

Term 4:
30 October - 2025

What's Happening at RPS

Rutherglen Primary School
Newsletter



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday 3rd Nov
Curriculum Day

Tues 4th Nov
Melbourne Cup Public
Holiday

Reminder...

broad-brimmed
hats are required
every day

Student arrival time at
school **8:40am**
onwards -staff
supervision starts at
this time

Morning bell is at 9am.



School success starts
with attendance

SCHOOL NEWS

Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations to Theo Wall & Tiahn Heard from the 3-4 Unit, and Poppy Allison and Mackenzie O'Meara from the 5-6 Unit who participated in the Primary School's Public Speaking Competition at St, Joseph's Chiltern on Friday. The 3-4s topic was **Creative Invention** - if you could invent something new, what would it be?

Tell us about it e.g. what is it made of, who is it for and how it could be used? and the 5-6 topic was **Technology** - the impact of fast-moving technology on our lives and the environment is often overlooked, yet it can be far reaching. Is technology moving too fast for humans to keep up?

All students did a fabulous job at presenting their interesting and well thought out speeches using great eye contact and expression to engage with the audience. Congratulations to Theo and Poppy who won their year level sections!

2026 Class Placement - requests - Our teachers and leadership have begun placing students into their proposed classes for 2026. This well thought out and considered process ensures we aim for balanced and supportive classes that take into consideration factors such as gender balance, academic achievement, social and behavioural needs, and student personalities. Students will have an opportunity to contribute to this process by nominating 3 preferred learning partners.

Parents with requests can provide these in writing to Karryn by Friday, 7th November. Requests will only be taken in line with one or more of following three categories: Separation - valid reasons why their child should not be in the same class as another student. Pairing - both families must submit matching requests for their children to be placed together. Teaching style - outlining the type of learning environment that best supports their child (specific teachers cannot be requested & teacher year levels for 2026 are currently being finalised). Families of siblings/cousins may also indicate whether they prefer their children to be placed together or apart.



Regards... Karryn Williams - Principal

What's Happening in Term 4

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 5	Mon 3rd Nov Curriculum Day	Tues 4th Nov Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	Wed 5th Nov	Thurs 6th Nov	Pyjama Day
WEEK 6	Mon 10th Nov	Tues 11th Nov Remembrance Day -5-6s attending 3-6 Poetry Recital	Wed 12th Nov Rotary Dinner Catering	Thurs 13th Nov Smile Dental Squad	Fri 14th Nov Assembly
WEEK 7	Mon 17th Nov F-2 Poetry Recital 10am	Tues 18th Nov Transition Day1 for Foundation 2026	Wed 19th Nov Year 5-6 Canberra Camp	Thurs 20th Nov Year 5-6 Canberra Camp	Fri 21st Nov Year 5-6 Canberra Camp F-2 Kyabram Excursion
WEEK 8	Mon 24th Nov	Tues 25th Nov Transition Day 2 for Foundation 2026	Wed 26th Nov	Thurs 27th Nov Year 2 Sleepover	Fri 28th Nov Assembly
WEEK 9	Mon 1st Dec	Tues 2nd Dec Transition Day 3 all students	Wed 3rd Dec Athletics Day	Thurs 4th Dec F-2 Learning Celebration 2:30pm in BER	Fri 5th Dec Helen Haines visit Year 5-6
WEEK 10	Mon 8th Dec Year 6 Transition to RHS Elephant Ed Year 5	Tues 9th Dec Transition Day 4 all students School Council Meeting	Wed 10th Dec Athletics Day	Thurs 11th Dec F-2 Learning Celebration Community Carols	Fri 12th Dec Assembly
WEEK 11	Mon 15th Dec Year 6 Graduation	Tues 16th Dec Year 6 Special Activity Day	Wed 17th Dec End of year Presentation Assembly	Thurs 18th Dec	Fri 19th Dec Last day of 2025 Year 1:00pm finish

What sort of start is your child getting?

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

That's when every minute counts the most!!

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

PARKING REMINDER A quick reminder about adhering to parking restrictions and requirements along Murray and Church Sts, ensuring you are not parking in the no-standing zones or double parking to allow children to jump in/out cars quickly.

SCHOOL HOURS Just a friendly reminder that staff supervision of students in the yard before school begins at 8:40am. Out of School Hours care is available each morning from 7:00am. We ask that students do not arrive at school before 8:30 at the earliest, with an understanding that supervision is not available until 8:40am



Join Us for a Come and Try Day! Discover the joy of swimming and fitness today!

Oct 28th/30th
Nov 4th/6th
Nov 11th/13th
5.45pm



come and try held at Corowa Aquatic Centre



ICY-POLES are available every Thursday for \$1 each

Thinking about swim club?
Not sure what its all about?
Open days coming up soon so you can check it out!!! We are a fun, friendly and supportive club.
We would love to meet you

Respect

Responsibility

Integrity

Empathy

RPS Values Awards acknowledges students who display our school values and expectations by the choices they make in their daily actions - Weeks 1 & 2

Foundation

Elsbeth Hamilton - for your impressive dedication to your writing! Your work is neat, and you're making a strong effort to spell words accurately. It's wonderful to see you starting to write full, detailed sentences with confidence. Keep it up, Elsbeth!

