

RED HILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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The window was created by year 5 students in art rotations and can be seen on the art room doors.

As part of their inquiry 'How the World Works', students looked at stained glass windows and the use of light in art.

Their final design is based on the work of the Australian artist, Leonard French, which can be seen at the National Library.

Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome to term two, which is already shaping up to be busy. I have listed some of the key events that will take place in the near future.

Anzac Day

Red Hill School will recognise Anzac Day in our whole school assembly on Friday May 1st. Veronica Ellsmore, our Defence Mentor, is coordinating this event. All parents and carers are welcome to attend – please RSVP to Veronica.

Assemblies

We hold both whole school and year level assemblies. Whole school assemblies are for our students 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.

Year level assemblies give students opportunities to speak and perform, showcase their work, celebrate achievement and share all of these with parents. Principal's Awards are given out at these assemblies. Parents of relevant year levels are welcome – **please sign in at the front office.**



Anzac Day
Commemorative assembly

Friday 1st May 9:30am
Red Hill primary school hall



All Defence families are invited to attend a morning tea in the library courtyard following the assembly.

Please RSVP by Monday the 27th April with dietary requirements and attendance numbers to veronica.ellsmore@ed.act.edu.au

TERM 2 ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE				
Week	Host	MC	Principal's Awards	Parents invited
2	ANZAC ASSEMBLY	Defence students	No	Yes
3	No Assembly- Cross Country			
4	Year 4	Year 4 students	Yes (Senior 4-6)	Yes
5	No assembly			
6	Year 1	Year 1 students	Yes (Junior K-3)	Yes
7	Whole School	Student leaders	No	By invitation
8	No assembly			
9	Carnival Assembly (Ribbons for swimming and cross country)			
10	Kindergarten	Kindergarten students	Yes (Junior K-3)	Yes
11	Whole School	Student leaders	No	By invitation

Cross Country Carnival

Our 2027 cross country carnival will be held on Friday May 8th. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. A schedule of events will be sent home next week.

P&C and Voyager Park

Since early 2019 the school, P&C and Education Directorate has been working to upgrade the school oval. Over recent years the P&C has been fundraising for a new cricket field and nets. Two tenders are currently being evaluated for the cricket field project, and we expect the work to commence within the coming months.

School Photos will take place in week three between Monday May 4th and Thursday May 7th. A schedule has already been sent home with the photo order forms. Please contact the front office if you did not receive these.

Special Acknowledgements

On Wednesday Mr Urwin took a team of eight students to our first Da Vinci Decathlon.

The students completed ten challenging and varied tasks over the duration of the day and performed exceptionally well, achieving first place in the Engineering segment of the event. This is a fantastic effort, given that it was their first experience of the Decathlon.

Congratulations to the competitors, Jose, Tristan, Rex, Isabelle, Krishan, Mai, Dhiyan and Millie, and their supervising teacher, James Urwin, who was assisted by Aivy Coote.

I would also like to congratulate our year six students on their conduct at Stanwell Tops this week. We were impressed by the students' positive, courageous approach to new experiences (surfing, high ropes, climbing, the survivor challenge and kiting). There were so many examples of students pushing themselves outside their comfort zone, offering a helping hand or calling out words of encouragement to peers that drew smiles, sometimes even joyful tears, from those of us who were supervising.

The students were courteous and inclusive, showing respect and care for others and the physical environment. My sincere thanks to Ms Smith, Mrs Howse, Mr Lawrence, Ms Nixon, Miss Cruikshank and Mrs Ellsmore for taking the students to camp. All of us were very grateful to the three parent volunteers, Clare, Ged and Heidi, who worked tirelessly to support students at camp.

2027 Enrolments

Enrolments for the 2027 school year will open on May 4th for students starting preschool, kindergarten or a later year in a new school. Visit <https://www.act.gov.au/education-and-training/find-a-school-and-enrol> for the online application link and information about the school in your child's Priority Enrolment Area.

[School information sessions](#) for prospective students will be held throughout May. Red Hill's information evening will be held on **Wednesday 20th May from 5.30pm to 6.30pm**. Classroom visits will be available beforehand from 5.00pm, or by appointment.

