The leadership team for 2017 has been presented again due to missing Ash Van Hattam in last week’s newsletter:

**Principal:** Marg Pickburn

**Assistant Principal:** Amanda Wigg

**Specialist Team Leader:** Sue McNamara

**F-2 Team Leader:** Maria Pase

**Year 3/4 Leader:** Cheryl Ryan

**Year 5/6 Team Leader:** Peter Wright

**Program for Students with a Disability (PSD):** Linda Abbott

**Information Computer Technology (ICT):** Ash Van Hattum

This year we are continuing to facilitate a number of parent workshops to assist you with supporting your child with their learning. These sessions are:

1. **NUMERACY WITH ROB VINGERHOETS**
   - March 1st: For FOUNDATION and PARENTS of PRESCHOOLS ONLY
   - May 18th: Years 1 to 4 - Helping Your Child with the 4 Processes at Home
   - Sept 14th: Years 5/6 - Helping Your Child with the 4 Processes at Home

2. **LITERACY WITH LINDA ABBOTT**
   - Feb 24th: F to 2 - Helping Your Child Learn to Read
   - March 3rd: F to 2 - Helping Your Child Learn to Read
   - March 17th: F to 2 - Classroom Helpers
   - March 24th: F to 2 - Helping Your Child Learn to Write

3. **WELL-BEING**
   - I have also included some external workshops:
     - March 15th: Raising Independent Children by Michael Grose at Solway Primary School in Ashburton (see flyer attached to book)
     - 7th March (and the following 3 Tuesdays), Bringing Up Great Kids, funded by the City of Whitehorse (see flyer attached to book)

Currently classes are choosing Junior School Councillors and their Eco Captains. Leadership badges are in the process of being organised, so please look out for the presentation ceremony which will be held for all captains (including the Year 6 House and Specialist Captains) in a few weeks at assembly.

Have a wonderful rest of the week!

Amanda Wigg – Assistant Principal

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SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Are You Considering Standing For School Council?

The School Council is an important body in our school and the role of a councillor is rewarding and interesting. Our school continues to flourish under the wonderful support provided by our school councillors.

We are currently calling for nominations for vacancies on the Roberts McCubbin Primary School Council. School Council meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month during the school term at 7.30pm.

There are still three parent representative vacancies of two years duration and two casual vacancies of one year’s duration. All retiring members of School Council are eligible for re-nomination. Nomination forms are available from the general office.

Nominations will now close next Tuesday, February 27th.

Marg Pickburn

DATES TO REMEMBER

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Found Apron

An apron was found, it is from Portugal, aqua in color with embroidered print on it, if this belongs to you, please come to the office and collect

Attention: Parents/Carers

Please do not leave your children in the car

For Sale

Roberts McCubbin Key Rings available for purchase at the office for $5 each, they are gold and green in color. A great keepsake!

Secondhand Uniform Shop

Tuesday from 9.15-10.15am
Please come to the office first and meet with Tanya.

If you have good quality second hand uniform suitable for sale, particularly short sleeved polo shirts, please drop it off at the office.
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to a new school year!

I wanted to write and introduce myself. My name is Melinda Browne and I am the Robotics' teacher. I am very excited and privileged to be part of your child’s education.

I would like to take this time to tell you a little about myself, and my program. My program falls under the Digital Technologies Curriculum, which is now mandatory for all Victorian children from Foundation to Year 8, in all state and Catholic schools. Digital Technologies is underpinned by key principles of computer science and uses Robotics and coding as a vehicle to teach these principles.

"In the education realm, we should never be solely focusing on ‘Teaching Robotics’; instead we should be using ‘Robots to Teach’. Just like any other educational tool, Robotics platforms are just a means to teach different concepts." Damien Kee

Our kids are passionate about technology – coding allows them to harness that interest in an active and engaging way, with a creative output. Coding is being called “the new literacy”! Living in the Information age, in a world that is characterized by a digitized existence and constant change, it is critical that our children are empowered to manage these. They will need to have a deep understanding of information systems as this will enable them to create digital solutions and learn how to tackle problems. Its emphasis is more on developing students’ ability to think computationally (organizing data logically, breaking down problems into appropriate chunks, looking for patterns and then creating a set of steps and decisions (algorithms)) in order to make decisions about their future.

