

## IMPORTANT DATES TERM 4

**Tuesday 31st October**

Gr 5/6 Parliament Excursion  
Permission DUE

**Friday 3rd November**

Gr 5/6 Parliament Excursion

**Tuesday 7th November**

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday  
NO SCHOOL

**Friday 24th November**

Slime Run

**Wednesday 6th December**

PRESENTATION NIGHT

**Thursday 14th December**

Gr 6 GRADUATION

**Wednesday 20th December**

Last Day Term 4

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear School Community,

As we continue to work together to provide the best educational experience for our students, I am pleased to share some important updates and highlights from Rockbank Primary School.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new students and their families as we continue to build our community with strength upon strength. I believe all families understand the importance of education and hence attendance. This is the time of the year where attendance matters! Attendance during this part of the year supports students to consolidate their learning throughout the year, cement friendships and social groups moving into next year and celebrating the final weeks with their classmates of whom they have spent many hours of their lives with. I look forward to seeing you each and everyday as we learn together!

### Hats! Hats! Hats!

As the weather warms up so too do the UV rays strengthen. As a SunSmart school, all of our students are required to wear hats in Term 1 & 4. As we are currently in Term 4, every student must bring and wear a hat to school during break times and when participating in outdoor curricular activities. If a student does not have a hat, they are redirected to designated areas within the school that are in shade. As a strategy, try the packing of the school bag the night before and that when the hat goes in!

**Continued**



# CONTINUATION OF PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## **Train Tracks**

As you are aware, behind our school are train tracks that has regular trains running every 8 minutes into and out of the city. These train tracks become very busy and a dangerous place for all humans, especially children. Some months ago contact was made with Public Transport Victoria (PTV) to patch up holes in the fences to restrict access, though unfortunately these holes have reopened. If you become aware of any students that may be crossing the tracks, I urge you to please come and discuss this matter with me as this cannot happen. There are footpaths that are present and serve as a safer method of transport for all.

## **Booklists for 2024:**

In preparation for 2024, guidelines for the process involved with Booklists will be communicated through either Compass or Seesaw in the coming weeks. If any questions or concerns are there surrounding booklists, please call reception.

## **Building Works Update:**

The Building works are coming along nicely with a student toilet block and a state of the art Mod 10 ( the double storey ) building being dropped during Week 4. Still to come includes a Mod 4 ( Specialist Building ) and a staff toilet block. Once these buildings are in place, the plumber, electricians & carpenters will begin their work in transforming these spaces into educational hubs ready for 2024. Exciting times!

Thankyou for your continued support and partnership in educating our students. Together, we can achieve great things!

With gratitude,  
Mr. Chris Daxecker  
Acting Principal



# IMPORTANT REMINDER



ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR A  
SCHOOL HAT FROM  
FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER

As part of the **SunSmart policy** students must wear hats from  
**1st September through to the 31st March**

This will be enforced as of Monday 4th September

**School hats can be purchased from  
Primary School Wear  
in Melton [www.psw.com.au](http://www.psw.com.au)**

Legionaire hat: \$16.95

Safety Slouch Hat: \$20.95

Please note that caps are not acceptable



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# CELEBRATING OUR ATTENDANCE



## 2023 Stats at 27/10/23

Number of students with 100% attendance in term 4:

**88**

COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY (AND ON TIME!) AND BE RECOGNISED FOR YOUR GREAT ACHIEVEMENT!

### TERM 4 CLASSROOM STATISTICS

Foundation

FA - Miss Gregson: 85%  
FB - Mr Randich: 88%  
FC - Miss Gabby: 95%  
FD - Mrs Sharma: 80%

1/2A - Miss Pierce: 94%  
1/2B - Miss Buttigieg: 88%  
1/2C - Miss Bencich: 85%  
1/2D - Mrs Kaur: 86%  
12/E - Ms Ris: 88%

1/2s

3/4A - Mrs Jones/ Mrs Batra: 89%  
3/4B - Miss Bull: 87%  
3/4C - Mr White: 80%  
3/4D - Ms Kilkenny: 94%  
3/4E - Ms Kastanaras: 86%

3/4s

5/6s

5/6A - Mr Cassano: 95%  
5/6B: Mrs Murden: 80%

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence by phone or via Compass.

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# CELEBRATING OUR ATTENDANCE



# Rocky

Each Friday, the class with the best attendance gets Rocky to look after for the entire following week!



There are **10** attendance badges to collect featuring our very own Vicki and Vinny!

For each month that you are at school every day, you will receive one badge.

**COLLECT ALL 10!**

## TERMLY PRIZES!

With excellent attendance, you can go into the draw to win epic prizes each term!

## GOLD PRIZES



## SILVER PRIZES



## BRONZE PRIZES



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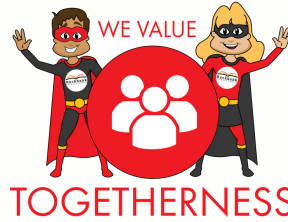
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# CELEBRATING OUR SUCCESS

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

A class member from each class is recognised weekly with our Student of the Week Award. This award recognises students who consistently display our school values.

