

RED HILL SCHOOL

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Year 6 students at camp enjoying the beautiful views at Sandon Point overlooking McCauley's and Thirroul beaches.

6th June



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Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe we're already more than halfway through the term! The past fortnight has been a busy and exciting time, with students across the school engaged in a wide range of enriching learning experiences.

Year 4 students have been participating in the [Future Skills Academy](#) incursion series, exploring critical and creative thinking through hands-on activities. Year 3 enjoyed a wonderful excursion to the National Botanical Gardens, where they deepened their understanding of living things and natural resources. Meanwhile, our Year 6 students had the opportunity to attend camp at Stanwell Tops, and join a combined band practice, further developing their teamwork and other skills.

We are proud of the enthusiasm and curiosity our students bring to these opportunities, and we look forward to more engaging learning experiences as the term continues.

National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week has now come to a close, and we hope everyone enjoyed the Reconciliation Day long weekend and the opportunity to spend quality time with family and friends.

Over the past week, our students have been engaging in thoughtful conversations and meaningful activities that honour the histories, cultures, and contributions of First Nations people. These learning experiences are an important part of our commitment to fostering respect, understanding, and connection within our school community. As an IB World School, we strive to embed these values in our everyday actions, helping our students grow into compassionate and informed members of the community.

Year 6 Camp: A Memorable Adventure at 'The Tops'

Congratulations to our Year 6 students on an incredible camp experience last week! Over three action-packed days at The Tops, students embraced new challenges, developed resilience, and demonstrated outstanding leadership across a range of outdoor activities.

Teachers and staff were so impressed by the enthusiasm, courage, and teamwork on display. Whilst the ocean conditions were not safe for surfing lessons, highlights included the thrilling Giant Swing, where students bravely tested their limits while enjoying stunning views of the Illawarra Escarpment and coastline.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our dedicated staff and parent volunteers whose support and encouragement helped make this experience such a success. Your involvement played a vital role in creating a safe, positive, and unforgettable adventure for our students.

After such an exciting few days, we're sure everyone who attended appreciated some well-earned rest in the comfort of their own beds!

Sporting Achievements

This term, several of our students have proudly represented our school at both regional and ACT sporting events.

Earlier in the term, nine students competed at the ACT State Swimming Championships. We are incredibly proud of their efforts, with many achieving personal best times and even securing podium finishes in the finals.

On Tuesday 3 June, 50 Red Hill Primary School students proudly represented our school at the South-Weston Cross Country Carnival, held at Mount Stromlo.

Despite the cold frosty weather, it was a fantastic day of competition, with our students demonstrating resilience, and determination as they tackled the challenging course. We congratulate all participants on their efforts and thank Will Colebatch and Kate Hanley for their support and encouragement on the day.

We look forward to celebrating more sporting achievements throughout the year!

Positive Education Update

This term, our Positive Education and PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus continues to support students in developing positive, respectful behaviours across all areas of school life.

Our current positive behaviour focus is on **“Being in the Right Place at the Right Time.”** Students have been learning about the importance of following routines, being punctual, and making safe and respectful choices about where they should be—whether it's in the classroom, the playground, or when transitioning between activities.

Through class discussions, role-playing, and daily reminders, students are building a shared understanding of how being in the right place at the right time helps create a safe, calm, and productive learning environment for everyone.

This focus also connects with our **IB Learner Profile**, particularly the attribute of being **principled**. A principled learner acts with integrity and takes responsibility for their actions. By being where they need to be and doing what's expected of them, students are demonstrating this important quality in their everyday choices.

We encourage families to reinforce this message at home by talking to children about how they can apply these behaviours in their daily routines.

Kind regards

Kristy Aitchison (Executive Teacher)

Preschool Update

We've had a fantastic start to our new inquiry, *Sharing the Planet*, with an exciting excursion to Birrigai! This experience gave our preschoolers a hands-on opportunity to explore our central idea: *Taking action helps us care for our environment*.

The children were captivated by the adventure of following the wombat songline. Highlights included going on a bushwalk, cooking damper around the fire, building shelters for animals, and simply enjoying time in nature. (And yes, the bus ride was a favourite too!)

A big **thank you** to our amazing parent volunteers – your support made this wonderful day possible!

The excursion sparked some thoughtful questions from the children, such as:

“How did they make the fire?”

“Can we make our own gunyah (Aboriginal hut)?”

“How did the Indigenous people get here?”

