

RED HILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Year 1's enjoying the football coaching session.

17th November 2023



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Leadership Team Overview

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term is flying by quickly as we have just passed our halfway point. Excitingly, there has been much quality teaching and learning happening inside and outside our classrooms this term.

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be continuing the orientation process for our newest students in our incoming preschool and kindergarten cohorts. Our 2024 preschoolers will spend some time getting to know their educators and other classmates as well as the usual routines. For our 2024 kindergarten students, the orientation visits will also be about getting to know a bigger school environment. Each current Red Hill preschool group will visit kindergarten for a session this week or next. Students who did not attend our Red Hill preschool programs will be invited to an orientation on Wednesday 24th January.

This term, we are also offering all new students and their families in kindergarten to year six a transition interview with a member of the school's leadership team. If you have not yet booked your interview, these can be arranged through the PTO website. If you did not receive the original email or are having trouble booking a suitable time, please contact the front office.

2024 PLANNING

All students should have brought home their completed sociogram. This is a list of students that your child has indicated that they would be happy to have in their class next year. Please check the list and have a discussion at home with your child about their choices, as the sociograms will be used to help inform the creation of classes for next year. The sociograms are due back to school by 24 November.

If your family circumstances have changed and your child will be moving to a new school in 2024, we ask that you inform the front office via email as soon as possible. This will assist the school to make decisions about staffing and numbers of classes.

SUPERVISION

Teachers provide supervision from 8:50am each morning in the playground. There is also a teacher on duty at the front of the school to supervise children waiting for school bus services until 3:40pm. Recently we have seen an increase in the number of students remaining on school grounds unsupervised until much later in the afternoon. If you require care for your child after 3:30pm, Woden Community Services provide after school care onsite up until 6pm each day. To find out more or make a booking, please contact [\(02\) 6147 3318](tel:0261473318) or email oshc@wcs.org.au.

WELLBEING

Healthy food and drink choices in lunchboxes can fuel children with the right energy so they can concentrate, learn, and play at school. Red Hill is a registered *Fresh Tastes* school, and we encourage all children to bring healthy lunch and snack options each day.

For health and safety reasons students are not permitted to share food at school, and we ask that you speak to your child at home about the importance of only eating their own food.

The *Fresh Tastes: Healthy Food at School* website provides lots of ideas about what foods you could include in your child's lunch box to help sustain their energy and concentration during the day, <https://www.health.act.gov.au/lunchboxes>.

Please also remember that your child needs to bring a water bottle each day, to help stay hydrated, particularly as the days get hotter.

Kind regards

Kristy Aitchison and Deb Lawrence (Executive Teachers)

French Poetry Awards

French Poetry Awards Ceremony - 2023

Félicitations à tous ceux qui ont participé au concours de poésie – congratulation to all the participants who have participated in the French Poetry Competition, especially to Archie (KS), Maddie (2 PB) and Jana (3SE), who come **first**, in the ACT poetry competition recital.

On Friday 27th October Archie, Maddie and Jana were awarded with a certificate and other special prizes at the Alliance Française Ceremony. They all recited the poem in front of all the guests and did very well in presenting our school, to a big unknown audience.



I would like to express my gratitude to Mme. Mottershead - Elson who took Archie's photos and allowed me to place them in the newsletter, since this year I was not able to attend the ceremony this year.

Merci à tous les autres participants who took part in the Alliance Française French Poetry Competition. This year 37 students took part in the French Poetry Competition, and they are all going to receive participation certificates to be acknowledged for their great effort and their positive attitude they show towards learning an additional language.

I was impressed by the way students recited their poem with appropriate expressions, correct intonation and body language. It was not an easy task for the judges to choose the winners this year.



Félicitations once again to all the finalists and participants who have once again been *Audacieux* and made our school proud!

Salutation: Frances Szeremet

End of Year BBQ

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

Student Achievement

With delight we would like to congratulate Vedaanth from Kindergarten who has won an award for reciting 20 verses in Sanskrit(an ancient Indian language) at the "Canberra Indians got Talent Show-2023" in the “other talent” category.

We would also like to congratulate Eliza Devicic, a student in 5J, who recently won the Girls Singles U10 category in a tennis tournament at the 2023 Junior Community Noel Murray Cup. Well done, Eliza!



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			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	8 Dec Year 6 Achievement Assembly
Week 10 Dec 11- 15	11 Dec Pool Fun Day		13 Dec Volunteer Morning Tea	14 Dec Year 6 Graduation	15 Dec Whole School Assembly

Recognise Respond & Support

*An Online Guide
to Supporting
Youth Mental
Health*

Researchers at the ANU and the Black Dog Institute are testing a resource to see if it can help parents/carers better support the mental health needs of their children.

If you are a parent/carer of a child and live in Australia, we invite you to participate in the study.

**Use the link below
to get started!**



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An illustration of two people, a woman and a man, sitting in green chairs and talking. The woman is on the left, wearing a light blue jacket and white pants, with her arms crossed. The man is on the right, wearing a white shirt and dark pants, gesturing with his hand. They are in a stylized setting with a dark blue background, yellow stars, and a large yellow sun or moon in the upper right corner. The overall theme is parenting counselling.