

## IMPORTANT DATES TERM 4

**Tuesday 12th December**  
Statewide Transition Day

**Thursday 14th December**  
Gr 6 GRADUATION

**Tuesday 19th December**  
Gr 6 Day Out

**Wednesday 20th December**  
Last Day Term 4  
**12.30 FINISH**

**2024**

**Wednesday 31st January**  
**SCHOOL RESUMES**  
Students to arrive by 8.50am

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear School Community,

I am excited to share with you the latest news and updates through our newsletter. As we navigate the everchanging landscape of education, one constant remains: the unwavering commitment of our students, teachers, staff, and parents to creating a nurturing environment that fosters curiosity, creativity and excellence. It is this collective dedication that allows Rockbank Primary School to grow into the community that you make it, and for that I thank you! Your support is essential to our community and we look forward to keeping you informed about our achievements, upcoming events, and initiatives that impact us all. Thankyou for being a vital part of our community.

In recognition of our amazing community, how was Presentation night! What a fabulous showcase of our student's achievements and collective drive to make us proud. I hope everyone felt a sense of community and connection as we cheered and clapped our students, your children!

### **Compass & Parent Access:**

Compass is now available to each and every parent/ guardian at Rockbank Primary School. The platform of Compass is a crucial source of communicating with you and getting out messages that you need to know. As I write this Newsletter we currently have 69 families that have not joined our platform for various reasons. If you have not connected with Compass, I urge you complete this task as it will become our communication portal for attendance, key messages and more - we wouldn't want you to miss out!

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# CONTINUATION OF PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## **Booklists for 2024:**

As you may be aware, the Booklists for 2024 are live. If you would like support in accessing these booklists please contact reception and they will be more than happy to guide you through the process.

## **Building Works Update:**

The time is coming closer for handover of the Mod 10 ( that is the double storey classrooms ) and the student toilet block with these buildings forecast to be accessible on Monday 11th December. Our specialist room will be ready to go for 2024. The smell of pine may also fill the air as a fresh dumping of soft fall mulch has been added to each playground in the interest of safety for all who use it.

## **School finishing time for Wednesday 20th December:**

The final day for the schooling year occurs on Wednesday 20th December. On this day a special assembly will be held at 11:45am to celebrate the year that has been and to recognise the hard work and dedication of all. School will finish at 12:30pm and students will need to be collected at this time. Please organise your days accordingly so as your children are not left wondering.

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

With gratitude,  
Mr. Chris Daxecker  
Acting Principal



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# IMPORTANT REMINDER

LAST DAY OF TERM

WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER

EARLY FINISH

12.30PM



# 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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# IMPORTANT: 2024 BOOK PACKS

## Get ready for **Back to School 2024** with Officeworks School List Service

We are delighted to announce that your school has chosen to partner with Officeworks for your 2024 booklist requirements.

Officeworks School List Service online portal is the easy and convenient way to sort out all of your Back to School requirements ready for the new school year giving you access to our wide range of school supplies and low prices.

Please follow the below steps to complete the booklist process for your student/s for 2024.

### How to Order:

- 1** Go to School List Service [officeworks.com.au/app/school-list-upload/](https://officeworks.com.au/app/school-list-upload/)
- 2** Search and select your student's state, school and year level.
- 3** Review the booklist recommended by your school.
- 4** Add any extra items (For example, lunchboxes or drink bottles).
- 5** Choose Home Delivery or Click & Collect.
- 6** Pay for your order.

### Additional Information:

- The School List Service is available October 2023 – 2 February 2024.
- School List Service prices are available online only and not applicable in-store.
- Raise separate orders for each student's school list if separate packing is required, otherwise all ordered items will be consolidated.
- Direct any queries relating to Voluntary Contributions to your school.
- Orders >\$55 in metro locations are free of charge. For full delivery terms and conditions please refer to [officeworks.com.au/delivery](https://officeworks.com.au/delivery)
- If an item is not in stock when ordering, a substitute product will be supplied.
- If an item becomes unavailable after ordering, it will be cancelled, and an email notification and refund will be issued.
- Visit [officeworks.com.au/contact-us](https://officeworks.com.au/contact-us) us for any delivery/order related enquiry.

