Diary Dates
- 6 November – Year 6 & 7 Footsteps
- 7 November - Charities Day
- 12 November – Principal’s Tour @ 9am
- 13 November – Year 6 & 7 Footsteps
- 20 November – R/1 Grug PM
- 21 November – Reception Transition
- 21 November – R/1 Grug PM
- 28 November – Rose Park Talent Show
- 02 December – Rose Park Picnic
- 05 December – JP Concert
- 05 December – Volunteers Day
- 08 December – Year & Graduation
- 10 December – Year 7 Graduation Dinner
- 11 December – Year 6/7 Movie Day
- 12 December – End of Year – Early Dismissal @ 2.30 pm 😊

Traffic Monitors
Week 4, 03 November, 2014
AM: Bella Priestley, Eliska Henschke, Riley Kopfstein
PM: Louis Baigent, Andrew Wain, Anh Ho

Week 5, 10 November, 2014
AM: Bethany La Barbera, Brooke Elflett, Chris Cayzer
PM: Seb Bower, Linkan Williamson, Malik Aldawarsi

From the Principal
Dear Families

The task of class placements for 2015 has now commenced. This is a demanding process which occupies a great deal of our time and consideration of all students.

We urge parents NOT to send emails and letters to the school making requests for certain class placements. Our staff know and understand the students – they work with them every day, observing, talking and learning with them. When parents make requests it sets up expectations that we cannot often meet, and sometimes requests which are different to our professional views. This only makes the job harder for all concerned. Generally speaking once the new year starts, children soon adapt to their new class environment and life goes on – it is a very rare case indeed where a child is moved after the start of the school year. We know parents only want the best for their children – please rest assured we will endeavour to do the best for you.

We generally complete class placements by about week 6, and then send a letter home informing you where your child will be placed. Because of privacy issues, we do not send home class lists. Parents have the last couple of weeks of school to discuss the class placement with the class teacher. If there are issues, please resolve them with the teacher in the first instance. If it cannot be resolved, the matter can be referred to school leadership for further consultation. I stress that you really need to speak to the teacher first as it is they who do the placements while school leadership merely oversees the process.

We have a long list of families trying to get into Rose Park, and vacancies are at a premium. If you are intending to leave, please let us know as soon as possible to assist with both the class placement process and the acceptance of new students in 2015.

Rose Park Primary Foundation
A sub-committee of the Governing Council has been working on the establishment of a foundation for our school, with some announcements to be made shortly. The concept behind the foundation is to provide a tax deductible fund raising mechanism that can provide facilities and resources to the school beyond that which are supplied through the education system. This provides a different level of control and responsibility for our community and assists in enhancing the offerings of the school. Please keep your eye out for information as it comes to the community, with the view to kick off the foundation from the start of next year.

Who is Seona? (pronounced Shona)
Governing Council this week raised the point that many good things happen in our school that not everyone knows about. Seona is another one of them.

Seona Payne is the school’s English as a Second Language teacher (ESL - now known as English and other
language dialects – EALD). She currently works here 4 days per week, but with the growth in our EALD component, she will be full time next year, and has been made a permanent member of our staff. Seona works with about 120 students, usually in groups of about 8 students. She tests every child at the start of the year, and assesses where they need language support. Despite her work load, Seona also adds in a few students to her group work who although they do not qualify as EALD, they need the extra support she can provide. This is an excellent service and adds to the overall picture of how we collectively work to move our students academically right across the school. For those who have worked with Seona, you will know the knowledge, energy and expertise she brings to the school and is yet another asset to our highly qualified teaching staff. For those that do not know her, she would love for you to pop in at any time to see how she works.

Brett Darcy
Principal

IBPYP

A school that decides to implement the PYP commits itself to working towards developing international mindedness in the whole school community; among students, parents and staff.

This is a continuous journey: a journey that we have been on since 2008, culminating in our 2011 authorisation.

Our evaluation next year will assess how successfully the PYP has been implemented by looking at how the programme’s five essential elements; knowledge, concepts, skills, attitudes and actions; are organised and used by school members to reach their full potential, and how action is based on international-mindedness.

