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Azka, Alice and Penelope (year 5) 'Exploring some rocks from Geoscience Australia'



Red Hill School is a Nut Free Environment



5th May 2023

Notes Home

- School photos
- Preschool 'local walks and outings'
- ❖ Aladdin Puppet Show
- Fizzic Incursion (Yr 6)
- ❖ PBL Invitation
- SHFPACT Parent Workshop (Yrs 5 & 6)







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Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

Term two is now well under way. The first week was a little strange with a public holiday occurring the day after term started and some classrooms consequently looking a bit empty on Monday 24th April. The weather added to the strangeness, shifting suddenly from warm to cold (with blustering gales) and then back again to sunshine on Thursday. Next week is looking mostly sunny but with morning frosts and light winds so I recommend sending children to school with warm jackets or jumpers, so they can add or remove layers as needed. Remember that Sun Smart hats are required until the end of May as well.

SCHOOL BOARD

Our first School Board meeting for the 2023-2023 period will take place next Tuesday evening. The 2023-2024 School Board members are:

- James Fanning (Board Chair, P&C Representative); Ingrid Lundberg (P&C Representative) and Samantha
 Walker (Parent Representative)
- Sean Galbraith (Appointed Community Member)
- Kristy McCumiskey and Samantha Harris (Teacher Representatives)

I would like to sincerely thank Ben Slaughter and Holly Shaw, the outgoing members, for their contributions to the school in the last two years.

I would also like to thank Ben Slaughter for speaking to students and staff last Friday at our Anzac Assembly. Ben, a Red Hill School parent but also a Brigadier in the Australian Defence Force, talked to us about what Anzac Day means to him and helped us to reflect on what it might mean to others. I think Ben was surprised by how many hands went up when he opened the floor to questions. He bravely fielded some quite tricky queries!

FACILITIES

The new classrooms have finally arrived and are currently being outfitted to match the existing year four classrooms. This is causing some disruption to entrances on Astrolabe Street and we thank everyone for their patience and understanding. Hopefully the disruption will not be for much longer. There will be benefits once the work is completed: all of the year four classes will be located in the same area, we will gain an additional fenced off playground and have a second multipurpose space.

The upgrade of the senior toilet floors was completed over the April holidays. During the next holidays the roof, ceiling and corridor lighting in that same wing will be upgraded.

Work will recommence on the new football field next week. Progress was delayed because it was discovered that the integrity of the subsoil was poorer than expected. This problem has since been addressed by engineers. Unfortunately, this means that part of our bike and cross country track is out of action for longer than expected. Again, we thank you all for your patience and promise that the long term benefit to the school and community will definitely be worth the current inconvenience.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

An invitation was emailed home earlier in the week about our PBL work. PBL is an evidence based whole school systems approach. Red Hill Primary commenced the implementation of PBL in 2022. Our work is underpinned by **Relational Practices** and the school's **Positive Education framework**, focusing on the development of:

- consistent behaviour expectations created in consultation with all stakeholders including students, staff and community members,
- consistent language and approaches to support positive behaviour choices, and
- explicit lessons used to teach behaviour expectations for the classroom and playground.

In consultation with staff and students, the Positive Education team have created an essential agreement for the shared spaces around our school. We are inviting interested parents and community members to provide feedback on the Shared Spaces Essential Agreement before it is published. If you are interested in joining us on **Tuesday 16 May** at **2.15pm** in the staffroom please **RSVP to the Front Office by Monday 15 May**. Afternoon tea will be provided.

PLAYPOD: CALLING FOR RECYCLED MATERIALS

We would really appreciate donations of recycled materials, especially old clothes, shawls, scarves, large pieces of material, foam pieces, old bike tyres, cardboard tubes, etc. The materials will be used for our junior school Play Pod, which provides resources for younger students to play with during recess and lunch. It is not structured play but an opportunity for students to use objects to inspire their own creative play. Play Pod is based under the tree near the bike racks and the resources are stored in a room beside 'junior after school care'.

Kind regards

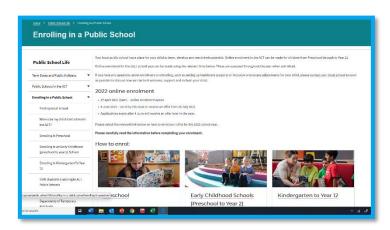
Louise Owens (Principal)

2024 ENROLMENTS

2024 school year enrolments are open

Is your child starting preschool, moving to high school or transitioning to another primary school school next year?

