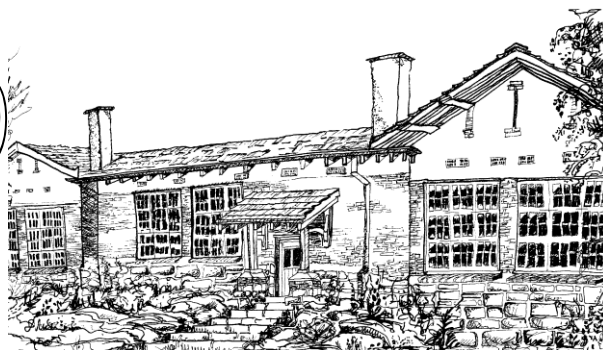


# RICHMOND NEWS



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## Schedule of School Events

- 21 Nov swimming starts
- 22 Nov Council elections
- 26-7 Nov photo days
- 2 Dec Campion 8.30-10.30
- 5 Dec spelling bee
- 6 Dec yr 4-6 excursion
- 9 Dec zinc and boardies
- 9 Dec water slides 3-6pm
- 8 Dec yr 6 graduation
- 9 Dec yr 3 excursion
- 12 Dec lapathon
- 14 Dec final assembly 9am
- 14 Dec reports home
- 15 Dec students break up
- **WED 1 Feb students start**

## STUDENT ABSENCES

Please SMS absences to the school stating: *Child's full name, room, absence date, reason*

SMS: 0417 973 697

Please do not try to call this number and only use it to notify of absences. THANKS

**Leavers-** If your K-5 child won't be returning for 2017 please let us know

**Students start:** 1 February 2017  
**Students end:** 14 December 2017  
**2017 Student free days:**  
24 April; 17 July; 9 October.

Thank you! Cake stall room 1  
\$406.70

## From the Principal

**In term swimming** has started this week. Thanks for everyone's support. All lost property will be in the office.

**The Talent Quest** organised by the Student Council is auditioning this week at lunchtimes.

**Water slides** will be on the oval on Friday 9 December from 3pm-6pm thanks to the P&C. That day we will have a no uniform 'zinc and boardies day'. Children will be able to buy a wristband from the office for \$5 which will give them access to the waterslides after school. There will also be a sausage sizzle. This sounds like a fantastic way to end the year as a community. Watch this space for further information as the day approaches. Year 3s who are at the zoo during the day will need to wear school uniform for the excursion, but leave their zinc and boardies at school to change into when they return.

**Lapathon** - we are having a lapathon on the morning of 12 December to raise money for Batten disease, which affects a Richmond family. Students are forming teams of 3-4 to walk or run laps of the oval in relay. They will be asking for sponsorship per lap or for a donation. As they complete a lap they will get a bead to thread on a necklace that they get to keep. More information to follow.

**The P&C family photo shoot** is this weekend... to book your session with the access code, 4T1 FZE 7NK, go to [advancedlifestudios.com.au](http://advancedlifestudios.com.au);

**Graduation** – if you would like more tickets for year 6 graduation please call Lara on the front desk. Letters went home last term with all year 6 students.

**Student Council and Faction Captain 2017** elections are being held this week. Results will be announced at the final assembly.

**Year 5 applications for secondary school gifted and talented places**– remember to apply over the summer. Applications for year 7, 2018 close on February 6<sup>th</sup> 2017.

**In and out 2017** – I currently have 60 students leaving at the end of the year and have taken 62 enrolments for 2017. Forming classes is a balancing act, so please do tell me asap if you are leaving, thanks.

*Lisa Dentith*

## From the Principal continued

### Questions

Please email me any quick queries or questions and I will respond as soon as I can. Recent questions below.

**Q:** Uniforms for pre-primary – when / how do I get details about what uniform I need to purchase for Pre-primary next year?

**A:** PP uniform is the same as the main site – there is a picture of all items in our main office. Go to Willetton uniforms, Unit 2, rear 185 High St, Willetton tel: 94577 333. Or website: [www.willettonuniforms.com.au](http://www.willettonuniforms.com.au)  
Order online, by phone or visit the shop.

**Q:** How are staff appointed?

**A:** I have to check that the DoE has no redeployee staff to place. If they don't, I merit select staff. I currently have adverts running for a cleaner, special needs education assistants, and manager corporate services and pools in operation for teaching positions. I have over 2500 teachers in the Richmond pool wanting a job here.

**Q:** What are the main things principals do, I have no real idea?

**A:** Richmond is a big business with 43 staff, 430 students on site and 700 parents. I manage the business.

This involves *financial management* – I have \$3,500 000 annually to run the school, pay everyone and buy everything we need; *human resource management* including selection, training and monitoring of staff, curriculum leadership and the enrolment, management and pastoral care of students; *physical resource management* – maintaining an old building is not simple or cheap, as well as ensuring we have enough furniture, resources etc; *policy and planning* – ensuring we are compliant with an awful lot of DoE policies and procedures and reporting to the DoE for accountability on everything from the room 4 canary to the canteen food policy to the chaplaincy to our use of ICT to our implementation of the curriculum to our number of critical incidents...as well as planning for the future;

*community relations* – daily liaison with parent groups – P&C and Council and well as lots of individual enquiries.