Important dates:

- **4 May 2026** – applications open.
- **3 August 2026** – applicants who submitted an enrolment form by 5 June will start receiving offers. (Applications made after June 5 can expect an offer later in the year.)

Correction

Our morning playgroup commenced this week and will run until week 9. Please note that there was an error in our last newsletter – playgroup is on Friday mornings. It is a free program provided by Woden Community Services and any family with young children is invited to attend. If you are new to the school, it is a great way to make connections with other people in our school community.

I look forward to seeing you at senior student led conferences, assemblies and the cross country carnival.

Kind regards

Louise Owens (Principal)

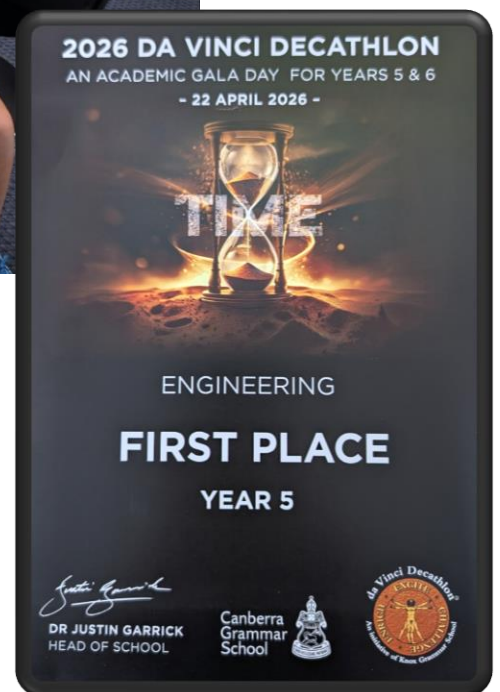
Student Achievement

On Wednesday 22nd May, a team of eight Year 5 students attended the Da Vinci Decathlon. The Decathlon is a one-day academic competition in which teams complete ten challenging tasks, ranging from exam papers to poetry and engineering.

Students are given only two 20-minute breaks across the entire day, and the tasks require a high level of focus, perseverance and teamwork.

The Red Hill team performed exceptionally well. While they did not take out overall first place, they achieved first place in the Engineering segment of the event. An outstanding result.

A big congratulation to Josephine 5U, Tristan 5AM, Rex 5K, Isabelle 5AM, Krishan 5K, Mai 5U, Dhiyan 5U and Millie 5E on their hard work and success on the day.



P&C Update

Red Hill Parents & Citizens (P&C) Association update

Firstly, we'd like to say a big thank you to all those who came along to our **Back to School BBQ** and helped make it such a success. An early winter snap meant we had to postpone the event, but the new date brought much warmer weather under the light of a full moon. We had a great turn out and raised over \$1400. We'd particularly like to thank the Griffith Butchery for kindly donating the delicious meat patties, and an extra big thank you to our adult and student volunteers – we couldn't have done it without you!

The next event in the calendar is our **Annual General Meeting (AGM)**, which will be held at 6pm on Thursday 30th April in the staff room. We warmly welcome all parents and carers to attend. Drinks and nibbles will be on offer, and we will even have a lucky door prize, so why not bring a friend and come along.

We have a number of **positions that need to be filled**, including president, vice-president, public officer, and secretary, along with general committee members. So, if you've ever considered getting involved, now is the time! The commitment isn't huge, just four meetings a year, but the committee really is in need of extra members, so please come along and help ensure the continuation of our wonderful P&C.

At the AGM we will also be considering our events for the year ahead. We'd love to hear your feedback and ideas. If you can't join us on the 30th but are keen to get involved, would like to join the committee, or have questions or ideas, please contact us at rhps.pandc@gmail.com.

Important Reminders

Lids for Kids

Place your lids in the balck bin in the breezeway

what we accept

Milk, softdrink, water and yogurt lids are perfect to donate!

these lids are not ok to go in to the donation bin.

Metal lids are not ok to go in to the donation bin.

medicine lids are not allowed in the donation bin.

baby bottle lids can not be put in the donation bin.

these lids are not allowed in the donation bin.

