



BE KIND, WORK HARD,
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Dream Big

Newsletter



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We are a Child Safe School

SURF CAMP PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...

A very large percentage of our senior school ventured down to Aireys Inlet for Surf Camp this week. While the weather was not the kindest, I hear the students and staff still had an amazing time tackling all the adventure activities including surfing, climbing wall, mountain bike riding, kayaking and the list goes on! The "senior" senior students also took the opportunity to visit a number of universities/TAFEs. The cost of the camp was fully covered by the Positive Start program. A huge thank you to Stephen and Nicole Leach for their planning and organisation of the camp and to all the staff that attended the camp!



RECOGNITION OF SERVICE CEREMONY HONOUR ROLL

Staff who have received Recognition of Service at the Department of Education.

40 YEARS OF SERVICE



Murray Robinson

50 YEARS OF SERVICE



Joan Solly

CONGRATULATIONS

and they thought this could just slip under the radar! What an absolutely brilliant achievement by these remarkable people who have dedicated their life to education. On a personal note I have the highest regard for their dedication, enthusiasm, commitment and passion for the job. They both inspire me to be a better educator. Thank you for your continued service to teaching the children of Rainbow and District.

JUNIOR STUDENTS STEPPING UP



The saying goes while the cats away the mice do play. In our case it goes when the senior students are away the junior students step up and take on leadership roles. I have been exceedingly impressed with how the Junior School Captains organised and ran the general assembly by themselves. A number of junior students have also stepped up into the role of bus captains this week. They have approached all of these roles in a very responsible and mature manner.



Calendar

Term 2
Week 8

June

Mon 12th No School - Public Holiday

Wed 14th Hip Hop Dance Sessions (morning)
Butterfly Habitat Planting Day (afternoon)

Thu 15th GAT - Yr 11 - 12

Fri 16th Form Captains Breakfast

Week 9

Mon 19th- Longy Ag camp

Thu 22nd

Tue 20th Carers Expo

Wed 21st- VCE PE excursion Ballarat

Thu 22nd

Fri 23rd

END TERM 2

Term 3

July

Mon 10th First day Term 3

Thur 13th Emmetts Ag trip

ADVANCE NOTICE:

4th & 5th Sept School Production

Meeting Dates

Parents and Friends General Meeting

19th June 1pm at school

Webex available 26502576368

School Council 14th June



Camps Sports and Excursions Fund

CSEF Application forms were sent home a few weeks ago. If you are eligible, these must be returned by 20 June.

PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...CONT

ECO-LINC



On Wednesday we had the good folks from Eco-Linc pay us a visit. They provided very informative sessions for each of the junior classes. The level of engagement of all students was unbelievable and there were loads of positive comments about their experiences.



BUILDING WORKS TAKE #2 – UPDATE 5



The ducks are starting to quack into action! The team is finalising the documentation package to go out to tender. Next week we will have a meeting to discuss tender options and to finalise the landscape design.

RAINBOW GRAB 'N' GO

For term 3 Rainbow Grab 'n' Go will be open every TUESDAY lunchtime and every SECOND THURSDAY at recess. At lunchtime we hope to offer some different food choices as well. Stay tuned for more specific details!



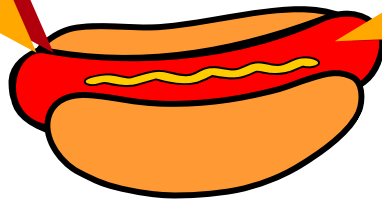
CANTEEN NEWS

Now that the weather is getting cooler junior students can now bring lunch to heat up on a **MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY!**

Starting **Wednesday 14th June** students can order Dim Sims and Hot dogs in bread on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Bakery food remains unchanged.

PLEASE ORDER IN THE MORNINGS SAME AS THE LUNCH ORDERS

\$3.00



**\$1.50
each**

Dim Sims \$1.50 each



ZOOS
VICTORIA

Butterfly Habitat Planting Day

On Wednesday 14th June the school will be partnering with Zoos Victoria to plant habitat for the Golden-rayed Blue Butterfly at Rainbow Lake.

Found exclusively in the Wimmera, the Golden-rayed Blue is the only butterfly known to be endemic to Victoria. Because of its very restricted distribution, threats, and likelihood of on-going population decline, it is listed as Critically Endangered on Victoria's threatened invertebrate advisory list.

The butterfly feeds on only one species of plant, known commonly as Creeping Boobiella. Rainbow Lake has been identified as an ideal spot to grow this plant, in the hope of attracting the butterfly to feed and breed at this location. The planting day is the first step in a long term plan, and the school will be involved in an ongoing capacity to look after these plants and monitor butterfly activity. We are very excited to have our students become citizen scientists in this project.