Plus anything else that comes up daily when 430 children are running around – and a lot does!

**Q:** How is the student council elected?

**A:** Year 5s nominate, make a speech and year 4 and 5 students and staff vote.

**Q:** When can I collect my Campion order from school?

**A:** Friday December 2 between 8.30-10.30am in the Art room.

**Q:** Can I use the SMS system to advise of upcoming absences?

**A:** Yes, use for all absences – past, present and future. State the exact dates and child's full name please.

**Q:** How do children get into the talent quest?

**A:** Posters are up around the school for students to sign up. Auditions are now and the top acts will be invited to perform in the quest.

*Lisa Dentith*

**Our Scholastic bookfair** was a great success. We raised valuable funds for teachers and the Library to purchase resources. I would like to thank all who purchased books, pens and other items from the Fair. Also a big thank you to Mrs Webb and Ana Oliveria who gave up their afternoons to help, the senior girls Caizha Lee, Ashlee Button and Isabel Duncanson who gave up their mornings and lunch time. Without your help it would not have been the success it was.  
*Susan Catalano.*

### Getting this Newsletter

New families please note this newsletter is only distributed by email.

To register for the distribution list please email us on [Richmond.PS@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Richmond.PS@education.wa.edu.au) and put 'newsletter' in the subject line

## P&C Association

### Wild Kits Fundraiser

Grab a Wild Kit to help fundraise for Richmond PS. *Example packs are at the main office.* Go to [www.wildkits.com.au](http://www.wildkits.com.au) and in the coupon code type 'RICHMOND' (in capitals) to receive a discount. The Kits will be delivered to the school for you to pick up at reception. These kits are fantastic to keep in your bag or car but also as gifts for grandparents, parents with small children or great Christmas gifts.

Contact Amy on [amy@wildkits.com.au](mailto:amy@wildkits.com.au) or 0403460224 for any queries.

**AGM 2017:** Wednesday 15 February, 2017. 7.30pm school library. All positions will be vacant for nominations.

## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Not-for-profit ads are provided as a community service and are free. The School Council has decided to accept paid advertising from businesses at \$30 per ad. This revenue will be spent on school resources. Businesses wishing to advertise should email a business card sized advert to the school. Services and programs on this page are not necessarily endorsed by the school.

### DRAMA-O-RAMA

**Drama classes for kids of all ages**

**January Holiday Program and Term 1 2017 enrolments now open!**

**DRAMA-O-RAMA** is a fun Holiday and afterschool drama class that builds children's confidence, self-esteem and social skills. Drama enhances creative thinking and imagination, and improves self-discipline and problem-solving abilities.

If your child is a budding young actor or is just looking to have fun and make new friends then check out class times at [www.asidetp.com](http://www.asidetp.com).

Follow the links to **DRAMA-O-RAMA!**  
Or contact me; email- [elissawallis@asidetp.com](mailto:elissawallis@asidetp.com)  
Ph- 0403147570

Conveniently located on Hammad Street, Palmyra

**BOOK NOW! Classes fill up quickly!**

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lesson, Squads

Opening November inside Melville Plaza  
Shopping Centre

For more information:

[melville@kirbyswim.com.au](mailto:melville@kirbyswim.com.au)

A child's wallet was found on the corner of Millenden and Oakover St on Saturday afternoon. There is no name or contact number in it.

Please contact Tom De Luca 0423537347 if you think the wallet is yours.

### GIFTED AND TALENTED SECONDARY SELECTIVE ENTRANCE PROGRAMS

Everyone plays a vital role in making sure the brightest and most creative children in Western Australia have access to Gifted and Talented Programs offered at 18 of our secondary schools.

#### APPLICATION DATES

Current year 5 parents should apply for these programs online on the [Gifted and Talented Programs website](#).

Applications are open now.

Applications close Monday 6 February 2017



**EAST FREMANTLE LAWN TENNIS CLUB**  
Social Tennis with Creché Available

**Wednesday (Ladies only)**  
8.30am - 11.00am

**Saturday (All welcome)**  
2.00pm - 5.00pm

**COST**  
Tennis \$10.00 pp Creché \$5.00 p/child

For more Information/Bookings -  
Ph: Kirsty on 0466 723 022 or E: [kirstyeflct@inet.net.au](mailto:kirstyeflct@inet.net.au)

### FAMILY PHOTO FUNDRAISER 26TH AND 27TH NOVEMBER

Important information on how to book your session:

Where : [advancedlifestudios.com.au](http://advancedlifestudios.com.au)

Code: 4T1 FZE 7NK

Cost: \$25 (fully donated to the P&C)

Choose a day and pick a time that suits.

Follow the prompts to the end.

A confirmation email will be sent when the form is complete.

*Liann Cooper & Rosa Chiappini*

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