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Principal

Mark Shadiac

Diary Dates

February

8th Thurs Wk 2

Reception Parent Induction

19th Mon Wk 4

Governing Council

21st Wed Wk 4

SAPSASA Swimming

22nd-23rd Thurs, Fri Wk 4

6-7 Aquatics

**RBPS is a nut, egg and
pineapple free school.**



Hats
Term 1

Newsletter Email

After this issue the fortnightly newsletter will be only sent electronically. Please let Deb know if you need a hard copy.

Dear Parents,

Start of Year – Enrolments and Staffing

We have started the year with 30 students, up from 22 in 2017, with most of our new enrolments coming in the last week of school. The new students have settled in brilliantly and we could not be happier with the way they have adapted to their new school. Our Facebook page, started last year, provides an insight to the broader community of what Rapid Bay offers. We 'embrace life through learning'. Education at Rapid Bay is an experience, a way of life deeply embedded into family values. We have a sensational team, extremely excited at the year ahead. Learning at Rapid Bay is fun, challenging and rewarding for students and staff.

At Rapid Bay, staff and students self-direct their learning. This means, the staff have to be prepared to break down traditional boundaries of the way schools work and the practices we have routinely done because 'that's the way we have always done it!' As students take more control of their learning, as we listen to and respond to student requests, be prepared for changes in the way we operate. The more freedom students are given, the greater is their responsibility and the higher likelihood students will be engaged in their learning.

Staffing 2018

There are likely to be minor variations to this list but at the moment, this is how it stands.

Teaching: Amy Willcocks, full time: JP and Playgroup, Jenna McArdle, UP teacher (3 days), Acting Principal (1 day), Mark Shadiac, Principal and UP teacher (4 days).

School Support Staff: Deb Wilson, Admin/Finance/Library (4 days), Jeanette McGrane, classroom support (4 days), Gina Hunt, Pastoral Support Worker (1 day), Zoe Cavanagh-King, IT Support (2 days). Ian Cole, Grounds (1 day), Mick Graves, Bus Driver

After many years of struggle, we are delighted to have Zoe Cavanagh-King join Rapid Bay in the capacity of IT Support. Her role will consist of maintaining the existing IT infrastructure, sorting out all the bugs, streamlining the way we operate the hardware and software, teach us new tricks and work with us on the development of the IT.

Medical Management Plan

For every medical condition, the school needs a management plan signed off by a doctor. These plans need to be updated each year together with any medication. (eg asthma, allergy to bee stings, eggs, nuts etc). Without a management plan, we are unable to administer medicine. Your prompt action would be appreciated. There is particular urgency for students in years 6 & 7 that are attending aquatics in the next few weeks.

General Permission

At the start of each year, a General Permission flier is given out that needs to be returned signed. This is to make sure parents are clear about the types of programs and responsibilities we take on during the year with your children. Also the Materials and Services account. We continue to keep this to the minimum charge. This is to be paid by the end of week 3. Should this pose a problem, please contact Deb to make alternative arrangements. Visit the Schoolcard site at <http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme> for information about eligibility and application forms. Alternatively, contact Deb at the school.

Attendance

Attendance at school is a pre-requisite to learning and being a successful student. There are learning opportunities in all aspects of life but school has a deliberate and targeted program for learning. There is a close correlation between achievement and attendance. The students that attend less are often those students that have difficulties with their learning. There can be a multitude of learning support programs in schools but their value is severely diminished when the student has a poor attendance record. When a student is genuinely sick, s/he should see a doctor and follow the doctor's plan. We are committed at Rapid Bay PS to making sure your child gets the best start to their schooling and being at school ensures they have a chance at being the best they can.

When your child is absent on any given day, it is expected that the school is notified by phone in the morning and/or a note sent to school via the school diary explaining reason for absence. When a student is absent for more than two days, a doctor's certificate is required. I would ask that all families are diligent in following these procedures should a student be absent from school. If the student will be absent for reasons other than illness eg holiday, prior approval must be sought from the principal via an Exemption Attendance form, which is available from the school on request. Please visit the office to sign students in/out if arriving late or leaving early.

