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Term 4, Week 3, 29th October, 2020

DIARY DATES

Friday 30th October
Wednesday 2nd December
Thursday 3rd December
Friday 4th December

Book Week Parade
Transition Visits (Yr 7 students & 2021 Reception)
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Sports Day

Dear parents and caregivers,

Acknowledgement of Country

We, the staff and students of Reidy Park Primary School, would like to acknowledge and respect the Boandik people whose ancestral lands we gather and learn upon. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of Aboriginal people to country and pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging. We promise to thank them by taking care of the land everyday as we learn at Reidy Park Primary School.

Covid 19 Restrictions

The direction from the Department for Education continues to be that we need to adhere to social distancing guidelines. We still ask that parents and adults do not enter school grounds unless necessary and continue to pick up and drop off from the school gates. If you do need to enter a school building, such as a classroom, we request that you enter through the front office and sign in.

Staffing Update

Craig Scerri has won the principal position at Reidy Park Primary School for the next 5 years. Craig is currently Assistant Principal at Hampton Park in southern Melbourne. Craig has sent through a video introducing himself which has been shared via School Stream. Craig is looking forward to be able to visit Reidy Park Primary School as soon as possible.

Term 4 Uniform Expectations

A reminder that all students need to wear a navy blue, broad brimmed hat during play times this term. Students without a hat will need to stay on the bench seats in the quad under cover during play times. Please be aware that **it is an expectation that these hats are in a neat condition** and we request your support in ensuring your child's hat does not have texta writing, graffiti or rips/tears. If this is the case we will ask that a new hat is provided. A further expectation is that all shorts need to be plain navy blue and be an appropriate length 'short' shorts are not appropriate.

Behaviour Expectations

Across the school we continue to discuss and highlight our Term 4 behaviour non-negotiables. The expectations fit within our school values of care, courage and respect

- Wear school uniform
- I keep my hands, body, feet and objects to myself
- Be in the classroom during learning time
- Place rubbish into bins
- I listen to and follow all directions
- Always use language appropriate for school
- Work hard, be kind, be safe

To accompany this we have also streamlined and come to a consistent agreement on our inappropriate behaviour process.

2021 Class Planning

We have begun the process of student placement in classrooms for 2021; Parent requests, student friendship lists and teacher information is compiled and entered into our online placement system. Teachers will begin looking through the lists in week 4.

Sam Griffith
Acting Principal



Harper, Alexa and Brianna reading all about curious creatures in the jungle hut in the library as part of book week this week.

School Events

Term 4 is a busy time for special occasions and events at school. We are planning to hold these events in 2020, although they may look different due to Covid-19, physical distancing restrictions and safety requirements. This certainly isn't ideal for students, staff and families but we will endeavour to do the best for our school community while ensuring everyone's the health and safety. At this stage we cannot ensure social distancing requirements for indoor events (such as our Book Week parade) so we are unable to allow parents to attend this. We are currently looking at the necessary requirements and restrictions in regards to outdoor events. This includes Sports Day and Year 7 Graduation. The dates for these events are below. Once we have advice and recommendations from the Department for Education and SA Health, we will let families know as to how we will proceed. We greatly appreciate everyone's support and understanding.

- Friday 30th October, - book week dress up parade in the gym (without parents).
- Friday 4th December - sports day.
- Thursday 10th December - Year 7 graduation.

Professional Learning - Berry Street Training

All staff (teaching and SSO) participated in the first two days of Berry Street training on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd October. The Berry Street Education Model will be implemented across the school and form the basis for our wellbeing focus moving forward. The Berry Street Education Model combines approaches addressed in trauma-informed classroom with proven positive psychology interventions. It is a practical approach to teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement with students with complex, unmet learning needs and successfully improve all students' self-regulation, growth and academic achievement. The first two days of the training focussed on the elements of body and relationships. This training will complement and provide valuable learning linking our work around student wellbeing and our positive behaviour support policy and expectations. Days 3 and 4 of the Berry Street training will be held in 2021. Dates are to be confirmed.

School Leaver Jackets for 2021

Year 6 and year 7 school leaver jacket orders will strictly close of Friday 6th November. Cost of the jackets are \$85 (GST inclusive). Payment for the jackets can be made at the front office, direct deposit or online via QKR app. To help with sizing, samples are available for fitting at the front office between 8.15 - 8.45am and 3.15 - 3.45pm. A parent must be present to confirm sizing.

