

Calendar 2011—Term 1



June

Friday 24th Lantern Walk
 Monday 27th AASC commences Badminton/Table Tennis prep-Gr 2 week 1
 Tuesday 28th School Book Visit Bandicoot Books Marion and Steve Isham—all classes
 Wednesday 29th School Sports commence Grade 5 and 6 Football/Netball Roster Round 1 Richmond v Warrane @ Richmond
 Thursday 30th Fire Evacuation Practice 1.30pm whole school
 Thursday 30th AASC commences Hip Hop Gr 3-6 week 1
 Thursday 30th Lady Gowrie After School Care Launch 3.00pm Multi Purpose Room

July

Friday 1st Grade 6 Immunisation Round 1
 Monday 4th AASC Badminton/Table Tennis prep-Gr 2 week 2
Tuesday 5th School Association Meeting 6.00pm
 Thursday 7th AASC Hip Hop Gr 3-6 week 2
 Monday 11th AASC Badminton/Table Tennis prep-Gr 2 week 3
 Wednesday 13th Symmons Plains Cross Country
 Wednesday 13th Round 2 School Sports Gr 5/6 Roster @ Rokeby
 Thursday 14th AASC Hip Hop Gr 3-6 week 3
Friday 15th Student Free Day—Staff Professional Development Day
 Monday 18th AASC Badminton/Table Tennis prep-Gr 2 week 4
 Thursday 21st AASC Hip Hop Gr3-6 week 4
 Monday 25th Excursion Grade 5/6 Woodbridge Marine Study Centre
 Monday 25th AASC Badminton/Table Tennis prep-Gr 2 week 5
 Wednesday 27th Round 3 School Sports Gr 5/6 Roster @ Clarendon Vale
 Thursday 28th AASC Hip Hop Gr 3-6 week 5
 Thursday 28th Jeans for Genes Day
August
 Wednesday 3rd National Tree Planting Day Activities
 Thursday 4th AMC Maths Competition for grades 3-6
 Friday 5th Reports go home
 Monday 8th Parent/Teacher Interviews will commence this week
 Monday 15th-17th Book Fair—Mark George Books—times to be advised
 Tuesday 16th Oral Story Telling
 Wednesday 17th Book Week Parade and Assembly 9.30am Premier Lara Giddings attending

Wednesday 29th June	Time	Where	Canteen Roster	Name
Volunteer 1	9.00-1.00	In the school canteen		Kara Hunt
Volunteer 2	9.00-1.00	In the school canteen		Mel McLaren
Wednesday 6th July	Time	Where		Name
Volunteer 1	9.00-1.00	In the school canteen		Mel McLaren
Volunteer 2	9.00-1.00	In the school canteen		Jeroen Pape

**Any roster changes must contact Mel McLaren on 6268 1617
 More volunteers are required. Please contact Kara on 6260 2051 or 0410 089 702**

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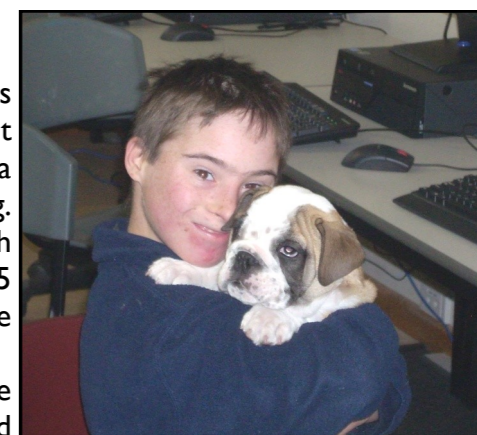
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GRADE 5/6 MEETS DYLAN GRICE'S PUPPY

During the holidays Dylan had a birthday. He turned 11. For his birthday he was taken (along with his sister Ella) to the airport. It was at the airport that a big/little surprise awaited. Dylan now has a puppy called Zoe. She is a half English and half Australian bulldog. She is almost ten weeks old. Zoe will grow up to be a dog with some interesting dimensions. She will be 30 cm across the chest, 45 cm high and only 60 cm long. Classes might like to use a metre rule to discover the shape of Zoe the wonder dog!!!
 Dylan loves his pet very much and is learning to look after her. Zoe could be Dylan's (and Ella's) friend for 15 years! We all enjoyed meeting Zoe.



