



DATES TO REMEMBER

Last Day

Term 3

School

Finishes

2:30pm

TERM 3

WEEK 10

18th September

Footsteps Dance Program

19th September

Crazy hair Day

21st September

Grade 4
Renewable
Energy Exhibition

Term 4 Dates

8th October to
21st December

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT TERM 3 REFLECTION

We have had a great deal happening at RHPS this term with amazing outcomes. Here are a few examples of what has been taking place:

- Science Fair – over 600 parents etc. attending
- The Preps went to the Zoo on their first school excursion to assist with their learning about habitats and animals
- Footsteps Dance program for the whole school every week
- School camp
- Gr 1 & 2 have been swimming
- No Pens Day to celebrate the importance of oral language
- District Athletics and sport
- House meetings to support student engagement

These are just a few of the events which have taken place to further enhance our classroom practices and teaching and learning.

TAKING LEAVE

I am taking Long Service Leave for the first three weeks of Term 4. Pat Lynch will be the Acting Principal during my absence. I will be travelling to

Europe with my family to spend five weeks exploring Italy, Spain and France. I look forward to spending quality time with my family and relaxing!

STAFFING UPDATE

We wish to congratulate Stacey Lawler on her successful appointment to Harvest Home PS in Epping. Stacey has been a valued staff member of RHPS for over 20 years working in many roles across the school. Stacey is most known for her work in student wellbeing and the positive contributions she has made to students, their families and staff. I am sure you will join me in wishing Stacey all the best for her new appointment and thanking her for her contribution to the RHPS community.

We also wish to congratulate Simone Bruce on her appointment to Edenhope PS, commencing at the beginning of next term. Simone joined our staff at the beginning of this year. We wish her well for her life in the country.

Kristy-Lee Laidlaw will be returning from Family Leave at the beginning of next term and will be replacing Simone as a teacher in prep. Kristy-Lee has taught at RHPS for a number of years and is very familiar with our setting and organisation.

2019 ENROLMENTS

We are currently taking enrolments for Prep for 2019 and are planning our staff

accordingly. If you have a young child who will be attending Prep next year and you have not enrolled them please contact the office as soon as possible to complete this process. If you are aware of anyone who has a child who will be attending school in 2019 and RHPS is their closest school, please let them know that we are taking enrolments now.

FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE THANK YOU!

I wish to thank Kristy Burrows and Heyam Masri for organising the Fathers' Day raffle this year. The money raised will be donated to a local charity as a means of RHPS giving back to the community.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

I am hoping that you are now able to notice the building renovations taking place in certain sections of our school. We have now been able to commence work on what was the library which will now become our 21st Century Design Space also referred to as "Watch This Space." This space will consist of many different learning areas and poses to set our school apart from other schools through the design and fit out. The refurbishment of the student toilets has also commenced. See further in this newsletter for more information.

We wish you all a safe and relaxing break and remind you that school resumes on 8th October for term 4.

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Bu notu anlamada herhangi bir yardıma ihtiyaciniz olursa, lutfen genel ofisini arayin.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS' BREAKFAST

Again I had the pleasure of having breakfast with our School Captains Taylan Demir and Jasmine Roeschmann who shared their reflections of the term. One of the highlights that they spoke about proudly, was the Science Fair which was held a few weeks ago. These students and many more were leaders of Science on the night and shared their knowledge and learning with the many hundred people who attended. Both Taylan and Jasmine also reflected upon themselves as leaders and what they have learnt as leaders of our school. Remarkable students, indeed!



OFFICE STAFF: THE FACE OF OUR SCHOOL

When you visit the office next, you will notice the office staff wearing smart uniforms proudly displaying our school logo. Don't they look very corporate and a great image for RHPS!

Yours In Learning
Julie Lowerson



Fathers' Day Raffle Winners

*And the
Winners are...*



1st Geoff-Art

2nd Ayra- 2 Sonya

3rd- Gayle Dawson

4th Ayah - 4 Marisa

5th Elif - 4 Michael

6th Selina—2 Jessie

7th Adam- 4 Michael

8th Sena - 4 Michael

9th Guzin - 4 Michael

10th Yakup – 1 Leanne



Well done to all of our winners and thankyou for your support.