Class/Teacher	Week Ending: 20/10	Week Ending: 27/10
FA (Miss Gregson)	Evelyn K	Prithvi P
FB (Mr Randich)	Anaisha D	Anush C
FC (Miss Gabby)	Brienna S	Parnika G
FD (Mrs Sharma)	Sehaj S	Sukhtab S
1/2A (Miss Pierce)	Atahlia B	Tiffany G
1/2B (Miss Buttigieg)	Sukhnaaj R	Ali A
1/2C (Miss Bencich)	Numa G	Titus F
1/2D (Mrs Kaur)	Lhorraine C	Nadia K
1/2E (Ms Ris)	Sukhman K	Aayatpreet K
3/4A (Mrs Jones/Mrs Batra)	Amreen C	Harkirt S
3/4B (Miss Bull)	Raif A	Gerssam F
3/4C (Mr White)	Ali S	Zack G
3/4D (Ms Kilkenny)		Jamal N
3/4E (Ms Kastanaras)	Prabhsi N	Daiwik D
5/6A (Mr Cassano)	Hannah K	Mahad S
5/6B (Mrs Murden)	Bentley M	Jasmine K
The Arts (Mrs Georgievski)	56A	12D
Auslan (Mr Still)	12E	
Physical Education (Mrs Lehane)	FB	56B
S.T.E.M (Mr Rasmanis)	34A	34A



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# CELEBRATING OUR SUCCESS

## HOUSE POINTS

Students receive house point tokens for demonstrating our school values while out in the yard.



2120

1410



1300

1190



LEARNERS



RESPECTFUL



TOGETHERNESS



SAFE

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# A WORD FROM WELLBEING

*with Daniel*



Butterfly Body Bright has 6 themes, with each theme targeting an important factor that contributes to the development of children's body image. The first theme is BRAVE against appearance teasing.

Research shows that receiving negative comments about appearance and being the target of appearance-related teasing and/or bullying can have negative and serious consequences on a child's body image and self-esteem. It can also increase their risk of experiencing disordered eating and eating disorders.

Butterfly Body Bright helps children to be BRAVE in their bodies, by empowering them to stand up for their own bodies and for others. It's never OK to tease or make negative comments about another's appearance.

Body image starts  
developing during  
childhood.

Body image is the thoughts,  
feelings and attitudes we  
hold about our body and  
how we look, and it is  
influenced by many things.

For more information about the program visit [www.butterflybodybright.org.au](http://www.butterflybodybright.org.au)

# CELEBRATING OUR LEARNING

## Music with our ES

Lunchtime's at Rockbank Primary School!

Each day during lunchtime, the students at Rockbank Primary School are given the opportunity to request a song they would like to listen, sing and dance along to! Music is an important part of childhood development as it strengthens movement and vocabulary.

Music time at Rockbank is fun, engaging and most of all demonstrates one of our school values of togetherness!



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# CELEBRATING OUR LEARNING

## Skipping with our ES

Lunchtime's at Rockbank Primary School!

We run skipping throughout the week.

It's certainly is one of the most popular activities in the playground.

One of the things we've enjoyed most about skipping, is seeing our younger students in Foundation and Grade 1 start at one or 2 jumps and progress to 10, 20, 30 jumps!! Their perseverance is very admirable and their grins just top it off.



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# SCHOOL NEWS

## 2023 SLIME RUN - FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Fundraising packs will go home with students from Monday 16th October  
Fundraising closes Friday 17th November  
Prizes can be ordered Friday 24th November



### SLIME YOUR WAY TO SUCCESS WITH THE SLIME SPECTACULAR® SCHOOL RUN 4 FUN

Exclusive to Australian Fundraising, participants will have the slime of their life with our Slime Spectacular School Run 4 Fun! Dodging the slime blasters set up around your fun run track, participants will be drenched in five colours of vibrant, non-toxic slime!

You won't be short on slime, receiving a huge 1 litre of non-toxic slime per participant! Each sachet of slime powder makes 50L of water-based slime, meaning you can easily set up dozens of stations around your track, or even a slime pit!

Giving you the greatest value for money, the Slime Spectacular is raising big profits out of sheer excitement. Are you ready to have the slime of your life?

- ✓ 1 LITRE OF NON-TOXIC SLIME PER PARTICIPANT
- ✓ FREE RAINBOW SUNGLASSES AND HEADBANDS FOR EVERY PARTICIPANT
- ✓ FREE SLIME BLASTERS
- ✓ CASHLESS FUNDRAISER WITH CYBERSAFE, ONLINE FUNDRAISING
- ✓ NO UP-FRONT COST TO YOUR SCHOOL OR GROUP!
- ✓ FREE ONLINE FUNDRAISING PLATFORM FEES AND NO CREDIT CARD AND TRANSACTION FEES

\*Your profit is based on your organisation being able to claim back the GST on our invoice



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# SCHOOL NEWS



These are free sessions with practical strategies to help your child:

- Manage everyday worries
  - Build healthy peer relationships
- Thrive now and into adolescence

# 2024



# PARENT WORKSHOPS

Please fill out this quick survey to help us gauge interest:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y8S8NJT>

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# 2024 Foundation (Prep) Enrolments NOW DUE



Rockbank PS  
Enrolment Form

Department of  
Education 2024  
Foundation Enrolment  
Information Pack

For more  
information,  
please contact  
our office on  
03 9747 1210

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# REMINDERS

## MORNING MUNCHIES



Each morning, students arriving between 8:30am and 8:50am are welcome to grab something for breakfast as they pass the Dojo Shop.

If they've already had a nice, healthy start to the day, they are even welcome to grab a snack for later!

### FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

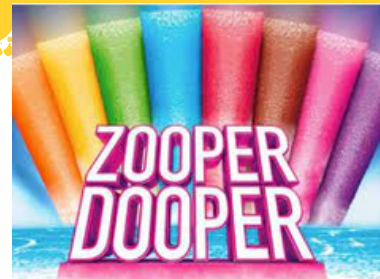
To stay informed and up-to-date with the latest news from Rockbank PS, follow us on social media!



## GRADE 6 FUNDRAISER

Zooper Doopers will be sold from our school canteen **every Monday at 11:10am**

**ZOOPER DOOPERS ARE \$1 EACH**



## ICY POLES

Icy poles are sold every **Wednesday and Friday** from our school canteen at **11:10am**

**ICY POLES ARE \$2 EACH**



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