



Heights Happenings

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We would like to acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people who are the Traditional Custodians of this Land and Waters and pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



2024 Diary

July

- Thur 25 • LT4 Debating
- Tues 30 • LT4 Interrelate
- Wed 31 • Junior Classes
Melb Museum Exc
• LT3 MCG Exc

August

- Thur 1 • Munchie Crunchie
• LT4 Debating
- Tues 6 • Mini Olympics
- Sun 11 • Bunnings BBQ
9am - 4pm
Ringwood Bunnings
- Wed 28 • LT3 & LT4 House
Athletics

September

- Tues 17 • Pupil Free day

Welcome back,

We have started the term with high energy and are looking forward to a very busy term ahead. The team newsletters will highlight all the exciting activities and events planned for this term and include excursions, sporting activities and a whole school mini Olympics.



For those parents with students in Year 3 and 5 you will find a hard copy of your child's NAPLAN results in school bags today. Our school has performed very well overall and whilst we are in the early stages of our analysis, it is clear that the work undertaken in Numeracy over the last 4 years has absolutely impacted in significantly positive ways. Our student results in Literacy are equally pleasing!

Have you accessed COMPASS? From all reports users on both ends are finding this communication App much clearer and easier to use. I hope that is your experience. Of course, if you are having any difficulties please reach out for help.

For current families with 2025 Prep students, please note that we will be able to acknowledge and confirm your enrolments via the new electronic system on Monday July 29.

Please note that School Council has approved a Pupil Free day for Tuesday September 17th.

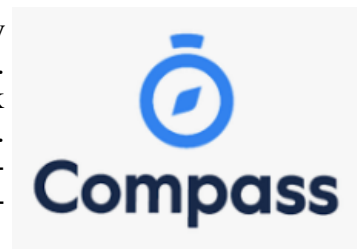
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Compass Update

We are at the end of Week 2 already and have many families using Compass. If you are yet to sign up please do as soon as possible as we will be activating more features on Compass this term and phasing out Xuno. If you are having any issues or are yet to receive a Welcome email from Compass please contact the office.

Just another reminder that **absences should be notified through Compass only.** We are no longer using Xuno to mark attendance at school.

You may have noticed that you now have the ability to email you child's teacher through Compass. Please see the Learning Team newsletters this week for more information regarding this communication. Please note that just like any other email communication if your message is urgent call the school office.



Log in details are below:

<https://schools.happyfamilies.com.au/login/ringwood>

PASSWORD: happyrhps

Uniform Shop

Opening Hours

Monday: 8.30-9am

Wednesday: 3.15-3.45pm



Community Catch up

Just a reminder that our monthly community catch up will happen after assembly on Monday 5th August. You are warmly invited to stay around for a hot drink and a chat.

Junior School

100 Days of School!

Can you believe that the Preps have been at school for 100 days!

We celebrated 100 days of Prep on Monday the 22nd of July by coming to school dressed as a 100-year-old person. We took the day as a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our growth as learners.

We used strategies to count 100 blocks efficiently by skip counting in 10s and then making something creative with our 100 blocks.

Here's what a few of the Preps reflected on about their learning and some of the things we made using 100 things:

Lily

I am 100 days **SMARTER!** I now know how to write information reports, letters and books.

I am a self-manager. Learning is **GREAT!**

Malakai

I have been learning for 100 days. I am the **BEST** learner. I love all the students!

Juniper

I am a learner, and I am 100 Days **SMARTER!** I can write and I know how to count $100 + 100 = 200$.

Luna

I have been learning for 100 Days! I feel older. I feel **GOOD** about my learning. I love playing with my friends.

Joshua

I am proud of my learning, and I can read now. I am a good friend and love when I go outside to play with them.

Ellie

I feel good when I am learning. I have grown as a learner. I am much more confident now.

Jack

I am proud of my learning because I can read and do lots of sports. I feel good about my learning. I have learnt how to make new friends.

Naira

I am proud of my learning. There are lots of things you can learn at school. My favourite thing is learning to be a good friend.

Learning Team 3

During numeracy workshops we have been investigating time. This means we are learning how to tell the time on analogue clocks. For example, 15 minutes past 9 o'clock or quarter past 9. We've been learning how to tell digital time, for example 9:15am. We've even had a go at converting 12 hour time to 24 hour time, for example, at 9:15pm tonight it will be 2115 hours.

Measuring elapsed time means being able to figure out how many hours and minutes pass between one time and another time. For example, if it's 9:15am now, then in 3 hours and 35 minutes it will be lunch time.

Telling time is a skill that we use every day. But time hasn't always been measured by iPhones and clocks. Before people used clocks, they measured time with sundials, candles and hourglasses.

