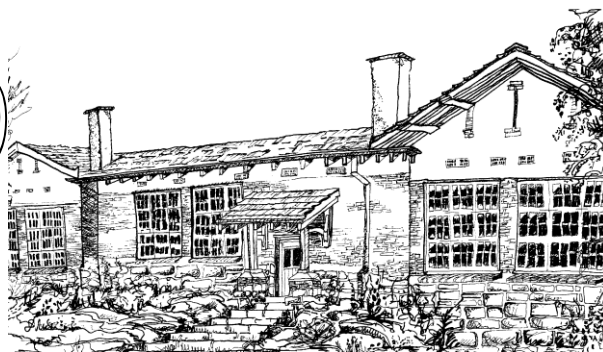


RICHMOND NEWS



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Schedule of School Events

- **Mon 6 Feb** Gifted and Talented yr 7 2018 applications close
- **15 Feb** P&C AGM 7.30pm
- **17 Feb** assembly rm9/2
- **20 Feb** yr4-6 interm swimming
- **3 March** assembly rm1
- **6 March** labour day
- **11 March** we are a polling stn
- **16 March** yr3-6 swim trials
- **17 March** assembly rm 6/5
- **23 March** sch swimcarnival
- **28 March** inters swim
- **31 March** assembly rm 10/13

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

Students start: 1 February 2017

Students end: 14 December 2017

2017 Student free days:

24 April; 17 July; 9 October.

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 and put 'newsletter' in the subject line.

Please advise by return email if you would like to be removed from this distribution list.

From the Principal Parent /Teacher meetings

Parents will be invited to meet with their child's classroom teacher in the next few weeks. Teachers will organise the timetabling of this.

Dogs

This year, dogs are not permitted on the school site between 8am and 4pm on school days. See over for details.

Assemblies

Dates are listed left – please note these do sometimes change. Any changes will be in the newsletter.

Arrival at school

Please could children not arrive at school before 8.30am. We have a before school care provider each day for working parents to use. Conversely, if your child arrives any time after the siren has gone they need to go to the office for a late pass to sign in.

The optimum time to arrive at school is 8.30-8.35am. This gives children time to unpack their bag, greet their friends and go into the classroom to start at 8.45am.

Lump sum payment scheme for incursions/excursions 2017

As flagged last year, the School Council has decided to introduce an upfront bulk payment system for excursions/incursions. Parents are asked to pay \$100 into their child's account at the office. Any payments will be debited like a normal account as the year progresses and you will receive statements. This will save parents having to find small amounts of cash for incursions/excursions as they arise. You will just complete a permission slip for each activity.

We will review this at the end of Semester 1 and advise if a top up will be needed for Semester 2.

At the end of the year if all the money is not spent then this amount is carried over as a credit to your account next year.

In term swimming

Years 4-6 will start swimming in week 4/5 this term to dovetail into our swimming carnivals. Notes have gone home

PTO

Lisa Dentith

Labelling

Please label all your child's equipment and clothing. It's a good idea to embroider a small design onto the outside of their hat.

NAPLAN

Year 3 and 5 parents please ensure your children are present at school for Naplan tests (start 9.00am) as follows:

Tuesday 9 May

Year 3 Language and Conventions (40 mins)

Year 3 Writing (40 mins)

Year 5 Language and Conventions (40 mins)

Year 5 Writing (40 mins)

Wednesday 10 May

Year 3 Reading (45 mins)

Year 5 Reading (50 mins)

Thursday 11 May

Year 3 Numeracy (45 mins)

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There is a Naplan website with further information including sample tests. Go to:

<http://www.nap.edu.au>

Uniform Recycling

We have a recycled uniform system in the office – please donate your good used items that are too small. Any parent may look through the boxes and take items their children will use (for a gold coin donation, which goes to the P&C).

Nuts

We try to be nut free and ask that everyone avoid sending any nuts or nut products to school. We have a number of children with anaphylaxis.

Factions

New children can find out their faction from the office in order to buy a faction T shirt.

Mathletics and Reading Eggs

These online literacy and numeracy programs are paid for by the P&C. Every yr1-6 child has a logon. Please encourage your child to participate at home to practise their skills.

