

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

**ALTERED**

**SCHOOL DAY**

**STUDENT LED**

**CONFERENCES**

**Wednesday**

**29th August**

**Students**

**Dismissed 1pm**

**Conferences**

**Start from**

**1:30pm**

**BOOK FAIR**

**COMING**

**TERM 4**

#### TERM 3

**Week 6**

**20th August**

Year 3

Ceres Excursion

**21st August**

Footsteps Dance  
Program

**22nd August**

Grade 1 Swimming

**23rd August**

No Pens Day

**Week 7**

**28th August**

No Pens Day

**28th August**

Footsteps Dance  
Program

**29th August**

Student Led  
Conferences

**30th August**

Grade 1

Swimming

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

##### SCIENCE FAIR

What an outstanding success the Science Fair was with well over 600 people attending the event. Thanks must go to our Science teacher, Demi Lambert who organised this event which proved to be one of the most exciting family engagements held at RHPS in many a year! Thanks also to those staff who assisted Demi in order to make the night run smoothly.

Thanks to those students who were assistants, providing wonderful interactive learning opportunities for students and parents. A real testament to the collaborative community we have at our school and the dedication our staff.

We have had many parents speak to us today to pass on their positive feedback regarding last night's event. It is always nice to receive positive feedback.



Pictured are Demi, Michael, Matt, Nat and Karen. Just some of our wonderful staff that made our Science Fair a great success. Many thanks to all staff and students that were involved.

##### SCHOOL REVIEW

Yesterday was the final day of our school review concluding with a panel day. I wish to thank the staff, parents and students involved in this process and thank the Principals who gave their time again yesterday to work with us. Everyone's input was greatly appreciated and will assist us write our new Strategic Plan. This plan will guide our work for the next four years. The review process was extremely thorough and involved us to be reflective about the last four years and be forward thinking in our plans.

##### BUILDING and GROUNDS UPDATE

(Also please see more information further in this newsletter). Student toilets have been flagged as an issue within our school community. Plans are currently underway to re-tile, paint, replace toilets and automate lighting in our student toilet facilities. We are hoping that work will be completed over the Term 3 holidays. The gym toilets will receive a lighting upgrade this week, with automated bright LED lighting.

Again, I ask parents and other adults not to enter the student toilets at any time before, during or after the school day. I have had several complaints

again, regarding parents being seen entering or leaving the students toilets.

We also ask parents to speak to their children about the respectful way to behave when in these areas. The toilets are cleaned once a day and rely on students making sure they follow school expectations when going into these buildings. Please support us with ensuring all students are aware of acceptable behaviour.

##### FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the parent group are not able to hold a Fathers' Day stall but instead will be holding a raffle. The parents involved will keep you updated, so please make sure you access COMPASS for further information. Thank you to Kristy and Heyam who continually support our school in fundraising and community events.



**Yours In Learning**

**Julie Lowerson**

إذا كنت بحاجة إلى مساعدة لفهم هذه الملاحظة يرجى الاتصال بالإدارة العامة للمدرسة

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



## Update on Teaching and Learning at RHPS

This term our teachers have been working on building their understanding and employing the strategy of individual student conferences. Teachers have been setting goals with students and providing succinct and timely feedback on their achievements.

A conference is an organised one-on-one meeting between the student and the teacher during a lesson. In the conference, the teacher will sit alongside the student and observe, while the student is working on a task. The teacher will initiate a conversation about the student's learning, asking questions about their current goal and the strategies they are practising. This allows the teacher to provide feedback and the next steps for the student to achieve the goal. This gives the student the opportunity to have some agency and accountability in their learning and the chance to ask clarifying questions.

Students have enjoyed the opportunity to have one-on-one time with their teachers discussing their learning. The teachers have found that they have been able to form greater relationships with students and have had a greater insight into the learning of the students and what strategies to support them with next.

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## 2018 Parent Opinion Survey

### WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO PROVIDE US WITH FEEDBACK!

Our school is conducting a survey to PROVIDE US WITH FEEDBACK The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek. Please find the access link, school name and PIN at the bottom of this letter.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September.

Please speak to the school office if you would like more information.

Survey Link: <https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

School Name: Roxburgh Homestead Primary School

School PIN: 502534

# Staff Profile

Hello everyone. My name is Gayle Dawson. I have been a teacher for many years and am proud to be one of the original 'Roxy' staff members from when Roxburgh Homestead PS opened in 1997. Since our school's first day, I have enjoyed a variety of teaching roles within the school. On Fridays, I have the pleasure of coaching Sport and teaching Health sessions as one of the Grade 6 'Sixsational' teaching team.

