DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH
Monday 9       Public Holiday—no school
Wednesday 11   Year 4 excursion to Scienceworks
                CFA visit to Year 1
Thursday 12     Year 1 Community Helper’s Day (Dress Up)
Friday 13       Interschool sports @ Meadow Heights
                Assembly for Years 4—6 at 2.20pm
Wednesday 18   CFA visit to Year 1
Friday 20       Interschool sports V Roxburgh Park at home
Monday 23       Cross Country Years 4, 5 & 6
Wednesday 25    Prep Incursion—Pet Handling
Friday 27       Whole School Assembly @ 2.10pm
                Last Day Term 1—Early finish @ 2.30pm

APRIL
Monday 13      Term 2 commences 8.50am

School Council

Parent involvement in schools by parents and carers helps children achieve the best possible learning outcomes. You can participate in school life, both formally and informally and we really welcome and appreciate any support that is given. School Councils play a key role in Victorian government schools. Participating as a school councillor is a very rewarding experience, where staff and parents work together on strategic planning, policy development and finance. We have been lucky to have enthusiastic and committed members of our school community serve on school council. Each year at this time, we farewell some council members and welcome new members to school council. As we did not have to go to an election, I am pleased to announce the 2015 RHPS School Council. We welcome Kristy Burrows, Heyam Masri, Serap Filiz and Ali Sahin, Sandra James and Seb Naselli to Council. Julie Sirim will be rejoining us for another term. The other members are: Warren Grambau, Mark Goodrich, Derya Helou Kucukali, Dr Fida Sanjakdar, and Glenys Lynch. The Principal is mandated to remain on School Council as Executive Officer.

We want to thank our departing members, Ozlem Coskun, Ahmad Helou, Leanne Warren, Anthony Simone and Bay Fikri for their commitment and support during their time on council. It was greatly appreciated.

Grade 6 leadership conference

This week our annual grade 6 leadership conference is being held at school. This is the third leadership conference we have run and it is now firmly embedded in the culture of our school. This year’s conference is entitled Live Louder, which ties in with our school mantra of Being Present. Optimism and resilience underpins the conference theme and the workshops that are spread across the two days reflect the students, Physical Me, Social Me and Creative Me. We are so excited that we are able to once again offer our children this unique leadership experience as they start their transition onto secondary school.

Student Safety

Once again, we ask parents to observe road rules when dropping off or picking children up from school. We have called the local police and they will be doing spot checks to ensure our children are safe. Please do not call your child from the car or toot the car horn. This is so distracting for children and we had one child run across to their parent without using the crossing. We have also witnessed parents crossing the road with their child without using the crossing and walking with their child through the car park. Our children know this is not following school and road rules and become confused and distressed. Please help us to keep our children safe. It only takes a split second for a tragedy to occur.

Barb
The Parent Bulletin will be distributed to the eldest in the family each fortnight on a Friday. From second term it will be available on the school app and the school internet. If you do not have the school app you can pick up a paper copy of the bulletin from the Office. (School App information is below.)

Our School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are asking parents/students to install our Skoolbag School App.

To install it, just search for our school name "Roxburgh Homestead Primary School" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.

What a great turn out we had to our Parents & Friends Recruitment morning tea we held on Monday 2nd of March. We would like to thank the parents that took the time out of their morning to discuss fundraising and different ways we can help make our school a better place. Without parents help we can't do things like the Mother's Day stall. We are still looking for parents, grandparents, guardians, cares etc. to help us form a committee that will endeavour to help our school provide the wonderful resources it deserves.

If you are willing and able, but missed out on Monday’s morning tea and are interested in helping out please leave your details at the office and we will get back to you.

Fundraising Team
Kristy Burrows & Heyam Masri

Stacey is looking for any parents that can spare an hour to help sort through the second hand clothing that has been donated. If you can help out please see Stacey or let the office know.

A message from our lovely canteen ladies. The Canteen ladies are there from 9.30am. They would very much like students to put in lunch orders in the tubs instead of purchasing over the counter at lunch time. Lunch orders are to written on paper bags with name, class and special requirements such as halal clearly written on the bag.

Don’t forget to read the specials on the blackboard in the canteen foyer especially for St Patrick’s Day when the canteen will be going green!!

Pascoe Vale Girls College invites prospective students and their parents to attend one of their information sessions at the College. You will have the opportunity to meet College leaders and hear about the curriculum and programs offered to the students. This will be followed by a tour of the College.

The dates and times for the information sessions are as follows:

Tuesday April 21—9am
Wednesday April 22—7pm
Thursday April 23—11am

Bookings are essential. Please phone the College on 9306 2544 to reserve a place.

Friday 20th March 2015
BLUE LIGHT DISCO
Children in grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 are invited to attend the Blue Light Disco held at Craigieburn Primary School Hall
87-91 Grand Boulevard
Craigieburn
6.30 until 8.30pm

The cost of this event is $7. Food and drinks will be on sale at the school canteen.

All children attending are required to be dropped off and collect by an adult—no exceptions. This is a lock out event with no access permitted by the public or parents until pick up time when parents will be allowed to collect their kids.

Please contact Sergeant Dale Wesselen at the Craigieburn Police Station on 9303 4433 if you have any queries