



RPSnews

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Helping kids learn to bounce back

A large part of our Wellbeing and Resilience program is developed through a resource called Bounce Back.

The program consists of resource materials and strategies to teach young people the social-emotional learning skills that underpin wellbeing and resilience. Social and emotional learning is

the process through which young people acquire the knowledge, attitudes and skills to:

- Recognise and manage their emotions
- Set and achieve positive goals
- Demonstrate caring and concern for others
- Establish and maintain positive relationships

- Manage difficult situations and times resiliently
- Make responsible decisions
- Handle interpersonal situations effectively.

The units of work covered by the Bounce Back program are:

- Core values
- People bouncing back
- Courage

- Looking on the bright side
- Emotions
- Relationships
- Humour
- No bullying
- Winners

If you would like to know more about the Bounce Back program please speak to your classroom teacher or Lisa.



Diary Dates

March

21 Fire Brigade visit to Preps, 9.30am

24 Metro Trains visit to Preps, 11.10am
SRC Crazy Hair Day
Pizza Day

29 Grades 5 & 6 Summer Gala

30 Fire Truck visit to Preps

31 End of Term 1
Dismissal at 2.30pm

April

18 Term 2 commences, 9am

24 Pupil-free day
Students do not attend school

25 Anzac Day – public holiday

Curriculum days 2017

24 April (Monday)

16 August (Wednesday)

6 November (Monday) (EBA)



Willing and able, Carole has been a brilliant all-rounder

We wish to let the school community know that Carole Willing, our Student Administration and Enrolment Officer, has decided to retire at the end of this Term.

Carole came to us voluntarily six years ago to help Jane because she had heard that we had a “bumper crop” of Prep enrolments which needed entering into our system and, having worked in primary schools for many years, offered to enter all the student data.

At that time we were a one-woman office but the then Principal recognized the need for assistance and promptly employed Carole, who has been with us ever since.

Carole has worked with all of our new families, making them feel welcome and helping with all that’s involved when your child first starts school — everything from completing the reams of paperwork to handing out tissues on that first difficult day.

She has many other duties, including collating the newsletter draft each week, co-ordinating both Prep and Grade 6 student transitions and much, much more.

Carole has already travelled extensively and will now be free to head off at her leisure.

I know that many of our families will miss Carole as much as we will and so, we all wish her all the best in her well earned retirement.



Safety message number 2

A number of cars have been seen stopping on the school crossing in Barkly Avenue at drop off and pick up time.

This is extremely dangerous for students getting in and out of the car and for families trying to use the crossing.

It is also illegal and the police and Yarra City Council do occasionally patrol this area.

I understand that parking at these times is difficult but the safety of the students must be a priority and therefore urge you all to make alternate pick-up and drop-off arrangements.



Notice of works

We have received information from the Council that there will be drainage improvement works commencing this Tuesday, March 21, for approximately two weeks.

Pedestrian access and vehicle access out of Barkly Avenue into Brighton Street and along Brighton Street will be regulated by traffic controllers. Appropriate signage and traffic control measures will be put in place.

Some parking spaces in Brighton

Street will be utilised for the storage of materials and equipment.



Lost property

There is a lot of unnamed uniform and casual clothing in the Lost Property bins outside the GP room, as well as several lunchboxes and a schoolbag!

At the end of term, all unclaimed lost property will be donated to charity or put in the second-hand clothing shop, so please check in if you’re missing anything!

— Lisa
Acting Principal

Kids Learn to Sail with Tackers

Tackers is Australian Sailing’s program for kids aged 7-12. Delivered by AS accredited instructors, the program is based around FUN on & off-water games to teach kids the basics of sailing!

