



BE KIND, WORK HARD,  
BOUNCE BACK

*Dream Big*

# Newsletter



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We are a Child Safe School

## PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...

### VALE ANNETTE RIORDAN



As a school community we were very saddened to hear the recent passing of Annette.

She had a long association with Rainbow P-12 College over an extended period of time. Annette was an active parent on canteen and was an avid supporter of her kids in the classroom, on the sporting field and in any extra curricula activities.

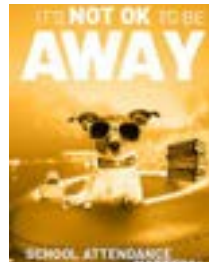
We send our deepest sympathies and condolences to Craig and his family.

If any members of the school community need extra support during this time please contact the school.

### CONSISTENCY

This is a main focus area for the College this term.

**ATTENDANCE:** It is really important that students attend school everyday to maintain continuity of learning and enhance their academic, social and emotional development. There will be times when students are sick or have medical appointments...but this should be a rarity rather than the norm.



### UNIFORM:

It is now term 2 so blue pants/skirts/skorts /shorts are the only option. The only accepted beanie at school will be the Rainbow P-12 College beanie. Students will be asked to remove hats/beanies and jackets in the classroom.



### ANZAC DAY

I was exceedingly proud of our School Captains who conducted themselves in such a positive and responsible way during the community ANZAC Day ceremony. They represented the school and themselves in such an effective and enthusiastic manner.



OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS - Taylor Fisher, Ruby Tregenza, Clancy Weir, Tessa Leach & Ayla Roberts



## Calendar

### Term 2

#### Week 2

**May**

**Thu 4th**

Little Desert Senior Aths

**Fri 5th**

RACV P-6

#### Week 3

**Wed 10th**

Jnr Little Desert X country  
Horsham

**Thur 11th**

Snr Little Desert X Country  
Murtoa

#### Week 5

**Wed 24th**

Simultaneous Story Time

## Meeting Dates

**School Council** 8th May

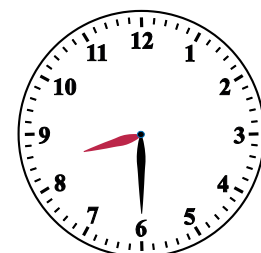
**Parents and Friends** General Meeting

1st May 1.30pm at school

Webex available 26502576368



Supervision at school begins at **8.30am**, please ensure that your children are not here before then, unless prior arrangements have been made.



### PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...CONT

Thanks to Lucy Thomas who never fails to lend a hand with the collection and counting of the money during the ceremony. Her commitment to this task will always be appreciated. Well done!

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

We are hoping to increase our involvement in the community this term. This includes dedicating time on Wednesdays to work with community groups. Hopefully we will organize some more inter-generational activities. We are also very excited about our upcoming work out at the Rainbow Lake to assist with the establishment of habitat for the Golden-rayed Blue Butterfly!! We are also planning to have a number of open days during the year where the school community can come and check out what our kids are up to. Please check out the poster for the upcoming Education week.



**If any community groups would like some help with projects or would like to work with our students please contact the school.**

### RAINBOW GRAB 'N' GO

The generator is up and going! The fridge and fryers are on their way! We have Nico Roll on the job to build a frame and cage for the generator...things are definitely happening!! The VM class is hoping to have a trial run next week. Exciting times ahead!



### ROYAL FAR WEST

Please check out the information about the free online parenting group set up by Royal Far West. Sounds like a great opportunity. Limited spots available.



### **Tuning in to Kids® Online Parenting Group** Delivered by Royal Far West

Limited Spaces available for 2023:

- 9:30am-11:00am, beginning Tuesday 30 May & running weekly for 8 weeks (with a 3 week break from Tuesday 27 June – Tuesday 11 June)

This is a free online parenting group for parents/carers. The program aims to:

- Improve communication between you and your child
- Strengthen the bond you share with your child
- Better understand your child and their behaviours
- Help your child learn how to understand, express, and manage their emotions in a productive way
- Help your child learn skills which will support them to create and maintain positive relationships in life
- Connect with other likeminded parents/carers

If you are interested, please go to <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1044281> to book or learn more.



