



Issue 38 - 1st December 2023 We are a Child Safe School

PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...INTER-GEN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

On Wednesday, the Grade 1/2 students and the Junior School leadership teams for 2023 and 2024 ventured down to the hospital to decorate baubles in preparation to hang on the community tree. To say that bauble decorating is a messy business would definitely be an understatement.

The visit also gave us an opportunity to present the ten-pin bowling residents with a small token of appreciation and we also presented Neil with an envelope full of thank you letters from the Grade 3/4 students for providing lollies at the Lake session earlier in the term. Please see more photos later in the newsletter.



GAYLE NEWCOMBE – PET & WILDLIFE ARTIST

I had the absolute pleasure of tagging along with Mrs Huff's Art elective to visit Gayle Newcombe at her gallery. We won't talk about the navigational skills of staff! Gayle is an ex-student and an exceedingly talented artist. She was kind enough to show us around her gallery, share her experiences and give us a masterclass in pastel drawing. Thanks to Mrs Huff for arranging the visit, Mr Cook for driving the bus (at very short notice) and for Gayle for providing us an insight into her life.





Calendar

DECEMBER

Week 10

Thur 7th-Fri 8th

Whole School Transition

Week 11

Activities Week

Tue 12th Prep/Year 7 Transition

Presentation Night

WED 13TH WHOLE SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Thurs 14th Music Concert 1.20pm

Fri 15th Family Fun Day 12pm

Week 12

Mon 18th Clean up day

Tues 19th STUDENT FREE DAY
Wed 20th STUDENT FREE DAY





2024

<u>JANUARY</u>

Week 1

Mon 29th Tues 30th

Staff start back at school **STUDENTS' FIRST DAY**

Meeting Dates

School Council

11th December 2023

Parents and Friends

General Meeting TBA Webex available 26502576368

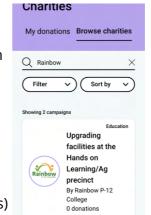
PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...CONT

MONEY FOR CANS & BOTTLES CAN NOW BE DONATED TO RAINBOW P-12 COLLEGE!

The College has set up a donation page on the app so that you can donate money to upgrading the facilities at the Hands on Learning/Ag precinct. We are hoping to purchase a new portable for the HOL team and build a substantial shed that can be used by both HOL and the Ag program.

When you get on the app just do the following:

- Scroll down until you find the charities icon
- Click on arrow and then type in Rainbow
- Our campaign is the first one in the list
- Click on that to donate
- You can set it as your payout (so all money is directed to this)





FOOD LADDER



The school has entered into an agreement with Food Ladder to set up a fully functional greenhouse on site. Since 2010, Food Ladder have been using hydroponic technology and climate controlled greenhouses to provide remote and regional schools and communities with small scale food growing systems and specialised training resources to grow their own products.

DS Vic West

Next week we should see some action on cementing the footings for the greenhouse and before the end of the year we should have the delivery of the greenhouse ready for construction. We will be the third school in Victoria to have one of these projects set up at school.

BUILDING WORKS TAKE #2 – UPDATE 26

Check out www.foodladder.org for more details.



On Tuesday afternoon we had a number of contractors visit the school to complete a walk-through and ask questions in readiness to put in an official bid for the contract. While they were all in the same spot they met with the VSBA project manager via Webex. Tenders close on the 13/12/23. The current timeline is aiming to have the contractor awarded the job before the school term starts.

The **community group/individual resource gathering days** will be on the weekend of the **16th & 17th December**. More specific details will be in next week's newsletter.

END OF YEAR PLANS (JUST THOUGHT I WOULD REPEAT THIS ONE MORE TIME!)

School Council approved the use of two student free days to be used for the **19th & 20th December**. We will finish our official school program on Friday 15th December. If student attend school on Monday 18th December they will be helping staff clean and move!

RAINBOW GRAB 'N' GO

The food van was in action this week, as a selling point for cupcakes! Hopefully when the weather warms up the Rainbow Grab 'n' Go team might organise slushies for students.



