ANZAC Day

Student voice is something we actively encourage and nurture at RHPS. I was delighted to be approached by grade 5 students Brooke Burrows and Dakota Comiac, as well as Brooke’s little sister, Shae, who have researched extensively information about ANZAC Day. The girls will read their poems over the PA system at 3pm on Friday as the school community stops to reflect on those who have fought in past wars and lost their lives, in order we can enjoy the freedom we know today.

The girls will present their poems next week at Friday’s assembly on April 29th.

School Council

We have had the meeting of our new school council where office bearers have been elected. I would like to congratulate the following Office Bearers.

- **School Council President**: Ali Sahin
- **Vice President**: Remco Burgers
- **Secretary**: Sandra James
- **Treasurer**: Sandra James
- **Curriculum**: Pat Lynch
- **Fundraising**: TBA
- **Facilities**: Seb Naselli
- **OH&S**: Seb Naselli
- **Correspondence**: Heyam Masri
- **Out of School Hours Program**: Seb Naselli
- **Canteen**: Heyam Masri, Serap Filiz, Derya Kucukali
- **Executive Officer**: Barb Adam

We will be highlighting a School Council member in forthcoming newsletters, so our community can learn more about them. This is going to be a fantastic year as we look forward to working together as a team.

*Barb*
Hello everyone,

As we start our new term we can reflect on last term’s value of Respect. It is so good to hear and see our students using this term in general conversations both in the classrooms and also out in the yard. I was so pleased to hear a group of year 6 boys spontaneously welcome a visitor to our school last week as we walked past as well as the numerous other occasions where our students are demonstrating our school values on a daily basis.

As always we constantly reflect on building our connections with all our students and parents and are very pleased to have been able to increase the amount of time that we have Multicultural Aids in the school to work with students who have English as a second language and to assist communication with parents. We also have a number of volunteer parents who are fluent in other languages that have offered their assistance. We are aiming that all information sent home has a translation note in Turkish and Arabic which informs parents that we can assist them with an interpretation if needed.

If any of our parents would like assistance with translations please let our office staff know and we can arrange a time for our staff or volunteers to assist you.

Have a great week
Sandra James (Acting Assistant Principal)

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**Speech Pathology News**

Rosey White, RHPS’s speech pathologist, has gone on holiday and I will be taking on her role. I am excited to be a part of the RHPS family and look forward to working alongside the school community to promote and support student’s speech and language.

Here is a snapshot of what will be happening this year:

- **Adrianna Galioto, Speech Pathologist**

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<td>In Term 2 I will be working with the grade 1 teachers to promote oral (spoken) language in the classroom. There will be a focus on book reading and teaching a range of sentence structures and vocabulary.</td>
<td>No Pens Day is on Thursday the 28th of April. On this day students will participate in activities focusing on their oral language. This means there will be NO PENS used throughout the day.</td>
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- **Speech pathology guides for parents:**

  Watch this space in the newsletter for monthly tips and strategies to promote your child’s:

  - Language growth
  - Speech development
  - Vocabulary
  - Understanding
  - Ability to follow instructions
  - Reading

- **Language Groups:**

  I will be working alongside the integration aides to deliver a variety of language programs. These programs are designed to cater for children’s specific language needs.

- **Phonological Awareness Groups:**

  These groups will be focused on children’s ability to recognize and manipulate sounds in words. Activities will be designed to enhance children’s writing and reading skills.

- **Speech Therapy:**

  By using a range of games and techniques, these sessions will target articulation, the production of speech sounds.
Positive Climate for Learning

Welcome back to Term 2 and I hope everyone had a nice and relaxing break over the holidays. We have lots of exciting plans for this term and hope to get our school community involved in as many of our activities as possible, beginning with our KidsMatter Working Bee that is taking place of April 27th at 3:30pm. You would have hopefully seen the notes that have gone home and if you have any questions please come and see me at the office.

Our whole school assemblies for this term will take place on the Friday of week 3, 6 and 9 beginning at 2:30pm. They will take place in our recently upgraded school gym, however if the weather is being friendly they may be moved out to the hard courts, so please check both spaces on assembly afternoons.

