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*Dream Big*



# Newsletter

Issue 8 - 22nd March 2024

We are a Child Safe School

## PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...

### INTER-GEN PROJECT

On Tuesday afternoon the Grade 3 class went down to the Hospital to enjoy some Easter colouring and a lovely afternoon tea with the residents from the Hospital. Connections were rekindled, there was an abundance of chatting and many great examples of teamwork as residents and students worked together to produce some superb work! These activities are always heart-warming and uplifting. Thanks to all involved.



### ROYAL FAR WEST VISIT

This week we were so lucky to have the RFW team come out for an outreach visit. They caught up with the students they are currently working with, undertook a number of assessments and observations and chatted with parents, students and staff. The team was so friendly and supportive. Their insights, hard work and ongoing



Hayden, Eliza, Jess & Mieke

involvement ensures that our kids are getting the much needed support they deserve! This visit will shape the program for Term Two and Three. There will be another outreach visit in late Term Three.

### CONGRATULATIONS LILY SAUL!

We are all very excited that Lily Saul has been accepted into the Young Women in Aerospace & Defence program. This involves a 5 day STEM program at RMIT held in the school holidays of her choosing. Lily will :



- Engage in a range of activities including constructing drones, designing apps, building gliders, programming bots and racing her creations.
- Participate in lectures at RMIT and explore their cutting edge engineering facilities.
- Take part in Q&A sessions with female STEM professionals.
- Tour aerospace and defence industry leading companies.

## Calendar 2024

### MARCH

#### Week 9

Tue 26th  
Wed 27th

P-12 Athletics

Thur 28th

Somers Camp finishes  
Form Captains  
Breakfast  
Casual Day - Aussie Icons  
**Last Day of Term 1**  
**2:30pm Finish**



**Happy Easter to you all.**  
**We hope the Easter Bunny finds you.**

### APRIL

Mon 15th  
Tues 16th

### TERM 2

First Day of Term 2  
**Man Cave & Flourish Journey**

**Baked Spud Orders**  
**Any last minute orders MUST be in on Monday 25th of March \$7**

### Meeting Dates School Council

Monday 22nd April 2024

**Junior SRC**  
Icy Poles \$0.50c  
**Wednesdays**  
at Lunchtime



## PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS...CONT

### THANK YOU!!

- To **Katherine Durant** for volunteering to become a parent rep. on School Council
- To **Andy & Roschelle Clugston** and **Marty Makin** for coming to Sharyn Cock's assistance with a flat tyre on the Kenmare bus Thursday morning. They had her back on the road before a replacement bus could get there and the kids actually made it to school on the bell!!

### SNAPSHOTS FROM THE WEEK



Kayla working on a 3D design



Lots of growth in the Greenhouse



Happy 18th Birthday to Shekinah!



Madi and her creation

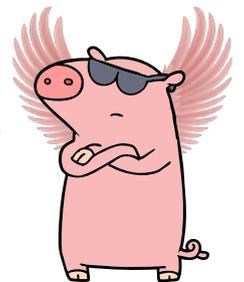
### CAMP ACTION

This week we farewelled Adalyn, Bella, Edi, Felicity, Kolby and Phoenix on Tuesday morning as they ventured off to Somers Camp.

On Thursday we waved goodbye to an excited bunch of VCE students as they headed off to the footy and Grand Prix in Melbourne.

### BUILDINGS WORKS UPDATE

I had a meeting today... Hoping that the Letter of Contract goes out on Monday.



## BBQ Prices for Aths on Tuesday

Sausages \$2 Hamburger \$4 Chicken Steak \$6

See full page notice for more details.



# School Wide Positive Behaviour Student Voice, Agency and Leadership



## Student Voice in the Classroom

In the new greenhouse, the Prep/1 students have been growing watercress, which was ready to be harvested. Jayde, Eliza, Caleb and Tim decided to help the class turn their watercress into a pesto, which they served on garlic bread with a cheesy topping. We love the way these students came up with this idea and put it into action with very little guidance from the staff. An awesome example of student voice and agency in our school, and wonderful bonding between our senior and junior students!



