The Weekly News

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What	When
Easter Hat Parade Prep-2	Tomorrow, Friday 8th April
Last day Term 1—2.15pm dismissal	**Tomorrow, Friday 8th April**
ANZAC Day holiday	Monday 25th April
First Day Term 2	Tuesday 26th April
Interschool Cross Country	Thursday 5th May
School Photos	Friday 6th May
NAPLAN—Grades 3 and 5	Begins Tuesday 10th May

"Every Day Counts"

If your child is absent from school we must have a note, phone call or you can also enter the reason directly onto COMPASS to explain the absence. This is required by the Department for our records.

No assembly. Easter Hat Parade 9am.

Contact School Council: rceps.schoolcouncil@gmail.com

Continuation Of Rapid Antigen Tests—Term 2

The Government this week announced that the current settings in regards to COVID protocols will be extended into Term 2. That means that Rapid Antigen Tests will continue to be provided to families every 2 weeks with the expectation that students will be regularly tested.

Students were given another pack of tests today to take home so that testing can continue over the holidays. With so many people either heading away for holidays or spending time at home with visitors, it is vital that we continue to monitor our health with the tests.

Thank you for all your support this term. We really appreciate the efforts people have gone to keep us all healthy and safe.

Red Cliffs Centenary Celebrations

What a busy few days for Red Cliffs last weekend!!! The Centenary celebrations enabled our school to open the doors to visitors from both past and present. We had many people visit the school for a look, with many conversations about what it was like in 'the olden days' when they were here at school. It was a wonderful reminder of our history and the way our school has played such a large part in the community.

Thank you to everyone who came along and walked in the parade. Parents, students and staff all walked as one.....exactly how we want our school community to be.

A special thank you to our school leaders who represented our school at the opening of the boardwalk and also the special presentation of the book commemorating the centenary. Emma and Nate also spent 2 hours during our open day meeting and greeting our visitors. Many of the visitors commented on the lovely, polite students out the front of the school. Well done Emma and Nate. You showed true leadership throughout the day.

Birthdays: Knox Beasley, Lucy Wood, Zayne Andersen, Jett Lanyon, Henry Marinucci, Sefton Lanyon, Ethan Nice.

Class Award:

Grade Prep: Miles Hurford for the determination and effort you put into your very first Cross Country. It was fantastic to see you try your very best and finish the race with a smile on your face! Fantastic effort Miles!

Grade 1/2: River Gowers for your efforts at Cross Country this week. You displayed great persistence in completing your race and showed fantastic sportsmanship along the way. Well done River!

Grade 2: Jed Nystrom for your marvellous efforts in Maths this week. Jed, you have continued to engage in our learning on place value and have been eager to show your thinking in different ways. You have also been able to share your thoughts with others. Well done Jed and keep up the brilliant work!

Grade 3/4: Matilda Courtney for always making good learning choices. You are always organised so that you are ready to start your learning and you ensure that you listen to and follow all instructions that are given to you. Well done Matilda!

Grade 4/5: Blayde Andersen for the dedication and determination you displayed towards completing your unit of bush artwork. It was wonderful to see you taking such care in adding detail to your work, particularly your final piece on canvas. You should be proud of not only your end product, but also in your persistence throughout the entire process. Well done Blayde!

Grade 5/6: Nate Edwards-Riley for the way you conducted yourself during Monday's Cross Country. Not only did you give 100% in your own race, but you supported our younger students, encouraging them to finish and do their best. This was fantastic leadership and we thank you for helping us to be successful.

Message From Our Local Environmental Health Coordinator

As you may have heard there has been an outbreak of Japanese Encephalitis Virus (JEV) throughout Australia, including in Victoria. JEV is a virus that can cause a rare but potentially serious infection of the brain and is spread to humans through mosquito bites. Children aged under 5 years old and older people who are infected with JEV are at a higher risk of developing more severe illness, such as encephalitis.

There have been a number of confirmed cases of JE in Victoria to date. As Easter and school holidays are a popular time for people to enjoy the river and surrounds, including camping. Everyone can take some simple steps to avoid mosquito bites and therefore reduce their chance of being exposed to the diseases mosquitos carry.

Your only protection against mosquitoes and the diseases they can carry is to avoid mozzie bites.

- Mozzies can bite through tight clothing. Cover up - wear long, loose-fitting clothing.
- Use mosquito repellents containing picardin or DEET on all exposed skin.
- Limit outdoor activity if lots of mosquitoes are about.
- Remove stagnant water where mosquitoes can breed around your home or campsite.
- On holidays make sure your accommodation is fitted with mosquito netting or screens.
- Use 'knockdown' fly spray, mosquito coils or plug-in repellent where you gather to sit or eat outdoors.

Don't forget the kids – always check the insect repellent label. On babies, you might need to spray or rub repellent on their clothes instead of their skin. Avoid applying repellent to the hands of babies or young children.

Further information can be found at https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/campaigns/beat-bite

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

We have had a great last week of Term 1 at After School Care. Children have been engaged in creating their own Easter hats, a game of dodge ball, playing in the sandpit and the playground equipment, treasure hunts, making cupcakes, testing their knowledge in reptile scavenger hunts conducted with the help of laptops and building their famous forts in the multipurpose room.
We hope to be able to welcome some new faces to our service in the next Term. Please make sure to pop in on your way home to have a look at what we do.
We would also appreciate any costume/dress up donations you might have in order for us to implement a dress up day into our program. We have already received some donations and are thankful for those.
Notice: After School Care will run on the last day of Term this Friday 8.4.2022 till 6pm.
We wish all the families a very happy Easter and hope the Easter Bunny will find you all.

Easter Hat Parade

Tomorrow morning (9am) we will be holding our annual Easter hat parade. The students in Grades Prep—2 have created hats for the parade. The Prep class have also prepared a special music item to share with us all. Parents are invited to come along and join us for the parade. After the parade we will be finalizing our Colour Run festivities with the sliming of staff. Four students were randomly selected out of a hat. The students were broken up into age levels so that we could have an equal representation throughout the school. The students randomly selected to slime the staff are:

Ethan Nice
James Caldwell
Sophie Newey
Darcy Nystrom

The sliming will take place after the Easter hat parade.

Get Active Kids Voucher Program

Three Colours SC is a registered activity provider which provides local children up to $200 in vouchers which can be used for Registration and shorts/socks.

Training Nights

Under 6-10's: Tuesdays 5.30pm
Under 12's : Tuesday & Thursday 5pm – 6pm
Under 14's & 16's: Tuesday & Thursday 6.30pm – 7.30pm
Womens: Tuesday & Thursday 7pm – 8pm
Reserve's & Seniors : Tuesday & Thursday 7pm – 8.30pm
For more details contact Michael on 0439 302 090.

Coaches and Volunteers needed

The Club is recruiting coaches for all J-League age groups and people to assist with our weekly meal nights
Heaps of fun and helps the Club provide the enjoyment that comes with having teams and equipment
For more information contact Lucy on 0439 302 090

HUMM now available

As part of its ongoing commitment to make Football accessible to everyone, Three Colours SC has joined HUMM
The Club will allow payments for registration fees, merchandise and club functions to be paid by instalments to approved persons.
https://www.shophumm.com.au/

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