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Term 3, Week 4, August 17, 2017

DIARY DATES

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| Thursday | 24 | August | School Tour 9.30am |
| Friday | 25 | August | Book Week Parade 12.05pm |
| Tuesday | 5 | September | Rms 22, 23, 24 & 25 Concert |
| Friday | 15 | September | Student Free Day |

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Well done to students from Rooms 5, 6, 7 and 8 who presented their combined performance 'The Science Project' last night at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. The performance was the culmination of many weeks of practice and their effort, enthusiasm and positive attitude is to be commended. Thank you to the class teachers, Ms Symons, Mr O'Neill, Ms Mannion and Ms Waters as well as Mr Bone, our Performing Arts teacher, for their work in facilitating this opportunity for the students.

Last week we had four teams of upper primary students represent our school in the local debating competition which is held at the Wehl St Theatre. The students did an excellent job of representing our school in what is a challenging, yet highly valuable learning experience. Well done teams! Over the past few weeks we have also had students participate in local basketball competitions under the guidance of Mr McShane and several parent helpers.

All of these activities are a strong reflection of the outstanding extra-curricular opportunities in which students at Reidy Park have the opportunity to participate in.

Pupil Free Day

Governing Council has approved a pupil free day on Friday September 15th. Staff will be participating in a professional development session based around DECD's strategic priority in learning design, assessment and moderation. Collaborative moderation is identified in current research as an important process for improving the quality of teaching and learning. The goal of this strategy is to build consistency of teacher judgements about student learning and develop learning tasks that engages and intellectually challenges all children. Staff at Reidy Park are well placed in this area as teachers currently work in teams to plan, assess and reflect on their work. Our pupil free day will contribute to building upon the work that is currently being done in this area

as well as supporting current school priorities in Literacy, Numeracy and STEM.

SSO Week

This week is SSO (School Services Officer) Recognition Week which is an important initiative in recognising the crucial work SSOs do at our school. At Reidy Park we have an outstanding group of SSOs who make an invaluable contribution to student learning and wellbeing as well as supporting the day to day running of our school. Our SSOs are: Judy, Tracy and Lisa (Front Office), Andrea, Deb, Di, Mel and Vicki (Class Support), Michelle (Library) and Steven (ICT). We very much appreciate their efforts!

Planning for 2018

Term 3 is the time we begin planning for the following year. Enrolments are an important factor that helps inform the school's staffing arrangements. In order to support our planning could you please contact the school to inform us if you will be leaving the school community. Alternatively, if you know of families who are considering enrolling their children at Reidy Park, please encourage them to contact the school.

Traffic Safety

As I'm sure you are all aware the streets surrounding our school are very busy at drop off and pick up times every day. Please be vigilant in observing appropriate speed limits and also encouraging your child to use safe pedestrian habits, particularly their use of our crossing areas.

Stephen Jolley

Principal



Last night's Yr 4 & 5 concert was a great success.

Congratulations

We are pleased to announce that Teresa and Steven Grosvenor are the proud parents of Liliana. We extend our best wishes to the Grosvenor family on this exciting occasion.

Congratulations is also extended to our school's student support worker, Trudi Shelton, who recently received a Community Leader award as a part of the 2017 Women in Business initiative. As well as her work in the wider community, Trudi provides valuable wellbeing support for our students.

Italian News



Last Wednesday Rooms 10 and 13 were very lucky to have had a visit from 7 Italian exchange students from Mount Gambier High school's sister school in Cividale de Friuli, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Italy. They have spent the last 3 weeks attending

Mount Gambier High School practicing and improving their English. It was a great opportunity for Reidy Park students to practice their Italian language knowledge and skills, while also finding out about what life is like in Italy.

On Fridays for the remainder of Term 3, Reidy Park will host Martina Cappola, an Italian exchange student from the 'Istituto Salesiano Maria Ausiliatrice' in Milano. She is on an extended exchange for the term (10 weeks). Martina will be working with students from years R-5 during Italian lessons. If you see her around the school please give her a warm Australian welcome.