Wellbeing Room

Hello parents and caregivers,

I am very excited to be able to share with you that our school has recently completed works on developing a dedicated space to enhancing the wellbeing of students. The room has been designed with the latest research in mind, aimed at being flexible to suit the changing wellbeing needs of our learners. The room will act as a space where students can receive 1:1 support from myself, support services and our Pastoral Support Worker, Kirsty Musci. We will also use the space as a place to hold student meetings, trial 21st century wellbeing strategies and proactively support our whole site commitment to embedding the Berry Street Education Model. I am extremely excited to be working from this space and supporting the wellbeing needs of our students. Below are some images of the room which has already received extremely positive feedback from our students.

Frazer Scanlon - Student Wellbeing Leader



SAPSASA District Athletics

On Wednesday, October 28th, sixty Reidy Park yr 3 to yr 7 students attended the District Athletics Day held at Mount Gambier High School. The weather was fantastic and so were our students. We had so many successful results and the children loved participating in athletics at the highest level. Many of our Reidy students have now been invited to compete in Adelaide later in the term for the SAPSASA carnival. Well done to all students who attended. You did a wonderful job.



Reidy Park Primary School presents - Porridge the Movie

When a crime wave hits Happy Valley, there's a caseload of mysteries to be solved! Who's stolen Ma Hubbard's recipe book? Who's kidnapped Marigold the cow? And what dirty secret is Papa Bear hiding behind his Porridge empire? It's down to Private Detective Jack Spratt to uncover the terrifying truth in this tale of mystery, mayhem and breakfast cereal!

Screening at the Oatmill Cinema Complex
Monday November 9th
& Wednesday November 11th,

Screening times: 6:30 / 6:45 / 7:00pm

All tickets available from the Oatmill cinema
(www.oatmill.com.au)

****Please book in family groups to maximise capacity. Separate bookings will not be able to sit together****



Vacswim

A vertical advertisement for Vacswim. On the left, there is a close-up photo of a young girl with dark hair, smiling broadly with her mouth open. The background of the ad is a light blue gradient. Text on the right side reads: 'VACSWIM is South Australia's longest running holiday program giving your kids confidence in & around water!'. Below this, in large blue letters, is 'December 2020 & January 2021'. Further down, it says 'Programs held at 120 pool & beach locations.' and 'Enrol online at vacswimsa.com.au'. At the bottom, it lists closing dates: 'Dec closing: 2nd Dec' and 'Jan closing: 20th Dec'. At the very bottom is the Vacswim logo, which includes a cartoon character and the text 'VACSWIM' and 'WATER AWARENESS - WATER SAFETY - WATER CONFIDENCE - WATER SKILLS - WATER FUN'.

Room 2 Poetry

This term, Room 2 have been looking at different types of poetry. We have look at acrostic poems, emotional poems and definition poems. Room 2 has written some poetry about Reidy Park Primary School's values of care, courage and respect. These poems aren't your typical rhyming poems; they look at the definitions and senses of the words.

What is Respect?

Respect is a word for helping others
A time to show respect in class
The word that we should use everyday
One of our school values we should show
Everyone should use our school values
That's respect
By Hayden

What is Care?

Care is warm inside
It is as fluffy as a cloud
It is a warm happy feeling to others
It looks like a calming meadow
Care sounds like you are standing up for your friends
It makes you happy
That's care
By Ella

What is care?

Helping others
Speaking in a nice tone
Standing up for others
Caring for the school
Putting care in your work
Nice feeling
Caring for others
That's care
By Stella

What is courage?

Courage is one of our school values
It takes courage to help others
That's courage
By Riley

What is Reidy Park Primary School?

Reidy Park is good and awesome
It shows care, courage and respect
People help make it a better place
There are awesome teachers
Fun lessons
People thinking hard
Fun playgrounds
Awesome ovals
Music rooms
That's RPPS
By Jesse

Room 16 - Mission Moon

Last term the students in Room 16 inquiry unit was based around Science and Design and Technologies. We called it Mission Moon. During this unit, the children learnt about the Earth's resources and how we could find/recreate these resources on the Moon. They used Lego and the We-Do Lego robotic hardware and software each week to work through problems of living on the moon e.g. when learning about energy, we made solar panels to collect the sun's rays and these panels moved with the sun. They then built a rocket to fly them to the moon and created a moon base that showed at least one solution to a problem of living on the moon.

