

Issue 4
19 March 2021

Red Hill School Newsletter

Coming Events

**Monday 22nd March to
Thursday 1st April**
Three Way Conferences

Thursday 25th March
Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am
Junior Singing Group
8:30am
South Weston Swimming
Carnival

Friday 26th March
Years 1 & 2 Assembly –
9:20am to 10am
Kindergarten Assembly –
10:10am to 10:45am
Harmony Day

Tuesday 30th March
Preschool Boundless
Playground Excursion

Thursday 1st April
Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am
Junior Singing Group
8:30am
Preschool Boundless
Playground Excursion
LAST DAY OF TERM 1

Friday 2nd April
Good Friday

Monday 19th April
TERM 2 STARTS



Red Hill School is a Nut Free Environment



Excited for Camp – Year 6 Coastlife

Notes Home

Preschool Boundless Playground – Tuesday
Preschool Boundless Playground – Thursday

Year 4 Camp – Birrigai at Tidbinbilla

Year 5 Band Payment

Years 5 and 6 Wassa Wassa Payment

South Weston Swimming Carnival (Selected Students Only)

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Leadership Team

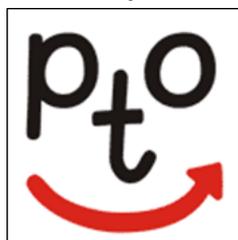
Dear Parents/Carers,

It's hard to believe that we are getting towards the end of the first term. There was definitely a cold change in the weather this week. This cool change means many students with jumpers and jackets. As these clothing items are often removed as the day warms up, it is very helpful if you clearly label your child's belongings so that when they accidentally leave them behind somewhere, they can be returned to the rightful owner.

Our year 5 and year 6 students have recently had the wonderful opportunity of attending a school camp. Camps are fantastic opportunities for students to work cooperatively, challenge themselves, be risk takers and to get to know other students from their cohort. After the cancellation of some of last years' camps, it was great to have these opportunities available again. The Year 4's will get their opportunity at the start of next term.

Most year levels will begin a new unit of inquiry in the next week or so. Students will be learning about truth and bias, the impact of humans and natural events on ecosystems, the restrictions and benefits of borders, reflecting and extending on creativity in learning. Teachers are working hard, as always, planning incredible learning experiences for your children whilst also getting ready for the three-way conferences.

Three Way Conferences



As part of our reporting process, teachers will be conducting three -way conferences in weeks 8 and 9 of this term (Monday 22nd March to Thursday 1st April 2021). These conferences provide an opportunity for students, parents and teachers to discuss and celebrate student progress. They are also an opportunity to identify areas of strength and development, share personal learning goals for literacy and numeracy and set goals for other identified areas of learning (academic and/or social).

The three-way conference process lasts for 20 minutes and consists of two parts. Please arrive **10 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time** to ensure you have enough time for your child to lead the first part, in which he/she will share some of their work. Your child's teacher will then invite you all into the classroom for the second part of the three-way conference. If there is another issue you would like to speak to your child's teacher about, it might be best to make a separate appointment at another time. Families with more than one child should also make sure they leave enough time between appointments to move around the school. We recommend leaving at least 15 minutes between PTO appointments, so you have time for your next child to share their work with you.

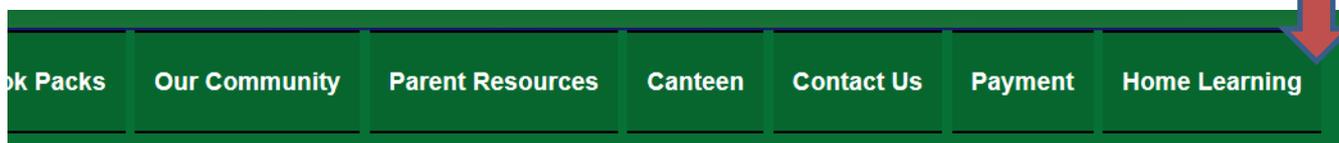
All families should have received detailed information about this along with the information on how to book a time through *Parent Teacher Online (PTO)*. Thank you to those parents and guardians who have already booked a time via PTO. If you have not booked an appointment time yet, you can still do so by accessing the PTO link on our school website. Please contact the front office if you are experiencing any difficulties doing this.

Please note that, for parents and carers who are unable to attend the conference in person, we are also offering Google Meet and Microsoft Team online meetings. Please contact your child's teacher or the front office if you would like to take up this offer. **You will still need to book an appointment in PTO.**

We look forward to seeing you and sharing in your child's learning.