The challenges presented by the PYP and inquiry approach are never ending, and so are the rewards. Students become aware of their potential as human beings and realise they have an active role to play in their own decisions. Teachers enjoy developing students’ skills so they are able to construct their own identities through their actions. By being internationally-minded we can encourage people to reflect on the effects of their actions and choose how to act.

Over the next 12 months staff and students will be immersed in the review of teaching and learning at RPPS in preparation for our evaluation.

Diane Winterling
Deputy Principal
IBPYP Coordinator

Reports

Music News

Move It!

Please give a standing ovation to the Year 4/5 students who performed as part of the middle primary musical Move It! Each performance during this week has reflected the effort and commitment to making the musical successful. Brilliant job from all the cast.

Congratulations to all the support team staff and parents and thank you to everyone who was involved in some way. It was an outstanding effort by all.

Instrumental tuition for 2015

Year 5 tuition for 2015 will be sorted out over the next few weeks assessing eligible students and sorting into instrumental groups. As in past years all Year 5 students will be involved in some form of school based music tuition. Priority for these limited lessons will be given to students who do not already learn at school or have never accessed DECD /IMS lessons.

Please contact me if you have any questions.
IMS string tuition requests for Year 3’s will be finalised by the end of Week 7.

All current IMS students will receive a form asking if they wish to continue by the end of Week 6. Christine.Narroway761@schools.sa.edu.au

ALL other private tuition should be directed through the 2015 school based instrumental forms coming out in Week 5, I am also attempting to put them online.

REMEMBER you will need a form for beginning and continuing students!

Concert Band

Melrose Camp is drawing near on 11th and 12th November. If you have not sent me information about your child’s food allergies please let me know and all accounts should be finalised as soon as possible.

Concert band will also be hosting and taking part in a workshop on Wednesday 19th November with Mitcham Primary School. This will be a workshop during the morning followed by a short concert at 12.30. Parents are most welcome.

I am definitely looking forward to the weekend!

Chris Narroway
Music Co-ordinator
**Science News**

**2014 Oliphant Science Awards**

Congratulations to the students, listed below, who submitted entries into the Oliphant Science Awards.

- Fara Gurdev
- Harry Ferguson
- Michelle Fernandez
- Shaun Fernandez
- Giselle Moore
- Alexander Wagstaff
- Daniel Wagstaff

It was fantastic to see students pursue their interest in science and represent this in the form of scientific inquiry, photography, models and inventions.

Students will be presented with their certificates at the school assembly tomorrow.

Anthea Ponte  
Science Teacher

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**School Notices**

**UNIFORM SHOP**

**Opening times**

The Uniform shop is open on:
- **Tuesday Mornings 8.30 – 10am**
- **Friday Afternoons 3.00 – 4.30 pm**

Order forms available from the Front Office

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**Community News**

Community information for the newsletter  
We would greatly appreciate it if you could include the announcement below in your next newsletter.

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**i-centre News**

**BOOK FAIR GARDEN**

Get the reading bug!

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Dear Parents and Families,

Reading is the most important skill you can teach a child. Of all the skills children learn, it is the one you can influence the most.

We invite you to visit our Scholastic Book Fair and experience a celebration of reading that provides families the opportunity to get involved in a universal mission: encouraging kids to read every day so they can lead better lives.

Our Scholastic Book Fair theme – Book Fair Garden, Catch the Reading Bug – is part of an exciting reading event that brings to school a wonderful selection of fun, engaging and affordable books for kids to read. Giving kids access to good books and the opportunity to choose their own books will motivate them to read more. And like most acquired skills, the more kids practice reading, the better they’ll get.

Reading is vital to every child’s success, and raising kids who read means getting involved while they’re young. Now is the time. Since there will never be a substitute for a parent’s direct involvement in their child’s education, please make plans to visit our Book Fair. Hope to see you there!

Book Fair Date: Wednesday 26th November, 2014

**Shopping Hours:**
- 8.45am – 10am
- The Fair will be open all day (process and lunch times included)

Smirnoff

Tracey Grice  
iCentre
Move it!