What Tackers 1, 2 & 3

When

Week 1: 3 – 7 April 2017
9:00am – 1:00pm

Week 2: 10 – 13 April 2017
8:30am – 1:00pm

Where

The Boatshed
3 Aquatic Drive, Albert Park Lake

Contact us now!
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TACKERS

Student of the week



Prep J

Heidi Mendelsohn

For doing some fantastic investigating during Investigation Time. The book you created on Mr Funny when you were the focus child was excellent. Keep up the great work, Heidi!

Prep R

Mai Coutts

For her amazing persistence when writing a sentence. Well done, Mai!

Prep S

James Behrens

For your beautiful illustrations and have a go attitude! I love the way you try your best at everything. Well done on a great start to Prep, James!

1/2N

Alex Karavias

For sensational maths thinking, a much improved effort in his writing and a great sense of humour. Alex, you are a pleasure to have in our class!

1/2P

Anouk Smart

For showing initiative and managing her learning time well!

1/2T

Sammy Thompson

For being a super helpful

classmate and friend, in the classroom and out in the yard. I have been very impressed with your willingness to support and include others, Sammy. Keep it up!

3/4A

Sienna Tome

For modelling excellent behavior in our classroom and consistently working to a high standard. It is a pleasure to have you in 3/4A!

3/4C

Jake Williams

For creating some interesting, well-structured pieces of writing. Your twisted fairy tale was funny and so well written and your convict journal was a great read too!

3/4J

Siena Naylor

For being a friendly, positive member of 3/4J. Well done for always having a big smile on your face and putting your best effort into class activities.

3/4S

Amelia Judd

For your well researched and inspiring presentation for International Women's Day – you are a lot like your namesake, Amelia Earhart!

5/6C

Asher Claney

For your outstanding work as one of our fearless School Captains. You're a wonderful role model across the school – you're showing the rest of us how it's done. I'm so proud of you!

5/6L

Hugh Hamilton

For all your hard work during Gardening Club, your care for the environment is fantastic! Great job, Hugh!

5/6S

Rita Cahill

Congratulations, Rita, for doing an outstanding job as one of our brilliant leaders. You are a wonderful role model to those around you and I am so proud of you. Keep up the great work!



KIDS QUIZ

Every week, we pose a quiz question based on the name of one of our wonderful students.

Write your answer on a piece of paper, along with your name and grade, and put it in the cream letter box in the office.

The first correct entry drawn will win a Student Pass for one hour.

The winning entry will be drawn on Wednesday at 3.30pm.

NOTE:

- > You may place only **one entry per week** in the box.
- > Each player must put in their **own entry** (no joint entries)
- > If you win, you are **win-binned** (disqualified) for one week, to give others a go.

This week's clue

No matter what the movie titles say,

I don't think this Grade 2 student is "mad".

Last week's clue:

This Grade 3 student's name is also a person who calls their own country "Suomi".

Answer: FINN Quinn, 3C. ('Suomi' is the Finnish name for Finland.)

Winner: Claudia Hawkins 5/6S ... fiksu tyttö, Claudia! (Clever girl, Claudia!)

RPS stars making a splash



Congratulations to all the students who represented the Inner North/Moreland District at the Regional Swimming Carnival.

Pictured:

Back – Taj Alcott, Ollie Collinson, Will Collinson, Wil Ransom, Jagga Smith

Front – Jade Gosbell, Ella Karavias, Gemma Gowans, Jana Nguyen, Lucia Matyear, Hamish Webb, Nathan Nguyen

Big contributors ...

In addition to funding this weekly newsletter and making adhoc donations, as mentioned below Biggin & Scott will donate \$1000 to our school for every listing sold, where the vendor mentions RPS at the time of listing. They also

donate \$500 for every new management property signed up, where RPS is mentioned. We recently received a cheque for a managed property of one of our RPS families. Thanks guys, we really appreciate it.

WE DELIVER...

Biggin & Scott

Selling your house? Mention RPS at the time of listing and Biggin & Scott Richmond will donate \$1000 to the school. They'll also donate \$500 to the school for every new management property signed up, where RPS is mentioned.