Shop with ease using Officeworks School List Service

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# CELEBRATING OUR ATTENDANCE



## 2023 Stats at 08/12/23

Number of students with 100% attendance in term 4:

**36**

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

### TERM 4 CLASSROOM STATISTICS

Foundation

FA - Miss Gregson: 82%  
FB - Mr Randich: 69%  
FC - Miss Gabby: 84%  
FD - Mrs Sharma: 75%

1/2A - Miss Pierce: 83%  
1/2B - Miss Buttigieg: 86%  
1/2C - Miss Bencich: 88%  
1/2D - Mrs Kaur: 92%  
12/E - Ms Ris: 85%

1/2s

3/4A - Mrs Jones/ Mrs Batra: 87%  
3/4B - Miss Bull: 95%  
3/4C - Mr White: 82%  
3/4D - Ms Kilkenny: 95%  
3/4E - Ms Kastanaras: 82%

3/4s

5/6s

5/6A - Mr Cassano: 87%  
5/6B: Mrs Murden: 79%

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



## BRONZE PRIZES



## SILVER PRIZES



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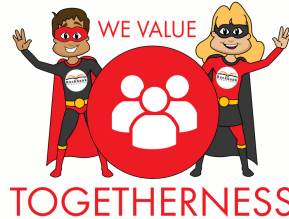
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# CELEBRATING OUR SUCCESS

## 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: 01/12	Week Ending: 08/12
FA (Miss Gregson)	Rowan P	Mansahib C
FB (Mr Randich)	Shanvi S	Anuj C
FC (Miss Gabby)	Adithi M	Aria W
FD (Mrs Sharma)	Noah T	Paysen W
1/2A (Miss Pierce)	Christiaan M	
1/2B (Miss Buttigieg)	Arpit J	Bassam I
1/2C (Miss Bencich)	Mutugi N	Hiyabeil S
1/2D (Mrs Kaur)	Saanvi G	Alisha P
1/2E (Ms Ris)	Anish R	Zorawar S
3/4A (Mrs Jones/Mrs Batra)	Sukhraj H	Kiara A
3/4B (Miss Bull)	Rudransh K	A'roa P
3/4C (Mr White)	Belle W	Aarav K
3/4D (Ms Kilkenny)		
3/4E (Ms Kastanaras)	Riaan C	Jay M
5/6A (Mr Cassano)	Gio P	Alex C
5/6B (Mrs Murden)	Hamreet B	Selina M
The Arts (Mrs Georgievski)	34A	FA
Auslan (Mr Still)		
Physical Education (Mrs Lehane)	56A	FC
S.T.E.M (Mr Rasmanis)	FD	



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# CELEBRATING OUR SUCCESS

## HOUSE POINTS

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



2190

2840



3100

2160



LEARNERS



RESPECTFUL



TOGETHERNESS



SAFE

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# A WORD FROM WELLBEING

*with Daniel*



is for  
**GRATEFUL!**

# G

Butterfly Body Bright has 6 themes. Each theme targets an important factor that contributes to the development of children's body image. The fourth theme is GRATEFUL for their bodies.

Promoting body confidence, acceptance and appreciation from childhood can help to set up a positive lifelong relationship with the body, with the hope to reduce or avoid significant body dissatisfaction, disordered eating, and clinical eating disorders in life.

Butterfly Body Bright helps children to be GRATEFUL for their body, focusing on the things it can do and appreciating themselves for their inner qualities and strengths so that they can see their worth and value, beyond their body shape and appearance.

Encourage your child to show self-compassion and kindness to themselves and their bodies as they grow and develop.

Celebrate who they are and all the amazing things their (and your) body can do.

For more information on how to help your child to be GRATEFUL for their body checkout the GRATEFUL tip sheet at [www.butterflybodybright.org.au/resources](http://www.butterflybodybright.org.au/resources)  
For more information about the program visit [www.butterflybodybright.org.au](http://www.butterflybodybright.org.au)



# SCHOOL NEWS



**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\***

**MARK THIS DATE IN YOUR CALENDARS**

**Statewide Orientation Morning**

**Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**9:00am - 1:40pm**

On this day your child may know who their classroom teacher for 2024 will be and who will be in their classes.

You do not want to miss out on this event!

See you there!