These questions created a meaningful connection to our **Reconciliation Week** celebrations, where children explored who the First Nations people are and how they care for Country. Throughout the week, classes listened to stories, learned songs and dances, and began writing their own Acknowledgments of Country, which have been embedded into our daily routine. We also learned about the Aboriginal flag and discussed the important role we all play in reconciliation.

What's Coming Up for Preschool

Kenny Koala is coming to visit!

Over the next two weeks, Kenny will be stopping by to meet all our preschool classes and talk about safety in a fun and engaging way.

Three-Way Conferences

Information will be sent home soon. These conferences are a great opportunity for your child to share their learning journey with you and to set meaningful goals for Semester 2.

* Winter Wonderland Disco

Keep an eye out for an announcement from the Preschool P&C about this special event coming early next term!

We look forward to continuing this exciting journey of learning and discovery with our preschoolers!

Ellie Deacon (Preschool Executive Teacher)

SRC Update

“Change in a Bottle” Fundraiser

Red Hill School is committed to supporting the Smith Family in their important mission of helping disadvantaged children access quality education and succeed at school.

This term, the SRC is raising funds to sponsor an Australian child through the Smith Family. Commencing Monday 26 May and running through to Friday 20 June, we are encouraging all families to support the “**Change in a Bottle**” fundraiser. The SRC have placed upcycled plastic bottles in all classrooms and are encouraging students to donate a gold or silver coin over the coming month. For more information about the Smith Family and the incredible work they do, please visit their website:

<https://www.thesmithfamily.com.au/>.

We encourage everyone to get involved and help make a difference.

Kind regards, Kristy Aitchison, Kylie Jenkins and Angus Middleton



Parent Portal – Changes to ACT Digital Account ID requirements

The ID requirements for accessing Parent Portal have changed to make it easier to register your account.

If you have had trouble signing up to Parent Portal because of the ID requirements, we invite you to try again.

To access Parent Portal, you need to verify your identity via the ACT Digital Account. Previously you needed two forms of accepted ID and now you only need one.

To register, use the Parent Portal access link, [Parent Portal access link](#), and create or log in to your ACT Digital Account.

Please contact the front office on 6142 0960 if you haven't received an access key.



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.



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

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.



ACT

Digital Account



Canteens4Kids ACT Menu

2025

Sandwiches

Served on wholemeal bread unless white bread is requested.
Wraps and gluten-free bread also available.

Happy Little Vegemite (with margarine) V	\$3.50
Cheese V	\$4.50
Cheese & tomato V	\$5.00
Ham & cheese	\$6.00
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$6.50
Ham, lettuce & mayo	\$6.00
Chicken & cheese	\$6.00
Chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$6.00
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	\$6.00
Chicken & cheese	\$6.00
Tuna & cheese	\$6.00
Ham	\$5.00
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 (Gluten-free available)	\$7.50
Pasta Napolitana (Gluten-free available)	\$7.00
Sausage roll	\$6.50
Beef lasagna	\$7.00
Crispy Chicken Sub	\$7.00
Mac & Cheese	\$7.00
Baked Teriyaki Chicken & Rice	\$7.50

Daily specials

Daily specials available online

Snacks

Fruit salad	\$3.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Cheesy garlic bread	\$3.00
Banana bread	\$2.50
Jelly cup	\$2.50
Homemade mini muffins	\$2.50
Corn on the cob	\$1.50
Chocolate mousse	\$2.50
Milo cookie	\$2.00
Custard	\$2.50
Jelly & custard	\$2.50

Drinks

Water: 600ml	\$2.50
Juice (orange/mango, apple, apple/blackcurrant)	\$3.00
Flavoured milk (choc, strawberry): 300ml	\$4.00
Plain milk: 300ml	\$3.00
Chill J	\$4.00
Sipahh straws	\$0.80

Frozen

Frozen juice cup	\$2.50
Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$3.00
Quelch sticks	\$1.00
Pineapple ring	\$1.00

