

RED HILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'Students enjoying chess club at lunch'



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Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

Teachers are currently busy collecting assessment data and working on your children's end of semester one reports. The finished reports will arrive by email on Wednesday July 3rd (week 10). Reports are automatically generated by our system to the first listed email address for each student. If you require an additional report in hard copy, please contact the front office before week 10. It is also important that the front office is notified of any change of the first listed email address before then.

Teachers may also contact you if they have concerns about an aspect of your child's progress, especially if you were unable to attend your child's student led conference. Please don't hesitate to contact the teacher after receiving your child's report if there is an aspect that concerns you or needs clarification.

BEING COVID SMART IS AN ONGOING PRIORITY FOR ALL ACT PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Prioritising the health and wellbeing of students and staff is important to us. There has been an increase in occurrences of Covid and respiratory viruses in the community recently. Students, staff, and visitors are reminded to stay home if unwell, and stay up to date with vaccinations.

If your child tests positive to Covid you must contact the school. This is an ACT Education Directorate requirement for management of infectious diseases. Telling us when your child has COVID-19 will also help us track if there is an increase in COVID-19 transmission and manage any high-risk exposures for more vulnerable school community members.

- Students with COVID-19 symptoms should get tested and can return to school once symptom free.
- Students who are household contacts can attend school as long as they are symptom free.
- Students, staff and visitors are not required to wear a face mask at school but can do so if they wish. Masks are available at our front office.
- Visitors should remember to be COVID Smart, signing in at the front office on arrival and departure.
- Staff who test positive to Covid are required to stay away from the workplace for at least five calendar days and until symptom free.

SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board elections are being set up electronically by the Education School Board team. A change of voting system has delayed this process. We will advise when the elections open.

SUN SMART NEWS

In accordance with ACT Sun Smart guidelines students no longer need to be wearing hats at school. SunSmart hats are optional for June and July, given the generally low UV levels and need for students to get sun exposure to boost vitamin D levels. The uniform shop has Red Hill beanies which are a good option in the colder months. Please ensure that all winter jackets, jumpers, gloves and beanies have students' names on them.

PARENT PORTAL ACCESS

The Education Directorate has introduced a new Parent Portal, a secure online platform used to share student information between you and your child's teachers. **Our portal went live on June 6th, 2024.**

Using the Parent Portal on your mobile phone, tablet or computer, you can:

- notify us if your child is sick or explain an absence,
- book parent-teacher interviews,
- receive academic reports,
- receive our school newsletter and messages,
- make payments, and make changes to family details.



Head to the Education Directorate website [Parent Portal page](#) for all the details. You can create an account and complete the level 2 ID verification

by visiting: <https://www.myaccount.act.gov.au/>. If you experience difficulty setting up parent portal access, please contact our front office or, if having trouble with the identification process, ring 13 22 81.

2025 School Enrolments



Enrolments for the 2025 school year are open for students starting at a new school. visit [education.act.gov.au](https://www.education.act.gov.au) for the online application link and information about the school in your child's priority enrolment area.

Offers will be sent out from July 29th, 2024, for applications that are submitted by COB today June 7th.

Red Hill Play-Pod

Dear Red Hill Community,

We are seeking donations of open-ended items that can be enjoyed by children of all ages in our play pod space, which provides resources for student to play with during recess and lunch. It is not structured play, so we are looking for items that children can use to play and explore freely. Open-ended materials provide opportunities for creative and imaginative play, decision making and problem solving. They allow children to become innovators, designers, explorers, artists, and collaborators.

Please see below for some suggestions of items that we are hoping to add to our resources. Any donations can be delivered to Mrs Dunlop in the KD classroom (the first classroom, near the front office) before or after school.

Wish list items	Examples of items we are unable to accept
<ul style="list-style-type: none">-play silks / scarves / lengths of fabric / blankets / sheets-dolls, doll house and doll house items-blocks-kitchen items (play food, plates, spoons, cooking utensils etc)-loose parts (recycled and repurposed items such as bottle lids, containers, fabric scraps, wooden offcuts)-cars-plastic and wooden cable spools-small world play items such as people and animal figurines-puppets, felt story boards-sand pit toys / buckets-dress up items (items of clothing)-small tires (such as those from a ride on mower or bicycle)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-items that have one set purpose or way to play with, for example a ball run-items that are broken or missing parts-items with sharp edges or made of timber that splinters easily

Uniform Shop

Ordering Online

The Red Hill School P&C Association uses Flexischools for uniform shop sales.

<https://www.flexischools.com.au/>

It is a cashless online ordering system which streamlines payment, ordering and processing of purchases and events. Quick and easy, it can be accessed 24/7 on PC, Mac, or mobile app.

School uniform orders for existing students will be delivered to your child's classroom. Otherwise, orders can be collected from the front office.