There are strong connections between Digital technologies and other discipline based learning areas, particularly Math’s and Science, and I use Robotics and coding to teach skills and concepts across the curriculum. Robotics helps address the growing demand for teaching science, technology, engineering and maths in school (STEM) which you may have read about recently.

If you are interested in finding out more check out this quick video in the link below which explains how computation thinking is used in the real world and to solve problems at Google. See how the staff at Google solve problems such as managing large amounts of data to create Google Earth, a complex problem which was broken down and thought about creatively to find a solution. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SVVB5RQfYxk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SVVB5RQfYxk)

Now a bit about me…

In my spare time I teach group fitness classes, both Body Pump and Barre at various gyms around Melbourne, one of them, being Aqua link Box Hill! I am the proud parent of 3 wonderful children who, now that they are reaching adulthood, are becoming my best friends!

I look forward to meeting you either formally or informally. Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries or concerns. Emailing is the most efficient way to get a hold of me. My email address is bowles.melinda.k@edumail.vic.gov.au. I am always available to answer questions, hear what is going on, help in any way I can, and/or set up an appointment to meet and talk with you before or after school.

Another useful tool is our Book Creator Book and Showbie . On both of these, you can see the challenges we have solved and the skills and understandings we are working towards mastering.

“Happy Chinese New Year” coded using Hopscotch.

Respectfully,

Melinda Browne
Classroom Contact Lists and Class Representatives 2017

A strength of Roberts McCubbin PS is the community spirit and support that is fostered amongst school families. There are many things that help facilitate this spirit, two of which are class communications helped by class contact lists and the Classroom Representative Team.

Class contact lists provide a means of contacting families within each class for upcoming events and social functions related to your child’s/children’s class(es), whilst Class Representatives help support the teachers, communicate with the other class parents and assist with organising some of the activities within the school.

Please help us put together our class contact lists and consider being a Classroom Representatives for your child/ren’s class in 2017.

Before Friday 17th February please go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WQL2DVV and complete the online form OR complete the forms included in the newsletter and return to your eldest child’s teacher or school office.

Thank you,
Trish Scott
Class Rep Coordinator

Canteen Helpers Wanted

Canteen Helpers Wanted to help out in the canteen and do counter sales:

Shifts available are:

Wednesdays  10:30 – 11:30am
1:00 – 2:00

Friday      10:30 – 11:30am
1:00 – 2:00pm

I require 2 helpers per shift. A roster is on the canteen door. Please fill in your name and contact number or SMS your availability to Izzy on 0414 917 039. Thank you Izzy

School Magazines

If you missed out on ordering a school magazine at the end of last year, here is your second chance, we have some spares available at the office for $14

First in first served
Don’t miss out

Are you able to help out with the Laundering of Lost Property

We are looking for a couple of Mums/Dads to help out with the laundering of lost property (approximately twice a term), if you are able to help out, please contact Tanya Wick in the Office/First Aid Room.
Welcome to 2017 at Roberts McCubbin Primary School. The beginning of the year is busy with new routines and classes. Each year every classroom requires at least 2 Class Representatives to help support the teachers, communicate with the other class parents and assist with organising some of the activities within the school. I am therefore asking you to consider being a Class Representative for your child’s classroom teacher in 2017.

This role is very rewarding as it facilitates the social life of your child’s class as well as with other families in the school community; supporting your class teacher and the school as well as becoming involved more in the school life of your child.

Q: Will this take up much of my time?
A: No – this can be done quite easily even if you are working full-time/part-time or home with younger kids. (Also remember it is a shared role)

The key responsibilities include:

- Organising optional social activities for your class parents/carers (eg morning teas, dinners)
- Communicating some information to other parents (via email) from the PFA or the school.
- Assisting/providing support to the classroom teacher if necessary
- Possibly arranging a class birthday and/or Christmas gift for your teacher
- Organising a token of appreciation for your teacher for World Teachers’ Day
- School Fair – (Key Fundraiser held every 2 years) – Some liaising with Fair Committee;

Your assistance would be most appreciated by your teacher and school community as a whole.

