



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2

WEEK 2

24th April

Grade 2

Swimming

24th April

Grade 4 CERES

Excursion

24th April

Grade 6

Excursion

Craigieburn

Secondary

College

25th April

Public Holiday

Anzac Day

April 27th

Grade 3

Incursion

WEEK 3

2nd May

Grade 2

Swimming

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to all our families and welcome to those new families joining our school community or the first time. We have a number of new families joining us so I hope everyone makes them feel welcome and encourages them to join in activities in any way they can.

Our School Council will be forming a parent group with the aim of increasing parental involvement within our school community. Parents and carers being closely connected to school has many positive benefits for our students. We will keep you informed in newsletters to come.

We wish to send our best wishes to Janet Perakis, gr 2 teacher and wish her a speedy and full recovery after seriously injuring herself during a fall at school last term. Janet's return date is yet unknown and I know you will join us in wishing her well.

We continue this term to provide many exciting

opportunities for students to be involved in learning in a variety of ways. Through our 21st Century Design Team, students are being involved in problem solving activities, in a collaborative manner, which greatly enhances their cognitive skills.

We will also be commencing the Self Evaluation for our School Review. This review will take place in Term 3, with four days dedicated to exploring our

school data, climate, plans etc. At the end of this process we will have detailed findings and be very aware of the direction we need to take for the next four years. Our Strategic Plan will be written at the end of this process which will be our guiding document for the next four years.

Regards,

Julie Lowerson

Principal

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Over the holidays, we had a variety of tradespeople onsite and we are making good progress with many of the jobs around the school. The Planned Maintenance Project work has finally been completed, as well as the repairs to building damaged due to heavy rains over the past 6 months. It has been great to have these jobs completed as it has allowed Simone and her students to move back into their classroom (see picture), Demi to setup her Science class and Leah and her staff to move back into the canteen.

Prep Simone's Classroom



As these jobs are completed, we will now begin work on other areas of the school that need some improvements. Some of these will include-

- Several new fences around the school
- Developments to the 21st Century Space (The old library)
- Development of the Teacher Resource Centre (The old ICT lab)
- Rebuilding of shelters

We will be also be repairing some of the tired areas around the school to bring them back up to scratch.

Thanks for your patience during the construction period.

Regards,

Pat Lynch

Assistant Principal

إذا كنت بحاجة إلى مساعدة لفهم هذه الملاحظة يرجى الاتصال بالإدارة العامة للمدرسة
Bu notu anlamada herhangi bir yardıma ihtiyaciniz olursa, lutfen genel ofisini arayin.

Staff Profile

My name is Rebecca (Bec) and this is my first year of teaching. I am currently teaching in grade 1.

I graduated from Australian Catholic University with a Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary) in 2017 and I am thrilled to begin my teaching career here at Roxburgh Homestead.

I am an enthusiastic person who loves footy (Carlton), family and living life with a smile on my face. I have a genuine passion for teaching and am eager to continue to develop my personal growth and professional knowledge.



Rebecca Jones

21st Century Learning

Printing In 3 Dimensions at RHPS

The 21st Century Learning team is excited to announce the arrival of 4 brand new 3D printers at Roxburgh Homestead Primary School! Soon our students will have the capability to take their 3D generated designs and print them out in their physical form using specialised filament.

Using Tinker Cad, our budding 3D designers will be able to create anything, with their imagination being the only limit. Students will experiment with making toys, prototypes and models – the list is endless and the best part? You don't need to be an expert to make awesome 3D models!

This is just the next exciting development in a huge list of projects ready to start at RHPS. Next our year 6s will be exploring the ethics behind artificial intelligence and our year 3 students will be cleaning up the environment when they make and design real computers using recycled materials.

21st Century Learning Team



Student Wellbeing

Speech Pathology News:

Ways to help my child follow instructions:

What are instructions?

Every day we ask our children to do different tasks. At school, students follow many instructions from simple one step instructions, "Get your maths book", to more complex multi-step ones "Before you begin the activity, sit on the floor with your paper and pen".

What to look for if your child may be having difficulty following instructions:

Your child may forget parts of the instruction, appear distracted, misinterpret the instruction, copy others, look blank and ask for instructions to be repeated.

Ways to help my child follow instructions

Before you give an instruction ensure you have your child's complete attention. You can achieve this by establishing eye contact or saying their name.