Thank you to everyone that participated in our Father's Day Raffle.

We raised \$127.50, which go towards our Footy Day Charity fundraiser.

Ayah 4 Marisa/Lena

Kristy and Heyam your Fundraising Team



RHPS Projects

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Professional Learning Lab

The former ICT Lab is currently being transformed into a Professional Learning Lab. The PLL will be a fantastic area, specifically designed for our educators to plan, research and refine their teaching practices. A big thankyou to all the committee members involved in making this happen. The PLL will encompass the following;

- New paint job, Silver Tea Set on the walls and Monument grey around windows and on doors
- 9 meter whiteboard in both rooms, 18 meters of whiteboard space in total
- 9 meters of pin board in both rooms, 18 meters of pin board space in total
- New Kingstown Gate Slate wool carpet throughout
- Full custom cabinet work and shelving, Ocean Micro in colour
- Refurbished concertina door wrapped in Teal vinyl
- 2 x 65" LED TV's with Vivi and multi-room technology (allowing mirrored broadcasts on both screens)
- New charcoal roller blinds, both e-screen shear and block out
- 2 x compactus units relocated from library
- Custom designed floor mats with modified version of the school logo
- New furniture allowing for staff planning and collaboration.
- Professional clean inside and out.

Student Toilets

Student toilets have been flagged as an issue within our school community. Contractors are booked in to re-tile, paint, replace toilets and automate lighting in our student toilet facilities. Lighting has already been upgraded and automated. Work will begin the week of the 17th of September and continue over the Term 3 holidays. The gym toilets have received a lighting upgrade. Tiling and painting work will be addressed next term.



Grounds and Outdoor Areas

Our school grounds and outdoor areas being beautified. Our handy man Johnny and Allan are doing a wonderful job putting up our bus shelters and building new garden beds and re-mulching our playground areas.



Over the holidays we are having we are having installed colourful playground markings which are made with thermoplastic, a long-life marking product that is best practice in the construction industry. The engaging playground markings improve literacy, numeracy and physical activity of children. The school will be having the following markings laid on the ash felt

- Bullseye
- Solid for square
- Hopscotch
- Multiplication Tables
- 200 Sight Words
- World map
- Mirror me
- Giant Snail
- Dragon

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5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100



21st Century "Watch This Space"

Works in our new 21st Century Centre have begun. We have finalized designs with Lisa Horton, who is an interior designer specialising in education and learning settings. Lisa is working with the design team to develop a concept for the 21st Century area. We have also engaged Cassandra Tabacco from Loftids Interiors, who is working with the construction team on colour selection, and layout.

Construction of our media cubby or "Green Room" is almost complete. The school has engaged RCA Maintenance and Joe Montesano Construction Group to carry out work in the 21st Century Area. The Green Room will be used by student to create movies and animations. The green colour makes it easier for editing of videos and animations.

Over the next couple of weeks the lighting will be upgraded in the space and some minor construction work, building in a media cubby partition, LEGO pillars and our eco system window. Lots of work in various stages will be undertaken over the remainder of this year.



Update on Teaching and Learning at RHPS

Peer Observations

At RHPS we are dedicated to improving classroom practice and the learning for all our students. The implementation of Peer Observation cycle throughout the year is another way in which we are achieving this.

Peer Observations are a part of our whole school teacher professional learning cycle each year. A peer observation is when a teacher has a scheduled visit to another teacher's classroom within the school to observe teaching practice.

Evidence shows that when done well, peer observation, including feedback and reflection, is a high impact approach to improving professional practice and can be an important part of a teacher's professional development.

Peer observation enables teachers to access feedback on their practice, build their individual capability and develop a shared understanding of effective practice.

Peer observation benefits teachers through a structured feedback dialogue against a set of agreed criteria with a focus on progressing student learning. Using an inquiry cycle, teachers can evaluate the impact of their practice on student learning growth and identify areas for improvement.

Peer observation can also be a professional learning opportunity within the context of professional learning teams, as it allows teachers to build their capacity in giving and receiving feedback and creates opportunities to learn new strategies, modelled by experienced colleagues.