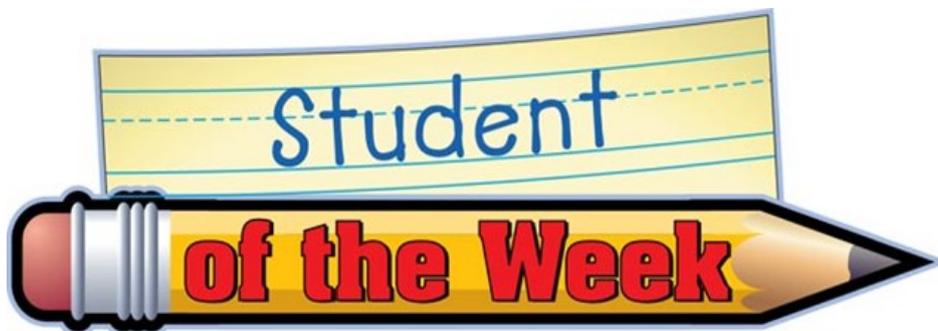
My responsibility as Engagement Educator is especially rewarding as I get to work with all staff, many parents and paraprofessionals to be able to better support our wonderful students to achieve personal goals and to work towards being resilient learners. It is always a delight to come to work and have students (& staff) wanting to share with me their learning journey & to acknowledge their successes, however big or small.

I love watching the AFL and am a passionate Essendon Bombers supporter. I enjoy spending time with family and friends and my favourite Rottweiler dog Arnie.



**Gayle Dawson**

## YEAR 6



### WEEK 4

**Bilal El Daouk:** being a leader in SEPEP/ class and always giving 100% effort.

**Jennifer Markhail:** showing great interest, enthusiasm and determination across all curriculum areas.

**Ahmand Hajji:** listening, great attitude and behaviour.

**Eren Vural:** demonstrating pro-activeness and maturity when handling outside issues.

### WEEK 5

**Oraib Abou Khassira:** for speaking with confidence during class time.

**Mateja Liber:** for helping out on Athletics.

**Jad Ribahi:** Goodbye farewell.

**Elif Bayir:** for thoughtfulness towards others.

# Student Led Conferences

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Semester 2 Student-Led Conferences will take place on Wednesday 29th August 2018, between 1:30 pm and 8:00 pm. Please finalise your booking before the 28th August at 4:00 pm, when bookings for this event will close.

Please remember, students will be dismissed at 1:00 pm on Student-Led Conference day. Students are required to attend school during their allocated interview time.

You can book your child(ren)s interview via the Compass App. You have the option to select an interpreter if you require one.

If any families do not have access to the internet, please contact your child's teacher and they will assist you to make a booking.

Big Childcare will be operating all day during Student-Led Conferences. If you would like your child to attend, please collect an enrolment form from the office and contact Sonny to make a booking.

الاهالي الاعزاء،

في النصف الثاني من هذه السنة سوف تعقد إجتماعات الاهالي والمدرسين في يوم الاربعاء 29 من آب 2018، بين الساعة 1:30 ظهراً وال 8:00 مساءً. الرجاء ان تتأكد بانك قمت بالحجز لهذه المقابلة قبل الساعة 4:00 ظهراً يوم الثلاثاء 28 من آب، حيث يغلق الحجز بعد هذا الوقت.

الرجاء أن تتذكروا بأن الدوام المدرسي سينتهي في الساعة 1:00 ظهراً في يوم المقبلات. يطلب من الطلاب الحضور لموعد المقابلة المخصصة لهم في ذلك اليوم.

يمكنك حجز موعد للمقابلة على كومباس Compass App. الرجاء قراءة التعليمات المرفقة لهذه الرسالة، حيث تشرح كيفية حجز موعد للمقابلة لطفلك. يمكنك حجز مترجم إذا احتجت لذلك.

إذا لم يكن لديك انترنت، الرجاء الاتصال بمُدسسة او مُدرس الصف لمساعدتك بحجز موعد لطفلك.

مركز رعاية الاطفال خارج اوقات الدوام يعمل برعاية الاطفال طول اليوم خلال يوم المقابلات. اذا رغبت بأن تستخدم هذه الخدمة الرجاء ملاً فورم التسجيل الموجود في إدارة المدرسة والاتصال بسوني لحجز مكان للطفل.