Register now for Parent Portal

Our school is using Parent Portal – a secure online platform to share information between parents and carers and your student's teachers.

With Parent Portal you will be able to:

- notify the school when your child is sick or to explain an absence
- book parent-teacher interviews
- receive academic reports
- receive the school newsletter
- receive messages from your child's teachers
- make payments
- access the school calendar and your child's timetable
- update contact details.

Ask our Front Office team about how to register or scan to find out more.

Uniform Shop and Canteen



Red Hill Primary School Uniform Shop

Item	Price
Hat Surf	\$15.00
Hat bucket	\$15.00
Beanie	\$12.00
Dress Summer	\$46.00
Polo Shirt Short Sleeve (green)	\$30.00
Polo Shirt Short Sleeve (gold)	\$30.00
Polo Shirt – Long Sleeve (green)	\$27.00
House T Shirt	\$20.00
Jacket Microfibre	\$50.00
Polar Fleece Jumper	\$40.00
Red Hill Hoodie	\$40.00
Skorts Pleated Cotton	\$26.00
Skorts Gabardine	\$26.00
Rugby Shorts Knit	\$18.00
Short Gabardine	\$22.00
Pants Long Gabardine Double Knee	\$30.00
Track Pants Microfibre	\$36.00
Track Pants Straight Leg Fleece	\$25.00
Socks Ankle Green	\$4.00
Tights Bootle Green	\$14.00
School Backpack (M)	\$50.00
School Backpack (L)	\$53.00
Anniversary Tea Towell	\$4.00
Second hand items	\$4.00
Second hand items unlimited amount	\$20.00



Uniform Shop Opening Hours
Wednesday 8.30-10.00am
and
Friday 2.30-4.00pm

Payment Options: Cash, EFTPOS, Amex, Credit Card (no American Express)

Ordering Online: The Red Hill School P&C Association uses [Flexschools](http://www.flexschools.com.au) for uniform shop sales. It is a cashless online ordering system which streamlines payment, ordering and processing of purchases and events. The system is quick and easy and can be accessed 24/7 from your PC or mobile App on your [iPhone/iPad](http://www.flexschools.com.au) or Android.

Please note the following: -

- For further information and to register please visit: www.flexschools.com.au
- School uniforms orders will be delivered to your child's classroom via their teacher or uniform shop staff.
- Payments by Credit Card or Bank transfer
- Some fees may apply
- Online orders are delivered on Wednesday or Friday of the same week, some deliveries may carry over to the following week.
- Details on sizing, including height, chest and waist are noted with each garment listing.
- Please include your child's name and class (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.

Lost property: Lost property collected around the school is placed in the big blue bin outside of the uniform shop. Items in the blue bin will be sorted and then placed in the adjoining blue and white cupboards for students to look through and collect any of their property that they find. When possible, staff will deliver labelled items to classrooms.

The Red Hill Uniform shop is staffed by volunteers from our parent community who kindly donate their time to help. If you have some time to help, please email rhps.uniformshop@gmail.com



Canteens4Kids ACT Menu

2026

Sandwiches

Served on wholemeal bread unless white bread is requested. Wraps and GF bread also available.

Happy Little Vegemite (with margarine) V	\$3.50
Cheese V	\$4.50
Cheese & tomato V	\$5.00
Ham & cheese	\$6.30
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$6.80
Ham, lettuce & mayo	\$6.30
Chicken & cheese H	\$6.30
Chicken, lettuce & mayo H	\$6.30
Tuna & cheese	\$6.00
Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$6.00
Rainbow: Lettuce, carrot, tomato, cucumber, beetroot V	\$5.50
Egg, lettuce & mayo V	\$6.00

Toasted Sandwiches (in press)

Served on wholemeal bread unless white bread is requested.