On the day, students are asked to bring hats, gloves and sturdy shoes. They will be planting, as well as learning about the natural features at Rainbow Lake. A BBQ lunch will be supplied.

Please look out for a note about the day that will be coming home with your child.



School Wide Positive Behaviour Student Voice, Agency and Leadership



SURF CAMP

This week we have a collection of photos from the Surf Camp that the Senior Students have been at. See next weeks newsletter for more photos and report.



Upcoming meetings and student events

The Push Up Challenge: Throughout June

Jnr SRC Icy Pole sales: Thurs lunchtimes

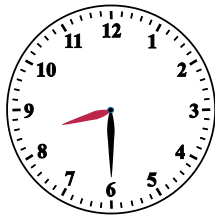
Form Captain Breakfast: Friday 16th June

Whole School Forum: Week 2 Term 3

Senior & Junior SRC Meeting: TBA



Deakin Uni tour



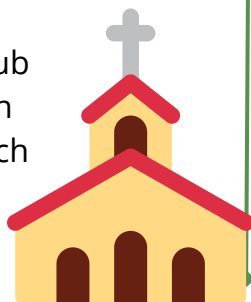
Supervision at school begins at **8.30am**, please ensure that your children are not here before then, unless prior arrangements have been made.

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.

Friday Club

For interested families, Friday Club is held every week. Students can 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



ICY POLES

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

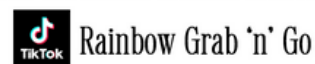
Student Absences

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



Check Out the Social Media Platforms we are making.



Rainbow Grab 'n' Go



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Linktree* <https://linktr.ee/rainbow.grabngo>



Ecolinc - The 3/4 Class's Experience

On Wednesday we had Ecolinc come and show us their very interesting insects and frogs. We learnt about the differences between insects and frogs but also the life cycles around them. It was an intriguing and eventful morning.



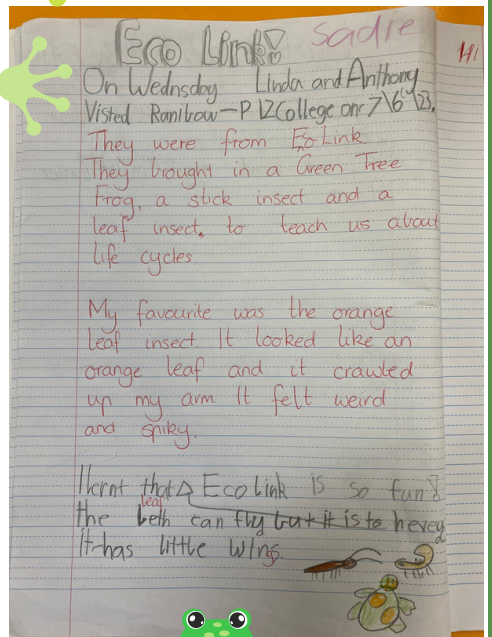
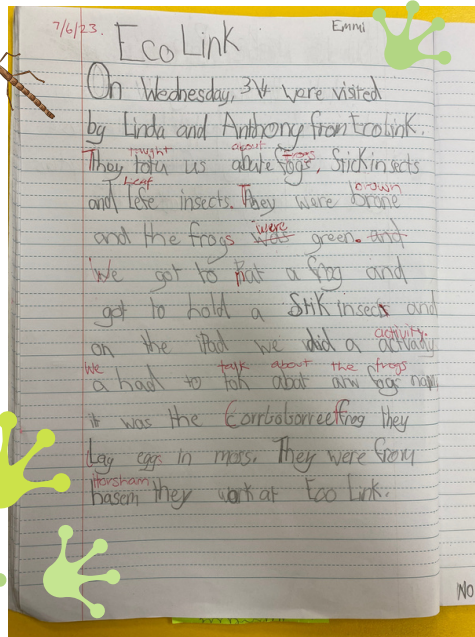
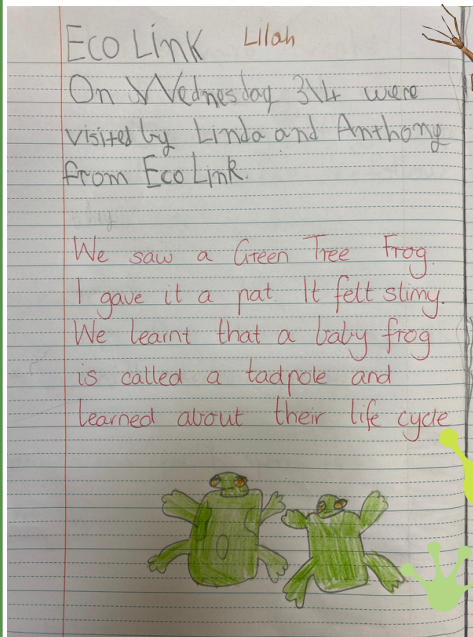
Ryley and Hendrix



3/4 Class with Linda & Anthony



Anthony with a frog



Koby



Lilah, Emmi-lee and Bella

Jump Rope for Heart – Jump Off

Once again the Junior school is participating in Jump Rope for Heart. We will hold our school Jump Off Day on Friday 23rd June (The last day of Term 2 at 11.15 am on the tennis courts at the school). Please note that students do not have to fundraise to participate in the Jump Off.



