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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 7th
February 2020
INSTRUMENTAL
MUSIC LESSONS
START

Tuesday 11th
February 2020
WELCOME EVENING

Monday 17th
February 2020
WEEK 4 UNIT 2/3
SWIMMING
PROGRAM BEGINS



Dear Parent and Caregivers,

Welcome to the new school year and what a great year it will be! I hope you enjoyed precious times with you children over the break and took time to celebrate over the festive season.

I'm so pleased and excited to be the new principal of Risdon Park Primary School for the next five years. It is a beautiful school and the children are just delightful. In addition, we are so fortunate to have such expertise amongst our staff. I've been so impressed in their enthusiasm and professionalism in setting up for the year to ensure the children experience success. We welcome to our staff, Ms Sally Davidson, Ms Jen Palmer, Ms Madeline Stapley, Ms Mel Woodward and Ms Brenda Potter.

Firstly to introduce myself. I have over 20 years of leadership experience across Reception to Year 12. I graduated as Home Economics/Mathematics teacher before pursuing leadership positions. My leadership experience prior to becoming a principal include student wellbeing/counselling, SACE Coordinator and Assistant Principal. I was previously Principal of Wallaroo Primary School.

My husband, Michael and I have four children, two of each aged 30, 28, 25 and 23 who have spread their wings and live and work far and wide. Like all parents, we are extremely proud of their achievements, particularly their love for learning, which is no doubt a result of the value we place on education. Our family home is situated on a farm, 10 km inland from Ardrossan. I will be residing in Port Pirie during the week and hope to become involved with the community.

I acknowledge that each day you place into our care your most precious possessions. My vision is that every child that comes to this school is provided with the upmost care and

challenged in their learning to enable them to pursue their aspirations. I love the school's motto, *"Together we achieve"* This will underpin the work of staff as we work together to provide high quality care and education which is the right of every child. I place high value on lifelong learning and understand the importance of adults modelling this concept. Consequently professional learning for our staff to enable them to continue to build their craft in evidence based practices is important to me. *"Together we learn, Together we achieve"*

This week the focus for staff has been on working with students to build relationships, and to establish routines and expectations. This is imperative to building safe conditions for quality learning. We have adopted a whole school approach to our four 'Golden Rules'

At Risdon Park Primary School we:

1. Follow instructions immediately.
2. Keep hands, objects and hurtful comments to ourselves.
3. Are a one voice school.
4. Keep our eyes on the learning.

Please assist us to reinforce these expectations which are consistent with our values of Respect, Responsibility, Persistence and Confidence.

My challenge is to get to know the children and their families as soon as possible. I extend an open invitation for you to pop in and introduce yourself. I'm always receptive to how we can continue to improve, and value your feedback to support us.

I'm looking forward to meeting you at our first event, "Meet and Greet" evening in Week 3, Tuesday 11th Feb.

Wishing you all a fantastic year!

Warmest regards,

Julie

Respect Responsibility Persistence Confidence

Quality Education Empowering Community Minded Learners—*Helping each other to succeed.*

SCHOOL NOTICES

RPPS Welcome Evening

Tuesday 11th February

Starting at 4pm

Look out for invitations coming home soon!



Swimming

Our swimming program for Reception to Year 7's will commence in Week 4 and continue in Week 5 and 6 of this term. This makes up part of the Health & PE curriculum and will be held at the Pt Pirie Aquatics and Leisure Centre.

Notices and consent forms will be coming home soon and invoices raised. Season ticket holders will only have to pay for the bus & equipment fee, but must provide their season pass number for verification. Please ensure that your child/ren have **updated their health care plans**. The Department for Education has updated their forms so please ensure the new ones are used by your GP/health care professional. If unsure, please see the front office.

Thank you.

CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 1, WEEK 2
Monday 3rd February D. Rich
Tuesday 4th February D. Rich
Wednesday 5th February C. Couzner
Thursday 6th February
Friday 7th February C. Couzner
TERM 1, WEEK 3
Monday 10th February D. Rich
Tuesday 11th February D. Rich
Wednesday 12th February C. Couzner
Thursday 13th February
Friday 14th February C. Couzner

WEEK 2

Friday Canteen Special

Rison Burger and Drink

Full Serve \$6

1/2 Serve \$5



RPPS School Times

Starts at 8:55am

Ends at 3:15pm



DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

orders are due:

February 14th

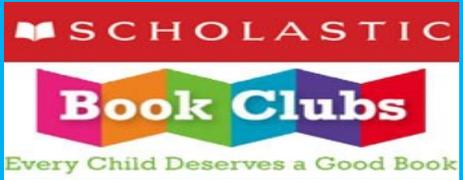
Scholastic Book Orders

The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading for fun.

Scholastic Book Club will issue a catalogue twice a term and some books are only \$2!!

It's easy to order. The Book Club LOOP platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school and the books will be delivered to class.

You can place your child's order at scholastic.com.au/loop or by using the LOOP app which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.



Every Child Deserves a Good Book

We welcome new staff members to RPPS:



Miss Stapley

Mrs Palmer



Miss Woodward

Mrs Davidson



Mrs Potter



Welcome to our 2020 Foundation Students



Like our Facebook page for more student photos!!



MEDICATION & HEALTH CARE PLANS AT SCHOOL

When students require medication at school or at school camps, excursions and activities like swimming, gymnastics, etc, the school must be informed.

Students cannot take any medication at school without a Medication Authority Form from their Medical Practitioner.

The school requires updated Health Care Plans at the beginning of each year so we can properly attend to each child's needs.



First aid

This is especially important as **swimming** is coming up in **week 4** and students will not be able to attend without their **updated Health Care Plans**.

We require Health Care Plans for Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Allergies, Medications, and any other medical condition.

We appreciate your assistance with this important matter. Please see the Front Office with any questions.

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RISDON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM PLANNER - TERM 1, 2020

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	27/1 AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	28/1 Premiers Reading Challenge Begins 	29/1	30/1	31/1 Newsletter
2	3/2	4/2	5/2 Breakfast Club	6/2	7/2 Breakfast Club Instrumental Music lessons start
3	10/2	11/2 <i>Welcome Evening</i> Starting at 4pm	12/2 Breakfast Club Governing Council	13/2	14/2 Breakfast Club Newsletter
4	17/2 Swimming Unit 2/3	18/2	19/2 Breakfast Club	20/2	21/2 Breakfast Club
5	24/2 Swimming Unit 2/3	25/2 STUDENT FREE DAY Berry Street Training	26/2 Breakfast Club	27/2	28/2 Breakfast Club Newsletter
6	2/3 Swimming Unit 1	3/3 SCHOOL PHOTO'S 	4/3 Breakfast Club	5/3	6/3 Breakfast Club
7	9/3 ADELAIDE CUP DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	10/3	11/3 Breakfast Club	12/3	13/3 Breakfast Club Newsletter National Ride2School Day 
8	16/3	17/3 ST PATRICKS DAY 	18/3 Breakfast Club Governing Council/AGM	19/3 Close the Gap Day	20/3 Breakfast Club HARMONY DAY National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence 
9	23/3 Parent/Teacher Interviews	24/3	25/3 Breakfast Club	26/3	27/3 Breakfast Club Newsletter
10	30/3 Parent/Teacher Interviews	31/3	1/4 Breakfast Club	2/4	3/4
11	6/4	7/4	8/4 Breakfast Club	9/4 Newsletter Last Day of Term	10/4 Good Friday