Term 2: 28 June 2024

# What's Happening at RPS

Rutherglen Primary School Newsletter

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

#### Mon 15th July Term 3 starts for all students Tues 16th July French Celebration Day & Parade - 9:20am in BRS Tues 23rd July First Aid in Schools - Year 3-6

### **HOT CHOCOLATE**



## Every Thursday - \$2

Student arival time at school **8:40am** onwards -staff supervision starts at this time Morning bell is at 9am.



School success starts with attendance



#### Term 2 wraps up & we welcome an exciting Term 3!

Term 2 was a busy 11-week term both in and out of the classroom with some amazing learning opportunities across the school, which we hope you have enjoyed getting a snapshot of through our weekly Facebook Posts showcasing each Unit's learning and extra curricula activities. Outside the classroom there were a raft of extra curricula experiences provided to students, and as a school we should feel proud of the great range that is made available to our students.

As we move into Term 3, a 10-week term, we hope the sicknesses that struck so many students toward the end of the last term have passed by, and that we can look forward to having students back in full swing for a productive term ahead. Hopefully all families have taken the time to download and read their child's Semester 1 report, as not only does this give you an indication of their strengths and the progress made, but also the learning or personal goals they will be working on throughout Semester 2. Last year we around 50% of our families download their child's report. A huge amount of time goes into these by staff, and in personally reading every child's report, I know that you will be as proud as I was, of the hard work put in by your child and the progress they have made. I encourage all families to download and read their child's report in readiness for student-led conferences in Week 4.

In Week 4, we will be holding student-led conferences, where your child will lead you through their journey thus far and share with you the things they are proud of, have progressed in, and what they are working on moving forward. Your child's teacher will be on hand to chat to you, though families who would like extra time to speak with their child's teacher will need to make a further time to meet. Please look at for details about this coming out soon.



## **Leadership Camp**

We wish Xavier. R, Leah. E, Flick. W and Will. T, four of our Year 6 students all the best for the first week back, as they embark on a week-long leadership camp at

15MCC. We know this will strengthen their respective leadership roles within our school and provide them with a range of skills and knowledge to share with their peers, and to take with them into high school and beyond.

Regards, Karryn

**RESPECT -** RESPONSIBILITY - INTEGRITY - EMPATHY



We're thrilled to announce that we have received a 2024 Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant for our project, **Our Little Place of Calm**.

This project is being championed by our 1-2 classes and focuses on providing a sensory centred wellbeing space in the school that everyone can access, whilst providing students with hands-on experience in creating a wildlife habitat using native plants. We have just finished our research phase where we explored our five senses in the garden and came up with some great ideas for our final design. This concept will now go to the Student Leadership Team so that every class in the school can have some input into what the RPS Sensory Garden can provide to every student. We have also partnered with the local Men's Shed and Landcare Rutherglen group to help us make this project a reality.

Rutherglen Primary School is one of 1,041 primary schools and early learning centres across Australia to receive a Woolworths Junior Landcare grant to help grow our next generation of environmental champions.

The children and teachers are looking forward to getting their hands dirty and learning from this project.

## Look out for more details coming this term

Use the link below to find out more about our project or click the Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant map to read more about other projects.

https://woolworthsgrantsmap.juniorlandcare.org.au/grant-round-6/our-littleplace-of-calm/



Integrity

Empathy

## Respect

Responsibility

## **RPS** Values Awards acknowledges students who display our school values and expectations by the choices they make in their daily actions - Weeks 10 & 11

