

RED HILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Red Hill School is a Nut Free
Environment**



Artwork from the Year 6 Arts Evening.

1st December 2023



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Leadership Team Overview

Hello Families,

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of Week 8 of Term 4. This term has gone by so quickly and we are now heading into the last few weeks of learning, and our celebrations of learning and community.

Last night, Year 6 students presented their Exhibition projects and celebrated the culmination of the PYP. They demonstrated all the skills of global citizenship through their displays, thought-provoking art works and performances. We know that they were extremely proud of their Exhibition journeys and their final products, and it was fabulous to see so much community support for our students. A big thank you to the Year 6 teaching team, Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Hopkins, those who mentored students across the school and others who supported students with information and guidance along the way. Without the assistance of these people, Exhibition would not be as rewarding for our school community.

We have also seen the last of our kinder transition visits for preschool students. It was great to see all the excited and smiling faces and they seemed to enjoy their time in the “big school”. Congratulations to the Kindergarten and preschool teaching teams who made these transition sessions run smoothly. Thank you to those preschool parents who took up the offer of having a kindergarten information interview with executive staff. It was so nice to get to know more about your children in preparation for their first year of school.

On Monday 20th November, we also celebrated Ride Safely to School Week with a special event. Students and their families either rode, walked or scooted to school and then had fun cycling around the bicycle track. Even Simon the Bike Guy was seen out and about riding his penny farthing around the track! It was wonderful to see nearly 300 students and their families enjoying some physical activity before the start of the school day and we look forward to kicking off our next Ride to School event in Term 1 next year! Thank you to the amazing Mrs Norton for organising such a successful community event.



Before we close we would like to say a big thank you to all of the teaching staff across the school who have worked diligently on student reports for Semester Two. They are in the final stages of editing and will be sent out in Week 10. If you have any questions about your child’s report please get in touch with their teacher.

Teachers have also started work on class lists for next year – these will be available for viewing on **Monday 29th January 2024** in the Breezeway. We will also email the class lists home on this date.

A gentle reminder to please return notes for the upcoming school social events, including Pool Fun Day and the School Disco.

Samantha Harris and Gwen McCormack (A/g Executive Teachers)

LEADING UP TO CHRISTMAS

Our school community is diverse, and families celebrate many different events over the school year. In December many of our students begin celebrating Christmas and like to give classmates cards and other gifts. We would like to remind everyone that we discourage students from bringing red foods to school in line with the Healthy Foods Policy in all ACT schools. In particular we ask that candy canes are not sent to school. Not only are they a red food, but they increase plastic litter, are particularly bad for dental health and often become a safety issue when children are running around.

SCHOOL BOARD

School-based management and decision making is a longstanding and well-embedded philosophy in the ACT public education system, having been an underpinning principle of school management since 1976.

School boards work in partnership with the Principal and school community. They have specific responsibility for endorsing and overseeing the strategic direction and priorities of the school; monitoring and reviewing school performance; developing, maintaining and reviewing curriculum; and approving budgets and policies for the effective use of school resources.

We will have two parent positions and a staff position vacant on our School Board from March 30th, 2024. Being a Board member offers the opportunity to see school life from a different perspective and we encourage you to consider nominating. Nominations and elections will take place early in term one.

Information on the school board selection and appointment process is available through this link : [School Boards - Education \(act.gov.au\)](https://www.act.gov.au/education/school-boards).

Volunteer Morning Tea

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We would like to thank you for the assistance that you have provided throughout the year.



You are invited to join with the staff of Red Hill School for

Morning Tea in the Red Hill Library Courtyard

11.30am – 12:15pm

Wednesday 13th December 2023

Please RSVP by Wednesday 6th December 2023

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Volunteer Thankyou Morning Tea RSVP

I will be attending the volunteer morning tea on

Wednesday 13th December 2023

Name: _____

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 collected around the school is placed in the big blue bin outside of the uniform shop.

Due to the amount of lost property and the shortage of staff, labeled items will no longer be returned to classrooms. Instead, the 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."



Uniform Shop Extended Hours 2024

The uniform shop is open for extended hours early each year to cater for increased demand in this period.

We will open in the week before schools restarts with the hours shown below.