Materials & Services Charges 2017

Payment of overdue 2017 Materials and Services Charges were required to be paid by 2nd June 2017. If you still have outstanding amounts the Governing Council wish to advise that if payment or arrangements to pay are not made within the next 14 days that the Council intends to commence debt recovery action. All debt recovery action will be in accordance with Section 106A of the Education Act which allows Governing Councils to legally recover outstanding Materials and Services Charges. If you believe that you may be entitled to School Card assistance, a completed application form must be lodged with the school within 14 days to cease any further action. If you are experiencing financial difficulties or you have any questions in relation to the above matter please do not hesitate to contact Judy Hunter, School Business Manager on 87 253381 as soon as possible. Reidy Park has recently changed banks. For all new deposits to the school our details are:

Commonwealth Bank
BSB: 065 - 504
Account: 1038 3426

Year 6/7 Regional Basketball Day

Reidy Park entered four Year 6/7 teams in the District Basketball Day held at the Icehouse on Friday, August 4th. Our four teams were very successful winning many of their games against other schools. Our two most experienced teams have made it through to the next round which will be held at The Icehouse on Friday, August 25th. We will be playing against teams from Mount Gambier, Naracoorte, Millicent, Keith and Bordertown. If successful in this tournament, our teams will have the option of competing in Adelaide.

Heath McShane, Physical Education



Book Week - Escape to Everywhere

Where would you like to escape to with your favourite book? Which book do you love to read that has such a cool setting you wish you could escape there? Our annual Book Week parade is scheduled for Friday, August 25th. This year it will be held at 12:05 in the gym. Children are invited to come to school dressed up as a character from a book they wish they could escape to. This is always a fun event. We hope to see as many parents as possible attend the parade. The library will also be open each day with loads of fun places to escape to and read in. The quad will have a stage set up each lunchtime where children may dress up and imagine they are escaping to somewhere really exciting.

Canteen News

On Fridays this term in weeks 4, 6, 8 and 10 the canteen will be open at lunchtime only. The Fundraising Committee will be selling:

Zooper Doopers for 50 cents
Zings for 50 cents
Paddle Pops for \$1.50
Fruit Boxes for \$1.00

Don't forget that lunch orders are available on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please refer to the insert in this week's newsletter on how to access the Qkr app.

Room 17 News

In our classroom this term we are studying a unit of inquiry called "Our Place in the World". We will be answering these inquiry questions -

- What makes my place special
- What are the different features of places?
- How can we care for places?
- What does the world look like?
- How do we locate different places around the world?
- What things affect my connections with places?

We will be looking at the continents and oceans of the world as well as natural and man-made wonders. Learning how to recognise and locate features on maps of Mount Gambier, South Australia and Australia will be a focus. We will also be learning about how we communicate with family and friends in other countries.



Maths Parent Information Session

We will be holding parent information sessions in Week 6 of this term to share the language and skills of Natural Maths, which is an approach used to teach Maths at Reidy Park. During the information session we will also play some games with your child to practice these skills which families can use at home to support the development of children's number skills and knowledge. The sessions will be held on Monday 28th of August. The Junior Primary session will be from 3.30 - 4.15pm and the Middle/Upper Primary session from 4.30 - 5.15pm. Please use our Facebook page or speak with your class teacher to let us know if you would like to attend.