FOUNDATION R	<b>Ky. M -</b> showing resilience during writing tasks. You are pulling yourself out of the learning zone by going back and adding detail to your writing. Well done, Ky <b>Nicholas. C -</b> your increased efforts in everything that you do. You have worked really hard on remaining focused and completing your tasks, especially with your writing. Keep up the fabulous work Nicholas!
FOUNDATION H	<ul> <li>Harriette. B - taking responsibility in your learning journey by giving set tasks a go, even when you may find them challenging. I love seeing your confidence shine through. Keep it up Harriette!</li> <li>Harvey C - displaying empathy towards your peers when they may not be at their best, offering a helping hand, a listening ear, or a well-timed joke to bring a smile to their face. Your efforts are truly valued, Harvey!</li> </ul>
1-2 H	Miguel. D-S - always inviting others to join in your games at playtime. Miguel, you are a very inclusive member of our school. Well done! Hunter. S - showing kindness towards a friend by giving up your playtime to help them find their football. Keep it up Hunter!
1-2 P	Matilda. E - being a responsible learner. You have done a great job since arriving at Rutherglen Primary and I was really impressed with the effort you put into your information text. Jedd. P - showing empathy towards others. It is great to hear that you have been caring for your peers when they are hurt or need support.
3-4 C	<ul> <li>Mackenzie. O - consistently showing responsibility as a learner by giving your best effort, and for showing respect to the school environment by looking after our shared places, plants and equipment. Keep it up, Mackenzie!</li> <li>Anakiya. M - working hard to use strategies that help you to concentrate, and making better choices for yourself and your learning. It has been noticed by your peers and teachers. Well done Anakiya!</li> </ul>
3-4 G	<ul> <li>Summer. E - for demonstrating responsibility towards your learning. It has been great seeing you working hard to complete your information report about Giraffes, using interesting information and engaging visual features. Great work, Summer!</li> <li>Ella. W - for always demonstrating the school values in all areas of her learning. You have been a fantastic role model to your classmates and all students at RPS. Keep up the great work, Ella!</li> </ul>
3-4 R	Lockii. B - for getting involved and participating in our production practice. It has been great to see you putting in more effort and encouraging others to do the same. Awesome stuff, Lockii! Anna. F - for showing more responsibility in the classroom. It has been great to see you asking for help, showing initiative and using the resources around the room to support your learning. Keep up the great work, Anna!
5-6 G	<b>Tyler. C</b> - managing distractions and staying focussed on your work. We think that you are working really working to complete your tasks. Great stuff, Tyler! <b>Hannah. W</b> - for working hard in all subjects and staying focused. You are trying really to explain your thinking, especially in Maths. Great stuff, Han! Keep up your great effort.
5-6 B	<ul> <li>Nick H - for the efforts you have been making in ensuring you are following our school values! It has been really great to see you make better choices with your behaviour, and think things through before reacting. Well done, Nick. We want to see more of this!</li> <li>Charlie. H - for the efforts you have been making in ensuring you are following our school values! It has been really great to see you make better choices with your behaviour, and think things through before reacting. Well done, Nick. We want to see more of this!</li> </ul>



Why Attendance Matters - when your child misses school they miss opportunities to ...



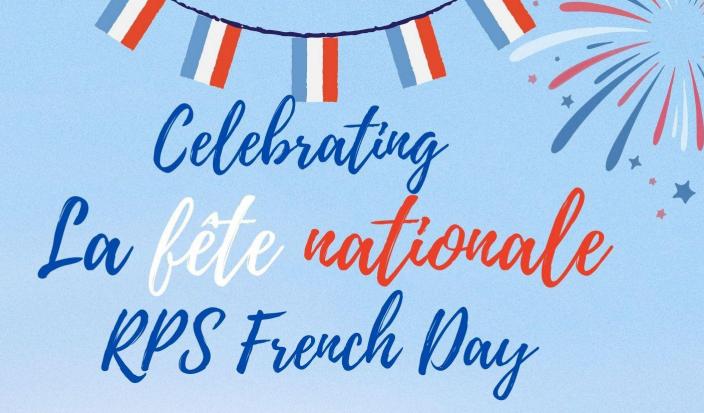
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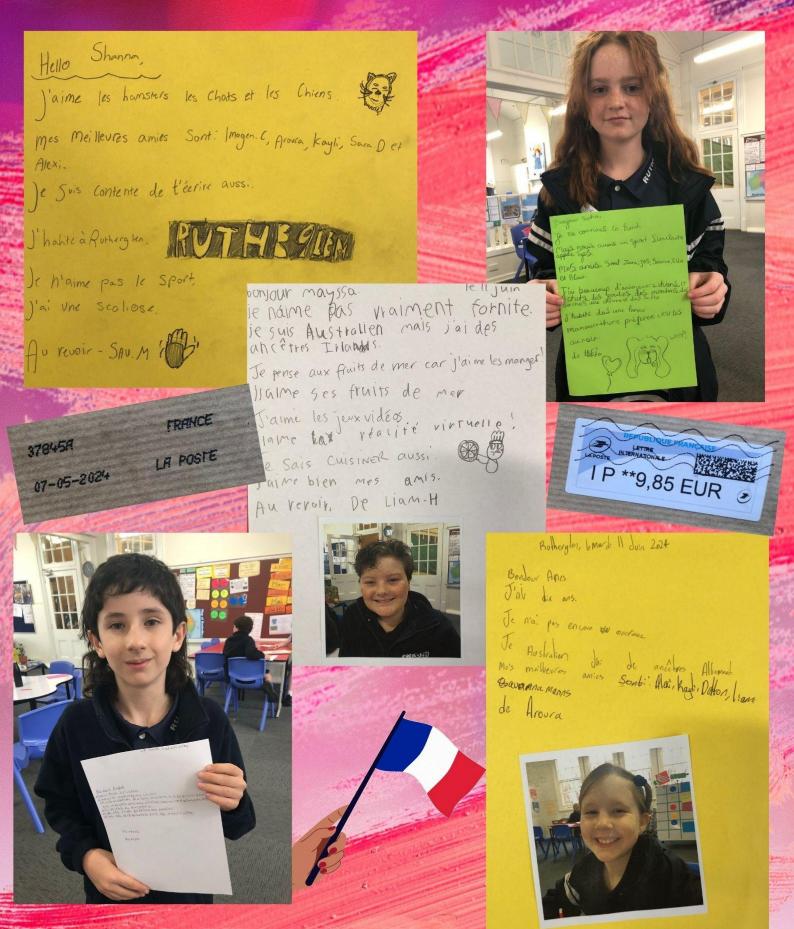
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## **TUESDAY 16TH JULY 2024**

