

## NEWSLETTER

### 10th March 2022

### Principal's Report

It is exciting to once again have our students participating in a variety of events and activities.

Information will be coming home soon for our Junior School concert. The concert will involve each of the classes in years prep and one performing an item. The dates for the performances are Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Information will also be coming home shortly for our year 6 camp. Our year 6 students will be travelling to Canberra from October 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>. This camp provides our students with an outstanding opportunity to experience learning directly associated with their inquiry unit of work, in civics and citizenship. As part of the camp program, students will visit a number of buildings, sites and attractions associated with the development and role of government in Australia.

Last Monday evening our School Council conducted its first meeting for 2022. A number of items of business were discussed at the meeting. Foremost amongst the items was a report on our 2022 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP). This document outlines our key implementation strategies that we will be focusing on during this year and reflects the longer term strategic priorities contained in our current School Strategic Plan and the current Department of Education priorities. The strategies are based around two core areas of our school's operations:

1. student learning
2. student wellbeing

The key implementation strategies we will be embedding are; the planning and assessment practices in numeracy, teacher practices in reading and building student capacity to monitor their own learning. As well as specifying these areas targeted for development, our plan outlines how we will allocate resources to enable our work to be undertaken effectively and how we will monitor progress and any targets or milestones which will provide a gauge to evaluate our degrees of achievement. I look forward to sharing further information with our school community regarding our AIP as the year unfolds.

Last Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, nominations closed for positions on our 2022 School Council. The parent vacancies have been filled and I am pleased to announce the parents who will serve our school community as parent representatives on School Council this year. Our elected parent representatives and community members are:

- Stephanie Webel
- Amanda Loftus
- Belinda Richardson
- Amy Mackenzie
- Briony Hewitt
- Lisa Fry
- JD Albrecht
- Samantha Scott

The staff representatives who will join me as our school representatives are:

- Matthew Lee
- Margaret Krstevski
- Alana Gilholm-Webster
- Steven Runting

I would like to welcome our new councillors and look forward to their contributions as we continue to provide our students with an engaging education. Our first meeting of the new school council will be Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

A sincere thank you to Nerissa Gleeson and Sarah Buchanan for all their time and service provided to our school community during their time on school council.

Next Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, commencing at 9:00am in our gymnasium, we will be conducting our senior school assembly where we will be announcing our 2022 student leadership team to our school community. This team will be made up of year 6 students who have been elected or appointed to various leadership positions.

As part of our selection process, students were requested to write their thoughts and ideas about leadership at PLPS. As Principal, I was very proud, not only of the number of applications I received from our children, but also with the outstanding quality of many of the applications I received. Students took the opportunity to share with me why they would make suitable student leaders and how they would "live our values." They also shared with me the types of behaviours and attitudes that they believed our student leaders should exhibit. As with any election process, there will also be some applicants who are not successful with their applications. However, all senior students have a key role to play in setting the tone and providing role models to our younger students.

The safety of our students is important to us all. When students are riding their bikes and scooters to school, it is important for them to take care of themselves and others, particularly when crossing roads and when in close proximity to the gates. When inside the school grounds, students need to walk their bikes and scooters to where they are going. When outside the gates, students are required to walk their bikes when they are close to the gates in the morning or until they are safely past all school gates in the afternoons. If the school crossing is being used, once again bikes and scooters need to be walked, together with all other rules being adhered to when using the school crossings.

A reminder that Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> is the Labour Day public holiday.

**Kerrie Kingston-Gains**  
**Principal**

# Admin News

## DIARY DATES

Friday 18th February - Friday 25th March: Summer Interschool Sports

Monday 14th March: Labour Day Public Holiday (Students do not attend school)

Monday 21st March - School Fun Run

### ICY POLE FRIDAY



We will be selling  
lemonade icy poles at lunch time on  
Fridays during term 1.

Icy poles are \$1.20 each and can be  
purchased from the Canteen.

**Note: The last day for Icy Poles in Term 1  
will be Friday 1st April.**

### Canteen

Just a reminder that the  
canteen is now open on  
Tuesdays & Thursdays for  
online lunch orders via the  
Qkr! app.

Counter sales will also be  
available at recess and lunch  
time.



### PLPS Bucket Hats

We currently have our old  
style bucket hats available  
for sale from the office at  
the discounted price of  
\$10.00

These hats are no longer  
available at PSW.

### Hats

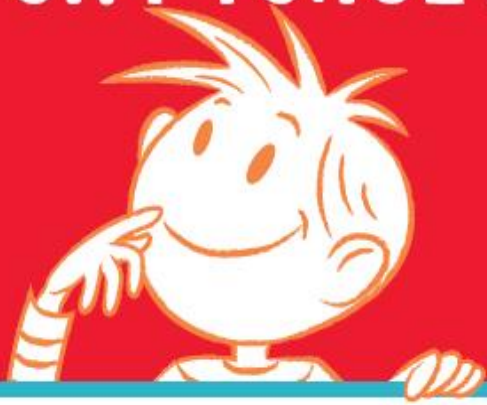


Hats are part of our school uniform in  
Term 1.

It is strongly recommended that all students have  
their hats on when they play out in the yard at recess  
and lunch time.

Please remember to label your hats too!

# DON'T FORGET!



 SCHOLASTIC

## Book Club

orders are due:

March 18th

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## Parking Around the School

Street parking is available along Shearwater Drive and Everly Circuit.