Lauren Suggate, Maths Co-Ordinator

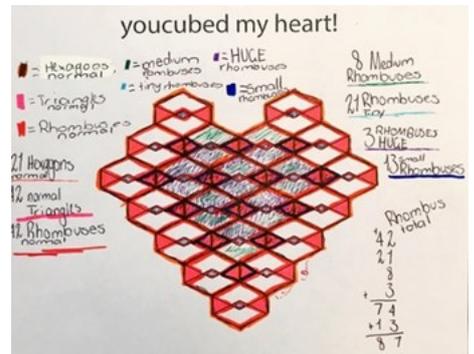
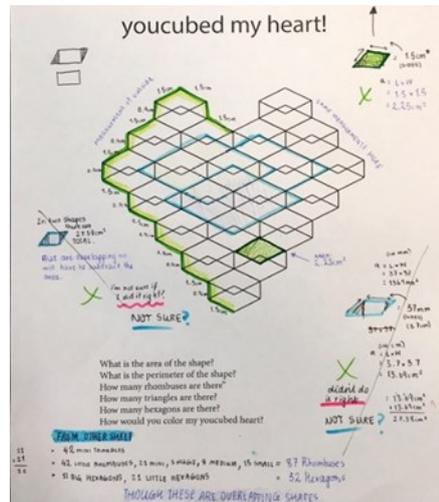
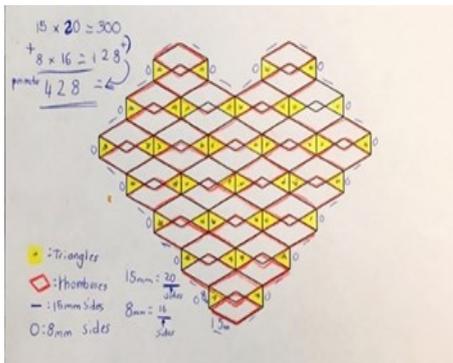
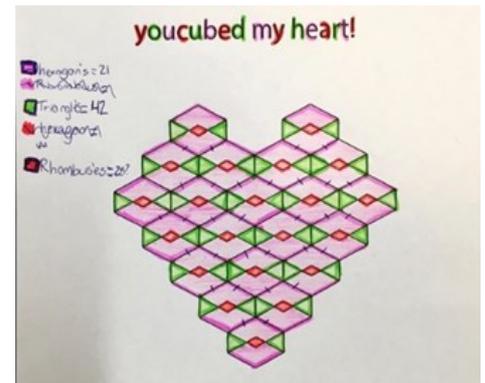
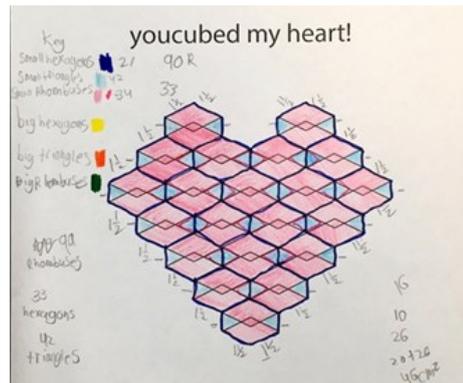
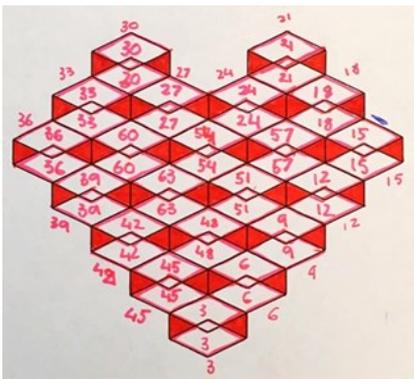
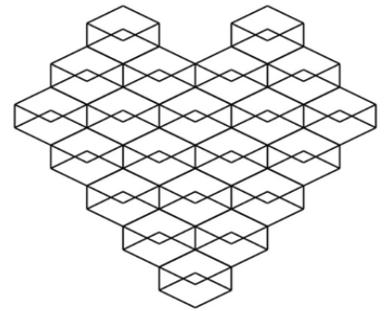
Values in Action Awards

| Room | Presented to | For |
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| 1 | Tyrus S Lillie L | For achieving his best in his learning. For always showing respect in class. |
| 2 | Chloe P Nevae B | Continually showing our school values and stretching her learning. Having the courage to try new tasks and stretching her learning. |
| 3 | Clare H Logan S | For helping others. Having a growth mindset. |
| 4 | Alex H Sophie G | Great thinking and staying focused with his learning. Working collaboratively in a group and staying focused |
| 5 | Simone A Isabella M | For consistently looking for ways to help others. For excellent work during literacy rotations. |
| 7 | Tori G Amelia B | For outstanding maturity and on-task behaviour during all learning activities. For imaginative responses during the oral language part of a writing lesson. |
| 8 | Dominic G Sienna L | For being resilient. Being an enthusiastic learner. |
| 9 | Campbell G Jake C | Both for courage to persist in their learning and complete all their tasks (even when the learning is difficult). |
| 10 | Zac H Miao G | For leading well in his book club group. For always respecting adults and students. |
| 11 | Coco Mc Lauran N | Independently solving problems. Positively contributing to class discussions. |
| 15 | Lara G Dan W | Caring around the class. Care with handwriting. |
| 17 | Jett L Peter B | For great effort in his story writing. For a great effort in his story writing and map of South Australia. |
| 18 | Amy L Liam H | For courage and determination with her reading and maths. For a strong growth mindset in literacy. |
| 20 | Alice V Xavier C | Pursuing your personal best in your maths learning. Respecting others during group work. |
| 22 | Jaymz F Rena L | For showing independence in advanced reading tasks. For showing amazing effort in writing with her left hand after breaking her arm in the holidays. |
| 25 | Tia Chael H | Staying on task and working hard. Having a go at tricky work. |

Room 10 News

In Room 10 we believe that **harder is better!** We know if work is not easy we are stretched in our learning which fuels our growth mindset. In order to *stretch* ourselves in our current maths topics of area and perimeter we set out to answer challenging questions about this tessellating pattern.