Please note that new students start school on Tuesday 30 January 2024. Continuing students return to school on Wednesday 31 January 2024. Friday the 26th of January is a public holiday.

Current opening hours (Wednesday 8:30am to 10:00am and Friday 2:30pm to 4:00pm) will not change for the duration of term four in 2023 but Flexischool orders after the 6th of December will not be available until the shop reopens in 2024.

The shop will be setup in the grade four corridor prior to the resumption of classes on the 31st of January.

Opening Hours 2024

Tuesday 23rd of January	1:30pm to 3:30pm
Wednesday 24th of January	11:00am to 1:00pm
Thursday 25th of January	9:00am to 12:00pm
Monday 29th of January	9:00am to 11:00am
Tuesday 30th of January	8:30am to 10:00am
Wednesday 31st of January	8:30am to 10:00am
Friday 2nd of February	2:00pm to 4:00pm

And from then on, Wednesday 8:30am to 10:00am and Friday 2:30pm to 4:00pm.



Healthy Kids Canteen Menu Red Hill Primary School

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au

term 2
2023

Sandwiches & wraps **toasted 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

Add: ham, chicken, tuna, egg or cheese \$1.00

Add: Lettuce, carrot, cucumber, tomato, beetroot \$0.60

Change to: wrap Extra \$0.50

Change to: gluten-free bread **GF** \$1.00

Fresh salads

Build your own salad From \$5.00

Seasonal fruit salad **V GF** \$4.00

Hot meals

Pasta Bolognese	\$6.50
Pasta Napolitana	\$5.50
Sausage roll	\$5.50
Beef lasagna	\$6.50
Veggie lasagna	\$6.50
Honey soy fried rice -.chicken	\$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



V = Vegetarian

GF = Gluten Free

H = Certified Halal

H denotes products which have been Halal Certified. All chicken used in sandwiches and hot meals is also Halal Certified.

Red Hill School Calendar 2023 – Term 4					Mon 9 Oct – Fri 15 Dec
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Oct 9 - 13			11 Oct Year 4 camp at Birrigai	12 Oct Year 4 camp at Birrigai	13 Oct Year 4 camp at Birrigai
Week 2 Oct 16 - 20	16 Oct BASE testing begins for Kinder. Narrabundah ECS Transition Afternoon Tea 3.30- 4.30pm			19 Oct Jamie Pearlman YR 5/6 Basketball Finals	
Week 3 Oct 23 - 27					27 Oct Kinder Zoo Excursion 9.30am-2.30pm Junior Assembly YR 3
Week 4 Oct 30 – Nov 3	30 Oct YR 3 Excursion to the National Museum 9.20am-2pm	31 Oct YR 5 Experience Expo (Previously Market Day)	1 Nov YR 6 Arts Evening 6.30pm-8pm		
Week 5 Nov 6 - 10					10 Nov Senior Assembly YR 4
Week 6 Nov 13 - 17		14 Nov 2024 Red Hill Preschool/Kindy Transition Visits	15 Nov SRC Odd Fashion Day- Smith Family	16 Nov 2024 Red Hill Preschool/Kindy Transition Visits Sexuality Workshop P-2 5.30pm-7pm	
Week 7 Nov 20 - 24		21 Nov 2024 Griffith Preschool/Kindy Transition Visits	22 Nov YR 5 Arts Performance 9.00am- 10.30am 2024 Preschool information session 4pm-4.30pm	23 Nov 2024 Griffith Preschool/Kindy Transition Visits	24 Nov ICAS and AMT Award Assembly
Week 8 Nov 27 – Dec 1			29 Nov Aural Testing YR 4- Band 2024 9.10am-10.30am	30 Nov Exhibition 6pm-9pm	1 Dec Aural Testing YR4- Band 2024 11.10am-12.50pm Garrang Griffith preschool visit Junior Assembly Kindergarten
Week 9 Dec 4 - 8	4 Dec Year 5 2024 School captain Speeches		6 Dec Winyu Griffith Preschool visit Year 6 Fun Day Year 6 Dinner	7 Dec End of Year School Disco YR 6 Transition visit to Telopea Year 5 2024 House Captain Speeches	8 Dec Year 6 Achievement Assembly
Week 10 Dec 11- 15	11 Dec Years 1-6 Pool Fun Day	12 Dec Acting up Day 2.15pm-3.15pm	13 Dec Volunteer Morning Tea	14 Dec Year 6 Graduation	15 Dec Whole School Assembly