Sleeping Under the Stars – Friday 6th April

Dust off the sleeping bags, clean the tents, dig out the binoculars and telescopes because on Friday 6th April, we are planning to have a sleep over with students, staff and parents – yes, parents too! We may camp out on the Rapid Bay oval because it is our intention to have a space exploration – planets, stars, constellations, satellites and there is no better place to look at the stars than on Rapid Bay oval. More details to come but we promise you it will be night to remember. Regards Mark Shadiac



Welcome to our new students L to R: Liam, Indra, William, Sage, Celeste, Zac, Monique, Lincoln



RBPS on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with any tech issues, so that they can get on with the more important task of teaching your kids. I previously worked in various project IT roles for Westpac over a 16 year career, and when I am not at school, I have my own business in IT Support and Education, called "Your Tech Supported". I live on 3.5 acres at Lower Inman Valley, with my husband Corey, my 3 cats and 4 chickens. I'm really looking forward to being part of the Rapid Bay team, and helping out where ever I can! Feel free to send me an email at zoe.cavanaghking190@schools.sa.edu.au if you want to contact me.

BUS TIMETABLE 2018

Driver: Michael Graves 0427 186 194

Please send a text message if you need to contact Mick.

Time a.m.	Time p.m.	Name
7.49am		DEPART DEPOT DEPART DELAMERE
7.52am	Skate Park 4.36pm	SPARNON, Logan, Brodie
7.55am	Ray White 4.34pm NB: On Mondays the bus will arrive 20 minutes later.	LIDDY, Jazmyn, Vinnie
		DOYLE, Monique
		VON SHEARING, Celeste, William
		CARRAGHER, Indra
8.21am		DAUK, Ella, Ava, Lincoln
8.28am		ARRIVE CAPE JERVIS
8.17am	3.50pm shop change over to Cape Jervis bus.	YATES, Kian, Jamie
	Arrive Cape Jervis approx. 4.05pm	RADFORD, Emelia, Ty
		CLOSE, Lilly
		RUSSO, Miller, Willow
		WILIAMS, Georgina
8.21		DEPART CAPE JERVIS
8.40am	NB: On Mondays the bus will arrive 20 minutes later. 3.59pm 3.55pm	KRICHAUFF, Aleesha
		CROSS, Tegan - YAS
		WALL, Dylan, Kirra, Lilly - YAS
		LUXFORD, Zac
		CHAFFEY, Liam
		VESSEY-THOMAS, Sage
8.45am	3.50pm	DEPART DELAMERE
8.49am	3.40pm	Arrive Jones Road Stop
		GATES, Brandon
		KEW, Dale
		WILLISS, Della, Royce
		BROWN, Jevin, Harry
8.51am		Depart Bullaparinga
9.01am	3.35pm	ARRIVE / LEAVE SCHOOL

DELAMERE STORE - LUNCH MENU - THURSDAYS ONLY

CASH PAYMENT ON THE DAY

PRICES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Orders to Mick Graves (bus driver) on Thurs before school.

HOT FOOD	PRICE
Pie	\$3.50
Pizza Pie	\$3.50
Potato Pie	\$3.60
Pasty	\$3.50
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Sauce	\$0.20
Hot Dog (sausage only)	\$2.00
Hot Dog plain (no sauce)	\$3.50
Hot Dog with sauce	\$3.70
Hot Dog with cheese	\$4.00
Hot Dog with cheese & sauce	\$4.20
Pasta Bake	\$2.60
Pizza	\$4.50
CAKES	\$1.60
Lamington	
Chocolate Muffin	
DRINKS	
Big M 250mL	\$2.00
Chocolate	
Strawberry	
Pop Top	\$2.00
Apple	
Apple & Blackcurrant	
ICE BLOCKS	
Wedgie	\$2.00
Lemonade	
Cola	
Swing	\$2.00
Chocolate	
Strawberry	

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Phone: 8551 0460
www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental

Term 1 Calendar 2018

WEEK	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
1	Jan 29	30	31	Feb 1 Shop Lunch Newsletter	2
2	5	6	7	8 Shop Lunch Induction for Reception Parents	9
3	12	13	14	15 Shop Lunch Newsletter	16
4	19 Governing Council	20	21 SAPSASA Swimming	22 Shop Lunch 6-7 Aquatics	23
5	26	27	28	Mar 1 Shop Lunch Newsletter	2
6	5	6	7	8 Shop Lunch	9
7	12 Adelaide Cup	13	14	15 Shop Lunch Newsletter	16
8	19 Governing Council	20	21	22 Shop Lunch	23
9	26	27	28	29 Shop Lunch Newsletter	30 Good Friday
10	Apr 2 Easter Monday	3	4	5 Shop Lunch	6 Sleepover Under the Stars
11	9	10	11 R-7 Swimming <i>To Be Confirmed</i>	12 Shop Lunch Newsletter	13 Early Finish 2.30pm