Degerli Veliler,

Ikinci somesterin Veli ve Ogretmen konferanslarimiz 29 Agustos 2018 Carsamba gunu, saat 13:30 ile 20:00 arasinda gerceklestirilecektir. Rezervasyonlar 28 Agustos saat 16:00 kapanacaktır, sizlerden o tarihten once gorusme saatlerinizi kesinlestirmenizi rica ederiz.

Konferanse gununde okul saat 13:00'te bitecektir. Ogrencilerin sadece kendilerine verilen gorusme saatinde gelmeleri rica edilir.

Cocugunuzun ogretmeni ile gorusmeyi COMPASS APP'ten reserve edebilirsiniz. Rezervasyonular icin COMPASS kullanic kilavunuzu ekte bula bilirsiniz. Eger ihtiyaciniz varsa bir tercuman secme secenegine sahipsiniz.

Internete erisiminizi yoksa, cocugunuzun ogretmeniyle iletisime gecin rezervasyon yapmaniza yardimci olurlar.

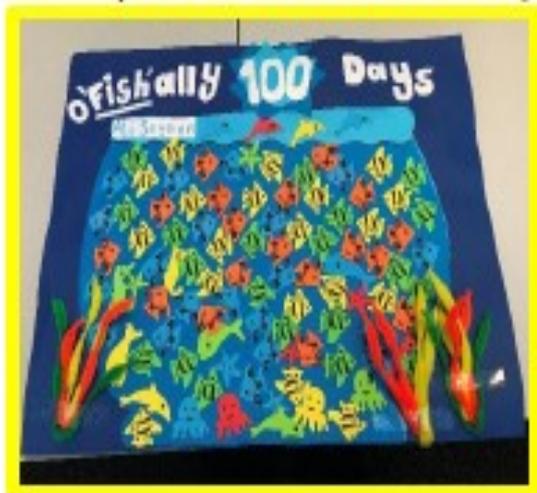
Big Childcare cocuk bakimi, konferanslar sirasinda tum gun acik olacaktır, eger cocugunuzun Big Childcare'e katilmasini istiyorsanız lutfen ofisle bir kayıt formu doldurun, rezervasyonlar icinde Sonny'le iletisime gecin.

## Student Showcase

# 100 Days of School



On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August the prep students celebrated 100 days of school. 100 days of reading, writing, counting, exploring numbers and developing our oral language. What a huge accomplishment!! The day was filled with a range of activities all around the number 100. Each student completed a project at home using 100 things which they shared with their class. We finished the day with a special performance at assembly singing our 100 days of school song.



# Year 4/5 Camp

## Gundiwindi

### Camp The Giant Swing

On Wednesday, 8th August 2018 the Grade 4/5s started a voyage to Camp Gundiwindi! It was a long trip but it sure payed off, and I also got a few pictures! Anyway, when we arrived we all had to settle in our cabins, and greeted our new cabin mates. It was a long process to unpack, but we had to start our 1st rotation!

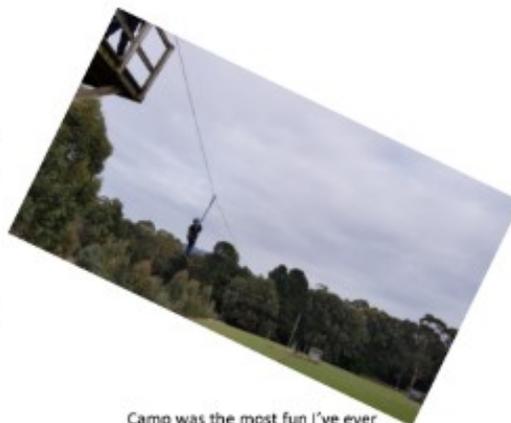
My group was the INCREDIBLE Warios, and we were on the GIANT SWING first. Well OMG the swing was a BEAST! I always wanted to see the GIANT SWING up close! The GIANT SWING looked like a mountain, even though it was only 16 meters, but it was still REALLY tall! Anyway I volunteered to go first, but when I was about to be buckled up on the MIRACULOUS swing, a heavy storm hit! I was disappointed because we had to wait 15 minutes till the storm faded.

15 minutes later...