Prices inclusive of GST

Red Hill School Calendar 2025 –Term 2					Mon 28 April – Fri July 4
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 28 Apr – 2 May	28 th April Pupil Free Day		30 th April Year 6 Incursion Fearless Women and Menslink 11:30am – 12:30pm		Whole School Assembly – ANZAC (Saturday 3 rd May - P&C Election Day Sausage Sizzle and second handbook stall)
Week 2 May 5 - 9	WCS Playgroup 9:30-10:30am	6 th May ACT Swimming Carnival		8 th May Wassa Wassa HALT Summit Performance	9 th May Swimming Carnival Ribbon Assembly
Week 3 May 12 - 16	12 th May Preschool Photo Day WCS Playgroup 9:30-10:30am	13 th May School Photo Day Matt Giteau Cup Preschool Birrigai Excursion	14 th May Information Evening (New Parents) 5:30-7pm	15 th May Preschool Photo Day School Photo Day Special groups and catch up	16 th May Preschool Birrigai Excursion Cross Country Carnival
Week 4 May 19 - 23	WCS Playgroup 9:30-10:30am	20 th May Year 6 Combined Band	21 st May Year 5 Experience Expo	22 nd May School Rostrum Finals Yrs 3-6	23 rd May Junior Assembly – Year 1
Week 5 May 26 - 30	26 th May Year 3 Botanical Gardens Excursion WCS Playgroup 9:30-10:30am	27 th - 29 th May Year 6 Camp (The Tops in Stanwell Tops NSW)			
		27 th May Year 4 Academy of Future Skills Incursion			
Week 6 June 2 - 6	Reconciliation Day	3 rd June South/Weston Regional Cross Country Carnival Year 4 Academy of Future Skills Incursion			6 th June Senior Assembly – Year 5
Week 7 June 9 - 13	King's Birthday	10 th June Year 5 Band - Telopea Combined Band Year 4 Academy of Future Skills Incursion	11 th June Preschool Incursion - Kenny Koala 9:30-11am		13 th June ACT Cross Country Carnival
Week 8 June 16 - 20	WCS Playgroup 9:30-10:30am	17 th June Year 4 Academy of Future Skills Incursion	18 th June Preschool Incursion - Kenny Koala 9:30-11am		20 th June Junior Assembly – Kinder Combined Senior Lunchtime (Saturday 21 st June – P&C Movie Family Event in the hall)
Week 9 June 23 - 27	WCS Playgroup 9:30-10:30am	24 th June Year 4 Academy of Future Skills Incursion	25 th -27 th June Kindergarten Health Checks		
			25 th June Christian Education		Cross Country Ribbon Assembly
Week 10 June 30 – July 4		1 st July Year 4 Academy of Future Skills Incursion CHESS Tuggeranong	2 nd -4 th July Year 4 Camp to Birrigai		
					4 th July Whole School Assembly



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

BUILDING CONFIDENT KIDS

- Learn a Song
- Learn a Dance
- Learn a Script
- Perform in a Show
- Build Confidence
- Make Friends
- Have Fun

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The poster features a vibrant, comic-book style design with a blue background and yellow and pink accents. It includes a clapperboard icon, musical notes, and three children in costumes (Mario, a pink character, and a girl with a red and white hat) at the bottom. The text is bold and colorful, emphasizing the program's focus on building confidence and performance skills.

2025 Winter SCHOOL HOLS TENNIS CLINIC Red Hill Tennis Club, Astrolabe St. Red Hill.

July 7-11, Mon-Fri 7.45-1 (half day) or 7.45-6pm (full day)

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🎯 Afternoon Doubles training and Tournament's 🎯 McDonald's lunch -Friday full day Pupils 🎯 Great range of Lunchtime activities 🎯 Games, heaps of fun, Prizes galore!

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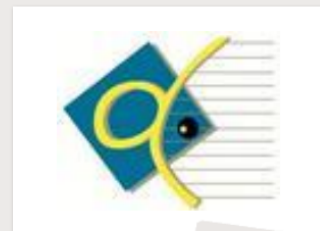
Squash ACT Kids Come and Try Day

When: Saturday 12 July 2025

Where: Woden (4 Launceston St, Phillip) & Dickson (79 Dickson Pl, Dickson) Squash Courts

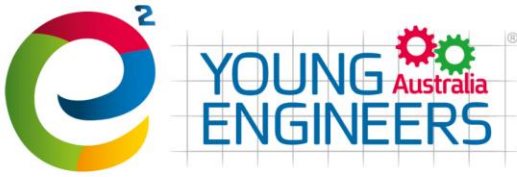
- Primary School (Ages 6–12): 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
- High School/College (Ages 13–18): 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Free Fun for Kids!
- Learn squash with qualified coaches
- Gift bag for every child (squash ball, wristband, more!)
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