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\$1.50 per transaction

April

24 Whole school Kidz Bodz incursion

28 OSHC Committee Meeting 6pm

May

5 School Council Meeting 6pm

8 Mother's Day Stall

GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

Dear Student and Parents,
Thank you for contributing to the Good Friday Disco it was a huge success and we raised with your help \$310.55. Without your help we could never have raised this much money and helped many families in need.

Thanks **SRC Presidents**

ARTROOM REQUEST

Dear Parents
The art room is in need of clean margarine and ice-cream containers. If you have any that you don't need, please send them to school with your children or drop them into the office.

I would also appreciate parents providing their child with an art smock to be worn during art lessons.

Regards **Nitsa**



BIRDS OF PREY

On the 31st of March, me (Jeremy) and seven other 5/6 students went to the MCG to see some great birds of prey. We will be on TV some time in August. The trainers brought out the birds and told us all about the amazing birds. Then they got one out. A Peregrine Falcon is faster than any land or sky animal and faster than all but one car and it goes at 389km an hour! We learnt that there. They brought out many other birds (my favourite of which was the buzzard). Then they started flying the birds from one of the trainer's arm to another's. After that they let me put on a glove and one flew my arm! Then we saw them flying around the MCG. It was a great experience and we learnt heaps.

Jeremy

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. The weather was certainly kind to us over the Easter break. Term 2 will again be action packed and full of valuable learning experiences for your child/children.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2009

Please contact the office to inform us of 2010 prep enrolments. Enrolment forms can be mailed, emailed, collected from the office or sent home in schoolbags for completion at your convenience. Early enrolment allows us to begin planning for next year and make accurate predictions in relation to our budgetary entitlements next year.

This year's Open Day will take place on Wednesday 20th May. This is an opportunity for families to have a school tour and meet the staff and Principal.

Our first prep transition sessions will take place in Term 3 on the following dates:

Session 1: Wednesday 22nd July 2:30-3:30pm

Session 2: Wednesday 29th July 2:30-3:30pm

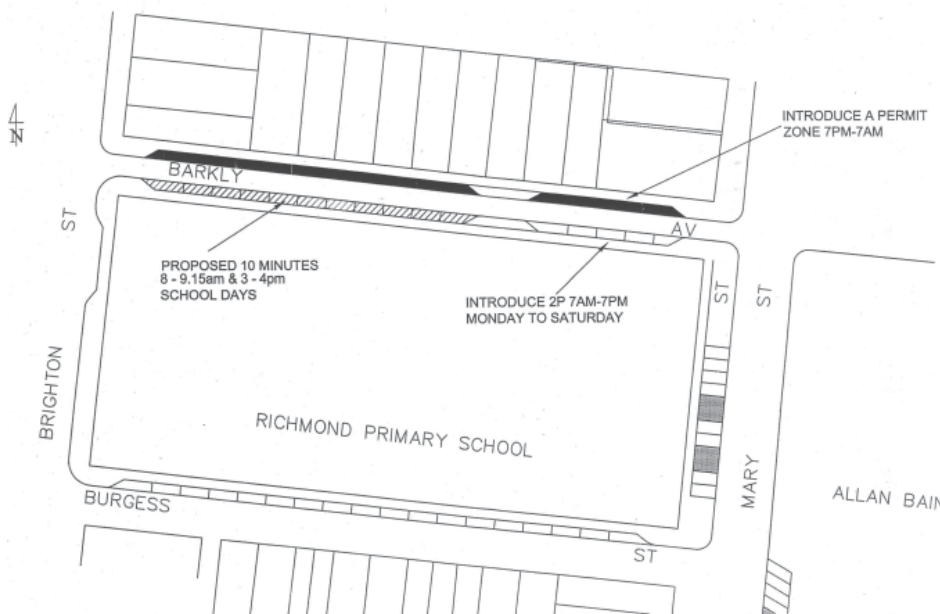
For further information please contact the office.

BUILDING THE EDUCATION REVOLUTION FUNDING

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has advised the school that our application for the Primary Schools for the 21st Century (up to \$2,000,000) and Schools Pride (up to \$200,000) will be submitted early in May. We should receive notification of our application in late May. If you are interested in seeing the plans that have been submitted, please contact the office.

HEAD LICE CONSENT FORMS

Last term forms were sent home to each child seeking permission for trained parent volunteers to check children's hair for lice/ eggs. For this program to be a success we ideally need a 100% participation rate. If you have not already done so could you please return this notice to your child's classroom teacher. Replacement notices can be obtained from the school office.



10 MINUTE DROP-OFF AND PICK UP ZONE

A proposal has been put forward by the Yarra City Council to introduce a 10-minute drop off/pick up zone in Barkley Avenue and Burgess Street (please refer to the map shown). The proposed zone will operate between 8am-9:15am and 3pm-4pm on school days. These restrictions should reduce the congestion currently experienced in this area. The Council is currently seeking feedback re the proposal. We will keep you updated on the progress of the proposal.