Please be courteous to our surrounding residents when parking, dropping off or collecting students from school.

**Please obey parking signs and do not park in or over driveways and do not litter.**

We ask that you leave enough time to drop off and pick up children in a safe and legal manner.

Thank you.

## ***Important - Staff Carpark***

Our school carpark is for staff parking between 8.30am and 3.45pm on school days by order of the School Council.

During these times parents **are not** permitted to park in the school carpark.

The carpark **is not** permitted for use for dropping off and picking up students or for leaving your car unattended while collecting your children.

This is to ensure the safety of all students in the school.

Thank you.

# School Fun Run

We're less than two weeks out from our *School Fun Run*! We hope students are working hard towards their fundraising goals!

Currently we have raised **\$8,404** of our **\$20,000** goal so there is a way to go and I hope you'll keep supporting us!

Did you know that you can WIN a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Package by setting up your student profile online and raising \$1 online? Just head over to [schoolfunrun.com.au](http://schoolfunrun.com.au). Once you've created your page there are some great things you can do. You can sign up for online fundraising, pick your target prize and even become a fundraising superstar!

If you're having any trouble setting up your student profile or fundraising online, please get in touch with the Fun Run team on 1800 FUN RUN or contact the school office.

Thanks for supporting us with your fundraising efforts, we look forward to celebrating with an amazing day!



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SCOUT GROUP

# COME & TRY

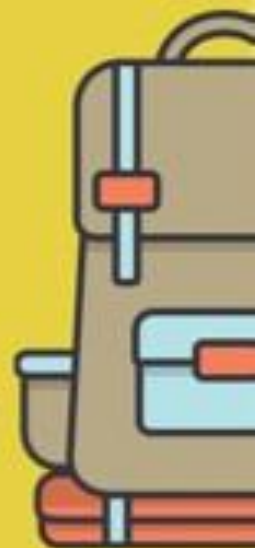
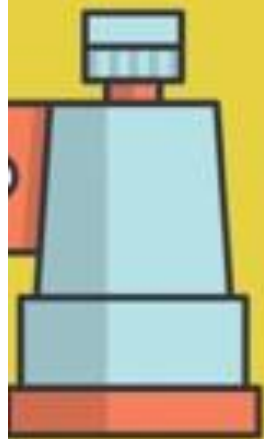
IF YOUR CHILD IS LOOKING FOR A FUN  
PACKED ACTIVITY THAT TEACHES NEW  
SKILLS, HELPS THE COMMUNITY AND  
THE ENVIRONMENT AND HELPS THEM  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS WHY NOT COME ON  
DOWN TO ONE OF OUR COME AND TRY  
SESSIONS.

Joey Scouts 5-8 year old  
Henry Family Childrens Centre  
Wednesday 23rd March 6:30-7:30pm

Cub Scout 8-11 years old  
Pakenham Lakeside Primary School  
Tuesday 29th March 7:00-8:30pm

Scouts 11-15 years old  
Pakenham Lakeside Primary School  
Thursday 10th March 7:00-9:00pm

contact [LPSG.Membershipenquiries@gmail.com](mailto:LPSG.Membershipenquiries@gmail.com) for more details





# Bike safety

1

## Before you start riding make sure:

- You're wearing a helmet and enclosed shoes
- Your bike has been checked and is ready to go.



2

## When riding

- Use the foot-path as much as possible and be respectful of others using it
- Keep to the left and use your bell to let people know you are coming.



3

## When you are ready to cross the road:

- STOP, LOOK, LISTEN, THINK to check that it is safe to cross
- Always choose traffic lights, a pedestrian crossing or a school crossing where possible
- Hop off your bike and walk your bike across the road.

4

## Take care of your bike to make sure it is in good condition and safe to ride

This means that it has:

- Working brakes
- Pumped up tyres
- Lights that are working
- A bell that rings

If you're not sure your bike is safe to use, please talk to an adult in your family.



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**OFFICER SECONDARY COLLEGE**

# *School Tours for 2023 are now underway!*

SEE OUR CLASSES IN ACTION AND TOUR  
OUR FANTASTIC FACILITIES.

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.**

TO BOOK GO TO:  
[HTTPS://WWW.OFFICERSC.VIC.EDU.AU/ENROLMENT/BOOK-A-TOUR//](https://www.officersc.vic.edu.au/enrolment/book-a-tour/)







**ROWVILLE**  
SECONDARY COLLEGE

# SCHOOL OPEN NIGHTS

## **EASTERN CAMPUS**

RSA | RIA  
Monday 28 March  
6pm

## **WESTERN CAMPUS**

GE | MSA  
Wednesday 30 March  
6pm

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MATHS & SCIENCE ACADEMY | SPORTS ACADEMY

Bookings & Program Information Night details visit:

**[ROWVILLESC.VIC.EDU.AU](http://ROWVILLESC.VIC.EDU.AU)**







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# IMPORTANT Enrolment Information

How to enrol your child at  
Rowville Secondary College

Our programs are campus specific programs

## GENERAL EXCELLENCE

### WESTERN CAMPUS

Complete DET Transition Form provided by your primary school.

## MATHS & SCIENCE ACADEMY

### WESTERN CAMPUS

Complete DET Transition Form provided by your primary school & Expression of Interest Form on our website to be considered for our specialist program.

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