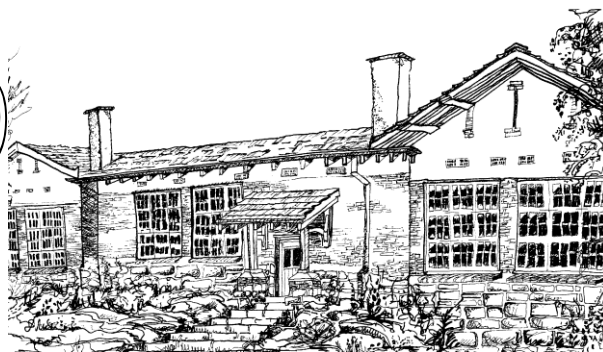


RICHMOND NEWS



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Schedule of School Events

- **11 March** we are a polling stn
- **16 March** yr4-6 swim trials
- **17 March** assembly rm 6/5
- **23 March** sch swimcarnival
- **28 March** inters swim
- **31 March** assembly rm 10/13
- **7 April** **break up T1**
- 24 April student free day
- 25 April ANZAC day
- **WED 26 April return T2**
- **26 April** 2018 applications
- **28 April** ANZAC service
- **9, 10, 11 May** NAPLAN
- **12 May** assembly
- **22 May** yr 6 camp

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

School Photos are on Thursday (some offsite shots were today) – please see last newsletter and overleaf for details. Students should hand the payment envelope to the photographer on the day OR alternatively parents can pay online and not return the envelope.

2018 Enrolments

Applications for enrolment at Richmond Primary School will open at the start of next term, on 26th April 2017.

The application forms will be available on our website over the coming weeks or can be collected from reception from Monday, 3rd April.

The closing date for applications will be 21 July, 2017.

A school tour for prospective families who are undecided will be conducted on Thursday, 25th May at 10am.

Polling station

We are a polling station on Saturday. The P&C is kindly running a series of food and drink stalls. Thanks to everyone who is supporting their efforts by volunteering to help on a stall on the day; by bringing cakes; by helping set up marquees in the morning etc. If you can help even for an hour, please email Paula as described on the poster overleaf. Thanks for encouraging family and friends to vote at Richmond.

Questions

As always, please email me any quick queries or questions and I will respond as soon as I can. Recent questions overleaf.

Lisa Dentith

Swimming

Many thanks to those people who have volunteered to assist Mrs Cook with timing at our swim trials (16 March 12.30pm) and/or assist Mrs Dentith judging at the swim carnival (23 March 12.15pm).

Can you please let the school know in advance if you can assist and your name will be marked off a volunteer list that will be left at the pool admissions desk? Listed volunteers do not pay the \$2.30 spectator admission fee to Melville Leisure Centre. If you can help it would be greatly appreciated as we do rely on your support.

Charmaine Cook, Deputy Principal

From the Principal continued

Recent Questions

Email your question.

Q: What do we do re schooling if we take the children travelling for a few months?

A: The Education Act says that children should be at a school. Options are:

1. Enrol them at the School of Distance Education – children do school work online with an assigned tutor.

The student must be travelling overseas for a minimum of one school semester or 20 school weeks. (Proof: airline tickets and itinerary) The student should not have access to an English speaking school.

2. Register yourself with the WA Education Department as a Home Educator. You would have to demonstrate to the Education Department that you are fulfilling all requirements of the WA curriculum.

3. Enrol them at a school abroad.

4. Obviously the last option is they miss school and are recorded on the roll as ‘unauthorised absence’ or ‘unauthorised vacation’. The school doesn’t provide work. But we would suggest you continue with Reading Eggs, Mathletics and any other class work books or assignments. It is also a good idea to keep a travel diary.

Q: Is there a school policy on giving out party invitations at school?

A: We prefer that invitations be given out outside of school, but if that’s not practical, teachers will hand them out for you discreetly at the end of the day. It can be very demoralising when everyone else is publicly invited and you are left out.

Q: When can I apply for 2018 kindy?

A: During term 3, starting 26 April.

Q: Is kindergarten compulsory?

A: No. In Western Australia, children can start their education in kindergarten, however compulsory schooling starts in pre-primary. All children of compulsory school age (PP) must be enrolled in school and attend every day – this is the law.

You can find out what year your children need to start school with the school-age calculator here <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/web/our-schools/enrolling-in-school>

Q: How do I enrol at Richmond?

A: To enrol your kindergarten or pre-primary child for 2018, collect an application for enrolment form from our office or website and apply during term 3 (starting 26 April closing 21

July). It is likely all kindergarten places will be taken by the closing date.

Q: Can we look around the school before enrolling?

A: A school tour for interested parents will be conducted on Thursday, 25th May at 10am. Call 9339 5055 to book a place on the tour.

Q: Just wondering if the school is going to issue parents with an invoice for the lump sum payment scheme for incursions/excursions 2017

A: No, we aren't as it's optional. Parents just come into the office to pay into their account and we will debit their child's expenses through the year. We do hope that eventually the majority of families will choose the lump sum option as it's easier for everyone. All children have an account set up now ready for use.

Q: When are main school photos?

A: Thursday 9th March

Q: When do we bring in the photo envelope?

A: If you are **paying online by credit card** there is no need to return an envelope. If you are **paying with cash** please complete an order form for EACH child. Ensure correct payment is enclosed in the supplied envelope when placing your order. If you are paying with cash please return the envelope on the scheduled photography day (This is to avoid large sums of money being stored at the school).

Q: What if I forget to order photos?

A: Parents are able to order online for 5 days after the photography day. This will not attract any further charges.

