

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

## Welcome to Term 3!

This term our big focus is on our Production "A Kidsummer Night's Dream". Nick and his team are very busy preparing the show and all staff and students are involved in some way. While the show isn't until Term 4, rehearsals have been underway for most of the year and now the rest of the school steps up so we can step out for success!

### Wearing of Facemasks

I noted this morning that Victoria's new mask rules announced this morning were not being adhered to by our families. You are required to wear a mask when onsite and you must check in to each building you visit via our QR Codes located at the entrances. Each QR code is unique to the building it is displayed on.

Please wear your mask, if staff approach you and you have a lawful exemption – please presume their good intent. We are trying to keep our whole school community safe.

### Thank You

We have a number of thank yous to make. Thank you to:

- ♥ Spice and Pestle Restaurant in Riddells Creek for donating \$500 toward our new archway we are installing at the entrance to our school.
- ♥ Foodworks for supporting our Toastie Day fundraiser at the end of Term 2. Supplying all the ingredients meant we were able to make pure profit of \$1300.
- ♥ Mocha Leaf Café for providing our staff with delicious sandwiches on our 3-way interview day free of charge. We were grateful to be so well fed.

### Hot Milo Friday

I know lots of children are excited about our Hot Milo Fridays! **PLEASE bring a keep cup with A LID** and your \$1 coin to enjoy a warming and tasty treat.

### Parents and Friends Club Meeting

The parent club are holding their first meeting at 1pm in the Art room on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July (this Friday). Please come along if you can, to lend a hand and offer suggestions. All welcome.

### Long Service Leave

I am taking each Monday for the remainder of the year (with a couple of exceptions for key events and meetings) as Long Service Leave to support my family. Amelia Desormeaux and Sandra Stewart will be capably leading the school each Monday in my absence.

Until next time,



Emma Brooksby



JULY	
23	Mini Olympics
26-30	Banksia Swimming Program
AUGUST	
2-6	Melaleuca Senior Swimming Program
5	School Council Meeting
12	District Athletics
20	District Basketball
23-27	Book Week
SEPTEMBER	
3	District Softball
9	School Council Meeting
15	District Hot Shots Tennis
17	<b>Term 3 Ends 2.30pm</b>
OCTOBER	
4	<b>Term 4 Starts</b>
6	School Photo Day
11&12	Dress Rehearsals School Production
13&14	School Production Matinee & Evening
28	School Council Meeting
NOVEMBER	
1	<b>Pupil Free Day</b>
2	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
9	Melaleuca Senior Excursion to Melbourne. Pick Up RC Train Station 3.49pm
DECEMBER	
2	School Council Meeting
7	Year 6-7 Transition Statewide Orientation Day
13	Grade 6 Graduation
16	3pm Final Assembly Grade 6
17	<b>Term 4 Ends 12.30pm</b>

## RCPS Calendar 2021

## WE ARE TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR PREPS 2022

# Prep 2022

**CANCELLED**

### Parent School Tours 2021

Wednesday 28th April at 9:15am and 2:15pm  
 Wednesday 2nd June at 9:15am  
 Wednesday 21st July at 9:15am  
 Wednesday 25th August at 2:15pm

Enrolments welcome any time, preferably before Friday September 17th.

Our school Transition Sessions will be both parent info sessions and kinder kids with their grade 6 buddies in the classrooms.

The transition sessions will be on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> 2021

### TERM DATES 2021

TERM 1: 27th Jan until 1st Apr  
 TERM 2: 19th Apr until 25th Jun  
 TERM 3: 12th July until 17th Sep (Term 3 ends @ 2.30pm)  
 TERM 4: 4th Oct until 17th Dec (Term 4 ends @ 12.30pm)

### TERM DATES 2022

TERM 1: 31st Jan until 8th April (Term 1 ends @ 2.30pm)  
 TERM 2: 26th Apr until 24th June (Term 2 ends @ 2.30pm)  
 TERM 3: 11th July (pupil free day TBC)-16th Sep (Term 3 ends @ 2.30pm)  
 TERM 4: 3rd Oct - 20th Dec (Term 4 end @ 12.30pm)

### ASSEMBLY

16 July MU8	20 August MU4
23 July MU1	27 August BU1 & BU2
30th July MU2	3 September BU3 & BU4
6 August MU3	10 September BU3
13 August BU5	17 September MU1 @ 2pm





# CHAMPIONS!

## District Netball

Congratulations to our girl's netball team on winning the Grand Final on Wednesday at our district inter-school competition!