Home Learning

From last week we began a new delivery format for home learning. Our goal is to provide families with a 'one stop shop' so that even if your child is away from school you can access our home learning resources. From now on the home learning for all year levels (kindergarten to year 6) can be found in one place on the school website.



Our home learning page also has links to Mathletics, the SORA reading app and the Digital Backpack. Please contact your child's teacher or Nathan James if your child has forgotten their school login for any of these three resources or you do not have their account information.

Parent Circles

In the coming weeks we will be inviting parents and guardians to join us in some small discussion forums. The purpose of these is to provide you with opportunities to ask questions about the Primary Years Program at Red Hill, talk about areas of learning you may be interested in and share your perspectives on different aspects of your child's education. Invitations will come home next Monday so please keep an eye out if this is something that would interest you.

HARMONY DAY

“It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.”

Harmony Day will be celebrated in Australia this year between March 15th and March 21st. Because of other commitments we will be recognising this day on **Friday March 26th**.

We will be encouraging staff and students to wear traditional national costume to showcase the range of cultures, traditions and backgrounds at our school or dress in orange - the symbolic colour of harmony. Students will also be invited to participate in a range of Harmony Day activities. We would like to invite interested parents and carers to join us, reading or telling stories that are important to their culture. Please contact us if this is something you would like to do.

Kind regards

Louise, Emma and Nathan

TERM 1 ASSEMBLIES

Whole School Assemblies

The purpose of these is to connect as a whole school, show younger students some of the opportunities that will be available to them later in their school life (e.g. music ensembles), have students of all ages celebrate the achievements of their peers and impart important messages. It will generally not be possible to have parents at these assemblies because we cannot fit the whole school in the hall and socially distance large numbers of adults.

Year Level Assemblies

The purpose of these is to give students opportunities to speak and perform, showcase student work, celebrate achievement and share all of these with parents. Parents of relevant year levels are welcome – **please sign in at the front office and use the Canberra Check-In app.**

Week	Whole/year level	Focus	Parents
Week 8 FRIDAY	Years 1&2 9.20am-10.00am	Year 1 host	Yes
	Kindergarten 10.10am- 10.45am	Kindy host	
	Years 3 – 6 2.30pm	Swimming Carnival ribbons	Yes
Week 9 THURSDAY	Whole School Assembly 9.20am -10.15am	Hosted by Student Leadership Team	No

ADULTS ON THE SCHOOL SITE

Please respect our earlier communication regarding adults on the school site. Because of Covid guidelines we are expected to know who is on the school grounds, when and for how long.

PLEASE

- Continue to drop your children outside the Breezeway or black gates before school unless they are in kindergarten.
- If you need to come into the school building through the school day, check in at the front office. A staff member will then assist you. Please do not enter the school through other entrances.
- If you are attending a meeting or event at school and will be here more than 15 minutes, PLEASE scan the Canberra Check-In App on your arrival.
- Endeavour to socially distance 1.5 metres unless you are in a family group.
- Use hand sanitiser on arrival at school.

We welcome parents and carers in the school to chat with teachers, visit classrooms and volunteer. You can arrange this by emailing your child's teacher directly or contacting the front office.

We also welcome families to catch up after school and use our play facilities. However, we ask that you use the equipment on the oval rather than the asphalt. This is not only because of the Covid guidelines but because it is difficult for the 'Afters' staff to supervise the children in their care when there are other children and adults on the asphalt area.



UPDATE

The captains this year have decided to run a school campaign called *#Stronger Together, Red Hill Relationships* to help make connections throughout the school. This idea includes having different conventions throughout the year, which will be based on what the students' "latest craze" is. For example, the latest craze might be Pokemon cards, so everyone interested in Pokemon cards will turn up to that convention. These conventions will be held under the tree on the fake grass or in the Senior Hall and will allow students to talk about a topic that they are interested in. Like the currently existing RHIPP, this will be a chance where children can encourage friendships across year levels through common interests.

The captains have also been continuing with the 'Bullying no way' box where it gives students a chance to talk about people or situations that are happening that might be hurting them. There will be two types of slips that will be colour coded. There will be a blue slip and a green slip, the blue slip will be a 'captain card', meaning it is a friendship situation that you need help with e.g. your friend isn't talking to you. The captains will help with these problems. The green slip will be known as the 'teacher card' for if you are being bullied physically or mentally. Green slips will be given to Mr James, Mrs Owens or another teacher to help you in these situations.

