

RGPS CONNECTIONS



JUNE ISSUE #6

'Together We Can - For every child, every day'

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Wishing everyone in our RGPS community a happy and safe holiday break.

We have lots of exciting things coming up in Term 3 including our swimming program, Student Conferences in Week 7, School Production in Week 10 and Book Week celebrations in Week 6.

We hope you enjoy reading about student learning progress in your Semester 1 school report, and take time to read and share these at home together with your child. These were published via Compass yesterday- for help signing up to access Compass please see the Office.

Robyn Trzeciak | RGPS Principal

*We have moved to a monthly publication in 2024. Our next edition will be at the end of July.



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HOLIDAY FUN

Are you looking for things to do on the holidays?

Check out these links for what is on these school holidays. Plenty of ideas to keep everyone busy!

<https://www.mamaknowssouth.com.au/>

So many local park option to try on the City of Casey!

[City of Casey Teenage Holiday Program \(students 10+\)](#)

[Activities on the Melbourne CBD](#)

[Plenty to do at the Hampton Park Library](#)

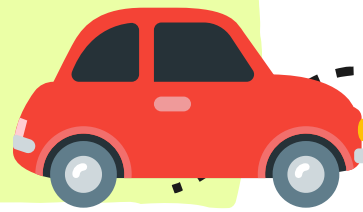


Take a break



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ROAD SAFETY



SAFE AROUND SCHOOLS



Dear Rivergum Primary School Parents & Carers,

Council have noticed drivers parking or stopping illegally around the school precinct and this is affecting residents in nearby courts who have made complaints. Do not block driveways or park on nature strips – fines do apply.

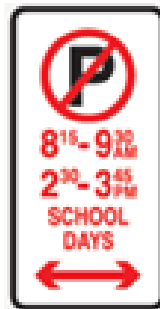
This behaviour is **dangerous** for all children and pedestrians around a school precinct.

Please note the speed in this school precinct is **40km**. Please drive safely and carefully to protect **all** children and pedestrians during these busy peak times.

The Drop off Pick up zone is strictly a **2 Minute zone**. To learn more please watch the following animation https://youtu.be/zh0g_EM5qe0

If you arrive early, **do not** park and wait for your child in this zone – find a legal place to park and walk.

Encourage Active Travel in your family – walk, ride or scoot to school - even once a week will make a difference!



Never double park. It is illegal and dangerous. Double parking is stopping next to parked cars to pick up or let out children.



www.casey.vic.gov.au/safe-around-schools

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COMPASS

Thank you to families that have already signed up for a Compass account. Compass is our school platform for payments, events, excursions and permissions, attendance, newsletters, student reports, first aid and positive acknowledgements.

Compass provides a streamlined all on one service and gives our school greater levels of organisation and process.

Please see the Office if you need assistance to sign up.



Download the parent guide here:

<https://cdn.compass.education/knowledgebase/CompassParentGuide.pdf>

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CHILD SAFETY

RGPS is committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways that we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices. If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact Robyn Trzeciak - RGPS Principal for more information.

Our policies are available on our school website:
<https://www.rivergumps.vic.edu.au/child-safe/>



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STUDENT ILLNESS & FIRST AID UPDATE



While attendance at school is important, when your child is sick please keep them home until they are well, and let the school know when they will return.

When students come to school sick they make other students and out staff unwell. PI

From Term 3, when students attend the Sick Bay at school, parents will first receive notification via email and the compass app. This replaces the hard copy notes that have been sent home previously. This will prevent notes getting lost and more timely notification. Phone calls will continue to be made as necessary.

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NCCD DATA COLLECTION



NCCD
NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA
ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- Year of schooling.
- Category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional.
- Level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- Formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools.
- Consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools.
- Develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified.

The privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school on 9799 1216.



Further information about the NCCD can be found on the
[NCCD Portal](#)

7 SAVE THE DATE

In Term 3 RGPS is having a school production!

Save the date for **Monday 16th September**. Each class will have musical item to perform. Our theme is going to be "We Are Australian"- with a variety of classic Australian tunes to keep you entertained.

There will be a F-2 and 3-6 show, with more details to come next term.



8 ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Did you know that we have an Attendance Team that regularly meets to track and monitor student attendance?

At our school every student is known, valued and cared for.

We have a **FOCUS** on identifying and understanding attendance patterns
We aim to **CREATE** a welcoming place for everyone

We **EMBED** proactive strategies to address students' needs.

Please speak to your teacher to discuss supports available and we can support student attendance.



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LIFELONG LEARNING

AT R.G.P.S WE ARE LIFE LONG LEARNERS!

E.A.L

Approximately 1 in 4 students in Australia has English as a second language or dialect.

At River Gum Primary School, we offer students new to the English language support through our EAL Program. Mrs. Ongarezos' classes give students opportunities and exposures to build their language through different concepts and experiences that they may encounter everyday.

