Welcome to Term 3 everyone,

How quickly is the year progressing? How lovely to see all our students and staff here at RHPS moving forward and experiencing success on so many levels. As a school we always focus on our whole school values. They fit perfectly into our school acronym RHPS – Respect, Honesty, Pride, Success. We use this language often when speaking to our students and families as a framework for how we want to live and work together here at school.

In relation to Pride we have a number of events planned for this term, following on from our KidsMatter Launch ‘Every face has a place at RHPS’ we will be inviting parents to an afterschool event, where we will be permanently fixing the faces onto buildings and grounds. The students in each year level will all be asked for some input in the design and layout of the faces. We also have our annual Art Show planned for the last week of this term. Our students and Art teachers have been working very creatively in preparing for this and I know it is going to be amazing. In our grade 1 and 2 building, I know our teachers and students are working towards building Pride and Independence with our younger students in this area. All Year 1 students will be working towards receiving an award for demonstrating independence. This will be in relation following the morning and afternoon processes. This includes being able to hang up their own bag, unpacking and packing it, before and after school and getting organised for the day. We want all our students to have success in this as it builds their self-confidence and raises their self-esteem. Please read the included note from Kids Matter in regards to building children’s confidence. Lastly, a very big thank you to all our parents who are waiting so patiently at the outside door of the classroom to collect their child at 3.15pm rather than entering through the corridor. It is essential that we keep the corridors uncrowded and quiet during this time.

In week 4 we have our Student Led Conferences which will provide you with an opportunity to engage and share with your child and classroom teacher, the great work they have completed so far and their goals for future learning. All parents should have received a note with a code to book your appointment. If you are having any problems with booking online, please contact the office.

Kind Regards

Sandra

Acting Assistant Principal

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Tips to build their confidence

https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/families/enewsletter/tips-build-their-confidence

Kids develop confidence and a sense of independence when they see how others react to their abilities. Babies and toddlers are driven by natural curiosity, and learn to see themselves as capable from the way adults respond to them - for example, hugs and claps when they take their first steps. Primary school-aged children, on the other hand, gain confidence from the way they compare to their peers, like getting top of the class in a test.

Because no one can be the very best all of the time, kids need to learn ways to deal with disappointment positively, and to feel good about their efforts - win or lose. This is especially true for children who are naturally shy or hesitant to try new things.

Here are some ways parents and carers can help build children's confidence.

Encourage them to have a go
Participation is less about winning and losing, and more about valuing individual effort, persistence and improvement. It's also about celebrating the experience for the enjoyment it creates. Make sure goals are within your child's ability, and cheer them on.

Situation: Your child wants to try out for the soccer team but isn't sure whether she is good enough.

You could say: "It's great you want to try out for the team just because you love soccer. Why don't you give it a go anyway and try your best? We can always practise together beforehand."

Support their self-esteem
Confidence and self-esteem go hand in hand. Help children feel positive about and accept themselves the way they are, and see that they don't have to be as good as everyone else. Be optimistic and celebrate small successes and improvements.

Situation: Your child is upset because he is not as good at drawing as his best friend.

You could say: "You know everyone has special talents. You're really good at reading and writing stories. Wouldn't it be boring if we were all good at everything?"

Help them deal positively with disappointment
Coping with failure is a fact of life. When children are disappointed, it's easy for them to get into an "I can't" or "I'm no good" mindset, which can chip away at confidence. Help them see the situation from a different viewpoint and make suggestions for next time.

Situation: Your child wasn't invited to join in a game with her friend at morning break.

You could say: "Maybe Bella was just really excited to start playing and didn't remember to ask you in time. Why don't you invite her over to play after school tomorrow?"

You may like to read more about motivation and praise.
Student Lead Conferences

Tuesday 4th of August 3.30pm till 8.00pm
And
Wednesday 5th of August 3.30 pm till 6.00pm
Please book using .

Start collecting for your school now.

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn new educational resources.

Make a difference for your local school
- Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent*
- Stick the Woolworths Stickers onto the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet (available from the School General Office)
- Once its complete, pop it into the collection box at the School’s General Office

*Excluding tobacco, liquor and gift cards
NEW Grade 2 Mr Men and Little Miss Books - Coming Soon!

Grade 2 students spent Term 2 writing and illustrating their own Mr Men and Little Miss books and will be officially launching them at the **2015 Mr Men Book Launch**. This will be happening in the gym on **Friday 7th August at 2:30pm-3:00pm**. Come and listen to aspiring young authors reading their stories. They may even sign their autograph for you!! Special invitations to family and friends of Grade 2 students will be coming home soon.

Here is a sneak peek of some of our stories...

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Prep's 100 Days of school
Prep Parents are invited to their child's classroom to celebrate 100 days of school on **Tuesday 28th July at 2.20-3.15**. Personal invitations to follow.

The Prep Team

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**EAL English Classes**

**Term 3**

**Starting 14/07/2015**

**Fridays from 9:15 to 11 :15**

**Held in portable 7**
Welcome back to term 3, hopefully the weather will improve and we can get our children back outside running around and playing!

**Direct Debit.**

We have finally introduced Direct Debit to the Program. As you were informed in our previous newsletter, the eftpos machine will be surrendered at the end of the term, therefore only cash payments and direct debit facilities will be available during term 4. School Council will decide if we will be accepting cash in 2016.

We are distributing Direct Debit forms now for families to fill in; these forms will be kept under lock and key as soon as they are entered onto our system.