Alexander Mowat
Assistant Principal

Breakfast Club

The School Breakfast Club Program provides a healthy breakfast for students who may otherwise arrive at school hungry. Research shows that one in seven children arrive at school not having eaten breakfast, which can affect their learning and attendance.

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Roxburgh Homestead

Breakfast Club Open

Every Tuesday and Thursday

from 8:15am until 8:40am



Staff Profile

Hi, my name is Sonya Seal, (Webb). I got married in January. I had a beautiful wedding in the Senate Rose Gardens in Canberra. I have been teaching for 13 years and worked as a Nanny for 10yrs prior to that. I have taught in Canberra, London, and Melbourne. I have taught a range of year levels from Prep to Year 6 and I am currently teaching Year 2.

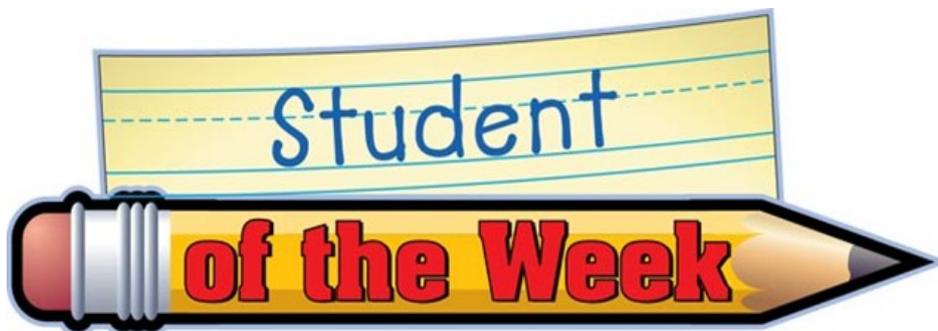
I am very excited to be teaching at Roxburgh Homestead Primary, this is my second year at the school and I have loved being part of the Roxy community.

I love to travel and have been around the world a few times. I am always planning my next adventure. I really value my family and friends and I love spending time with them.

Sonya Seal



YEAR 6



WEEK 8

Ali Imran Pek - being a brilliant worker and person in the classroom.

Imad Taha - sharing his thoughts and ideas during Inquiry.

Atilla - being a committed learner and all round star student.

Luke Smith - Demonstrating his personal best all at tasks, well done Luke!

WEEK 9

Tayla Cifci - producing work at an excellent standard all of the time.

Amar Ait Kaci Ali - being helpful and supportive to other students and their learning.

Nasser Berger - always listening and contributing in class.

Mercedes Loane - publishing two of the best student 'Explanation' writing pieces I've ever read well done!

21st Century Learning

Cuboid Robot Helps Students At R.H.P.S.

Students in foundation have been working together with our friendly neighbourhood robot, Cubetto, to spread awareness about the effects of rubbish pollution on our envi-



ronment and local ecosystems! They have enjoyed learning about how to program Cubetto using coding blocks to direct the robots movement and to help shift rubbish to where it needs to be, in the bin! In the end, students will have all

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Student Showcase

Woodlands Division Athletics Championships

On Monday the 10th of September, 10 lucky Roxburgh Homestead students were fortunate enough in competing in the Woodlands Division Athletics Championships held at Meadowglen Athletics Track in Epping.

Prior to arriving at the venue our students were nervous and a little anxious about the opportunity to compete against rivaling schools. After some reassurance, our athletes were nothing but excited to represent their school in the athletics championships.

It was fantastic to see our students engage with everyone who attended the event. Our students did a great job providing support not only to their peers, but also to other school students!

As part of the event, ribbons are awarded to students who finish either 1st, 2nd or 3rd with the top 2 students progressing through to the Regional Athletics Championships in October. I am pleased to inform you all that Roxburgh Homestead successfully managed to pick up **6 ribbons** on the day and have 4 students progressing through to the next stage, a **HUGE** achievement!

A massive congratulations to the following students who represented RHPS with integrity and pride over the course of the athletics day. We as a school are extremely proud of you all!

Girls: Maddison Albrecht, Eaman Al-Abodi, Alanur Akkok, Jamie-Lee and Isabella Mehlfeld-Robbins.

Boys: Zein Omar, Mateja Liber, Luka Liber, Ahmad Hajii and Bailey Kirby.

Well done Homestead!