### Student Meetings and SRC Events

Tuesday 26th Mar: Stall @ Aths Day

Thursday 28th Mar: Form Captains' Breakfast  
and AUSSIE ICONS casual day

Saturday 6th Apr: Donut Stall @ Big Sky Festival

Thurs 18th Apr: Baked Potato Lunch - X Country

#### SRC Meeting Dates:

Junior Mon 18th March

Senior TBA

### Upcoming Casual Days

**Thur 28th March** - Aussie Icons Day

**Tue 16th April** - Senior school - Man Cave  
and Flourish Girl (comfy clothes)

**Fri 10th May** - Dolly's Dream (wear blue)

**Fri 28th June** - Junior - Jump Rope for  
Heart (wear red)

Senior - Push Up Challenge (wear yellow)

**Mon 19th Aug** - BOOK WEEK (favourite  
book character)

**Thur 31st Oct** - Halloween

# Reading Certificates



Jud



Madi

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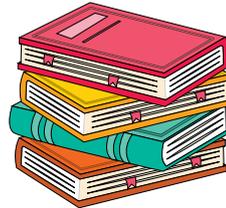
Roger



Henry



## MULTILIT CHAMPION!



Elodie



HEY VCEs...

**WANT TO REDUCE YOUR WEEKEND HOMEWORK  
AND FREE UP TIME TO DO FUN STUFF?  
WELL YOU CAN!!**



Stay at school each afternoon from **3pm until 5pm**. This gives you **TWO HOURS HOMEWORK TIME** without those annoying distractions lurking at home (like your phone, the TV or even younger siblings!!)

**Study Buddies** gives you the opportunity to get lots of uninterrupted homework done before tea time. If you stay and study four times a week after school, that's potentially eight wonderful productive homework hours, freeing up time on the weekend to relax, avoiding that Sunday night "I haven't finished my homework for Monday" panic and making teachers all over the school really happy



During this time, you can undertake homework, extra study or take an opportunity to catch up with your teachers for extra support where possible.

**There will also be some shameless bribery in the form of afternoon tea/snacks on offer for those who are able to stay.**

Please let Mrs Leach know if you are wanting to stay after school and be a **STUDY BUDDY!**

# Rainbow P-12 College Athletics Carnival

@ Rainbow Recreation Reserve

**Tuesday 26th March**

Starting time 8:50 am



**What to Bring Clothing:** House Colours or Sports Uniform, Suitable sunhat, Snacks, water, packed lunch (if not having BBQ) Jumper/tracksuit pants – if the weather is cool

**Parent Helpers** Due to the amount of organisation that is required to run an Athletics Carnival we are looking for volunteers willing to help in 3 areas:

- Marking the oval,
- Helping with events on the day,
- Assisting with the BBQ.

If anyone is willing, could they please fill out the form below and return it to the College on Monday.

**Important Information** Students are expected to come straight to the Rainbow Recreation Reserve at **8:40am** for an 8:50am start. Buses will be dropping off and picking up students straight from the Reserve. Sunscreen is provided by the school, however, if you child has a sensitivity please bring some from home.

SRC will be selling soft drinks, fruit boxes, water and lollies and there will be a BBQ for lunch. Costs will be

- Sausages \$2.00
- Hamburgers \$4.00
- Chicken Steaks \$6.00

Lunch break will be approximately at 11:30pm, but we encourage students to eat during breaks within their program.

**First P-12 Athletics Event** This year we are trialing running a whole school Athletics Carnival as we are the only school in the cluster who does not run a school athletics event for our junior students. This has meant a lot more organisation and configuration but a challenge that the Sports Coordination team are excited to undertake. As the SML cluster athletics will still be running in Term 3, there will be no age champion medallions for the junior students at this year's P-12 event. They will still receive ribbons for each event and points that will go towards the very first P-12 Athletics House Champion. If you have any questions, please contact our Senior Sports Coordinator Elly Marra at the school on (03) 5395 1063.

Helpers

I (name) \_\_\_\_\_ am willing to help at the Rainbow Athletics Carnival in the following area.

- Marking Oval
- Events
- BBQ

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

# P-12 CROSS COUNTRY Info (1st week of Term 2)

**When:** Thursday April 18th, 2024

**Where:** Rainbow Recreation Reserve

**Starting Time:** 9.00 am

**To wear:** Hindmarsh/Albacutya sports top or t-shirt in their house colour, shorts/tracksuit pants, warm jacket.

**To take:** - School bag, hat, fruit/snacks, water bottle.

All town students need to be dropped off at the Recreation Reserve by 8.45am ready for an outdoor form assembly at 8.50am. Bus students will be dropped off directly at the oval.

