production to Term 2 next  
year. This is due to continued uncertainty around future  
restrictions on extra-curricular activities and large gatherings,  
combined with the busy nature of Term 4.

Mrs Staples and Miss Wizz would like to reassure everyone in  
the cast that they will still have their same roles next year, if  
they are still interested. This postponement will allow us to  
have an uninterrupted lead up to the production, which will  
result in a much better performance all round.

# What's been going on in and around our school?

This week we take you into the homes for Remote Learning



Ava busy completing a reading activity



Felicity was very creative making up some great alliterations for poetry.



Inara hard at work



Noah planted seeds

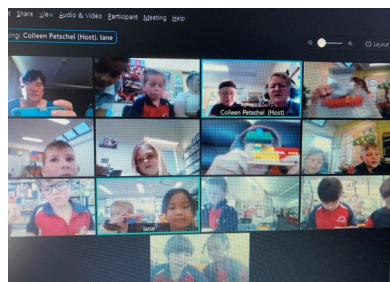


Bob the builder built blue blocks at the Ballarat beach and a bee bit him on the b \_\_ ???!!!!!!  
Sally snake sat in the sun on the sand, sewing a scarf while she watched a seal swim in the sea.  
Fred the frog was eating fairy floss at the fish pond on a freezing Friday, whilst Fletch fidgeted with fudge.

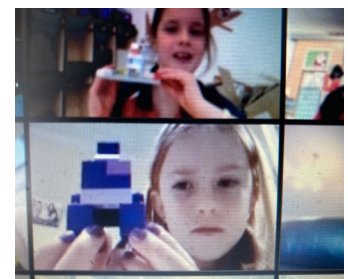
## *The Great Lego Challenge...*



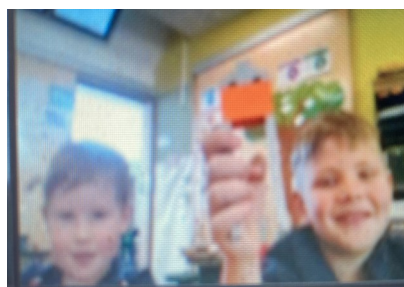
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**Mrs Petschel**  
(Sorry they are a tad blurry)



Participants in the Lego Challenge



Inara and Emma



Noah and Koby



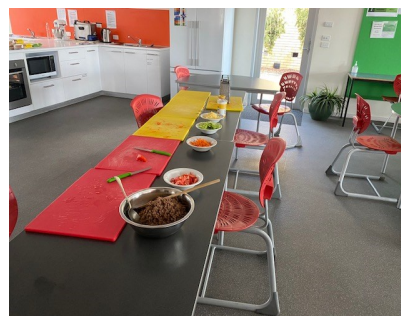
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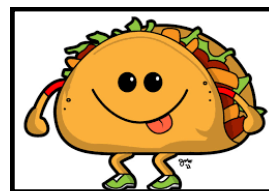
# **What's been going on in and around our school?**

## **THE PREPS IN ACTION COOKING!**

Any one for Tacos?



Prep students Tanner, Nate, Yosha, Jurie, Hayden, Elsie, Evie and Noah are featured in the photos making Tacos in their cooking class.



# Transitioning Back



As lockdown restrictions are slowly being lifted to varying degrees, we are entering a time of transition and adjustment. The circumstances of this situation have significantly impacted us all. For some it has been an opportunity to reflect on what is important, whilst others have embraced the opportunity to learn new things.

Many young people may be excited at the prospect of restrictions being lifted, whilst others may be feeling mixed emotions. Reactions will differ depending on how well they cope with stress and change. Keeping a check on your child's mental health and wellbeing as they adjust to new routines, will be vitally important.

There is still a lot of uncertainty ahead of us, so focusing on the things you can control or enjoy doing, can help establish predictability and familiarity for the whole family. Adult carers need to provide young people with reassurance by acknowledging any concerns and fears they may have at this time. Consider this to be a normal reaction, however it may be best to focus more on their feelings and emotions, rather than the practicalities at this stage.

In this Special Report, we share a few ideas about how to help ease this time of transition. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this Special Report, and as always, we welcome your feedback.

If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report

[https://rainbowp12.vic.schooltv.me/wellbeing\\_news/special-report-coronavirus-transition-back](https://rainbowp12.vic.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-coronavirus-transition-back)

# oct chats

Led by professionals, these chats bring young people, friends and family together and explore topics that are important to the community.

[headspace day - small steps start big things](#)

Wednesday 6 October 7-8pm AEDT

[sex... when it's not what you expected](#)

Sunday 17 October 7-8pm AEDT

[your rights in the workplace](#)

Wednesday 20 October 7-8pm AEDT

[my young person talks of suicidal thoughts](#)

Thursday 21 October 7-8pm AEDT

[suicidal thoughts... what do they mean?](#)

Tuesday 26 October 7-8pm AEDT

## weekly peer-led chats

[navigating relationships](#): Mondays at 6.15-9.45pm AEDT

[adults supporting young people](#): second Mondays 6.15-9.45pm AEDT

[qheadspace](#): Tuesdays at 6.15-9.45pm AEDT

[general coping](#): Wednesdays 6.15-9.45pm AEDT

[vamspace](#): second Thursdays 6.15-9.45pm AEDT

Please find attached to your Newsletter email a copy of the above Headspace OCT chats page that will allow you to access the hyperlinks to the chat sessions