Michael Lane – Physical Education Coordinator





**Free Speech Pathology Drop-in Clinic
for residents of Hume
August–December 2018
- for children under school age**

- Bring your child to the drop-in clinic to discuss questions or concerns about your child’s communication skills.
- For children aged birth to school entry.
- Priority will be given to children who are not already on a waitlist to see a speech pathologist.
- No appointment or referral is required; however, you may be required to wait, or asked to attend another clinic date.
- A 20-30 minute timeslot will be allocated to you, and a Speech Pathologist will talk to you about ways to help your child’s communication, and may refer you to another service.

<u>When</u>	<u>Where (Drop-In Clinic)</u>	<u>Time</u>
Wednesday 22 August	Roxburgh Rise Primary School	1.00pm – 4.00pm
Tuesday 11 September	Coolaroo South Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 16 October	Sunbury Heights Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Wednesday 21 November	Dallas Brooks Community Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Thursday 13 December	Craigieburn South Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm



Education and Training



DPV Health



YOUR CHILD'S HEARING ASSESSMENT



26-28TH
SEPTEMBER
2018

Time

9.00am – 4.00pm

Venue

La Trobe
Communication Clinic
Health Sciences 1 -
Level 4

La Trobe University -
Bundoora

The Audiology Department at La Trobe University would like to offer your child (aged three years and older) a free hearing test.

The test will be carried out by two 4th year Master of Clinical Audiology students (under supervision by a qualified Audiologist) and a report will be given at the end of the assessment.

To book an appointment please [click here](#) or you can contact Renee Garuccio – Clinic Coordinator (details below).

Contact

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Speech Pathology News

My child and technology

With TVs, tablets and other technologies on the rise, should our children be using them to better their language skills?

The best way for children to learn is by talking with others. They experience the world by exploring different objects and the the world around them, NOT via computer screens.

Despite this, children spend a lot of time using technologies. So, how can we make screen time more valuable for their learning?

1) Watch good quality programs:

Watch good quality shows that are age-appropriate and have educational content.

When watching educational and age-appropriate programs, children can understand what is happening in the episode and they can take away valuable information or experiences from the show.

If your child can't understand what they are watching, your child may lose attention (*Common Sense Media, 2013*).

View this website to see what programs are educational and age-appropriate for your child: www.common Sense Media.org

2) Spend time with your child when watching TV:

Children may learn more from screen time by sharing the experience with an adult.

Talk with your child whilst you are watching the program.

Encourage your child to describe what they are seeing and what they enjoy about the program.

Ask your child about their own experiences that link with the program. *For example, if there is a pet in the show, talk about your pet at home or what type of pet your child would like to own and why.*

Try these strategies during screen time, but it's important to remember that children learn best through real life experiences and interactions with people. It is important to set a time limit on how much screen time your child receives.

For more information visit: <http://www.hanen.org/>





ONLY DAYS... TILL BOOKINGS CLOSE



Day 1 - The Big Show is an exclusive event where we bring in amazing rides. Every child receives two show bags & popcorn/fairy floss.



Day 2 - It's a Small World is a big day about small things. Make micro crafts and learn how small people can make a huge difference!



Day 3 - Kiddspace is a multi-level play centre. It also features a 5m air slide, ball pit, climbing wall, jumping castle and much more.



Day 4 - Magic Cake is the new cooking craze. The magical mixture separates into three layers of sponge, custard and fudge. Yum Yum!



Day 5 - Green Thumbs will teach children to appreciate our farmers as they plant and grow. A local green grocer also has produce to enjoy.



Day 6 - Learn How to Magic with the YouTube sensation Evan Era. There are over 20 tricks to learn as well as secrets to popular illusions.



Day 7 - It's Movie time! Children can choose between Small Foot or Teen Titans Go. There is also popcorn and drink included.



Day 8 - Clip n Climb has over 37 rock walls to explore. Children can challenge their friends. It also features the all safe auto-belay system.



Day 9 - The Big Picnic at Hanging Rock will be an amazing day of fun. Lots of picnic games & a delicious lunch is also included.

BOOKINGS CLOSE WED 19 SEPT

No bookings will be taken after this date due to pre-booking of staff, buses, venues and purchase of resources



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