Stay safe and well.

Lola Galke Vice-captain 2021

Eugene Kim Vice-captain 2021



[Happy Families Premium Memberships](#) are usually \$170 per family per year, but each family has full access to the membership for the next 12 months for FREE.

Register for your Premium Membership now and begin accessing the Happy Families library and resources right away!

[CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT](#)

Defence Happenings

Our Defence Mentor – Zoe-can be contacted at
RedHillPSDefence@ed.act.edu.au.

Defence Lunch Clubs: Monday Handball Competition; Wednesday Craft Club

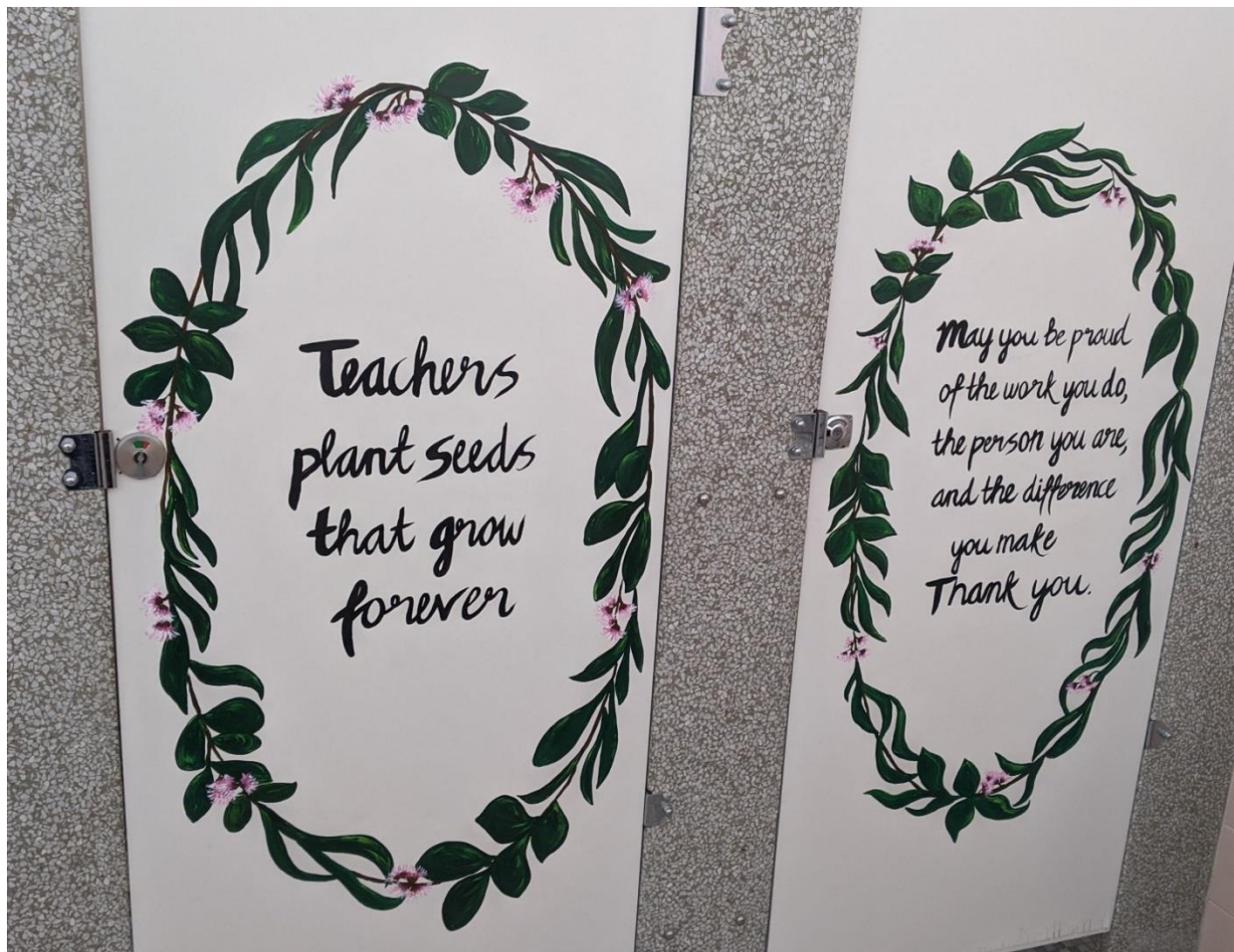
STAFF TOILET UPGRADE

Thank you to the parent volunteers who spent time at the end of last year collecting materials, cleaning, painting and decorating the staff toilets. In particular our P&C President, Lisa Certrek, Kellie Hermes-Doula & Kellie's Mum, and Sam Harris. This was the first part of the toilet transformation at Red Hill School.