Happy Little Vegemite (with margarine) V	\$3.50
Cheese V	\$4.50
Cheese & tomato V	\$5.00
Ham & cheese	\$6.30
Chicken & cheese	\$6.30
Tuna & cheese	\$6.00
Ham	\$5.30
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$6.50
Gluten-free bread	Extra \$1.50

Fresh Salads

Build your own salad	From \$5.50
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Hot meals

Pasta bolognese DF, H (GF available)	\$7.50
Pasta napoletana DF, H, V (GF available)	\$7.00
Sausage roll	\$6.80
Beef lasagna H	\$7.50
Satay Chicken & Rice H	\$7.50
Chicken tender sub H	\$7.00
Mac & cheese V	\$7.00

Daily Specials

Daily specials available online

Snacks

Fruit salad	\$3.50
Popcorn	\$1.00
Cheesy garlic bread	\$3.00
Banana bread	\$2.70
Jelly cup (made with 100% fruit juice)	\$2.50
Homemade mini muffins	\$2.50
Corn on the cob	\$1.50
Chocolate mousse	\$2.50
Milo cookie	\$2.00
Piece of fruit	\$1.50

Frozen

Frozen juice cup	\$2.50
Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$3.00

V- Vegetarian/GF- Gluten Free/ DF- Dairy Free/H-Halal

Prices inclusive of GST

Red Hill School Calendar 2026 –Term 2					Mon 20 April – Fri 3 July
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 April 20-24	20 th April Pupil Free Day	22-24 April - Year 6 Camp Stanwell Tops			
			22 nd April Da Vinci Decathlon (Selected Student)		
Week 2 Apr 27-May 1	27 th April Anzac Day				27 th April ANZAC Assembly Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 3 May 4-8	4 th May Preschool Photo Day 1	5 th May School Photo Day ACT Swimming Carnival		7 th May Preschool Photo Day 2, Extra Groups & Catch-Up Portrait Session	8 th May Cross Country Carnival Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 4 May 11-15					15 th May Senior Assembly – Year 4 Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 5 May 18-22		19 th May ROSTRUM School Finals	20 th May Parent Open Info Night		Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 6 May 25-29		26 th May Preschool Excursion to Birrigai			29 th May Junior Assembly – Year 1 Preschool Excursion to Birrigai Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 7 June 1-5	1 st June Reconciliation Day	2 nd June South/Weston Cross Country Carnival (Yrs 2-6)			5 th June Whole School Assembly Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 8 June 8-12	8 th June King's Birthday	9-11 th June Year 4 Camp to Birrigai			12 th June ACT Cross Country (Yrs 2-6) Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 9 June 15-19			17 th June Christian Education Preschool Disco TBA		19 th June Ribbon Assembly Festival of Hope Playgroup 9:30-10:45am
Week 10 June 22-26		23 rd June Preschool Incursion – Kenny Koala		25 th June Preschool Incursion – Kenny Koala	26 th June Junior Assembly - Kinder
Week 11 June 29-July 3			1 st July Kindergarten Health Check	2 nd July Kindergarten Health Check	3 rd July Whole School Assembly

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8am Thursday 21 May	Telopea Park (Kingston/Barton)
8am Thursday 28 May	Eddison Park (Phillip/Woden)



Registrations close 1 May 2026

Scan the QR code for more information and to register

Website: act.orienteering.asn.au/juniors/sc-ore

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BLOCK 1: FRIDAY 24TH APRIL TO 19TH JUNE (EXCLUDING MAY 28TH & JUNE 5TH LONG WEEKENDS)

BLOCK 2: FRIDAY 24TH JULY TO SEPTEMBER 4TH

LOCATION: GRIFFITH PLAYING FIELDS, OVAL No.1

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AGES: 6-7

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BLOCK 1: FRIDAY 24TH APRIL TO 19TH JUNE (EXCLUDING MAY 28TH WEEKENDS)

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SESSION TIMES:
 3 - 4 Years Old: 9:30am - 10:15am
 5 - 7 Years Old: 10:15am - 11:00am
 8 - 13 Years Old: 11:00am - 11:45am

SOCCER (FUTSAL) PROGRAM
 SATURDAYS 2ND MAY TO 20TH JUNE
 St Bede's PS, Red Hill
 St Francis of Assisi PS, Calwell
 SUNDAYS - 3RD MAY TO 21ST JUNE
 St John Vianney's PS, Waramanga

BASKETBALL PROGRAM
 SATURDAYS 2ND MAY TO 20TH JUNE
 St Bede's PS, Red Hill
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