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.

During the next few weeks, you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

Students will be bringing home a pamphlet that contains general information and how to sign up.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!

Heart Foundation

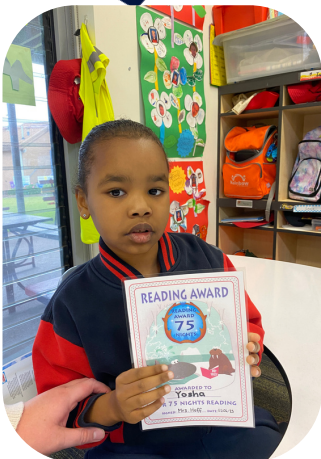
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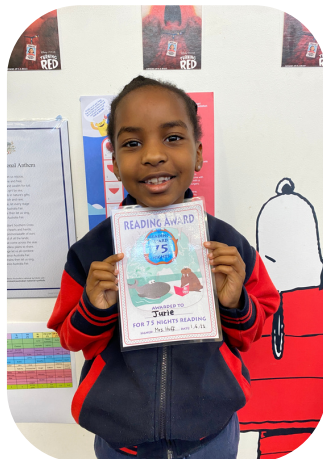
Reading Awards



COLOURED WORD WIZ KIDS



Yosha



Jurie

75 NIGHTS



Logan

Abdu



RAINBOW P-12

SCHOOL UNIFORM HOODIE

**ONLINE CLOSING DATE:
SATURDAY 17TH JUNE 2023**

For all orders go to:

www.fcw.com.au



**CLOSING DATE
EXTENDED**

HOODIE= \$67



FOUND

If it's yours come and collect from the front office!



Rainbow

Grab 'n' Go

TERM 3

Every Tuesday 12.40-1.20pm

Every 2nd Thursday 10.40-11.00am

Winter Sports Championships (AFL/Netball/Soccer)

Horsham, Thursday 1st June - from Mr Cook

Eight very excited Rainbow P-12 students ventured to Coughlin Park to participate in the AFL championships. They combined with others students in our cluster made up of Hopetoun P-12 (1 player), St Joseph's Hopetoun (7 players) and Jeparit (2 players). Our cluster name was "Southern Mallee Lakes". Their coach for the day was Matty Webster from Hopetoun and guidance form Mr Cook. Tom Petschel was goal umpire and student motivator. The boys had to play three games straight and another after that depending on where they finished in their group.

Game 1 – Horsham Primary

This was a very interesting game as the opposition had a few larger players. They were given the instructions to go out and enjoy the day, give it your best and include everyone in your side. They tackled well, had plenty of endeavour and everyone was working as unit. This was a highlight to them all being one. The boys scored a major but the opposition were just too strong and about half way through the second half the mercy rule. (lead by 30 points no more scoring) was applied. We were very proud of their efforts.

Game 2 – Horsham West/Haven (Grade 5s)

The boys had had a run around together and a chance to play both back and forward (we didn't swap positions as it gave them a chance to experience both forms of play needed).

Straight from the start they attacked the ball with vigour and used it well. They quickly got away to a good lead and stuck at it for the two halves. All players had a red hot go and when the hooter went, they had won 24 points to 2 points. The lads were very excited and deserved to be. A great team effort.

Game 3 – Horsham West/Haven (Grade 6s)

Well the opposition for the lads this time were the really big boys. They were much to strong for them but boy did they stick to their tasks. They stuck to their guns and battled it out and were not afraid of their opposition, we were very proud of this.



They were not intimidated by the arrogant actions on occasions by the opposition, just went about their tasks. They were to strong.

Game 4 – St Michaels & St John's (group loser's game)

The opposition was decimated by COVID so to make a game we supplied players to them. This was great sportsmanship by those who swapped around and are to be commended for their actions. In this game the boys really got going and it was a mercy rule for them. They kicked 8 goals and the opposition 3.