I ask you to consider this invitation then please either complete the form below and return it to your classroom teacher, school office or to me via email OR express your interest on the “Class List Information” Survey Monkey link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WQL2DVV before Friday 17th February, 2017.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your time,

Trish Scott
(trish.scott@optusnet.com.au)

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I would like to be a Class Representative in 2017

Child’s Name: .......................................................... Class: ......................................................

Parent/Guardian Name: ....................................... Contact No: .............................................

E-mail Address: ..................................................................................................................................

Please complete and return to your class teacher by Friday 17th February, 2017
Class Contact List 2017

Class contact lists provide a means of contacting families within each class for upcoming events and social functions related to your child/children’s class(es). If you do not wish your details to be made available to other families in your child/ren’s class please indicate this below.

Please use this form to provide details or complete it online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WQL2DVV

Only one form per family should be completed & returned by the eldest child by Friday 17 February 2017 to the school office, or their teacher

1st. Child’s Name: ................................................................. Class: .................................................................
2nd. Child’s Name: ................................................................. Class: .................................................................
3rd. Child’s Name: ................................................................. Class: .................................................................
4th. Child’s Name: ................................................................. Class: .................................................................
5th. Child’s Name: ................................................................. Class: .................................................................

If your family details remain unchanged into 2017 and you agree to have them distributed to classes – after including your child/ren’s names and classes, please just sign and return the form.

Mother’s Name: .................................................................................................................................
Address: ...............................................................................................................................................
Home Phone: ................................................................. Mobile: .................................................................
Email: ...................................................................................................................................................

Father’s Name): .................................................................................................................................
Address (if different to Mother’s): ........................................................................................................
Home Phone: ................................................................. Mobile: .................................................................
Email: ...................................................................................................................................................

I agree to these details being distributed to other families within the class(es) my child/ren are enrolled. I understand that my details will be used for school communication purposes only (eg social or class events, notification of upcoming events, school information, etc). Yes / No

Signed: ................................................................................................................................. Date: .................................................................

Thank you for your time

Trish Scott, Class Representative Co-ordinator
What’s Happening?

ROBERTS MCCUBBIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Family Fair

SATURDAY 18TH MARCH 2017

2017 RIDE BRACELET INCLUSIONS

Get excited! Here’s your sneak peek of the rides we’ve got coming in 2017.

BAD BOYS MUSIC TRIP
A thrilling ride that will keep everyone going all day long. The music trip moves from side to side in a clockwise and anticlockwise direction, building up momentum until it reaches the top!
Must be 1.3m plus

DODGEMS
Go crazy! Bump, dodge and race with your friends as you wizx around the circuit in a mini car. So much fun!
Riders under 120cm must be accompanied by an adult

THE GIANT SLIDE
Over 30 metres long and 10 metres high, the giant super slide is a favorite at our Fair. Go on your own or race with a friend.
No height restriction
Age 3+

CHA CHA
Feel the adrenaline as you zoom around. Swing faster and faster as you spin and zig-zag. You’ll never want to get off!
Must be 1.3m if riding alone or 1.1m if with an adult

ANIMAL FARM
Come and feed and have a cuddle with some of the most incredibly cute baby animals.
Feed included.
No height restriction
Age 3+

WILD ONE ROLLER COASTER INFLATABLE
The best inflatable we’ve ever had! Race your friends as you bounce and slide your way around the inflatable obstacle course.
No height restriction
Age 3+

CHAIR O PLANE
Fly high in the air and enjoy the relaxing and fast thrill of this giant 20 seater swing.
No height restriction
Age 3-12

RIDE BRACELET PRE-SALE ON TRYBOOKING 7-14TH MARCH!

TERMS AND CONDITIONS
- Please note that ride bracelet purchases are non-refundable and that there are height and age restrictions on all rides.
- Please review the individual ride information detailed here before purchasing to note these restrictions.
- Pre sale ride bracelets are strictly from 7th March (9am) to 14th March (3pm) 2017.
- On the Fair day (18th March 2017), ride bracelets and individual ride tickets will be available from 12pm - 5pm.
- Rides may be subject to weather conditions.

