Last Tuesday 28th July the Prep’s invited their families to come along to engage in fun and creative activities to celebrate the fact that they have had 100 days of learning at school.....so far! The enthusiasm, engagement and counting skills were impressive. It was standing room only in the classrooms as families worked alongside their children during the afternoon.

The last few weeks the Prep students have been consolidating their understanding of 100 counting and representing with lots of different materials in groups of 10. If you take a walk down the Prep corridor you will see an excellent display of their learning in their projects. Well Done.

Here are a few of the Prep students favourite things:

I like counting my 100 nutrigrain. By Leyla Prep Melissa

I liked making the crown with my mum. By Nethun Prep Melissa

I liked making my crown. I used 100 stickers. By Imad Prep Elissa and Julia

I liked singing the Hi Ho song at assembly. By Zain Prep Elissa and Julia

Photo: Students waiting to walk into Friday's whole school assembly with their crowns and collective garden of 100 flowers
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**CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)**

Parents who hold a valid health care / concession card may be eligible for an allowance of $125.00 which will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. Please collect a form from the office. These forms need to be returned (with your health care / concession card) to the Office no later than Wednesday, Sept 16th.

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**ملاحظة هامة:**

الآباء الذين يحملون بطاقة الكونسيشن الصالحة قد يكون مؤهلاً للحصول على مساعدة مالية ($125.00) دولار. سيتم دفع المبلغ إلى المدرسة للاستخدام نحو النفقات المتعلقة بالمخيمات و الرحلات, أو الأنشطة الرياضية لصالح طفلك.

الاستمارة متوفرة في مكتب المدرسة.
Anywhere Anytime Learning Program

Did you know that our school has an Anywhere Anytime Learning program?

This year students in Years 4 and 5 had the opportunity to buy their own laptop for use at school and at home. Next year the program will involve students in Years 4, 5 and 6.

Anywhere Anytime Learning, sometimes referred to as 1-1 computing, is where students and teachers have their own digital device for use at school and at home. Next year all students entering Year 4 and Year 5 will be given the opportunity to purchase a digital device through the JB Education Solutions portal.

This is an exciting time for students as they have the opportunity to have their own laptop for use at school and at home.

So why are we moving to this?

Anywhere Anytime programs promote learning both in and out of school through:

- Anywhere, anytime access to learning.
- Independent, self-initiated learning, e.g. the promotion of problem solving skills, the ability to ‘Google’ questions students have.
- More family involvement in education because parents can access the device.
- Collaboration between students in different schools, states and even countries.
- Students being taught to communicate appropriately and safely in social websites.
- The ability to access homework and school information online and offline.
- More time for teachers to teach students to use the internet appropriately as a tool to learn.
- Greater access to real-time information, digital learning resources and educational software.
- The ability to digitally capture any learning, such as videos or photographs to create things such as digital stories.
- Opportunities to discuss cyber bullying as a real issue and discuss the impacts of this as a class.

There will be opportunities later this term for parents of Year 3 and 4 students to visit our Year 4 classrooms to see Anywhere Anytime Learning in action. An Information Night for parents will be held early in Term 4 where more detailed information will be provided including the cost and purchasing details.

If you would like more information about the program and how it will affect your child please contact Maree Leopold on 93051688 during school hours.
EAL English Classes

Term 3

Starting 14/07/2015

Fridays from 9:15 to 11:15

Held in portable 7

R.H.P.S. Garden - Growing Our Kids, Growing Our Community

Well the term is in full swing and so the Monday afternoon working bee in the schools gardens will begin again on Monday the 10th August. We have lots of great ideas for making our school look fantastic and would love to see anybody who can help us. We meet at the front office after the school bell. We have a small supply of garden tools so it would be great if you can bring some tools along to the working bee. As you walk around the school you will have noticed some plants in the courtyard looking a little battered, don't worry, they will soon thicken up and look good again. Also the front of the gym will be getting more attention to it as we clean it up ready for Grade 3 Angela and Grade 2 Matt to come in and plant it out. With that in mind we would like to give a great big thankyou to the Mum who donated some wonderful Agave plants, these will be used by Grade 3 Matt who are currently looking after them. If you don't have the time to come and help on Monday afternoons but would still like to help us, we are always needing donations of plants and or tools (we really need some new rakes and a couple of spades and a broom). Look forward to seeing you there on Monday, Vicki and Jacqui

Please put this in your diaries!

“I am an Artist”

R.H.P.S Community Art Show

Opening Wednesday September 16th 3:30pm-7:00pm

Also open Thursday September 17th 8:30am-4:30pm

Gold coin entry

New Gym

Art activities, music, nibbles, sausage sizzle, face painting and of course amazing art work from every student in the school.