Matty and I had a discussion after the games and we were thoroughly impressed at how the boys had teamed up. This was the first time they had been together whereas the bigger schools had been training together. They had followed the instructions and played the game in a very competitive and sportsmanship manner plus they enjoyed themselves, the number one priority. It was also very pleasing to see the support the lads got from parents and grandparents on the day.

Many thanks to Matty for all his input into the day, the boys thoroughly appreciated it. Well done everybody.

Horsham Cluster Netball

We travelled by bus all the way to Horsham for the Cluster Netball.

We were Southern Mallee Lakes (SML) with the members Ava Lester, Felicity Keller, Pippa Fisher, Taylor Fisher, Ruby Tregenza, Haylee Harris, Ava Puckle, Olivia Paech, Demin Shack, and Lydia Paech.

We had so much persistence and ended up winning two games out of five and we only lost one game by only three goals.

We unfortunately could not get the names of the teams, but the scores were:

SML	OTHER
20	to 10
8	to 11.
0	to 23.
3	to 20
10	to 8

Thanks to: Mr. Cook for driving us to Horsham.

Everyone on the team for participating very well.

All of the parents/careers for supporting us all through the games we played.



Opening times
STARTING IN TERM 3

EVERY TUESDAY
12:40-1:20PM

EVERY 2ND THURSDAY
10:40-11:00AM

Pride Month 2023

LGBT Pride Month is a month dedicated to celebration and commemoration of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender pride. Pride Month began after the Stonewall riots, a series of gay liberation protests in 1969.

You May have seen The Progress Pride Flag up at our school.



So what is the Progress Pride Flag?

The Progressive Pride Flag was created in 2018. Based on the iconic rainbow flag from 1978, the redesign celebrates the diversity of the LGBTQ+ community and calls for a more inclusive society. The light blue, pink and white stripes represent trans and non-binary individuals, and the brown and black ones represent marginalized People of Colour (POC) communities. The red in the flag represents life, Orange represents healing, Yellow represents sunlight, Green represents nature, The indigo or blue in the pride flag is for serenity and finally The last color, violet (or purple) represents spirit.

This week's classroom focus is the...
The Divine Year 9's - Take 2



Will



Faith



Parker



Sally



Fletcher



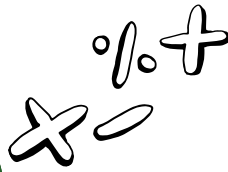
Amelie



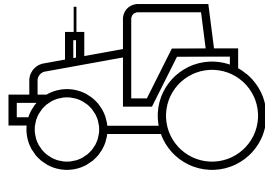
Justin



Caleb



LUNCHTIME
NETBALL



We missed a few photos last week so Year 9's get an extra page!



The Year 9s are currently away on camp so we hope they are having a fantastic time!





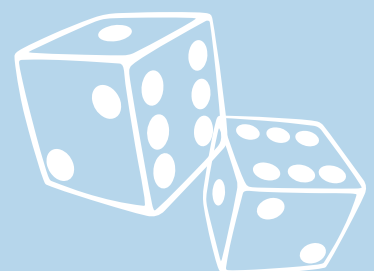
Join us

Western Victorian Careers Expo

Tuesday 20 June 2023
Wimmera Events Centre, Longerenong
9 am - 3 pm



- Hear from Manager Water Treatment, Dr Suzy McDonald about 'Local People, Local Careers' at 11.15 am in Room 2.
- Roll the dice for a chance to win an instant prize, a prize for your school valued at \$400, or a \$200 voucher for yourself!
- Speak to our team about the exciting career opportunities available with GWMWater!



frequently asked questions about headspace Horsham



How can I refer to headspace Horsham?

You can find our referral forms on our website and email to info.headspacehorsham@vt.uniting.org.au, phone us 5381 1543 or visit the centre. The person seeking support is welcome to self-refer, however if they feel more comfortable contact can be made by a friend, teacher, parent, other family member, health worker or community agency.

Who is eligible for support?

Young people between the ages of 12 to 25 can receive a range of supports from headspace Horsham, with our services covering four core areas. These core areas are mental health and wellbeing, physical and sexual health, alcohol and other drug services and work and study.

What does support look like?

headspace Horsham offers free counselling sessions for young people that require support with their mental health, but we also offer a range of services from both headspace staff and via our partner organisations. Some of these alternative options include support with work and study, alcohol and other drugs, social groups and much more.

What happens if a young person is better suited for another service option outside of headspace Horsham?

The team at headspace Horsham can help navigate what can be a confusing service system, and if an alternative service is required we can support with the referral process in line with our 'no wrong door' policy.

How do I get more information?

You can follow our social media pages, visit our website, give us a call at the centre or just pop in and speak to a member of the team.

We want to hear from young people and community members so please complete this short survey so we can continue to improve and shape our services to best suit our community.