STUDENT REPORTS

If you would like <u>printed</u> reports at the end of term, please contact the front office and let us know.

CANTEEN

Hot Dogs \$3 Dim Sims \$1.50 Tomato, BBQ and Soy sauce avaliable.

MONDAY

Canteen open Bakery Hot Dogs Dim Sims Heated up lunches (junior school)

WEDNESDAY

Hot Dogs Dim Sims Heated up lunches (junior school)

FRIDAY

Canteen Open
Bakery
Hot Dogs
Dim Sims
Heated up lunches
(junior school)







School Wide Positive Behaviour Student Voice, Agency and Leadership



A message from our outgoing Junior SRC exectutive...

This year we have mainly been trying to raise money for the new monkey bars. We've also had meetings with the senior SRC discussing dates for casual days like Halloween dress up, pyjama days, and other fundraising ideas.

We have worked very hard and enjoyed being on Junior School Council, we both hope that next year goes well for the next students on the Junior School Council and they enjoy it as much as we have.

By Inara and Ava.



Inara and Ava

Celebrating Consistency

Lenny Weir Jurie Ali James Saul Lane Santos Phoenix Wairu Phoebe Bigham Noah Heinrich



Meetings and Events

SRC Icy Pole sales: Thursday lunchtimes

Senior SRC Meeting: TBA

Junior SRC Meeting: TBA

Activities Week

Monday 11th - Friday 15th December CASUAL CLOTHES ALL WEEK

Monday: Rainbow Lake Day - bring bathers, BBQ lunch supplied by SRC

Tuesday: Presentation practice - ALL students expected at school in morning.

Wednesday: Pool activity - Bring bathers Whole School Lunch supplied by school - festive outfits encouraged!

Thursday: Activities at school.

Friday: FAMILY FUN DAY - parents encouraged to attend, bring a picnic lunch.

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



Plese remember to return you book list forms to school ASAP.



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

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WANTED

4lt Ice-cream container lids Please drop any spares you have to the office.

Thank you



READING AWARDS



100 NIGHTS



Emmi

125 NIGHTS



Lawrenz

200 NIGHTS



Logan







Tyler



Tate



2024 CLASS CONFIGURATIONS

Next **Thursday 7th** and **Friday 8th** of **December** is Step Up Week – where students will be in their 2024 classes.

Class configurations for 2024 are as follows:

Prep/Grade 1– Mrs Veronica Huff

Grade 2/3/4 – Miss Grace Phelan and Miss Stephanie Newton

Grade 5/6 – Mrs Valma Gregory

Students will gain a feel as to what next year will be like. We will go through expectations and students will get to know their 2024 teachers.

ACTIVITIES WEEK

MUSIC CONCERT FAMILY

Thursday 14th
December
1.20pm in the Hall
Please come along for
an lovely afternoon of
music from our piano
students.

All Welcome



2024 Prep/Year 7
Transition Day is on
Tuesday
12th December

FAMILY FUNDAY

On **Friday 15th of December** we will be finishing Activities Week with a Family Fun Day, starting at 12pm and finishing up when the fun runs out (3pm at the latest)!!!

There will be a range of games and activities organised by the students and staff for everyone to enjoy. This may include some water based activities, as well as a colour run so come prepared to get a bit messy!

We encourage all families and friends to come along, bring a picnic lunch to have with your children, and join in what we hope will be a great afternoon of fun and laughter.

When the fun wears out, you are welcome to take your children home with you.

Please contact Miss Wizz at the College if you have any questions!



INTER-GEN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS



















RAINBOW P-12 COLLEGE

PRESENTATION NIGHT



Tuesday 12th December

Rainbow P-12 College Assembly Hall 6:30pm

Student Work Displays

Doors Will Open At 6:00pm For The Community To View A Display Of Student Work

Contact Us For More Information

Phone 03 53 951 063

E-mail rainbow.p12@education.vic.gov.au

All Welcome