Long service leave

Education Department staff have been directed to clear their long service leave, hence we have a number of staff on leave. I will be on leave for weeks 3 and 4, (14-24 February). Please see either of my deputies during this period.

Visual Arts yr 1-6

Students will be working on a theme relating to Sculpture by the Sea. I would like to alert parents who may have concerns about allergies as we will be doing observational drawing of shells and found objects from the sea. If it is of concern I can adapt the program and work from photocopies.

We will also be working on a theme relating to the Chinese New Year using collage materials glue and feathers from the art supply shop. Again if you have any concerns please let me know via email Linda.Ullrich@education.wa.edu.au

Dogs not permitted at school *continued*

The rule at Richmond was always that family dogs were welcome as long as they were on a lead, with their owner, under control and did not pose a risk to anyone.

However this is increasingly impossible to enforce. Despite requests, some owners keep letting their dog off its lead, tying dogs up around the school, not picking up after them and not closely watching them.

Some parents are understandably feeling worried about this and about the number of dogs on site, even on leads, and with 400 children on site, some of whom are afraid of dogs, this is an OSH risk that I feel I can no longer take.

Under the new Dog Act, a person only has to feel *fear* of physical injury in order to report a dog attack. There does not have to be an *actual* physical attack. So if, for example, you tie your dog up and leave it, and a child feels fear at it jumping or barking, you could risk charges.

I have spoken to the East Fremantle Ranger about tying dogs up outside the school grounds. His strong advice to owners is to be aware of these changes to the Dog Act.

At the end of the day, my priority is the safety and *the perceived safety* of our children. I have sought advice from the Education Department in making this decision not to allow dogs, and have not made it lightly.

Thanks to the vast majority of owners who do the right thing. But times have changed. Bringing your dog onto the school grounds between 8am-4pm, with so many children around is increasingly a risk for both children and dogs.

P&C AGM

The P&C will hold its AGM in the school library on 15 February at 7.30pm.

P&C Nominations are sought for the following positions and should be received in an envelope in the P&C mailbox in the office by 3.00pm on Monday 13th February please:

Executive Committee (8)

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Three committee positions (Principal is an automatic member)

Coordinators

- Entertainment book coordinator
- Loyalty programs coordinator
- Book club coordinator
- Grants coordinator
- Graduation fundraising (year 6)
- WACSSO /District Council delegate

General members (not nominated or capped)

These are the P&C members who come to meetings, discuss initiatives, vote and help out. The general P&C meets once a term, usually at Zephyrs at 9.00am.

Sub-committee members

Volunteers to join the following sub-committees will also be sought:

- Dads of Richmond Kids (DoRKs)
- Arts Committee
- Nature Play/Gardening Club Committee
- School Banking Committee

Class parent reps

We are seeking one or two parents to be the parent rep for their class. You would organise the class cake stall, ANZAC flowers and other general tasks that come up for your class.

School Council Rep

We need a P&C member to be a rep on the School Council.

Please consider getting involved.

For any questions, contact current President, Beck James on 0407 018 151 or beck.james@bigpond.com

School Banking

Welcome back to a new banking year!

Banking will recommence on Wednesday 8th February outside the library.

Come and see the awesome new rewards! We look forward to seeing you for another exciting year.

New bankers always welcome, come and see us for details.

Best wishes the school banking team

Katrina, Liann and Rosa

0433 929 173

Teachers & Classes

Kindy:	Mrs Bockman & Mrs Dundas
PP:	Mrs Gorringer & Mrs Newton; Mrs Sellers & Mrs Wells; Mrs Scurry & Mrs Dyer
Year 1:	Mrs Bennett; Mrs Ryan & Mrs Fogwill
Year 2:	Mrs Hart; Mrs Maloney & Mrs Fogwill; Mrs Rose
Year 3:	Miss Gaskin; Mrs Nankeville (T1) then Mrs Marshall
Year 4:	Mrs Horsley & Mrs Bertolini; Mrs Sorrell
Year 5 & 6:	Mr Contos; Mrs Button & Mr Carder; Mr Tifflin
Italian:	Senora Oliveira
Visual Art:	Ms Ullrich
Music:	Mrs Bertolini
Phys Ed:	Mr Osborne (T1) then Mr Tindale

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