- What is the area?
- What is the perimeter?
- How many rhombuses are there?
- How many triangles are there?
- How many hexagons are there?
- How would you colour in the youcubed heart?



"I feel very challenged by this task!" *Oscar*

"I found this task exciting and hard. It was exciting because we kept finding more and more shapes! It was hard because there were so many shapes." *Billy*

"This task was very difficult because we had to look closely and find shapes we couldn't see straight away. We also had to try and find the area and perimeter of the shape." *Ashlee*

"21 hexagons, 42 triangles and 42 rhombuses." *Vicky*

"I found that this had many different answers with lots of complications." *Connor*

"I found that it was hard but it was a good way to learn. It was hard but I have an answer to it and I feel like I have done well with it. Area 528cm², perimeter 49cm." *Maddie*

"I feel that it was a challenge and I enjoyed trying to find out the answers." *Holly*

"This task was pretty challenging but I got some answers. They were 42 triangles, 33 hexagons and 90 rhombuses." *Zac*

Reidy Park Primary School Canteen Service

All ordering needs to be done via an app called **Qkr!** (pronounced 'quicker') – no face to face orders are accepted. Qkr! is a secure system for placing orders and making payments and has been developed by MasterCard. Qkr! comes with all levels of security that MasterCard offer on all of their online banking products. Qkr! is available on smartphones, ipads and desktop and laptop computers

Setting Up

1. Download Qkr! on your Android or Iphone (ipad users must download the iphone app). This can be done via the Apple App Store or Google Play.
2. Register. Select your country of residence as Australia and follow the steps to register. This will include:
 - a. Providing your email address.
 - b. Creating your own password.

Setting up your payment cards.

3. Click on the Account tab at the top of the screen. Add your credit card details by clicking on Add Payment Card.
 - a. Enter all of the required information (card holder name, card number, expiry dates etc) and then click Add Payment Card.
 - b. For Card Alias either name it Visa or Mastercard depending on your credit card type. Amex and Diners are not accepted.
 - c. Your payment card will be listed with only the last 4 digits showing. You can delete payment cards by clicking on the Delete button under the card name. You may choose to have receipts emailed to you. You can also have an extra layer of security by choosing password on checkout.

Registering your child.

4. Find our school. Our school will appear in 'nearby locations' if you're within 10 kms of our school or search for our school by name. Once you have signed in for the first time, Reidy Park PS should remain as your most recent location and be saved for future purchases.
5. Register your child. When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child/children. This allows you to make orders and payments for them. Information that you will need to provide about your child includes:
 - a. First and last name.
 - b. Gender
 - c. Year level and Room number.Complete all the required information and then click 'add child'.
6. At this stage you can add other children if needed. You can also edit the information by clicking on the child's name or remove them from the list by clicking on the 'X'.

Ordering.

7. Sign in to the Qkr! app.
8. Click on Reidy Park Primary School option.
9. Select the ordering day for your child's classroom
 - a. Wednesdays: Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 22, 23, 24 and 25.
 - b. Thursdays: Rooms 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18 and 20.
10. A yellow box will be highlighted – click the shaded box below this selected date.
11. The menu options will now appear at the top of the screen. Options are provided in the following categories: Drinks, Salad Plates, Sandwiches, Rolls, Hot and Tasty, Toasted Sandwiches, Pita Wraps, Foccacia, Amber Food and Snacks.
12. Click on the item that you wish to order (a prompt will appear asking how many of the item you wish to order and an 'add to cart' instruction).
13. Continue making your menu choices until all of your selections have been made. Once this has occurred, you can either:
 - a. Order for another child by selecting their name.
 - b. Go to the 'checkout' to finalise the order and make payment. Please note a message will appear that says 'Pay Mulga Street PS Canteen': this is correct as all orders are being managed by them.
 - c. Orders can be made up until 7.30am on your child's set day.