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!
I AM AN ARTIST

WED 16/9 3:30-7pm THURS 17/9 8:30-4:30

Come and see our work!!!

Roxburgh Homestead Primary School
Community Art Show

Wednesday September 16 @ 3:30pm – 7:00pm
Thursday September 17 @ 8:30am – 4:30pm.

Wednesday – Sausage sizzle, activities, face painting and of course art work from every student in the school!

Thursday – The show will be open during the day for parents, friends and grades to come and see the exhibition.

Please come and celebrate all of our amazing artists!

See you there!!
Top tips for independent learning

https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/families/enewsletter/top-tips-independent-learning

Kids aren't born ready to hit the books. In fact, adults play an important role in providing kids with stimulating and supportive environments for learning and development.

To become good life-long learners, children need to grow their confidence and independence. This is a process that happens over time. Kids need to 'learn about learning' and they look to the adults in their lives to show them how.

Here are our top tips for families to create independent little learners.

Don't give away the answers
It's tempting, but giving kids the answers to their homework prevents them developing their learning and thinking processes and overall independence. As much as they need to learn about the specific subject matter, children need to learn about the process of learning. This includes having plenty of chances to make mistakes, and to experience the joy of figuring things out for themselves. You don't need to have all the answers!

'Scaffold' their learning
Scaffolding is a great way to build children's confidence and capabilities. It involves supporting them through the task at hand using the following broad stages, and allows adults to draw back as the child's learning independence grows:

• ask questions about what needs to be done
• break the job down into smaller steps
• demonstrate how to approach each step, talking it through
• praise achievement or, if they're struggling, break the steps down further still.

Routine, routine, routine
Homework is a more efficient process if it is done at the same time and in the same place. Don't expect that children will perform well with study tasks late at night, or if they're tired or hungry. One of the best routines is to attend to homework firing. It can also help concentration if they have a chance to blow off some steam first and have something to eat. Getting school work out of the way as well.

Don't make it a battle
Top tips for independent learning

Is homework a constant clash of wills at your place? Battling kids to do their homework puts strain on relationships, including between siblings, and is exhausting for the whole family. A regular study routine sets the expectation and minimises any backlash. Framing conversations in positive ways - rather than interrogating or telling kids what to do - and giving them lots of praise for achievements helps keep things upbeat.

Be available

Being available doesn’t only mean being physically present for homework time. Many adults work full-time and might have another adult supervising study. If this is you, check in with your kids when you all arrive home. You don’t have to grill them over whether their work is complete, but simply take an interest in and discuss what they are up to. ‘Availability’ is about quality time more than anything.

You may like to read further about how children learn.

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PRIMARY MUSIC INSTITUTE

Keyboard Lessons At Your School

Enrol TODAY – via PMI’s website OR enrolment forms available from the school front office

Lessons are held once per week on school campus – typically during the school day

Only $13.50 per child per small group lesson (typically 3-5 students for 30 minutes)

Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music

Private lessons also available ($32.50 per child for 30 minutes)

Learning plan for all students via “PMI Stars” program – structured objectives with progress visi-

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www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au
07 August 2015

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Direct Debit.

We are requiring that parents return their Direct Debit Sheets ASAP to allow us to begin using the system. We wish to remind parents that eftpos facilities will be unavailable after the end of term 3. Cash payments will be available but this will also be discussed by school council as to the availability in 2016.

Our Little Champ for August.

Kyan Goodrich has been nominated for our Little Champ Award this month; Kyan is the first person to offer any assistance required by the staff or other children at care; he is easy going and other children really enjoy being in his company. His presence here is enjoyable. Good work Kyan!

Our Pet Wall.

We are currently updating our Pet Wall; the children are being encouraged to bring in a photo of their pets for us to display. If you do not have a photo available but have one on your phone etc., please email it to us on after@roxhomesteadps.vic.edu.au and we can print it for you.

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
"Every Face Has a Place at RHPS"

Calling all Handymen and Handywomen

After our hugely successful family fun afternoon early in Term 2, we would like to invite parents, carers, families and friends to come back to our school to help display our wonderful faces. Teachers and students have been discussing how and where our faces should be seen and now we need your help to put them up.

When– Wednesday 19th August

Where– School Gym

Time– 3:30 to 4.30pm

If you would be interested in coming along and helping out could you please return this note to your child’s teacher by Friday 14th August.

☐ I /We will be attending

☐ Number of people attending

Parent Name- _____________________________________________

Student name- _____________________________________________

☐ Yes I am able to provide the following cordless power tools.

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I understand I will be the only person using my power tool.

Parent Signature - _________________________________________