# COME DRESSED UP IN FRENCH COSTUMES OR FRENCH COLOURS

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Our French penpals from Villeurbanne in Lyon, France wrote to us again! We received their letters in the mail and these students decided to reply by return post! Bravo Abbie, Angus, Sav M., Aroura et Liam H.!



LOOK WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN

Foundation - Chemistry inquiry focused on the materials of objects and their observable properties; engineering structures; coding with Scratch Jnr; and creating rainbow clouds.



1-2 - Chemistry inquiry focused on physically changing materials; research and design planning for our Little Place of Calm sensory garden; and creating rainbow clouds.







3-4 - Earth and Space science inquiry focused on how Earth's rotation causes day and night; River Detectives Lake King water testing and theory on salinity; River Walk with Indigo Shire and Indigo North Health; rocket launches through VSSEC; and creating lava lamps



















5-6 - Earth and Space science inquiry focused on our solar system with planets orbiting around the sun; droid exploration through VSSEC; research for the Zoos Victoria Fighting Extinction project; and creating oobleck with a pH indicator.

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# **2024 CALENDAR**

## TERM 3 - Mon 15th July - Fri 20th Oct

Tues 16th July	French Celebration Day - Parade @ 9:15am in BRS
Wed 17th July	Rotary Dinner catering
Tues 23rd July	Year 3-6 First Aid in School Program
Mon 29th July	Foundation students 100 Days of School Celebration
Tues 6th Aug	RPS Mini Olympics
Wed 7th Aug	Student-led Conferences
Tues 13th Aug	School Council Meeting - 6:30pm
Mon 19th - Fri 23rd Aug	BOOK WEEK - Book Week Parade, Monday 19th Aug @ 9:15am in BRS
Wed 28th Aug	Questacon Science Circus
Wed 11th & Thurs 12th Sept	School Production - evening peformances
Tues 17th Sept	School Council Meeting - 6:30pm
Thurs 19th Sept	Athletics Day - all day - Rutherglen Show Grounds

## TERM 4 - Mon 7th Oct - Fri 20th Dec

Grandparent's Day
Rutherglen Show
State Bowls Comp - Melbourne
Colour Run
Curriculum Day - students do not attend
Remembrance Day
Curriculum Day - Report Writing Day - students do not attend
Year 6 Graduation + Year 5 Windsurfing
Year 6 Windsurfing
2024 Presentation Assembly
Swimming Carnival & Pool Party





# and **RPS Parents & Friends** invite you to support their



### mixed patterns



odd socks



animals



fruit salad



Available Tuesday 12th - Friday 21st June

Purchase from the Office

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activity

BE QUICK! Buy in preparation for illy Sock & Pyjama Day

Last day of Term 2 28th June



We aim to cater for feet of every shape and size. From four years old to ninety nine - our socks will fit. All socks are unisex. This sizing chart is a guide only