Community News

End of Year BBQ Red Hill Primary

FAMILY GAMES
YUMMY FOOD

CELEBRATE THE END OF YEAR WHILE THE
CHILDREN ARE AT THE SCHOOL DISCO

WHEN Thursday 7 December 2023
6.00pm to 8.00pm, drop in when you can

WHERE Playground, enter via bottom black gates

FOOD Hamburgers and sausage sizzle.
Vegetarian options available.
Order on flexischools before 6pm, 4 Dec.
There'll also be a bar and ice-creams

HELP US OUT We'd love an hour of your time
volunteersignup.org/QJP43

6.00-6.30PM
SECOND-HAND
UNIFORM
SALE

2023 🎄 Christmas SCHOOL HOLS TENNIS CLINIC, Red Hill Tennis Club, Astrolabe St. Red Hill.

Dec 18-22, Mon-Friday 7.45am-1pm HALF DAY, or 7.45-6pm FULL DAY

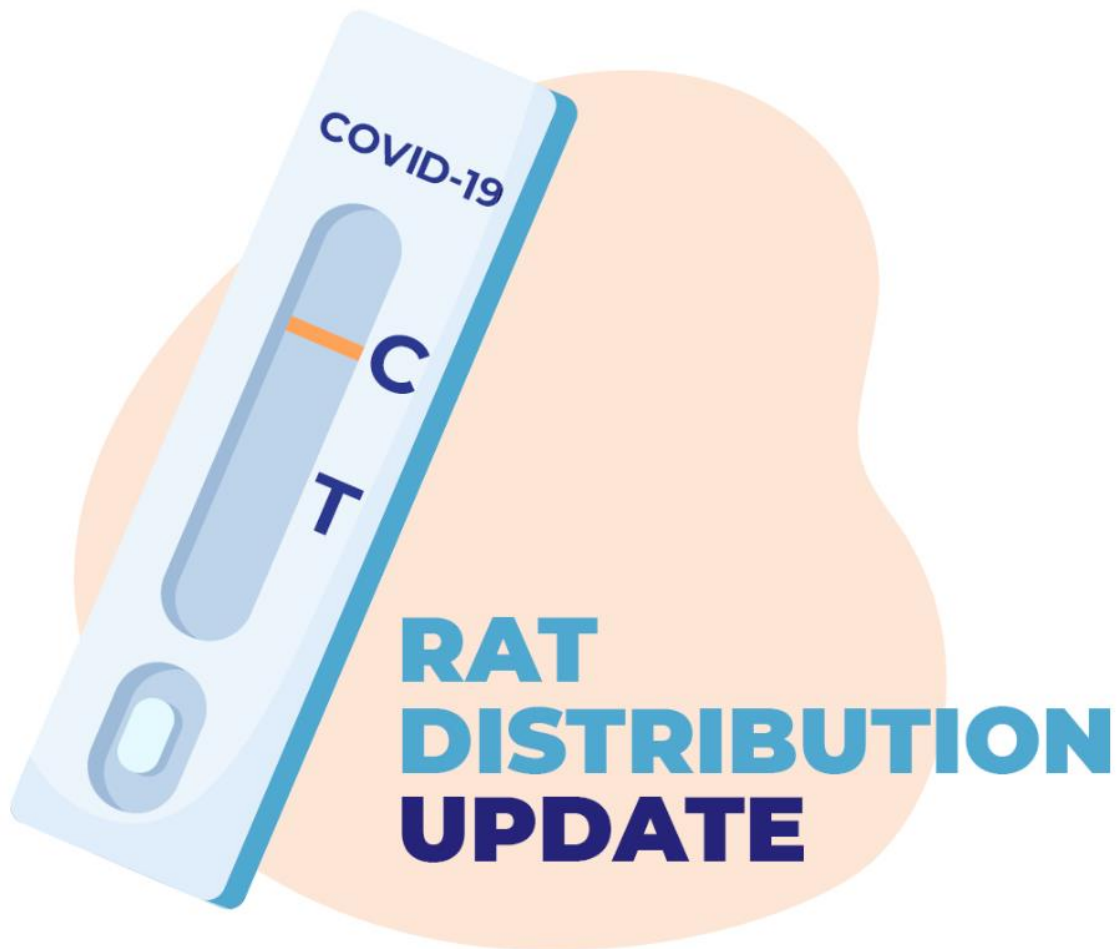
✅ 100% refund after Monday if not continuing