# School Wide Positive Behaviour Student Voice, Agency and Leadership



## **Our focus this term: *Minor and Major Behaviours***

This term we will be working to establish a clear and consistent approach to minor and major behaviours in our school.

Minor behaviours include things like not wearing correct school uniform, using inappropriate language, disruption in the classroom, misuse of property/technology and disrespect.

Major behaviours include aggression, physical violence, dangerous behaviour, property damage or continued repetition of minor behaviours.

Staff will have a clear course of action to respond to these behaviours, always focusing on encouraging positive behaviour, reteaching our expectations as necessary and applying logical and appropriate consequences when needed. All major behaviours will result in contact with the parents, and a conference if necessary.

As always, we value feedback and conversation with our school community, so if you have any questions about School Wide Positive Behaviour, please feel free to contact Ella Clarke at the College.

### **Upcoming meetings and student events**

**Whole School Forum:** Tues 2nd May  
**Senior SRC:** TBA

**Junior SRC Meeting:** TBA

**Jnr SRC Icy Pole sales:** Thurs lunchtimes

**Prom:** Friday May 12



## 2023 Student Fees

2023 School Fees are now due. Please check at the office if you are unsure if you have paid or not.

Payment plans are available if required. Please see the front office staff to arrange this.

### Unique Student Identifier - USI

Just a reminder if your child has a **USI** number could this please be provided to the office. ALL Ag students require these this year. To get a USI please go to <https://www.usi.gov.au>

### Friday Club

For interested families, Friday Club has recommenced. Students will walk down to the Lutheran Church Hall with Karen Koning after school on Fridays.



### DO YOU WANT A PRINTED NEWSLETTER?

If you would like a printed newsletter from now on, you need to opt-in by contacting the office on 53951063 or emailing [rainbow.p12@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:rainbow.p12@education.vic.gov.au)



### ICY POLES

The Junior SRC will be selling Icy Poles at lunchtimes on **Thursdays** for 50 cents

### Canteen

Canteen will continue to operate on Monday and Friday. Please see the new price list in the first newsletter and please note that **prices have changed** from last year. Juniors can still bring their food (in foil containers) to be heated.



### Book Club

Issue 3 is due back to school by Friday 15th May.

## Book Club



### Student Absences

Please remember to inform the school if your child is away from school for any reason by either using Compass or phoning the office on

**53951063**

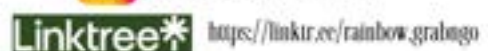


### Sport Top Orders

If you are requiring a new sports top orders are required to be in at the front office by **4th of May**



Check Out the Social Media Platforms we are making.



# This Weeks classroom focus is

# PREP, 1 & 2



*Elodie*

This week in the Prep, 1 & 2 room we have focused on the letter **H**. We read a book about a hungry hippo then wrote about what other things the hippo might like to do.



*James*

*Elodie*



*Eli*



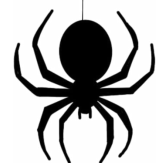
*Jess & Yosha*



The kids were busy little bees making their Mother's Day presents.



*Tate*



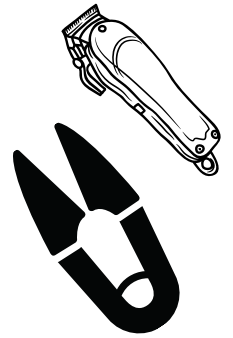
Maths was all about spider's busy day



## Vale Frank Pitt

It is with great sadness we acknowledge the passing of Frank Pitt - formally of Jeparit. Frank was instrumental in running the shearing school program in the 1970's and 80's at Rainbow High School / Secondary College. His gentle instruction gave many young people in the district an opportunity to learn to shear. Frank and his wife Margaret (dec) were also keen supporters of the students undertaking clay bird shooting through the school.

*Our deepest sympathies to the Pitt family.*



# Starting Early Term 2!

WE ARE SO HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT AT THE START OF TERM 2  
WE WILL BE SERVING STUDENTS AND STAFF AT SCHOOL.



WE COULD NOT BE  
HAPPIER SEEING THIS COME TO  
LIFE!!



*Tate very excited to meet his  
new little brother*

Please see the Flyer at the end of the newsletter  
for our upcoming

# EDUCATION

# Week

## Rainbow P-12 Cross Country Report 2023

The Rainbow P-12 Cross Country was held on Thursday 6th April in pleasant, overcast conditions with a very enthusiastic group of participants and parents.