Thank you to all the people who donated materials.

The last part of the painting on the staff toilets has now been completed.

Check out this webpage for more info: <https://www.enlightenededucation.com/school-toilet-project/>





Pantry, fridge and freezer essentials

Having a well-stocked pantry, fridge and freezer can help you prepare healthy meals and snacks quickly and easily. What staples should you always have on hand?

Pantry

Most pantry foods have a long shelf life if stored properly. The products are often budget-friendly and can be used in a wide range of dishes.

Canned foods

Canned foods are cheap and a great choice for any healthy pantry. Always choose lower salt varieties, and choose canned fruit in juice rather than in syrup.

Canned beans and lentils

Beans and lentils are packed with fibre and protein. Try adding chickpeas, lentils or black beans to salads, soups, or casseroles. Roasted chickpeas also make a great lunchbox snack.

Canned fish (tuna, salmon, sardines)

Canned fish is a quick and easy way to add protein to sandwiches, salads or pasta dishes.

Canned tomatoes

Canned tomatoes are a staple in any pantry as they form the base for so many dishes.

Nuts and seeds

Nuts and seeds are power-houses of healthy fats, protein, fibre and minerals and vitamins.

While nuts are forbidden at school, they are an excellent food choice at home. Peanut butter on toast is a healthy, filling snack or try serving celery sticks dipped in peanut butter. Add a handful of seeds to salads or breakfasts.

Grains and cereals.

Brown rice, quinoa, couscous, pasta and noodles are other pantry essentials. Choose wholegrain varieties when possible.

Cook a batch of grains on the weekend, and use it for meals the next day. Just add a can of tuna and a handful of mixed veggies for a healthy lunch.

Freezer

Keeping food in the freezer makes it last longer. A well-stocked freezer can help you get healthy food on the table fast.

Frozen fruit and vegetables

Frozen fruit and veg can be just as nutritious as their fresh counterparts.

Add frozen berries to baked goods, breakfast cereals, smoothies. Or eat them as a frozen snack. You can use frozen veggies in soups, casseroles, stir-fries or serve on the side.

RED HILL UNIFORM SHOP



HATS

Bucket	\$12.00
Micro Bucket	\$12.00
Surf	\$10.00
Slouch	\$10.00

BODY

Summer Dress	\$47.00
Polo Shirts Green/Yellow Short sleeve	\$24.50
Polo Shirt Green Long sleeve	\$24.50
Waterproof Flying Jacket	\$30.00
Microfibre Jacket	\$43.00
Red Hill Hoodie	\$30.00
Fleece Full Zip Jacket	\$25.00
Cotton Pleated Skort	\$23.50
Gabardine Skort	\$23.50
Gabardine Shorts	\$23.50
Knit Shorts	\$18.50
Gabardine Double Knee Pants	\$28.00
Bootleg Stretch Pant	\$38.50
Microfibre Track Pant	\$33.50
Fleece Straight Leg Pant	\$23.00
Ankle Socks	\$5.50
Tights	\$12.00

BAGS

Medium	\$47.00
Large	\$50.00
Drink Bottles	\$6.00
Tea Towels	\$9.00

Ordering in person

Opening hours Wednesday 8.30 to 9:30am and Friday 2.30 to 3.30pm.

Payment options

Cash, EFTPOS, credit cards (no American Express)

Ordering Online

The Red Hill School P&C Association uses Flexischools for uniform shop sales. It is a cashless online ordering system which streamlines payment, ordering and processing of purchases and events.

Quick and easy it can be accessed 24/7 on PC, Mac or mobile app. Some fees may apply.

School Uniform orders will be delivered to your child's classroom via their teacher or Uniform Shop Staff.

Please note the following:

- Payment is by credit card or bank transfer
- Some fees may apply
- Online orders are delivered on a Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon of the same week, some deliveries may occur on a Monday depending on availability.
- Details on sizing, including height, chest and waist are noted with each garment listing
- You will need to include your child's name and class i.e. 3E, (for families new to the school and not yet been allocated a class) please enter "New Student" and orders will be held at the front office for collection
- For further information and to register please visit: www.flexischools.com.au

Lost Property:

Lost property is sorted on a weekly basis with each station being clearly marked. All lost property will if uncollected by week 5 of each term be donated to charity or if deemed suitable placed into the second-hand offering bins. Anything labelled will be sent to the front office for checking and returned to the student.

