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## Diary Dates

**March**

21st, Wed Wk 8

Harmony Day

**Wear Orange**

**April**

6th, Fri Wk10

A Night with the Stars

Wk 11

R-5 Swimming

13th Fri Wk 11 Term 1 Ends

30th Wk 1 Term 2 Begins

**May**

2nd, Wed Wk 1

Footy and Netball Carnival

**Thankyou to all those  
who have paid school  
fees or applied for  
School Card.**

Dear Parents,

### Languages

At Rapid Bay, we endeavour to create an environment that enables students to self-direct their learning. As you know, Indonesian is the language taught at a number of schools on the Fleurieu, but not all. Indonesian will continue to be the mainstay of language teaching at Rapid Bay. However, we are aware that students, through their background, heritage and experiences, may prefer to learn another language. It might also be the language taught at the secondary school your child plans to attend.

These days, there are other ways and means of teaching, other than the didactic teacher to student model. In language teaching, there is an application, Duo Lingo that provides access to a number of languages. The UP United class are trialling it and have found it to be engaging and interesting. We are asking for families to have a discussion about languages to learn and whether the student would prefer to learn a different language to Indonesian. Should your child and family prefer to learn another language, other than Indonesian, please advise via a note in the diary, like: *"NAME would like to learn ..... language, instead of Indonesian."* SIGN

### Typing

It is our objective at Rapid Bay for every student to be able to type correctly before they leave primary school. Students have commenced this process of learning to type for about 20 mins per day. It doesn't always work out that way but we are committed to seeing it through. We believe this is another way that gives Rapid Bay students a head start when they get to secondary school. For those that can type, I am preaching to the converted. For those that 'hen peck' when they type, I hear you say, *'I wish I had learnt to type properly from the start.'*

### AGM Governing Council

I forgot to mention in the last newsletter the outcome of elections at the AGM. The 2 year term appointments: Jewels Maddern and Kelly Wilson (new members) and Adrian Dauk (re-appointed). Michael Krichauff is a Community Member appointment for one year. Jenna McArdle has been invited onto the Council in her role as Acting Principal.

Office bearers: Adrian Dauk (Chairperson), Victoria Wetherby (Deputy Chairperson), Kristy Russo (Treasurer) and Lucy Williss (Secretary).

The full Council consists of: Lucy Williss, Kristy Russo, Adrian Dauk. Victoria Wetherby, Jewels Maddern, Kelly Wilson, Michael Krichauff, Mark Shadiac & Jenna McArdle.

Victoria has stepped down as Chairperson this year and I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work Victoria has done over the last few years as Chairperson. One of the great things about Rapid Bay Governing Council is the collaboration and teamwork, due mainly to the quality of people on the Council. The school is in good hands with your Governing Council.

Regards

Mark Shadiac (Principal)

## HARMONY DAY

Next week we will be celebrating Harmony Day; isn't that the day where we all scuffle around looking for something orange to wear?

The great thing about Harmony Day is that it isn't just about wearing orange. It is really about celebrating how we are all different and all the same as well. There is a video which has circulated, for the past few years, showing the skeletons of people, live on a screen, embracing, dancing and doing other things together. The people who are seen as skeletons then appear from behind the screen to reveal that they are very different in gender, race, beliefs, culture, age and size; highlighting that on the inside we are more the same than we are different.

How should Harmony Day look in our school, in our community and in our home? It's celebrating the different foods and religious and cultural practices of those around us, enjoying the company of others no matter what their outward appearance and genuinely caring about the feelings and wellness of all of those around us. When your family share a meal from Thailand, watch a cartoon made in Japan, accept that your friends can't share brunch on Sunday because they go to worship or speak kindly of that person who is a bit different from most of your friends; then you are showing Harmony Day in action, every day, all year long!

Gina

## Support for Fathers



Support for Fathers is a national project which aims to support young men and fathers in their role as parents and partners.

Support for Fathers will develop:

1. **Resources** for young men and fathers.
2. A **Professionals' Toolkit** for support services working with young men and fathers.

We are inviting young men, fathers and service providers across Australia to join in consultations.

If you would like to be involved or need more information, please let us know.

Support for Fathers is funded by the Department of Social Services as part of the National Plan to Prevent Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022.

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*Relationships Australia*  
VICTORIA

Below are the Student of the Week Award recipients for the term so far.

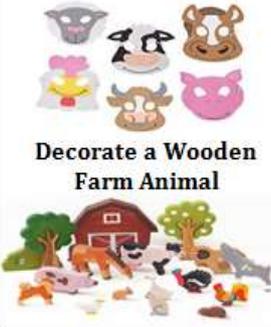
Back L to R: Emelia, Logan, Jevin, Indra, Monique, Georgina

Front L to R: Celeste, Ty, Zac, Willow, Harry



# VACATION CARE PROGRAM - WEEK 1 Director: Gill Bolton 0401 717 021

Mon 16 April	Tues 17 April	Wed 18 April	Thurs 19 April	Fri 20 April
7:30am centre open	7:30am centre open	7:30am centre open	7:30am centre open	7:30am centre open
<p>Playground Hop Victor Harbour Playground Then Goolwa Nature Playspace</p> 	<p>Electronics Day Bring your own games and devices to play with</p> 	<p>Magic Show</p> 	<p>Noarlunga Cinema Peter Rabbit Depart <u>Approx 11am</u> Return <u>Approx 3.30pm</u></p> 	<p>Wheels Day Bring your bikes, scooter etc but don't forget you helmet and safety pads</p> 
12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime
<p>Sausage Sizzle Provided Depart <u>Approx 10am</u> - Return <u>Approx 3.30pm</u></p> 	<p>Bring your games from home</p> 	<p>Games in the Gym</p> 	<p>Lunch at Wooden Playground, Noarlunga</p> 	
3pm Fresh Fruit	3pm Pancakes	3pm Cornchips & Salsa	3pm Cheese & Crackers	3pm Sausage Rolls
5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes	5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes	5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes	5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes	5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes

Mon 23 April	Tues 24 April	Wed 25 April	Thurs 26 April	Fri 27 April
7:30am centre open	7:30am centre open		7:30am centre open	7:30am centre open
<p>Inflatable World Depart <u>Approx 10am</u> - Return <u>Approx 3.30pm</u></p> 	<p>Yankalilla Aged Care Visit With Puppet Show</p> 	<p>ANZAC DAY CENTRE CLOSED</p> 	<p>Make a Seed Ball Creature Workshop</p> 	<p>Noarlunga Cinema Sherlock Gnomes Depart <u>Approx 11am</u> - Return <u>Approx 3.30pm</u></p> 
12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime	12:30-1pm lunchtime
<p>Wooden Playground Noarlunga</p> 	<p>Sand Art</p> 	<p>ANZAC</p> 	<p>Decorate a Wooden Farm Animal</p> 	<p>Wooden Playground, Noarlunga</p> 
3pm Yoghurt & Fruit	3pm Cheese Toasties		3pm Popcorn and Juice	3pm Biscuits & Milk
5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes	5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes		5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes	5pm MOVIE 6pm centre closes

Contact Deb or the Vac Care service for booking forms and further information.