Lilly O'Malley - for your positive start to the day! Walking into the classroom confidently and getting straight into your morning jobs shows how responsible and independent you're becoming. It's great to see you taking charge of your routine and setting yourself up for a successful day of learning. Keep it up Lilly, we're really proud of you!

Year 1-2

Leveigh O'Toole - for the fabulous effort you are putting into your work. You are certainly showing us what you are capable of and you should be very proud of yourself. Great job, Leveigh!

Sullivan Duncan - for your fantastic work during Sounds-Write lessons. You are focused on your work, and are following instructions independently. We are seeing some great improvement in your written work and your commitment to learning too! Great work, Sully!

Year 3-4

Ella Donaldson - always being a respectful, kind and hard working member of 3/4G. You are a great role model for all RPS students to follow. It has been great to see you apply new writing skills you have learnt in your independent writing. Awesome work, Ella!

Darcy Miller - showing more focus and integrity as a learner, especially in writing sessions. Your recent narrative was incredibly engaging and dynamic, and your other classwork has also shown great improvement. Keep it up Darcy!

Year 5-6

Summer Edwards - your fantastic integrity when playing games with others. It has been fantastic to see you modelling fair behaviour, and encouraging others to do the same. Well done Summer!

Mackenzie O'Meara - the way you always show empathy towards your peers and a willingness to make sure everyone feels included and valued. Your peers have noticed the way you are able to use the lessons you learn in Wellbeing and apply these in everyday situations.

PE

F - Willow Crawford - for being a terrific role model to your peers every PE lesson. You play fair and follow the rules, always showing terrific sportsmanship. You look out for your peers making sure they know how to play the game and you are always encouraging others. Keep up the great work Willow.

1-2 Willow McIntyre - for always looking out for others in PE, making sure they have a partner and the right equipment. You always display all the school values in PE and are always the first to help set up or pack up equipment and give your best in every activity we do. Keep up the great work Willow.

3-4 - Henry Ortlipp - for coming into a new school and making such a great first impression. It was wonderful to see you give golf a go and put in your best effort. You showed great consideration for your peers when it came to grouping and you are a wonderful addition to your class. Keep it up Henry!

5-6 - Phoenix Schilg - for your terrific efforts at the Ovens and Murray Division Aths Day. Phoenix, you should be extremely proud of your commitment and determination at the athletics day. You were taken a little out of your comfort zone, however, you gave every event your best and you should be extremely proud of yourself. Keep up the great work Phoenix.

ART

F - Rocco Monte - for the great work you did creating your poster showing the woodchopping event at the Rutherglen Show. You always put your best effort in each art session, and thank you for being a superstar at packing up, too!

1-2 - Magnus Welsh - for the creativity you showed when designing a map for your Rutherglen Show poster. I love how original your idea was. Amazing effort, Magnus!

3-4 - Angus Lawler - Angus it was fantastic to see your focus, dedication and care toward your Rutherglen Show Poster. You did a brilliant job and should be proud of how it turned out!

5-6 - Paige Peuten - consistently showing focus and commitment in every lesson, taking on feedback and producing art that you should be proud of. Keep up the fantastic work Paige!

FRENCH

F- Sophie Hayes - Well done, Sophie! You are participating well and with enthusiasm in French class, having a go at all the activities. Keep it up! Bravo Sophie! **Tu participes bien et avec enthousiasme en cours de français, tentant toutes les activités. Continue comme ça.**

1-2- Hudson Fleming - Great French class this week, Hudson! You always try your very best in French. Keep up the awesome learning! **Quelle belle classe de français cette semaine, Hudson! Tu donnes toujours de ton mieux. Continue l'apprentissage génial.**

3-4 - Avrielle BOBILES - Merci Avrielle, you always show your school values and try your very best in French, it's wonderful to hear you speaking French. Keep up the awesome learning! **Merci Avrielle, tu montres toujours les valeurs de RPS et donnes de ton mieux, c'est super bien de t'entendre parler français. Continue l'apprentissage génial.**

5-6 - Lachlan WILSON - You have come so far this year, Lachie! Thank you for consistently showing your school values in French class over the last couple of weeks. You are now starting to show us you can learn in French, even participating positively in classroom conversations. Thank you and well done! **Tu as fait des progrès cette année, Lachie ! Merci d'avoir constamment démontré les valeurs de ton école en cours de français ces dernières semaines. Tu commences maintenant à nous montrer que tu peux apprendre en français, et même participer positivement aux conversations en classe. Merci et Bravo !**

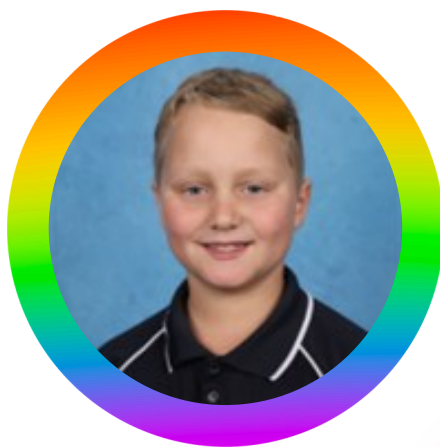
STEM

F - Harry Basham - for being a responsible member of our STEM class. Your contributions to our class discussions allowed you to share your thoughts with your peers which was excellent to see. Keep up the great work, Harry!