Regards
Megan

OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Dear Parents and Carers

Great to see everyone's smiling faces after a great break.

Term's 2 Active After School Communities Program will commence in Week 3.

Tuesday will be Fitnessworx boot camp, Wednesday will be a variety of Martial Arts and Thursday will be a mixture of Drama, Dance and Circus.

You can also check the program by looking at the OSHC section on the school website and take home copies are available at the sign in desk.

We are pleased to announce that we currently have places available everyday Get in early if you would like to book in on a Tuesday or Thursday, as these days fill quickly.

Thanks to all those parents that returned the Before Care Increased Hours and Breakfast Club Survey. The results are that majority of families would like the Service's operational hours 7.45-8.45am to remain the same without a Breakfast Club.

Cheers **Mia and the Aftercare OSHC**

BASKETBALL COACHING SESSIONS

Richmond Primary School is able to offer ten grade 3/4 students basketball training on Wednesday afternoons from 3:45pm-4:30pm. Initially sessions will be held on the following dates; Wed 29th April, Wed 6th May, Wed 13th May & Wed 20th May.

Children will need to be collected from the school after the sessions or have an After Care placement. There will be no cost for this program.

The first ten students to return their forms to the office will be accepted into the program. Please detach and return the following form to Jane B.

BASKETBALL TRAINING

Student Name _____

Grade _____

I wish for my child to participate in the basketball training sessions on;

- Wed 29th April Wed 6th May
- Wed 13th May Wed 20th May

Parent Name _____

Signature _____

Contact Number _____

Student of the week



Prep
Niamh Georgakas for her cheerful approach to all the tasks she's set and the friendly way she goes about everything she does!

Finlay Green for the effort he has put into improving his pencil grip so that he can draw much more now than he did at the start of the year and colour his drawings carefully.

GRADE

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2

Hayley Morgan for great organisation, enthusiasm and kindness shown to everybody.

Lily Martin for always working extremely hard and putting a huge effort into all school tasks!

GRADE

5
6

Jade Farrell for stepping out of her comfort zone in order to gain vital skills for life and build her own confidence.

GRADE

3
4

Elena Tyros and **Annie Vasili** for excellent work in all creative writing topics; and, for an outstanding presentation of their PowerPoint for Unit Work.

Indigo Drendel for her outstanding attitude towards learning and her classmates. She is always kind and considerate to all members of our grade, setting a wonderful example for all. Well done

Sophia Shea for the effort that she puts into everything.



Inter-school Sports

On the 23rd of March 2009 the grade 5's and 6's went to Richmond West Primary School and had the first round of inter-school sports. The sports we played were netball, tee-ball and soccer and they were all great fun and good games. The score for netball was 19-20 with Richmond West winning an extremely close and enjoyable game. The score for tee-ball was 15-28 with Richmond West once again coming out on top but our side showed great fighting qualities against the odds and had fun. The soccer was also a very fun and exciting match ending with the scores tied at 0-0. We all had a great time and we are all looking forward to Abbotsford Primary School coming to us next Friday for the second round of inter-school sports.

By **Sam Shea**

Every week, we pose a quiz question based on the name of one of our wonderful students.

Write your answer on a piece of paper, along with your name and grade, and put it in the cream letter box in the office. **The first correct entry drawn will win a Student Pass for one hour.**

The winning entry will be drawn on Tuesday at 3.30pm.

NOTE:

- You may place **only one entry per week** in the box.
- Each player must put in their **own** entry (no joint entries)
- If you win, you are **win-binned** (disqualified) for one week, to give others a go.



This week's clue:

This Area 3 student is much nicer than the deadly radiation you'd get if you changed one letter in their name.

WALKATHON 2009 BARKLY GARDENS FRIDAY 29 May 2PM – 3PM

Once again we are about to embark upon one of our major fundraisers for the year- the Richmond Primary School Annual Walkathon.. This will be held on Friday 29 May at 2pm in the Barkly Gardens.

For those new to the school, the Walkathon involves children walking as many 500-metre laps as possible in a period of one hour.

Each student will be issued with a Walkathon Booklet where the names of those willing to sponsor him or her should be recorded. Students are asked to gather as many sponsors as possible; friends and relatives who are prepared to sponsor them a set amount per lap or who are prepared to give a donation.

PRIZES

There will be one major prize, Borders voucher worth \$50, for the student who raises the most money. There will also be vouchers worth \$30 for the next five students who raise the most money.

Finally, Student Passes will be awarded to all students who raise over \$100.

MOST LAPS AWARDS

The boy and girl at each grade level who walk the most laps.

When the booklet comes home on MONDAY please help your child to gather as many sponsors as possible.

This is always a great day and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Emma