Ordering in person

Opening hours Wednesday 8.30 to 10:00am and Friday 2.30 to 4.00pm. We prefer payment by credit card, but we can accept cash.

With COVID continuing to present a risk we prefer that orders are made online where possible.

Secondhand requests can be emailed through to the shop manager.

Donations can be placed in the purple bin in the front office foyer.

Lost property collected around the school is placed in the big blue bin outside of the uniform shop.

Due to the amount of lost property and the shortage of staff, labeled items will no longer be returned to classrooms. Instead, the items in the blue bin will be sorted and then placed in the adjoining blue and white cupboards for students to look through and collect any of their property that they find."



Red Hill School OVER THE COUNTER SALES

Milo Cookie	\$0.50
Pappadum (Garlic or Plain)	\$0.50
Popcorn	\$1.00
Frozen Quelch Stick	\$1.00
Frozen Juice Cup	\$2.00
Jelly Cup or Custard Cup	\$2.00
Banana Bread	\$2.00
Berry Muffin	\$2.00
Jelly & Custard Cup	\$2.50
Fluffy Choc Mousse	\$2.50
Plain Milk	\$2.50
Twisted Frozen Yogurt	\$3.00
Plain Milk with flavoured Sipahh Straw	\$3.50

OPEN TIMES FROM TUESDAY TO FRIDAY -

10.30am - 10.45am

11.15am - 11.40am

1.10pm - 1.30pm

Please bring exact change if possible

Red Hill School Calendar 2024 – Term 2					Mon 29 Apr – Fri 5 Jul
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Apr 29-3 May	Pupil Free Day	30 th April YR5 Menslink 'Silence is Deadly' and 'Fearless Women' Sessions.	1 st May Fizzics Incursion		Anzac Assembly
Week 2 May 6-10			8 th May YR5 SHFPACT Session		10 th May Media Video Recording Bike Riding
Week 3 May 13-17	13 th May Birrigai Preschool	14 th May Matt Giteau Cup- Rugby/Rugby Union	15 th May 2025 Enrolment Information Session for New Families	16 th May Birrigai Preschool	17 th May Cross Country Carnival K-6
Week 4 May 20-24			22 nd May French Puppet Show- Puss in Boots- K-Yr3 YR6 Combined Band Rehearsal	23 rd May Rostrum School Finals	24 th May Junior Assembly Hosted by YR3 Fizzics Incursion YR6
Week 5 May 27-31					
Week 6 Jun 3-7		4 th June Cross Country Regional Carnival			7 th June Yr3 Australian National Botanic Gardens Excursion Senior Assembly Hosted by YR5
Week 7 Jun 10-14		11 th June Colour Your Threads for Pos Ed Day			
Week 8 Jun 17-21					21 st June Junior Assembly Hosted by Kindy
Week 9 Jun 24-28					28 th June Cross Country Assembly
Week 10 Jul 1-5	1 st July AQUASAFE YR2	2 nd July AQUASAFE YR2	3 rd July AQUASAFE YR2	4 th July AQUASAFE YR2	5 th July AQUASAFE YR2 Whole School Assembly

Managing Big Feelings

PERKS Parenting Workshop


Thursday, 4 July, 5.30 – 7pm

**Narrabundah Early Childhood School
23-27 Kootara Cres, Narrabundah**

Managing children's big emotions is challenging and part of everyday life as a parent or caregiver. This workshop will provide 3 clear strategies for helping children move through their emotions so they are able to re-engage with play, learning and daily routines.

For more details contact:

 Penny.Stott@wcs.org.au

 02 6284 2644

Register here:



There will be supper and adjunct care provided.





Please join us for a night of live music, food and inspiring speakers: Rising Tide guests Senator David Pocock and Polly Hemming of the Australia Institute, with MC Alex Sloan. Rising Tide is a diverse movement working to ensure Australia honours its commitment to the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement via a focus on the world's largest coal port in Newcastle.

When: from 5:30 pm for 6:15 pm, Friday 5 July

Where: Lyneham High School Hall, 61 Goodwin St Lyneham

RSVP: <https://www.risingtide.org.au/tour-canberra-july-5>

Attendance is FREE. Food and drinks by optional donation.



Tuggeranong Screening of Rising Tide's [The First Wave](#)

Watch Rising Tide's very first short film and meet some of the Canberrans working to ensure Australia honours its commitment to the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement via a focus on the world's largest coal port in Newcastle. Come celebrate community!

When: 6pm - 8pm Thursday 20 June

Where: Communities at Work Lakeview Ballroom 245 Cowlshaw Street, GREENWAY ACT

RSVP: <https://www.risingtide.org.au/first-wave-tuggeranong>

Light supper provided from 6pm. Tickets are FREE but please [RSVP](#) so that we can cater for you and friends.



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