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# FUNDRAISING: CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



## RPS 2023 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

TICKETS - \$1

PLEASE WRITE  
YOUR NAME AND  
CONTACT NUMBER  
ON YOUR TICKETS

DRAWN WEDNESDAY  
20TH DECEMBER - LAST  
ASSEMBLY

WE KINDLY ASK OUR FAMILIES FOR  
DONATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL  
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE THAT CAN BE  
DROPPED AT THE OFFICE OR WITH YOUR  
CHILD/RENS CLASSROOM TEACHER



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# FUNDRAISING: SLIME SPECTACULAR

ON FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER WE HOSTED OUR SLIME RUN SPECTACULAR!

THANK-YOU TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND FUNDRAISING. A FUN AFTERNOON WAS HAD BY ALL



TOTAL  
FUNDRAISED  
\$7092.00!!!!!!

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# FUNDRAISING: SLIME SPECTACULAR

Top five fundraisers:

Equal 1st - Ajay Demicoli and Krishiv Bhatt

3rd - Samrath Mann

4th - Ayva Ali

5th - Lucian Ioasa



THANK-YOU to our School Council President Lyn Courtice and special helpers for all of your hard work putting on such a fun and interactive event

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# PRESENTATION NIGHT



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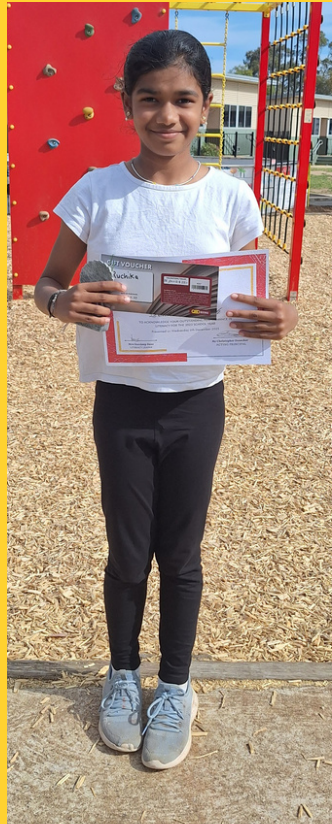


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# PRESENTATION NIGHT

## AWARDS WINNERS

2023 Class Member of the Year <b>FA</b> Natania Castillo	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>FB</b> Lincoln Sbriglio	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>FC</b> Dihen Dodam Mullage	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>FD</b> Abhay Vinod	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>12A</b> Christiaan Matser
2023 Class Member of the Year <b>12B</b> Gurneet Jammu	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>12C</b> Niu Utaia	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>12D</b> Nadia Keith	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>12E</b> Yuvraj Singh Brar	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>34A</b> Ruby Singh
2023 Class Member of the Year <b>34B</b> Franklin Chidavaenzi	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>34C</b> Dahamdi Palhawadana	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>34D</b> Japmann Singh	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>34E</b> Alia Rawat	2023 Class Member of the Year <b>56A</b> Jasmeet Pannu
2023 Class Member of the Year <b>56B</b> Guntaj Hanjrah	<b>The Arts Award</b> Khushmeet Pannu	<b>Auslan Award</b> Aanya Gajjar	<b>STEM Award</b> Hamreet Baines	<b>Physical Education Award</b> Ibrahim Jalloh
<b>Principal's Award</b> Jackson Courtice	<b>Education Support Award</b> Mahad Syed	<b>School Values Award</b> Alicia Alexander	<b>Literacy Award</b> Ruchika Prakash	<b>Numeracy Award</b> Rajbir Brar

## INTRODUCING 2024 LEADERS



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# CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

AT ROCKBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Due to severe allergies within the school, we are **making some changes** to what families can provide to celebrate their child's birthday from 2023.

Instead of food items, **families are welcome to provide their child and their classmates with novelty items such as stickers, pencils, erasers, etc.**

It is incredibly important that all students feel safe and included at all times.



THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR  
UNDERSTANDING!



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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

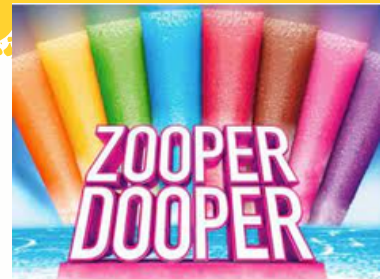
To stay informed and up-to-date with the latest news from Rockbank PS, follow us on social media!



## 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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