The storm had finally faded and I got my turn on the GIANT SWING. OH MY, it was a truly magnificent site. If you get the chance to go on the GIANT SWING, DO IT!

By Umar 4ML

*I loved doing Archery.*  
Ali 4S



Camp was the most fun I've ever had in my life. Emre

*The damper at camp tasted so good!*  
Adenn R 4ML

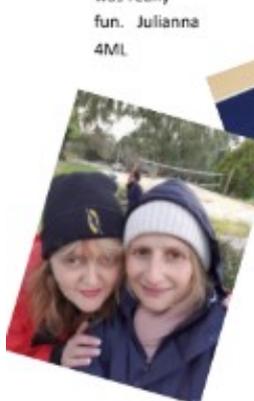


*The second day of camp I went on the Giant Swing and I thought it would be scary*

The Flying Fox was relaxing because when you jumped off it felt like you were

The Giant Swing was spectacular because at first it looked scary but once I went on it, it was really fun. Julianna 4ML

*The Last day of camp I went yabbing. I expected them to be orange and small but they were*





# Student Showcase

## District Athletics

We started off the day getting our school T-Shirts to wear with pride and represent our school. At roughly 9am we went onto the bus and drove to the Epping Sports Stadium for our Greenvale Athletics District event. Our athletes were nervous with anticipation as we knew it was going to be a challenging, but fun day ahead.

The first event was the 800 metre run where 8 different runners from our school ran and tried their best to win. We continued all day and persevered during the hardest of times. Throughout the day we had many outstanding performances with many of our students finishing in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place!

It was a very fun day celebrating the Roxburgh Homestead Primary School spirit and it was awesome seeing everyone trying their best in all events. If I had to choose an MVP on the day, it would go to our whole athletics squad, however, the true MVP's were the teachers who organized the event. So I would like to end this giving an enormous thanks to Michael Lane, Matt Doric and Jo Elliott for helping us get to our events on time, making the day entertaining and supporting us. I would also like to give a massive thanks to all the parents who came on the day and supported us, we appreciate it.

**Thanks, Bilal El Daouk**  
**6 Matt Doric**



#1 Best Dad #1 Dad

## Fathers' Day Raffle

Where & When: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> of August until Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August in the courtyard every day at lunchtime.

Tickets are \$1 each which also gives each entry a free guess in the lolly jar comp!

Winners will be drawn and prizes handed out at the school assembly on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August

Some of our great raffle prizes include

a family pass to the movies, a Repco Car Care Pack and many other wonderful things for your Dad

The raffle will be instead of our regular stall so please get your entries in to ensure you are in the running for one of our many fantastic prizes for Dad this Father's Day.

Thank you for your support

Kristy and Heyam your Fundraising Team

#1 Dad #1 Dad

Happy Fathers Day! ★

Best Dad Best Dad

# Free Hearing Assessment Offer



## YOUR CHILD'S HEARING ASSESSMENT



26-28<sup>TH</sup>

SEPTEMBER

2018

Time

9.00am – 4.00pm

Venue

La Trobe  
Communication Clinic  
Health Sciences 1 -  
Level 4

La Trobe University -  
Bundoora

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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 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Renee Garuccio  
T 9479 1821  
E [r.garuccio@latrobe.com.au](mailto:r.garuccio@latrobe.com.au)



**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





Dear Parent/Guardian,

In consultation with the children and families in the program, we are pleased to announce the release of our new **September Holiday Program Brochure**.

We have **9 AMAZING FUN EVENT DAYS** planned for your child to **SPRING** into!

Your child will love **The Big Show!** In this exclusive event, we host our own rides and attractions like the Hurricane, Cha Cha, Gravitron and so much more. Plus each child receives two show bags to take home. We will also be heading to an incredible **Play Centre, the Movies, Rock Climbing** and the **Big Picnic** at Hanging Rock. We have so many fun activities and lunch is included on this super excursion. We also have wonderful In-House events like **Small World, Magic Cakes, How to Magic** and **Green Thumbs**.

Our full **detailed brochure** is available on our website, but we are also pleased to announce the release of our new **Online Booking Form**. That's right, help us save paper and the planet by utilising this new facility. Please head to the holiday program section on our website at [www.bigchildcare.com](http://www.bigchildcare.com). Please note, there will also be some limited printed copies of the brochure available at our OSHC centre.

**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*

Don't let your child miss out on all the fun! **BOOK TODAY!**



**Sonny Ierome**  
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