Enrolments for the 2024 school year are open. Visit education.act.gov.au (see image below) for the online application link and information about the school in your child's Priority Enrolment Area. Apply by 2 June to receive an offer by 24 July 2023. Applications made after this date will receive an offer later in the year.



If you would like any advice or assistance to lodge an enrolment application, please contact Louise Owens (Principal) or Jo Hastings (Enrolments Officer).

Red Hill School will be offering an Information Evening on Wednesday 17th May at 6pm.

Tours of the school will be available beforehand. Please register your interest in attending through this link. https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/2023-red-hill-school-information-evening-tickets-626749323097

If your child is moving to high school, please note the information evenings our two 'feeder' public high schools are offering. High school information sessions can be found at the following link: https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school/school-information-sessions.

IMPORTANT ENROLMENT INFORMATION

PRESCHOOL

All four-year-old ACT children are guaranteed a place in a public preschool. However, you are not guaranteed a place at the preschool site of your preference, due to capacity constraints at some sites. You are encouraged to apply for the preschool for your local primary school (or NSW Pathway school for NSW residents), which offers you the greatest continuity for the transition to kindergarten. All preschools offer a high-quality early childhood education.

Preschool places are not allocated on a first come first served basis. Applications are prioritised in this order:

- 1. Individual circumstances based on student wellbeing.
- 2. ACT-resident siblings of students concurrently enrolled in the primary school (ie: applicants who will be attending the school in the same year as a currently enrolled student).
- 3. Children living within the <u>Priority Enrolment Area (PEA) of the primary school</u>, up to the limits of available places.

Where there are not enough places for all children living in the PEA of the primary school, applications will be ranked by 'proximity', that is the distance that your child lives from the preschool. The distance is measured 'as the crow flies'. The Directorate will find a place for all other children at a preschool, considering where your child lives and the capacity available.

Please note: A number of preschools are experiencing high demand for places from their local families**. At these high-demand preschools, applicants who apply before midnight on 2 June 2023, and who do not meet the prioritisation criteria, will be allocated to:

- the preschool of the primary school in their Priority Enrolment Area where capacity exists, or
- the closest preschool to their home with capacity.

KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6



- Online enrolment in the ACT can be made for children at any time.
- Pre-schoolers will be automatically enrolled into kindergarten for the following year if they are already attending preschool at their local Priority Enrolment Area primary school.
- Students attending preschool outside their Priority Enrolment Area will need to submit a new enrolment application for kindergarten in the following year, which will be assessed based on the relevant criteria.
- If you have a sibling concurrently attending Red Hill School and live outside our priority enrolment area (but in the ACT) we may be able to offer your next child a place, subject to capacity in the relevant year level. This includes step/half and cultural siblings.

Uniform Shop



Ordering Online

The Red Hill School P&C Association uses Flexischools for uniform shop sales.

https://www.flexischools.com.au/

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.

School Uniform orders for existing students will be delivered to your child's classroom. Otherwise, orders can be collected from the front office.

Ordering in person

Opening hours Wednesday 8.30 to 10:00am and Friday 2.30 to 4.00pm. We prefer payment by credit card, but we can accept cash.

With COVID continuing to present a risk we prefer that orders are made online where possible.

Secondhand requests can be emailed through to the shop manager.

Donations can be placed in the purple bin in the front office foyer.

Lost property will continue to be monitored and items that are labelled sent to the front office for return to the student. Anything not labelled will be sent to charity.



Canteen



Healthy Kids Canteen Menu Red Hill Primary School

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au

Sandwiches & wraps +oasted or untoasted All served on wholemeal bread unless otherwise requested.