For all enquiries phone:
 6230 6864 or 6230 6893

Lady Gowrie Richmond After School Care Launch

Come along and see what happens at Richmond After School Care

Have fun:

- Meeting the Educators
- Participating in a Soccer Clinic
- Meeting the Gowrie Clown
- Face Painting
- Arts and Crafts.



3.00pm Thursday, June 30th, 2011



Department of Education



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

As you are aware there have been a lot of discussions in the paper in light of the government budget for 2011-2012. I have received the following statement to be shared with the parent community from the Department of Education.

This year's Education and Training budget of \$1.3 billion will continue to support the Government's priority areas of the early years, literacy and numeracy, training and adult learning.

Extra funding has been directed to helping schools support young children and their families before they formally start school and ensure that more students finish their high school education with functional literacy and numeracy skills.

It provides funding for alternative education strategies as well as help schools to address student behaviour.

Major school-related initiatives contained in the 2011-12 Education Budget include:

*An additional \$2 million funding for the Early Years and Launching into Learning program
An additional \$2 million for Raising the Bar Closing the Gap 7 Up literacy initiative*

The Government has also had to make some tough decisions in the interests of a sustainable education system in the future and a number of schools have been identified for possible closure to better match the public education system with our demographic reality.

The Department of Education will need to implement a number of savings strategies which will impact on schools. They include discontinuing the current class size initiative. However it is expected that the average effect on primary class sizes will be an increase of less than one full time equivalent student per class.

The payment of interest to schools and colleges based on their bank balances will be discontinued with effect from the first interest payment due in July 2011. School bank accounts are not affected.

For more information you can visit the Department of Education website at: www.education.tas.gov.au

Whilst it is still early days and the finer details in relation to the effect at Richmond are to some extent unknown it will mean that additional money that assists in keeping class sizes in the early years smaller will no longer come into the school budget. It also means that if the school budgets are frozen at 2010 levels rising costs such as electricity, goods and services will need to be covered within the 2010 budget. Finally both Learning Services in the South will combine and will be based at the Warrane campus.

I believe we are in a reasonably good position at this stage with all major and minor works completed (all classrooms have been renovated). We have also refurbished existing equipment and bought new materials for students including books, ICT sports, art, maths and science equipment. Our library will soon be up and running using an electronic bar coding system that will make a huge difference to borrowing and finding books.

Please remember that we have after school care for children Kinder to Grade 6. Sessions are at reduced costs for most families and sessions can be booked from one hour to 3 hours after school 5 days a week. Next Thursday, June 30th from 3.00 we have a FREE fun afternoon to celebrate the opening of After School Care. Bring your children along and enjoy the activities. It should be heaps of fun and a good introduction to the fun of After School Care.

**Kate Slater
Principal**

Thank You

A big thank you to Michael Bain for all his help with setting up the terrapin for our lovely new Art Area. Your input has been much appreciated Michael.

Bookclub

Issue 4 of Scholastic Bookclub has gone home with today's newsletter. Please have orders back to the office by Friday 1st July.

School Photos

To order a copy of the school Hockey team, Grade 6 Leavers Funny Photo or a whole school photo please leave order at office. The photos are \$9.00 each. A copy of each is available for viewing at the office.

Lost Property

Size 12 fleecy jacket named—Samuel Gibson—please check your child's bag and return to office if located.