Only school logo items will appear in the second-hand bins. Uniform donations are accepted, please use the purple bin in the office reception area or bring to the shop during opening hours. The Red Hill Uniform Shop and Lost Property are staffed by volunteers from our parent community who kindly donate their time. If you have some time, please email rhps.uniformshop@gamil.com

Red Hill School Calendar 2021 –Term 1

Mon 1 Feb – Thurs 1 April

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Feb 3- 5	First Day of School for Preschool, Kindergarten and new Students	First Day of School for Year 1 to 6			
Week 2 Feb 8 - 12					
Week 3 Feb 15 - 19	BASE Assessments		Parent Information Evening	Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am	Whole School Assembly
Week 4 Feb 22 – 26			Preschool Parent Information Evening 6:30pm	Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am Junior Singing Group 8:30am	Years 5 & 6 Assembly – 9:20am to 10am Years 3 & 4 Assembly – 10:10am to 10:45am
Week 5 Mar 1 - 5		Preschool Nutrition Magician Swimming Carnival (3-6)	Year 5 Camp		
				Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am Junior Singing Group 8:30am Preschool Nutrition Magician	Year 1 & 2 Assembly – 9:20am to 10am Kindergarten Assembly – 10:10am to 10:45am
Week 6 Mar 8- 12	8 March Canberra Day	Year 4 Legislative Assembly Incursion	Year 6 Camp		
					Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am Junior Singing Group 8:30am
Week 7 Mar 15- 19				Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am Junior Singing Group 8:30am	Years 5 & 6 Assembly – 9:20am to 10am Years 3 & 4 Assembly – 10:10am to 10:45am National Ride to School Day
Week 8 Mar 22 - 26	Three Way Conferences			Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am Junior Singing Group 8:30am South Weston Swimming Carnival	Year 1 & 2 Assembly – 9:20am to 10am Kindergarten Assembly – 10:10am to 10:45am Harmony Day
Week 9 Mar 29 – Apr 2			Preschool Boundless Playground		Year 3/4 Choir 8:15am Junior Singing Group 8:30am Preschool Boundless Playground

TUGGERANONG VALLEY BAND



Come and join your band in the Valley!

Whether you are just starting, haven't played in years, or experienced on your instrument, we have a band for you.

All ages and abilities welcome.

**A fun community for making and sharing music.
Student discounts and no auditions.**

Every rehearsal is open to new members, so bring your instrument along!

Rehearsals

Thursday nights during school term at the Namadgi School, Kambah.

Beginner Band: 5.00–6.00pm (0-3 years experience)

Stage Band: 6.00–7.30pm (Jazz focus for 2+ years experience)

Concert Band: 7.30–9.30pm (3+ years experience)

Contact Us

Email: info@tvband.org.au

Web: tvband.org.au

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Location

Village Performing Arts Centre
Namadgi School
141 O'Halloran Circuit
Kambah ACT 2902



McDonald School of Tennis Autumn School Holiday Tennis Clinic

Kindergarten to 17 Years
All standards



Red Hill Tennis Club, Astrolabe St, RED HILL

Monday 12th April to Friday 16th April

Monday to Thursday 8:00am to 1:00pm (Half Day) or

Monday to Thursday 8:00am to 6:00pm (Full Day)



✓ 100% refund after Monday if not continuing

✓ FULL DAY, less than \$6.50hr 🙄!👍💰



🎾 Full Stroke Development (1st timers/beginners will be serving over-arm by end of the clinic!)

🎾 Well trained, well credtialled coaching Team

🎾 Trophy Singles Tournament – Thursday 🏆

🎾 Afternoon Doubles Training and Tournaments

🎾 McDonald's Lunch – Fri full day pupils

🎾 Free racquet hire

🎾 Great range of Lunchtime activities

– Games, heaps of fun, Prizes galore!

Enrolment Forms at School Front Office or

Phone Matt McDonald, Professionally Qualified Level 2 Tennis Coach 0412565137

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS™



The next Holiday Happenings edition is now available online.

To see the *Programs, Activities & Events* happening these holidays go to:

www.holidayhappenings.com.au/online-booklet