Vegemite (with margarine) V	\$3.00
Cheese V	\$3.50
Cheese & tomato V	\$4.00
Ham	\$4.00
Ham & cheese	\$4.50
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$5.00
Ham & salad	\$5.50
Ham, lettuce & mayo	\$4.50
Chicken & cheese	\$5.00
Chicken & salad	\$4.80
Chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$4.50
Tuna & cheese	\$4.50
Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$4.50
Rainbow: Lettuce, carrot, tomato,	
cucumber, beetroot V	\$4.50
Salad & cheese V	\$4.20
Egg & cheese V	\$4.50
Egg, lettuce & mayo V	\$4.50

Change up your sandwich

Change to: wrap Change to: gluten-free bread GF

Fresh salads

Build your own salad From \$5.00 Seasonal fruit salad V GF \$4.00



Ho+ meals

Pasta Bolognaise	\$6.50
Pasta Napolitana	\$5.50
Sausage roll	\$5.50
Beef lasagna	\$6.50
Veggie lasagna	\$6.50
Honey soy fried ricechicken	\$6.50
Honey soy fried rice veggie	\$5.50

Weekly specials

Wednesday:	Stone baked pizza	\$6.50
Thursday:	Crispy chicken burger wrap	\$6.00
Friday:	Nacho dippers	\$6.00
	Sushi rolls	\$4.80

Snacks

Piece of seasonal fruit V GF	\$2.00
Poppin' corn V GF	\$1.00
Jelly (made with 100% juice)	\$2.00
Fluffy chocolate mousse V GF	\$2.50
Banana bread V	\$2.00
Cheesy garlic bread V	\$2.50
Veggie sticks	\$2.00
Custard cup	\$2.00
Jelly / custard	\$2.00
Milo cookie	\$1.50

Frozen

Quelch juicy sticks V GF	\$1.00
Twisted frozen yoghurt (chocolate/vanilla,	
Strawberry/vanilla, watermelon/mango) V GF	\$3.00
Juice cups	\$2.00

Drinks

Plain milk: 300ml	\$2.50
Sipahh straw	\$0.50

Red Hill School Calendar 2023 - Term 2			Mon 24 April – Fri 30 June		
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 April 24 - 28		April 25 Anzac Day Public Holiday			
Week 2 May 1 - 5					
Week 3 May 8 - 12					Year 3 Assembly
Week 4 May 15 - 19		PBL Parent Workshop 2.30pm	May 17 Combined Band-Year 6 5.30-7pm Parent Information Evening		May 19 Cross Country
Week 5 May 22 - 26	May 22 School Photos	May 23 Preschool Photos		May 25 School photos – Year 6 and Groups, catch up day Rostrum Finals	May 26 Preschool Photos SRC fundraiser Year 6 Assembly
Week 6 May 29 – June 2	May 29 Reconciliation Day Public Holiday	May 30 West African Dance Workshops	May 31 West African Dance Workshop Year 3- Excursion Botanical Gardens	June 1 Year 6- Fizzics Incursion	Kinder Assembly
Week 7 June 5 - 9			June 7 French Puppet Show K-3	June 9 Preschool Birrigai Exursion	
Week 8 June 12 - 16	June 12 Sovereigns Birthday	June 13 Preschool – Birrigai Excursion			Year 4 Assembly
Week 9 June 19 - 23					
Week 10 June 26 - 30					

Community News



TERM 2 AFTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL TRAINING

SMALL GROUP TRAINING, MAX 12 PLAYERS WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY AFTERNOONS 4:30-5:30PM | AGES 7-12 SOUTHSIDE, ACT

BOOK NOW





Telopea Park School

Lycée Franco-Australien de Canberra



Kindergarten 2024 Information Session

5pm Wednesday 10 May 2023

Main School Hall

Secondary 2024 Information Session

5.30pm Monday 8 May 2023 Main School Hall

We would like to invite anyone interested in enrolling their child at Telopea Park School in 2024 to attend the relevant information session

Please feel free to contact the Enrolments Officer on Phone +61 2 6142 3393

or E-mail: Telopeapark.enrolments@ed.act.edu.au for further information.

Kind regards from the Executive team at Telopea Park School.





50 years of IMP Instrumental Music Program

To celebrate 50 years of IMP 1973-2023

the program will be holding a reunion band event and concert on Sunday June 18 at Llewellyn Hall, ANU School of Music

Reunion band rehearsal 10.00-11.30am and concert 2.00-4.30pm

Former SCB – Senior Concert Band – students and staff are invited to join the band for the day

Families, friends and colleagues of the program are invited to attend the free concert

Follow our facebook page – "50 years of IMP"

Link to register for reunion band as a player



https://forms.gle/YHSBSrDEJw91DUtd7

Link to access free concert tickets



https://www.trybooking.com/CGAJE