Here in Victoria, our First Nations people measure time in a different way. The Wathaurung people near Ballarat use stone arrangements to track changes throughout the year such as seasons and food availability.

While we've been learning about time, we have really enjoyed the challenge of calculating how old we are in months, weeks, days and even minutes! Some of us ended up sounding a lot older than we expected! Do you know how many minutes old you are? It will be different soon.

Learning Team 4

LT4 Debating

LT4's debating program has officially begun! A major highlight of our literacy learning this term is our Advanced Presentation Skills, seven week Debating course with Mrs Sandra de Geest. Every Thursday, students are spending 100 minutes with Mrs de Geest, learning about the features of a persuasive debate and working in teams to write their own arguments on particular topics. Each student will prepare and deliver at least one debate and will also take on other roles, such as chairperson, timekeeper and adjudicator.

This past week, our debaters have been preparing for the debate, "All plastic bags should be banned in Australia". Teams have been busily researching, choosing arguments and preparing rebuttals in order to be the most persuasive team. Each week there will be a new topic and new team. At the conclusion of our course,



students will be involved in our Debating Grand Finale where our most persuasive debaters will argue against each other. This epic showdown will take place on Thursday 29th of August during school time.

We look forward to watching our students develop into confident speakers with excellent argumentative skills – watch out parents!

Bunnings BBQ

Our annual Bunnings BBQ fundraiser for Ringwood Heights is happening on Sunday 11th August.



We are looking for your support to make this a successful fundraiser, all whilst enjoying the company of others as you cook, serve the sausages, and generally promote the ethos and community spirit of our school.

If you are available sometime between 9am and 4pm for a 2-hour timeslot on this date, we would appreciate you signing up.

Here is the link to volunteer:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/e4mc7>

Tony's Pie Drive

We have organised with Tony's Pies of Essendon to conduct a fundraising pie drive. Tony's Pie's will supply us with a range of their freshly baked pies, pasties, quiches and sausage rolls on

Friday 16 August.

To start ordering, use your smartphone camera and hold over the QR code below, or use this link

<https://tonyspiedrives.com.au/fundraiser/ringwood-heights-primary/>.

The last day to order is Monday 12 August. Notices and further information will be distributed next term.



Upcoming Events:-

- * Munchie Crunchie T3 – Thursday 1 August
- * PC General Meeting – Thursday 1 August
- * Bunnings BBQ – Sunday 11 August
- * Tony's Pie Drive – Friday 16 August
- * Father's Day Stall – Friday 30 August
- * Special Lunch Day Footy Foods – Thursday 19 September

How To Contact Parents' Club

Join our Facebook group for regular reminders of upcoming events and fundraising activities:

<https://www.facebook.com/RingwoodHeightsPrimarySchool/>

Call Sarah Marsh, President on 0409 009 542 or email: sarahmarsh11@hotmail.com
Or leave a message at the office.

Play Cricket at Norwood CC

Join a family friendly progressive cricket club located on Mullum Mullum Rd, Ringwood.

Why Norwood?

- ✓ State of the art facilities
- ✓ Two AA grade level grounds
- ✓ Unrivalled coaching staff
- ✓ Pathways for talented juniors
- ✓ Get active and make friends
- ✓ Teams for all ages and skill levels

What ages?

Blasters program (5 - 8yo)
Under 10s, u12s, u14s, u16s
Girls only teams for U12, U15 & U17

New U10,12,14 and Girls Players PLAY FREE

Contact Us juniors@norwoodcc.org.au or call Anthony Dykes 0447752109 www.norwoodcc.org.au

TENNIS LESSONS

RINGWOOD HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 3 START DATE: Thursday 25th July 2024 (8 week program)

Every NEW Term 3 enrolment receives a **FREE** junior tennis racquet

WHAT DO THE LESSONS INVOLVE?

Each lesson will vary, incorporating different skills, activities and games	Children will learn a range of basic tennis techniques: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Footwork • Forehand • Volley • Balance • Backhand • Serve 	Learn tennis skills in a fun environment with friends!
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LESSON TIMES

Every **Thursday** at lunchtime in the **Stadium**

Grades Prep – 2: 1:00 – 1:30pm
Grades 3 – 6: 1:20 – 1:50pm

Coach will collect **Prep** students from their classroom

8 WEEK PROGRAM = \$145.00 (GST INCLUSIVE)

Payment of \$145 required by Thursday 25th July

Please scan QR code or follow the link at the bottom of this document to enrol.

Please make payment via bank transfer to: **MATCH POINT TENNIS COACHING** BSB: 063 885 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 1033 6576 Payment description: Child's name RHP5 Enrolment only accepted once payment has been received.

For further information please contact Daniel Kitlety (Club Professional coach)



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