1-2 - Piper Stobbie - for being an engaged and active member of our STEM class. It's been so great to see your confidence grow throughout the year allowing you to contribute more in class. Well done, Piper!

3-4 - Kayden Gromek - for a great start to Term 4 in STEM. You collaborated respectfully with your group to finish the magnetic project and showed initiative by volunteering to help out another group with their work. Well done, Kaydo!

5-6 - Luke Patridge - for being an empathetic member of our STEM class. When one of your peers was presenting information on their species, you noticed they required some help and assisted them without needing to be asked. Keep up the great work, Luke!



Pride of
RPS...
Angus



BEING AT SCHOOL IS

COOL

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



Learn



Make Friends

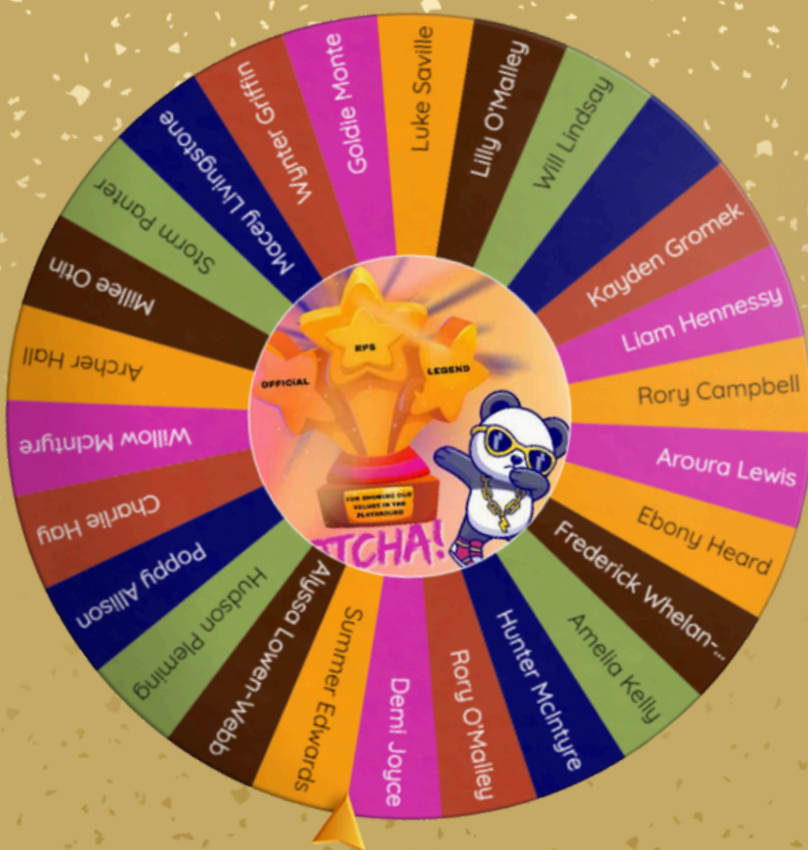


Develop Life Skills

GOTCHA AWARD

As part of our SWPBS - School-wide positive behaviour support our staff are always on the look out for students who are showing our school values both in the classroom and playground. We have re-vamped our playground voucher recognition and introduced the GOTCHA Award!

- 2 'Gotchas' awarded each day - one at lunch and one at recess
- Staff on duty are on the hunt to 'catch' someone they can 'Gotcha' for showing our school values
- Students bring their 'Gotcha' to the Office to get an instant prize & add their name to the 'Gotcha Wall of Fame'
- At the next Assembly students' names will be on the 'Gotcha Wheel' to be spun to see who wins the major prize.
- Your child will bring home their GOTCHA card if they are caught, so please ask them what they got it for.



GOTCHA

Winners
Week 1 & 2



When Foundation students
visited the French Room,
with their Grandparents,
they found out that 'Nan
and Pop' is <MAMI et PAPI>
in French!



Merci d'être venus!
Thanks for coming!



Rutherglen Rotary Community Carols

THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2025

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE FROM 5:30PM

PROGRAM COMMENCES AT 6:00PM

VENUE: LIONS PARK, RUTHERGLEN

BYO CHAIRS AND PICNIC BLANKETS

THIS IS AN ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