Give simple instructions. This involves breaking instructions into 1-action at a time. Use easy to understand language and ensure the instruction is short.

Check if your child has understood the instruction by asking them to repeat the instruction back to you or say it in their own words.

Teach your child how to ask for help if they are unsure of what to do. You may teach your child to say: "I'm not sure what to do, can you please explain it in a different way?"

When giving your child an instruction use visuals while you talk. The visual may be a picture of the task. You can also use your hands and face to act out the instruction.

Ways to practice following instructions:

There are many activities you can complete with your child to help them improve their understanding of instructions.

Simon Says is an engaging way to practice following instructions. Start off with easy instructions such as: Simon Says touch your nose. The child then is required to touch their nose. If you say: Touch your nose, then your child should not do anything, as Simon did not say. You can make the instructions harder by including more parts or harder vocabulary. For example, Simon Says if I raise my hand, jump up and down.

Barrier games are another fun activity that you can practice with your child. Have 2 pieces of paper separated by a barrier (e.g. book standing up or facing back-to-back). One person gives instructions on what to draw on the picture and the other person draws it. For example, "Draw a little sun in the top right corner". At the end of the game, the barrier is taken down and the child compares their drawing with the person who gave the instructions.

By Adrianna, Speech Pathologist



Wednesday 25th April

Anzac Day
Public Holiday



**ANZAC DAY
COMMEMORATIVE SERVICES
25TH APRIL 2018
CRAIGIEBURN
DAWN & MORNING SERVICES**

LOCATION:	CRAIGIEBURN ANZAC PARK NORTH-EAST CORNER (OFF WINDROCK AVENUE)	
CONDUCTED BY:	EPPING RSL SUB-BRANCH MEMBER(S)	
SERVICE FORMAT:	RSL ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE	
SERVICES:	DAWN SERVICE - 5.45 AM FOR A 6 AM START MORNING SERVICE - 9.45 AM FOR A 10 AM START	
SERVICE DURATION:	45 MINUTES	

ANZAC Day Commemorative Services (Dawn and Morning) will be held at the Craigieburn War Memorial, located in the North-East quadrant of ANZAC Park – near the corner of Windrock Avenue and Marathon Boulevard, Craigieburn (Melway: Map 386 Grid G6)

The services will provide the opportunity for the local community to remember those Australian men and women who served their country during times of conflict and to especially honour those who made the supreme sacrifice.

The ceremonies will be conducted by Epping RSL Sub-Branch member(s) and will be hosted by the Craigieburn War Memorial and Remembrance Committee (CWMRC). Attendees are encouraged to bring a small floral tribute (twig of wattle or other flower) in memory of a relative, friend or other loved one, for placement at the memorial during the service.

WEARING OF MEDALS:

Recipients of medals and awards are encouraged to wear the full size versions in accordance with the protocols of the Australian Honours and Awards system. Family members are also encouraged to wear the medals of passed love ones – these are worn on the Right Hand side.

For further information phone Kevin O'Callaghan on 0400-511-188 or email: contact@craigieburnwarmemorial.com or website: www.craigieburnwarmemorial.com



Mother's Day Stall

The Mother's Day stall will be held on

Tuesday the 8th of May & Wednesday 9th of May

Gifts will range from **\$1 to \$5**

(Please bring a plastic bag to hide your gifts in!!)

Help Needed!!

We welcome parents, grandparents and carers who would like to help at the stall, please contact the office before Friday the 7th of May with your details and we will contact you to confirm. We need around 5-6 parents to help run the stall, first time helpers are also very welcome. Many Thanks

Kristy Burrows and Heyam Masri

Your RHPS Fundraising Team.





Mother's Day

Morning Tea

In recognition of Mums everywhere and the wonderful job we all do!!

We would be delighted to invite you to a

"Pink Ribbon Breast Cancer Awareness"

Mother's Day Morning Tea on Friday the 11th of May from 9am until 10.30am.

Please bring a plate of food to share and gold coins for donations!!

Tea and Coffee will be provided for a gold coin donation with all money raised to go towards Breast Cancer Awareness.

Mums, Grandmothers, Carers and Friends all welcome.

Lucky Door prizes, Mystery Raffle prizes and prizes for wearing the most Pink!!

Kristy Burrows and Heyam Masri

Your RHPS Fundraising Team!