Our boy's team played outstandingly too, finishing 3rd overall.

A BIG thank you to Lauren, Annie, Miss Davis, Mrs Dullard and Mrs Webb for coaching, training and assisting with selection! Thank you to Braemar College Woodend for supplying wonderful umpires.

## We're back and ready for Term 3!

It was fabulous to see our students happy and excited to be back at school



Measuring and constructing homes for our toys in BU2.



**Elijah W**  
**Mila L**  
**Mackenzie F**  
**Amelia C**  
**Georgia M**  
**Sophie R**  
**Jake C**  
**William W**  
**Darcy M**



*RECENT & UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS*  
*WISHING YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY*

## Instrumental Program

We have a new guitar teacher!



His name is Scott Warncke and he is very excited to teach at RCPS.

Scott currently teaches students guitar at Woodend Primary school and he tutors students from home.

Students need to be in grade two, three, four, five or six to learn guitar.

If you are interested in having your students learn guitar, please fill out an instrumental notice, (in the foyer outside the office) or you can contact me, (Ms Krohn)

[brigid.krohn@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:brigid.krohn@education.vic.gov.au)

Ms Krohn

## Can you help?

### Our Kitchen Garden really needs:

- ♥ Stainless steel bowls
- ♥ Cutlery
- ♥ Tea towels
- ♥ Good quality peelers
- ♥ Plastic chopping boards
- ♥ Wooden and silicon spoons
- ♥ Measuring spoons
- ♥ Measuring cups

Please drop off at the front office

*Thanking you in advance*

# RCPS MINI OLYMPICS 2021

## Friday 23rd July, 2021

To celebrate the Tokyo Olympics, RCPS will be holding their own 'Mini Olympics'.

Students are encouraged to dress in one of the following countries colours, depending on which House they are in.

These countries have colours of their house included in the flag

Red House	Blue House	Green House	Yellow House
USA Japan Canada Switzerland	Norway United Kingdom France Greece	Australia Ireland Italy Brazil	Australia Sri Lanka Spain Jamaica

There will be an opening ceremony parade in the morning, then students will participate in cross- age fun activities until lunchtime. The winning House will be announced at assembly.



# Assembly Award Winners

BU2 Aidan H & Ted B

BU3 Lachlan M

BU5 Liam B

BU6 Keeley B

MU2 Maggie & Tiffany A

MU3 Neva I

MU5 Eli W, Emmy D & Livvy W

MU6 Indigo S & Susannah M

MU7 Ella I & Willow M

MU8 Jake C

PE Logan C, Finn H & Julian Z

Drama Lhasa BU4

BU2 Taj L & Harper R

BU4 Coen L

MU3 Mya H

MU5 Sam V & Wynter F

MU6 Charlie H

PE All of BU1 & BU2

Drama Declan S, Logan C,  
Mason P, Nathan B



Week 9 & 10 (Term 2)



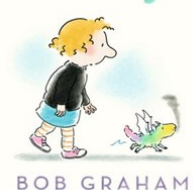


The Children's Book Council of Australia has announced the 2021 shortlist of the best books published for children in the past year. I love picture story books and have many favourites that work really well when read aloud. My top three from this year's shortlist are:

Leanne @ Library

### Picture Books

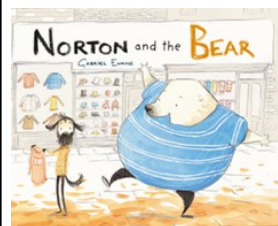
#### Ellie's Dragon



#### Ellie's Dragon / Bob Graham

When Ellie is very little, she finds a newborn dragon fresh from the egg on a supermarket shelf, and calls him Scratch. He is quite the sweetest thing she has ever seen! From that day on, Ellie and Scratch do everything together. Ellie's mum and her teacher can't see her fiery friend, but all her friends can – and, over the years, Ellie's dragon grows to be big, house-trained, and very affectionate. And Ellie is growing, too...

Bob Graham is an amazing author and illustrator. We had great discussions about whether the dragon was real or not during library class!



#### Norton and the Bear / Gabriel Evans

Is imitation the sincerest form of flattery? Or is it just annoying? A great story that looks at conformity, individuality and belonging in an accessible, kid-friendly way. The kids loved the different outfits and we discussed whether copying was something they liked or didn't like.