✅ FULL DAY, less than \$6.50/hr👀!👍💰

🎾 kindergarten kids-17yrs 🎾 all standards 🎾 full stroke development- '1st timer's/beginners will be serving over-arm by end of Clinic! 🎾 well trained and well credentialled coaching Team 🎾 🏆 Trophy Singles Tournament-Fri 🎾 Afternoon Doubles training and Tournament's 🎾 McDonald's lunch -Friday full day Pupils 🎾 Great range of Lunchtime activities 🎾 Games, heaps of fun, Prizes galore!

-Enrolment forms at WEBSITE-mcdonaldschoolsoftennis.com.au

or please phone professionally qualified level 2 tennis coach Matt McDonald, 0412565137



Rapid Antigen Tests within ACT public schools

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) will no longer be distributed from ACT public schools. Families can now collect free RATs from ACT Libraries. Visit: www.library.act.gov.au/services.

Please consider disposing expired RATs by recycling the cardboard and paper and disposing the remaining contents in general waste bins. If stock levels are too large for this to be possible, the entire contents can be disposed of in general waste.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. For more information, visit

www.covid19.act.gov.au

Minijog is a
handicap run.
Everybody can
win!

CANBERRA Runners MINIJOG



First Sunday of every month
8 am Oct - Mar, 9 am Apr - Sept.
Prescott Lane, Weston Park, Yarralumla



canberrarunners.org.au



MINIJOG!

Minijog is a
handicapped 2 km
running event for
boys and girls aged 12
years and under. Held
on the first Sunday of
every month in
Weston Park,
Yarralumla, Minijog is
all about
participation in a fun
and encouraging
environment.

LOCATION
Prescott Lane
Weston Park
Yarralumla

DATE
First Sunday of every
month

TIME
8:00 am Oct - Mar
9:00 am Apr - Sep

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

YARRA ROSSA

Twilight Christmas Market

eat, shop & socialise
everyone welcome

1st DECEMBER 2023

STARTS 4pm - 8pm



FOOD / DRINK / ART / HANDMADE GOODS / CRAFT
LIVE MUSIC / FASHION / DESIGN

YARRA ROSSA, 51 HICKS STREET, RED HILL

Welcome to Zumba® Kids - Where Fitness Meets Fun!

Welcome to our dynamic Zumba® Kids classes tailored for pre-school to year 6 students. It's not just a dance class; it's an adventure where children can be active, groove out to their Favorite music, and develop lifelong healthy habits.

What to Expect:

Our Zumba® Kids classes are a fusion of fitness and fun! Our kid-friendly routines draw inspiration from World music, current hits, and movie soundtracks. We break down the steps, infuse games, activities, and cultural exploration, making every class engaging and educational.

The Benefits:

Dance is more than just movement; it's a key to fostering a healthy lifestyle and a natural integration of fitness into children's lives. Our classes go beyond dance, incorporating vital elements of childhood development such as leadership, respect, teamwork, confidence, self-esteem, memory, creativity, coordination, and cultural awareness.

2024 Classes:

Excitement is building for our 2024 classes! Register your child's interest now to ensure this engaging program continues. Invoices will be sent out each term, and payments can be conveniently made online via credit/debit cards or EFT.

Class Details:

When: Every Wednesday at 3:20 PM. We encourage the children to have a quick fruit break and drink before we get started, so don't forget to pack something extra in their lunch boxes.

Meeting Point: Children meet us by the silver picnic tables on the black top. Depending on the weather, we will dance in different locations.

Pick-Up: 4:20 PM in front of the breezeway.

Term Fees (including GST):

\$200 per term

Enrol your child in a program that blends fitness, fun, and invaluable life skills. Join us in creating a healthy and vibrant future for your little ones!

Register your interest now to secure their spot in the 2024 classes!

<https://www.fun4fitness.net/>