Many people worked together to help this event run smoothly. Thanks to everyone involved in any way, shape or form. A special thank you to Miss Elly Schumann and Mrs Veronica Huff for their organisation and Denis Huff for painting the signs and barrels and extensively marking out the course.

Eligible secondary students will have the chance to move onto the next level at Murtoa. We wish all students competing the best of luck.

At lunch time, the SRC did a great job feeding all students and staff at lunch time with baked potatoes. Thanks for replenishing our energy levels.

Well done to all students on their efforts. Overall results are as follows.

### Individual Age Group Championships

#### Age Group

5-6 years

7 years

8 years

9 years

10 years

11 years

12 years

13 years

14 years

15 years

16 years

17 years

18-20 years



#### Boys

Logan Webb

Xavier Hollamby

Tanner Bigham

Hendrix Clugston

Harry Fisher

Hugo Gould

Clancy Weir

Caleb Heinrich

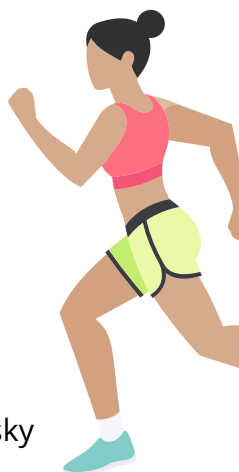
Ryder Gould

Will Fisher

Cooper Stasinowsky

Lewis Cocks

N/A



#### Girls

N/A

Elodie Robinson

Evie Simpson

Emmi Lee Kotzapetros

Adalyn Clugston

Honey Rose Kotzapetros

Taylor Fisher

Amaya Eckermann

Maggie Fisher

Phoebe Bigham

Breanna Francis

Shanae Bastin

Tessa Leach

### Open Days – Education Week 2023 – From Miss Nadia Wedding

Education Week falls in Week 4 this year between the dates of Monday 15th May and Friday 19th May. Education Week is annual celebration of education in Victoria. This year's theme is 'Active Learners: Move, Make, Motivate', which celebrates physical activity, hands-on learning and student voice in education.

As part of Education Week, Rainbow P-12 College is hosting a few 'Open Days' to showcase the amazing things that are happening in our classrooms.

The 'Open Days' are offered to Rainbow and the wider communities to pop in see what the staff and students get up to. You don't have to be a parent, carer or associated with the school at all, but just keen community member interested to see what we do. We encourage you to join in, wander around and participate in the student's classes and education during the sessions. Please see the attached poster to view the dates, times and events happening during the 'Open Day' sessions.

Rainbow P-12 College has some fantastic community links and we want to extend our arm out to the wider community. Building a connected school community enhances learning outcomes for our students, supports their learning, builds a sense of collaboration and increases wellbeing for the entire school. With that, the community also gains a better understanding of how Rainbow P-12 College operates. We look forward to seeing you at our 'Open Days' during Education Week. There will be more information in the coming weeks, so keep your eyes peeled. If you have any questions, wonderings or concerns please contact the College.



RAINBOW P-12 COLLEGE

# EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAYS

THE RAINBOW AND WIDER COMMUNITIES ARE INVITED TO OUR CLASSROOMS TO SEE THE WONDERFUL THINGS OUR STAFF AND STUDENTS ARE DOING. COME AND GO AS YOU PLEASE BETWEEN THE DATES AND TIMES BELOW.

## Monday 15th May - 8:50am - 11:00am



- 8:50 - 9:00am - Whole School Assembly
- 9:00 - 10:40am - Period 1 and Period 2 - visit classrooms
- 9:30 - 10:30am - Shake Rattle and Read
- 9:00 - 10:40am - Hands on Learning (West Paddock)
- 10:40 - 11:00am - Recess - chat and catch up with the staff



## Friday 19th May - 12:40pm - 3:00pm



- 12:40 - 1:20pm - Lunch time
  - Coffee sold by the VM Class through their "Grab 'n' Go" food van
- 1:00 - 1:20pm - SRC meeting - view student voice
- 1:20 - 3:00pm - Period 5 and Period 6 - visit classrooms

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT RAINBOW P-12  
COLLEGE ON 03 53 951 063