#### There's no such thing / Heidi McKinnon

Bear can't sleep. *Did you hear that?* Did you feel that? What was it?

It wasn't a hungry giant or a blood-sucking spider or a fire-breathing dragon because there is NO SUCH THING... Is there?

A funny story about 'imagined' scary critters in the bush in the night when camping. All Heidi McKinnon's books are great to read aloud. Her other titles include *Baz and Benz* and *I just ate my Friend*

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum. CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

**The annual CSEF amount per student is:** \$125 for primary school students - \$225 for secondary school students

**MORE INFORMATION** <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below. If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.
- Check with the school office if you are unsure

# NEXT RIDDELLS CREEK FARMERS MARKET 17 JULY 2021

SATURDAY 17 JULY 2021, 9AM-1PM  
RIDDELLS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL, RIDDELLS CREEK

## SKILLS ACQUISITION FOOTY PROGRAMS

### JOIN US AT:

Holy Cross Primary School, New Gisborne (9am-1pm)  
Every Monday / Wednesday / Friday of school holidays

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## Andrew Fuller

Clinical Psychologist  
Author and Speaker

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### Parent/Carer Evening

Andrew Fuller is a clinical psychologist, family therapist, author, speaker and creator of Learning Strengths™.

Andrew has worked with over 3,500 schools in Australia, NZ, Asia and the UK and with more than 500,000 young people on core elements of resilience - connect, protect and respect (CPR) and building The Resilient Mindset, which he defined as "the happy knack of being able to Bungy jump through the pitfalls of life to rise above adversity and obstacles". Having worked with people who were at their last hopes, Andrew has always been inspired to help people create futures they can fall in love with.

Andrew Fuller is an Honorary Fellow at the University of Melbourne and has been a scientific consultant for the ABC and a regular presenter on Radio National. He has established programs for neuroscience and education, promoting mental health in schools, substance abuse prevention, reducing violence and bullying, suicide prevention programs, and assisting homeless young people.

Come and have a fun session with well-known Clinical Psychologist Andrew Fuller. Andrew's talks are always entertaining and informative. Andrew's work aims to have people create futures they can fall in love with!

**When:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021

**Where:** Campbells Creek Community Centre 45 Elizabeth St.

**Time:** 6 pm – 9 pm with light refreshments, tea & coffee provided

Please register to Jacqui Carter @

[Jacqueline.carter@scchc.org.au](mailto:Jacqueline.carter@scchc.org.au) or call 0428 480 587

We will have a limit on numbers due to COVID restrictions, so get in early!

I am looking forward to learning with you.

To maximise your learning from the session, please complete the learning strengths analysis at [www.mylearningstrengths.com](http://www.mylearningstrengths.com) for yourself before coming. Have the letter or full report with you (refer to- not to share!) during the session.

## NETSETGO....is on again!

Riddells Creek Netball Association Inc. invites girls and boys in Prep, Years 1 & 2 to come along and learn to play netball with your friends.

When: Thursdays 3.45pm - 4.30pm.

Where: Leisure Centre, Riddells Creek.

Depending on numbers, sessions will run during Term 3. You must book in with Flo 0408 360 128 or Marlene 0438 504 279

NetSetGo is a modified introduction to the great game of netball with safe activities, incorporating skills, minor games, modified matches and...., fun!

Enquiries:

Call Marlene or Flo



A community choir  
for children  
from 5 years



Sing great songs

Learn about voice production and part singing



Perform at concerts,  
festivals and community  
events

Make new friends



Thursdays, 4.15 - 5.45 pm

Norma Richardson Hall, Buckland Street,  
Woodend

[yvymacedon.org.au](http://yvymacedon.org.au)

Gisborne & District  
Community Bank Branch

Bendigo Bank



## Enrolments Open for 2021 & 2022

3 YEAR OLD PROGRAM - PARTIALLY FUNDED KINDER PROGRAM FROM 2022  
+ 4 YEAR OLD FUNDED KINDER PROGRAM

Macedon Ranges Montessori Preschool has provided parents with an alternative option of education in the Montessori method. We provide a holistic approach within a supportive environment that nurtures children's self respect.

Our program focuses on developing self-discipline, self-respect and consideration for others and the environment.



Open Monday to Thursday 9am-3pm

For more info head to [www.macedonrangesmontessori.com.au](http://www.macedonrangesmontessori.com.au)

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