No phones allowed out of bags.

**Start time:** The 16+ boys will start their 5 km around 9.00am, then remaining age groups will commence their races as deemed appropriate.

## **Distances & order of races**

16-20 boys – 5 km

16-20 girls – 3 km

11-15 years boys and girls – 3 km

9/10 years – 2 km

8 years 1 km

7 years 700 m

5/6 years 400 m



**Medal presentations:** At the end of all events.

**Lunch:** SRC are cooking interested students/staff baked potatoes for lunch. Cost: \$7  
If you didn't pre-order a baked potato, please bring a packed lunch.

## **Parents are most welcome to come along to the Recreation Reserve to support their child/ren.**

Any queries, please call the school and ask for Mrs Marra or Mrs Huff.

Regards,

Mrs Huff, Miss Glover, Mr Stenhouse & Mrs Marra  
Cross Country Co-ordinators

Mrs Petschel  
Principal

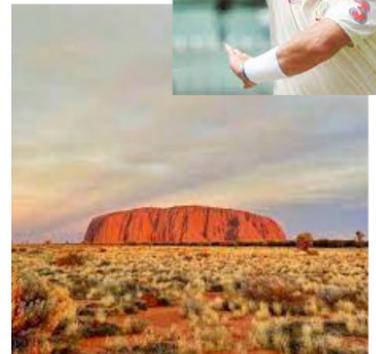




# Aussie Icons Casual Day

Thursday the 28th of March  
Gold coin donation, proceeds go to  
SRC

## Come to school dressed as your Favourite Aussie Icon!!!!





How should we support young people to help them embrace cultural diversity?



Cultural diversity encompasses the variety of cultures, beliefs, and traditions present globally, contributing to a rich tapestry of human experiences and perspectives. By valuing every child's cultural background, we enable them to excel in all facets of life. Nurturing an environment of curiosity, open-mindedness, and respect for all cultures, will not only promote unity but a deeper appreciation of the nuances that distinguish us.

Inclusion is about more than just words; it's about fostering a sense of belonging and acceptance for every child, regardless of their cultural background. When children and adolescents feel seen and valued for who they are, they can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Valuing and understanding cultural diversity, helps our communities benefit from a wealth of perspectives and experiences, enhancing our collective capacity for empathy and innovation.

As parents and adult carers, instilling an appreciation for cultural diversity is vital to equip young people with the tools they need to navigate an increasingly interconnected world. Through leading by example and showing that kindness and understanding knows no boundaries, we can encourage them to embrace multiculturalism. This will not only prepare young people for personal success, but also for contributing to a world that views diversity as a strength. Through collective efforts, we can help pave the way for a more accepting and vibrant future.

In this edition of SchoolTV, learn how best to embrace and celebrate cultural diversity with your children. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this month's edition, and we always welcome your feedback.

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

Here is the link to your Edition <https://rainbowp12.vic.schooltv.me/newsletter/cultural-diversity-au>

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## WANTED

The school coffee van is looking for a donation of a caravan leveller - either a single one or a pair. If you have something you think is suitable, please call school on 53951063 or call into the office.

Thank you.



## Easter Sunday Session at the Museum

Music from duo Sam + Sam who bring their pop/rock/modern country vibes and infectious energy to Warracknabeal Easter Festival.

Food trucks and bar available (beer, wine and cider).

Kids activities including Jamie and Kim's Mobile Zoo, Tiny Goat Co and Balloonatic Bruce.

Plus face painting, sandpit and maze. Arts and crafts, messy play and a few surprises!

Bring your picnic rugs and chairs.

### Sam + Sam



## Easter Race Meeting

General admission and packages available, excellent catering, and kids activities.

All ticketing is available online at [country.racing.com/warracknabeal](http://country.racing.com/warracknabeal)

### 2024 Sponsors

A BIG thank you to all our sponsors who help make Easter in Warracknabeal a fun filled weekend.