1

Building vocabulary around weather and seasons



2

Making props to build our narrative and storytelling language and beginning to write narratives.



3

Hands on experiences on working as a team and also types of jobs.



Experiences gives us time to build skills of communication and connect with others.

10 WONDROUS WELLBEING



Refugee Week Morning Tea

Did you know that 18% of students at River Gum have a refugee background? To celebrate these wonderful students and their families, we had a morning tea on Wednesday 19th June where we discussed students home countries, their path to Australia and some special family traditions in their culture.



We're so happy you're here!

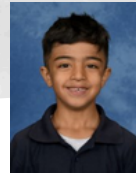
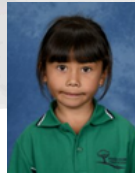
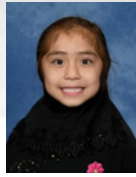
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EPIC ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to our **Values Card Raffle** winners which were drawn at assembly on Friday 21st June. The following students were drawn and each received a family swim pass to the swimming pool!

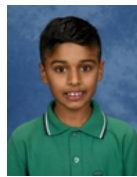
F-2 Winners

Sitayish (R04), Bella (R03), Ozair (R21)



3-4 Winners

Dejan (R25), Abhijit (R31)



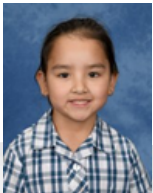
5-6 Winners

Alyssa (R13), Fiana (R16)

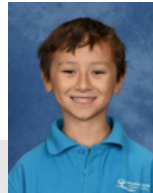


Principal Pride Awards

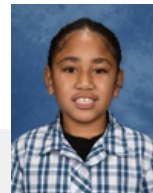
Congratulations to our Term 2 recipients for these special awards. Principal awards are nominated by staff in each year level for students that display all school values to an exceptionally high level across all areas of their schooling for the term. These students each receive a \$50 Village movie voucher.



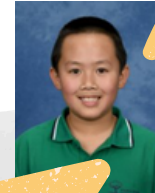
FOUNDATION
Alia Alizadah



YEAR ONE
Isaac Balog



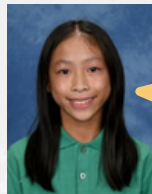
YEAR TWO
Lusi Fotofili



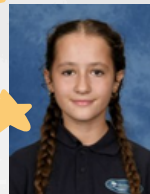
YEAR THREE
Allen Wang



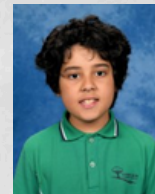
YEAR FOUR
Emily Kim



YEAR FIVE
Kiara Lee



YEAR SIX
Andrea Pavlovski



SPECIALIST
Izack Wilson

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TERM 3 CALENDAR

Keep this handy!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sport
	Public Holidays	After School Events	School Events	Public Holidays	Curriculum Days	Curriculum Days
	Camps	Assembly	Assembly	Camps	Curriculum Days	Curriculum Days
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Week 1 15/7	First Day of School	Year 5/6 - Resuscitate a Mate	Year 5/6 - Resuscitate a Mate			
Week 2 22/7	Year 3/4 Swimming	Year 3/4 Swimming	Year 3/4 Swimming	Year 3/4 Swimming	Year 3/4 Swimming	Year 3/4 Swimming
Week 3 29/7	Year 5/6 Swimming	Year 5/6 Swimming	Year 5/6 Swimming	Year 5/6 Swimming	Year 5/6 Swimming	Year 5/6 Swimming
Week 4 5/8	F/1/2 Swimming	F/1/2 Swimming	F/1/2 Swimming	F/1/2 Swimming	F/1/2 Swimming	F/1/2 Swimming
Week 5 12/8				Writer in Residence	National Day of Action Against Bullying	National Day of Action Against Bullying
Week 6 19/8	Book Week	Book Week	District Athletics	Book Week	Family Story Time 2.30pm	Family Story Time 2.30pm
Week 7 26/8				Writer in Residence	Curriculum Day	Curriculum Day
Week 8 2/9	Masterclass Student Workshop		Student-Led Conferences 3.30-7.30pm	Writer in Residence		
Week 9 9/9				R U Okay? Day	Assembly 2.15pm	Assembly 2.15pm
Week 10 16/9	School Production				Last Day of Term. 2.30pm finish	Last Day of Term. 2.30pm finish

Reminder: Make sure to name your child's school clothing. This makes it easier to find belongings of others and return to the correct student.



**STEP INTO PREP
AT RIVER GUM
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**SCHOOL TOURS
FOR FOUNDATION
2025**

TERMS 2 & 3

***BEGINNING TUESDAY**

16TH APRIL

EVERY TUESDAY AT 9AM

MEET IN THE FRONT OFFICE



REGISTER TODAY!

Call: 9799 1216

Email: river.gum.ps@education.vic.gov.au
to book!