**Canteen for
Wednesday 29th June**

Richmond Bakery Party Pie	\$1.20
Richmond Bakery Sausage Roll	\$1.20
Anton's fresh homemade pizza pocket	
Ham and Pineapple or	\$2.50
Bacon and Cheese	\$2.50
Wholemeal salad rolls	
Lettuce, cheese, mayo and chicken	\$3.00
Lettuce, cheese, mayo and ham	\$3.00

Frozen Yoghurt	
Tropical Fruit Salad/Strawberry	\$1.50

Flavoured Milk	
Chocolate and Strawberry	\$2.50
Play Water	\$2.50
Raspberry and Blackcurrant	
Children need to supply their own paper bag with their canteen order.	
Thank you.	

**AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS
COMPETITION 2011**

Once again the AMC has invited us to enter students in their annual mathematics competition. Last year we had 12 students ranging from grade 3 to grade 6 who entered. They had a great deal of fun, some success and received some feedback. Students are assessed against students in the same school year and Australian state/Country so age or curriculum differences between students are irrelevant. The problems are easier at the start of the paper becoming progressively more difficult until the end. In 2010 there were approximately 400,000 entries from nearly 4000 schools in more than 40 countries.

Students will receive external recognition of their achievements in the form of a certificate. It is designed to be a fun event.

I would encourage students with some ability to take part. The cost of this event is \$5.50 (money and name to office please) it will be held at school on Thursday 4th August.

Regards, N. George Bills

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Reuben Pribac who is one of the Premier's Reading Challenge Book Review Winners. See your reading log for details on how you can win by writing a book review on the website.

Prep Parents

A reminder—Prep mums get-together this Sunday 26th June at the Richmond Bakery at 2.00pm. Look forward to seeing you there.

Regards, Jackie 0457 783 353.

Grade 1/2 Request

Grade 1/2 are after some net bags that oranges and onions are sold in. Please drop them into Gr 1/2.

**Lantern Walk
Friday 24th June**

Food will be available for sale after the Lantern Walk at the school canteen (The Village Hall is under renovation and not available however we will be starting the walk at 6.00pm from there).

The food and drinks will be served at the conclusion of the walk and will include saveloys, home made soup and drinks.

Soup \$1.50
Saveloys \$2.00
Fruit boxes \$1.50
Tea and Coffee \$1.00



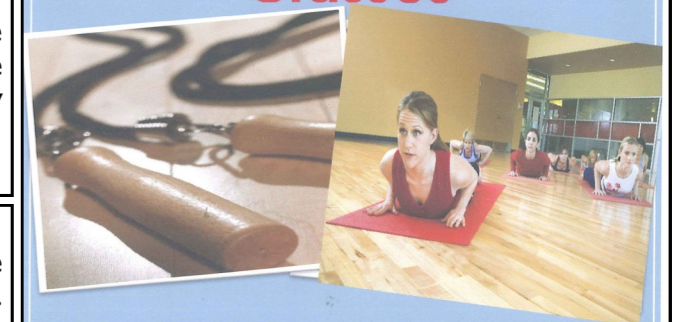
Bread has been donated by the Richmond Bakery and the soup has been made by our wonderful parents. A big thank you to all!

Lastly, music on the night will be played and organised by Friderik Pribac – one of our talented parents. Thank you for your support. We will start with an explanation about the tradition by Andrea Neuberger. Come along with a lantern or borrow one for the night and be led through the streets of Richmond by Mr Bills in 'full song'.

PS. if you are able to contribute with a soup and/ or help on the night serving please let the office know or Jan Ross.

Thank you Mrs Ross, Mr Bills and Mrs Devereaux for organising the event.

**Circuit Exercise
Classes**



Join 'Bodywise' Circuit Exercise Classes

Tuesday afternoons

4.15 to 5.15pm.

Richmond Primary School Hall
Cost \$10 p.p for 1 hour

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- * Increase Bone Density, Mobility & Flexibility.
- * Increase Muscle Tone.
- * Decrease Body Fat.

For enquiries on child care during exercise class please contact After School Child Care on 6230 6864 or 6230 6893.