It’s a very exciting time for our Grade 6 students at Roxburgh Homestead PS, as our Grade 6 Leadership Conference will be taking place during the 21st and 22nd of April. Our students will be working with inspirational and motivational guests to develop leadership and teamwork skills that they will use to make a positive impact on our school and wider community. Stay tuned for more news and updates on our student’s progress.

I look forward to seeing you around the school during Term 2.

Thanks

Pat Lynch

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**Is your Lollipop person the sweetest?**

Nominate your Lollipop person for the 2015/2016 School Crossing Supervisor of the year award.


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**FREE ENGLISH CLASSES AT SCHOOL**

Come and join us every Friday from 9 to 12pm. Have fun learning English in a supportive and professional environment.

**Bedava Engilizce sinifi**

*Cuma gunleri 9 -12pm arasi*

*Eglenceli samimi bir ortamda Ingilizce okuma, yazma, konusma ogrenmek isteyenler katilabilirler*

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**Important Message**

**CSEF (Old EMA)**

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 if you have not already done so. These forms need to be returned (with your health care / concession card) to the Office **no later than June 1st**

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Congratulations and best wishes to Alex Mowat and his bride Melissa for their wedding on Saturday. Wishing them both a life time of happiness.
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CAMP INFORMATION


After reviewing the high number of responses from the Expression of Interest sent out earlier this year, School Council approved the expansion of our camping program from Gr 4 and Gr 6 only to a 3/4 and a 5/6 Camp commencing this year, 2016.

The condition of the approval is that the Gr 6 and Gr 4 students have priority to attend their respective camps.

A cut-off date for deposits will be set. Once this date is reached, we will offer the remaining positions to the Gr 5 and Gr 3 students, respectively.

The year levels involved will be informed of the process and costs early Term 2.

If you have any queries, please contact Sebastian at the school.

Thank You

Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is now open and Roxburgh Homestead Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to 16 years in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by the closing date of the challenge.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or ‘experience’ 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

If you would like your child to participate, please return the consent form handed out by your child’s teacher.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll.

For more information about the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge and to view the booklists, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc
Peer Leaders for Term 2.

Inessa Tan                 Sude Nalbant           Tyson Duong                  Zulal Alkin                     Beth Stevanovic                     Riley Fox

Our Peer Leaders help the OSHC staff by doing small tasks for them like supervising the hand washing; handing out the afternoon tea platters; helping with the organised activity and many more small tasks. Their help is much appreciated by us all.

Our Little Champ for April.

Emir Erduran

Emir has been trying extremely hard while he is at aftercare; he is co-operating with all staff members and other children.

Emir comes in with a happy smiling face every afternoon. Well done!

Vacation Care Survey.

We will be asking parents for input regarding the Vacation Care Program. Parents will be asked what activities and experiences their children like to be involved in; if parents would like us to plan more excursions and incursions; their opinion of electronic devices being used in the program; the food supplied etc.

Your input would be greatly appreciated; if you have any suggestions for this survey, please come in and speak with us. All input is greatly appreciated.

Electronic Devises and Phones at Before & After Care.

Mobile phones that are brought into care are to be kept in the office at all times; children are not permitted to leave mobile phones in their bags at any time.

Electronic devises are not to be brought into the before and after care program at any time. If these are found, they will be confiscated and handed back when the child is collected at the end of the day.

Direct Debit.

Just a friendly reminder to parents to ensure that there are funds available on the day of your direct debit deduction; if the payment is dishonoured you will be charged $11.90 for each transaction.
FREE Super Hero Face Painter - Saturday 23 April 11am—2pm
Super Immunity Workshop - Tuesday 3 May 3pm—5pm
FREE Super Hero Cape Making Workshop - Thursday 12 May 3pm—6pm
FREE Batman Meet and Greet - Saturday 21 May from 11am
FREE Super hero Dance Class - Saturday 4 June 11am—2pm

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Junior Campuses (Years 7 to 9):
Open Day: Walkthroughs at 9.30am, 11.30am and 1.45pm
Evening: Walkthrough at 6.00pm
Presentation at 7.00pm

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