Q: What if my child isn't there on Thursday?

A: Kapture will have a studio catch up day at their studio in Balcatta. Ring Lara in our office to find out about this.

Q: When are sibling photos?

A: Recess and lunchtime on THURSDAY 9th March. Kindy 'A' parents will need to bring their child to our library (1.05pm-1.45pm) if they order a family photo. Sibling photos can only be ordered online.

Richmond Primary will be a polling station for the March 11 state election this year. Please help our P&C raise funds for the school by contacting Paula as below.



Polling Station

RICHMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

We need your help!

Saturday 11th March 2017

7 - 2.30pm



Bacon & Egg Burgers

Sausage Sizzle



Cake Stand

Fruit Stand

Icy Pole Stand



please contact Paula

virtuallysortedwa@gmail.com

to book in on our roster

P&C ASSOCIATION

Executive committee meeting tonight.

President Beck James
Secretary Paula Sowden
Treasurer Mike Harwood
Executive Committee Members:
Lisa Dentith, Aoife Lannon,
Craig Petzke, Chris Brown

New members are always welcome to join the following **sub-committees** that will continue in 2017:

- Dads of Richmond Kids (DoRKs)
- Arts Committee
- Nature Play Committee

The following positions remain vacant - please consider nominating to fulfil ones of these roles:

- Vice President - member of the Executive Committee and supporting role for the President
- Canteen Volunteer Co-ordinator - source and roster volunteers for the school canteen
- Entertainment Book Co-ordinator - co-ordinate sales of the Entertainment Book as a P&C fundraiser
- Tea Towel/Plates Co-ordinator - co-ordinate tea towel/plates with children's artwork in Pre-Primary as a P&C fundraiser
- Hot Cross Bun Co-ordinator - co-ordinate Easter hot cross bun sale as a P&C fundraiser

Please contact Beck James on 0407 018 151 or beck.james@bigpond.com, re queries.

Lump sum payment scheme for incursions/excursions 2017

School Council has introduced an upfront bulk payment system for excursions to make it easier for parents. Parents pay \$100 into their child's account at the office. Any payments will be debited as the year progresses and you will receive statements. This will save parents having to find small amounts of cash for excursions as they arise... just complete a permission slip for each activity.

Class Parent Reps

Kindy: Madeline Cox; Malika Calder;
Agata Sleeman
PP o/s Jo Colman; Zaneta Pavkova
Rm 0 Kelly Wilkins
Rm 1 Jessica Zoiti
Rm 2 Vee Bauer
Rm 3 Amy Brunsdon
Rm 4 Liann Cooper; Melissa Higham
Rm 5 Suzanne Foster
Rm 6 Paula Sowden
Rm 7 Amanda Wray; Angela Beazley
Rm 8 Sivia Piviali; Nicola Parry
Rm 9 Rosa Chiappini
Rm 10 Amanda Truscott
Rm 11 Lisa Highman
Rm 12 Kylie Kelly
Rm 13 TBA

Other coordinators

Loyalty Programs	Joanna Colman
Book Club Coordinator	Susan Catalano
Grants Officer	Chris Brown
School Banking	Liann Cooper
School Council rep	TBA
WACSSO delegate	Mike Harwood
Graduation Fundraisin	Kylie Kelly

PRINCIPAL: Lisa Dentith

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DEPUTIES:

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Dave Carder (yr 3-6 & Teaching & Learning)

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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.

Melville SHS: Testing Closes Next Week Year 5s and 6s

Specialist Program applications for Melville SHS close next week 10 March. **Testing is open to Year 5s and they can re-sit in Year 6 if not successful.** Testing takes place on 28 or 30 March. Students can apply for entry into Aviation, Graphic Design Media, Music, Academic Extension and Netball. More information is [HERE](#)

Aviation - Come Fly With Me Course

Any interested Year 5 and 6 students can attend a *Come Fly with Me* Program over 8 weeks at Melville SHS on Monday mornings in Terms 2, 3 or 4. More information is [HERE](#)

For more information contact Kate Main
Marketing and Communications Officer, Melville SHS

9330 0320 (Monday, Wednesday and Thursday)
0417 949 761

www.melville.wa.edu.au

Marshalls Tennis Academy Tennis Coaching

[Richmond Primary School form](#) and
[East Fremantle Lawn Tennis Club form](#)

See brochure downloads at:
marshallstennis.com.au

Australian Girls' Choir February Open Classes

We encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform. School aged girls are invited to try our fun and inclusive classes and learn more about being part of the AGC! Contact us if you would like to attend a free trial class in February.

08 6365 2101 or perth@aspagroup.com.au



Cott Pirates
Cottesloe Junior Rugby Club
Open Training Night - Thursday 9 March 5pm
www.cottrugby.com

RICHMOND PRIMARY AUSSIE HOOPS

Tuesdays 3:10pm TO 4:10pm

Starting 21st of February 2017

To Register: www.aussiehoops.com.au

For more info: 9335 9101

development@cockburncougars.com



FAMILY MOVIE FUNDRAISER

McFarland USA

EFJFC Year Six Melbourne Footy Tour 2017

Where : Henry Jeffery Oval
Wauhop Rd, East Fremantle

When : Friday, 31st March, 2017

Time : Gates Open 5:30 pm
Movie Starts approx 7:00 pm

Tickets :
\$10 each or
\$30 per family (of up to 5)
www.trybooking.com/OWZI

Tickets also available at the gate
(Cash only)

**Come early and get your dinner from the canteen.
Burgers, hotdogs and softdrinks available.**

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WANTED: second hand pram! Please let the school office know if you can help.