Robert Smith & Co



Warracknabeal Energy Park



WARRACKNABEAL

# Easter festival

Friday March 29 - Monday April 1, 2024

Visit [warracknabeal.com.au](http://warracknabeal.com.au) for updates



## Vintage Machinery Rally

Golf and bowls

Lions Club Street Market

Easter Race Meeting

Easter Sunday Music

and Kids Activities

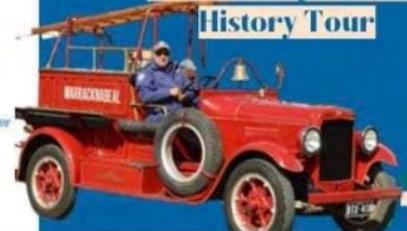
Street Parade

Show and Shine

Creative Hive Exhibitions

Community Garden

History Tour



## Wheatland Vintage Machinery Rally

Saturday March 30 - Sunday March 31

Over two days the museum's extensive collection of vintage agricultural machinery will be displayed along with stationary engines, agricultural demonstrations and displays. Saturday night features the Twilight Tractor Pull and the Crank Start Tractor Race.

Contact Rally Secretary Dale 0429 146 597 or Col 0429 842 244.



## Community Garden



On Saturday you can buy from our selection of home-made preserves, hot jacket potatoes, tea and coffee and home-made slices.

And for the kids, our popular Easter Egg hunt, first session starting at 9am and the second at 10:30am

## Lions Club Easter Saturday Market

Time: 9am - 1pm

Stalls will be situated in Ritchies car park as well as in front of the Tourist Information Centre offering indoor and garden plants, jewellery, suncatchers, sweets, doughnuts, handmade bags, wooden garden ornaments and planters, cakes, decorated biscuits, gift items and more.

Plus there'll be BBQ bacon and egg muffins!



## Golf and bowls all weekend

Competition and social golf all weekend as well as social bowls.

Contact David Stewart 0429 904207



## Easter Saturday Street Parade



Free entertainment for all the family. Local shops will be open. The Easter Parade commences at 11.00am and features vintage tractors, cars and machinery, modern vehicles & novelty floats

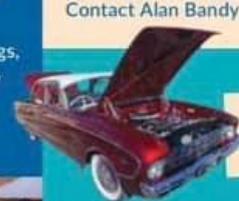
Contact Alan Bandy 0487 340504

## 3393 Auto Club Show and Shine

Bring along your car, truck, bike or whatever to be part of the 3393 Auto Clubs Easter show and shine.

Park up in Woolcock St and watch the parade or be in the parade and join the show and shine after.

Contact Cameron Drage 0427 040 121



## Creative collection brought to you by Creative Hive



The Creative Hive Warracknabeal is showcasing local talent over the long weekend.

Creative works of all mediums will be displayed at numerous venues throughout the town.



WEEK 1

# APRIL 2024 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

WEEK 2



## MONDAY 1 APRIL



Easter Monday  
Public Holiday



## TUESDAY 2 APRIL

Cooking with Sharon  
Nhill Memorial Community Centre  
10am-11.30am



## WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL

Level Up Gaming  
Dimboola Library  
12pm-4pm



## THURSDAY 4 APRIL

CJ Puppet Show  
Nhill Memorial Community Centre  
10am-11am

Dimboola Library  
2pm-3pm



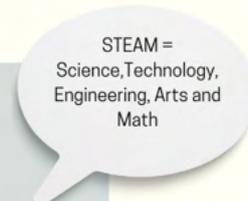
Crafty Art with Danelle  
Nhill Library  
2pm-3pm

## FRIDAY 5 APRIL



STEAM with Jo  
Rainbow Library  
10am-11am

Cooking with Sharon  
Rainbow Library  
2pm-3.30pm



## MONDAY 8 APRIL



STEAM with Jo  
Jeparit Library  
10am-11am

Cooking with Sharon  
Jeparit Library  
2pm-3.30pm



## TUESDAY 9 APRIL

Crafty Art with Danelle  
Dimboola Library  
10am-11am



Cooking with Sharon  
Dimboola Library  
2pm-3.30pm



## WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL

Crafty Art with Danelle  
Jeparit Library  
10am-11am



STEAM with Jo  
Nhill Library  
10am-11am



## THURSDAY 11 APRIL



Movie: Kung Fu Panda 4  
Nhill Cinema  
1pm - 3pm

Free Popcorn and Water provided



## FRIDAY 12 APRIL



Crafty Art with Danelle  
Rainbow Library  
10am - 11am

STEAM with Jo  
Dimboola Library  
2pm-3pm



scan to register



## REGISTER NOW!

Registrations submitted prior to school holidays are much appreciated!

Children under 11 years of age are required to have parent/guardian supervision.

For more information visit  
[www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/events](http://www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/events),  
call 03 5391 4444  
or email [youth@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au).



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