Payments can be organised either weekly or fortnightly through your bank account or your credit card. The initial Administration Fee/Set up Fee (once only) will be paid by the program; Bank Account Transaction Fee is .88cents; Credit Card Transaction Fee (Visa/Mastercard) is 1.87% minimum of .88cents.

As in previous years we do not charge in advance, you will only pay for the sessions that have been attended or have been marked as absent.

For more information, please speak with Margaret or Danielle.

**Fees.**

Unfortunately due to the cost of everything increasing, school council have approved a price increase for the before, after and vacation care programs; before and aftercare fees will rise by $1.00 per session and the vacation care fees will rise by $2.50 per day; this price increase will be offset by the rise in the CPI index for the childcare benefit and childcare rebate.

**Our Little Champ Award.**

This month we have awarded it to Josie Barberio; Josie helped Danielle and the Vacation Care Staff heaps; her pleasant nature and easy going attitude was appreciated. She was extremely helpful and considerate of others. Good on you Josie!

**Vacation Care.**

Danielle had a very well utilised and busy Vacation Care Period this month. Suggestions from families for future excursions or incursions are more than welcome.

Outstanding fees that have not been paid in full will now incur the $20.00 late fee payment.
Parents and Guardians,

As you know, our school has been trying to promote a healthy eating program called ‘Nude Food’. This program rewards points to students who bring different types of fruits and vegetables in their lunches.

As the months get colder, it is easier for students to bring foods that come in a packet, instead of fresh foods. It is important that we keep our healthy habits going throughout the year. We ask that students try to bring lunches that are jam packed with healthy options so we can have the healthiest school possible.

We have a new and improved ‘Golden Apple’ trophy that will be awarded, on a Friday, to the class who earns the most points by bringing the healthiest lunches throughout the week.

Keep up the Healthy Habits.

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Get into Tennis – Term price tennis lessons, for anyone who starts tennis in Term 3. More info: call 1300 486 382,

Email: office@humetennis.com.au

www.humetennis.com.au
Social Networking

A social network is an online community, often with a common interest.

What is social networking?

Social networking sites allow users to share comments and post photos in a contained environment with the user in control. The most common site is Facebook.

Many other popular sites have social aspects but are not strictly ‘social networking’ for example:

- Instagram: a photo sharing application
- Twitter: a micro blogging site
- YouTube: a video sharing site
- Tumblr: a blogging site
- MSN: an instant messaging program
- Skype: a voice over internet protocol (VOIP) service
- Online games such as Club Penguin

What are the risks of social networking?

Social networking can be a lot of fun, but can carry risks, especially for children and young people. Many social networking sites have age restrictions (usually 13 years) and it is important for parents to understand the site’s Terms and Conditions of Use. You don’t pick and choose which rules you obey in the real world, don’t do it online either. There is a valid and legal reason for online rules. Children should not be permitted to access prohibited accounts. Talk about the rules and why they are important rather than working out a way to circumvent them.

Social networking sites require a large amount of time invested in them, not only to set up, but also to continually check to see that the security/privacy settings are at their highest level. This is particularly important when the account holder is a child.

Many social networking sites work on ‘real name’ culture, which means that being truthful in the setting up of an account makes the account safer. You are far better being truthful and then using the security settings to protect your privacy, rather than setting up a fake account, or lying about certain information such as age. Facebook for example has a range of important safety settings as the ‘default’ when the account holder is 13 - 17 years.
Social Media

Many parents are misguided and tell their children to set up the account with an older age for ‘safety’. This is NOT a guarantee of safety, sets a poor example and puts the child outside the secure part of the site. You are far better to set up an account with your child together, with clear rules and guidelines, rather than have them set one up at a friend’s house behind your back.

Social networking is certainly not all bad, although the media can focus on negative aspects. Embrace social technology with your child and ensure that you have an account on all sites your child does.

What are some ways to assist children and young people in social networking?

Please remember that to assist your child to be safe on social networking sites you must:

- Ensure that they comply with the age restrictions (DO NOT let them on Facebook under 13 years of age)
- Ensure that they understand how the privacy and security settings work
- Ensure that they can change their passwords and they know how to report a problem
- Ensure that they know where to go if they have an online issue
- Set up an account yourself and be your child’s friend (this is not going to ensure safety but is part of what is expected of you as a parent)
- Know your child’s password
- Have house rules about what your child can post and when they can add new ‘friends’ (must ask you first) and ensure they know and understand them.

Where can I find out more about specific social media sites?

Many social networking sites create their own help guides. These guides provide tips and advice specifically for parents. You can download these guides from the site’s Help or Support section, for example:

- Help Your Teens Play it Safe - Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/safety/groups/parents/)
- Control Your Experience - Twitter (https://support.twitter.com/articles/470968-families)
- Other Social Networking Websites Is the social networking site your child is using not listed here? No problem, simply Google ‘Parent’s Guide to <Insert Social Networking Site>’. 
BIRTHDAY PARTY PACKAGE

$19.90 PER CHILD

UNITED CINEMAS

PARTY AT THE MOVIES

Grab a group of family or friends and hold your child's birthday party at United Cinemas Craigieburn! Each child will enjoy stadium seating tickets, a regular Pepsi & popcorn combo, M&M's or Skittles, and a complimentary return movie ticket - we'll also include free birthday party invitations for the special occasion!

Group bookings must be a minimum of 12 children with 1 adult free entry.

T&C'S

Not valid Tuesdays, School Holidays or after 5pm Fridays and Saturdays. Payment of tickets must be made before the day of screening to confirm booking. Food & Beverage not included for adult patron, 2 adults will be admitted free for a group of 24 kids and over.

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