* If you are a family of 4+ children and attend Roberts McCubbin Primary School you are entitled to a group discount purchase capped at $115. Please do not purchase ride bracelets on trybooking - contact Claire Read ccread@optuset.com.au. This discounted group purchase is only available to siblings of the children that attend Roberts McCubbin PS and does not apply to friends or extended family.
**Free dress donation day**

**FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY**

Please help us with the final preparations for Fair Day! We are asking you to kindly donate the following items per class. Please drop them to your class teacher on donation day.

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<td>F2R</td>
<td>1 x bag frozen mixed berries or frozen strawberries</td>
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<td>F2R</td>
<td>These will be collected at school start and transferred to freezer at school. Please bring frozen.</td>
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<td>Home brand hand sanitiser</td>
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<td>Coloured hairspray</td>
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<td>J4S</td>
<td>Small can of passionfruit pulp</td>
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<td>J7M</td>
<td>Packet of plastic dinner plates</td>
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ROBERTS MCCUBBIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Family Fair

SATURDAY 18TH MARCH 2017

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Do you work for a company, or have friends who work for a company that could help us out with prizes or vouchers for the Silent Auction or Raffle? Can you put us in touch with them? Email sponsorourfair@gmail.com
- Do you know any local businesses that would love to be involved on Fair Day by promoting themselves to over 3000 visitors? Our Business Marketing Marquee spots are filling up fast. Email sponsorourfair@gmail.com

WALKING FOR A CAUSE: 6TH - 12TH MARCH

With the fair approaching fast, we are sending a call out to any volunteer walkers willing to help distribute flyers. The flyers will need to delivered between 6th – 12th March. If you are willing to be part of this awesome army please contact Annie Robins at annielrobins@gmail.com before 17th February. Thank you!

BEST RAFFLE EVER!

Oh my goodness, our raffle prizes are looking AWESOME!
Tickets will be coming home for purchase March 8th.

NEXT 2ND HAND DROP OFF

Please drop off your pre-loved books, toys and baskets. Thursday 2nd March 3.15-3.45PM at the Undercroft (opposite the gym)

NEW PREP PARENTS STALL HOLDER NEEDED FOR F1P

Would you like to be a stall holder for your class for this year? You’d be our point of contact on the day and help with set-up and pack down. Minimal organisation involved, rosters will be online this year! I now just need one parent from F1P to run Pre-loved toys.
Please email Britta asap at robbiemacfair@gmail.com or text on 0403 757 2657. Thank you!

IF YOU ONLY DO ONE THING: LIKE US ON FACEBOOK
What’s Happening?

ROBERTS MCCUBBIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Family Fair
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Stefan Cook
Property Consultant

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HYDRA REHEARSAL STUDIOS
From the President

Hello everyone. The PFA Annual General Meeting and Cheese Tasting is coming up. Please take a look at the information page in this newsletter. If you want to know what kind of people are in the current committee, we have a couple of parents who have children with special needs, parents who work, parents who love to be involved, parents with aging relatives to care for, parents who love their kids and want the best for them, parents who support other community groups, parents who are not especially talented, or confident, or time-rich, but are, above all, people who are caring for children. Your children.

The PFA committee are parents who believe in building a strong community through fun social events and working together for the school. If you want your child to enjoy these events and for yourself to have opportunities to make friends and build knowledge about the school, please join the fun of the PFA.

The PFA committee are parents who believe that ALL children have the right to a wide variety of opportunities, as provided by Roberts McCubbin now. If you want ALL Robbie Mac kids to continue to enjoy these opportunities, please support the work of the PFA and other fundraising for the school.

We all enjoy being part of the PFA committee, but we don’t enjoy feeling like we have to run every event. We can cut back on our calendar if people and their children are not interested. Last year was fun, but this year, your PFA needs more support. Please, everyone, look out for opportunities to help. We hate to always ask the same people we know will say ‘yes’. We want to hear from more of you.

Have a great week!

Be involved

The PFA will need new committee members this year and is starting to plan events for 2017 too. Please start attending meetings and thinking about how you would like to be involved. We need fresh faces and fresh ideas too!

PFA Morning Tea and Meeting – all welcome!

PFA Annual General Meeting, 7:30 pm Thursday 2nd school – followed by monthly meeting

PFA looking ahead…

February
My School Journal – fundraiser

March
PFA Annual General Meeting, 7:30 pm Thursday 2nd school staffroom
Bakers Delight Easter fundraiser
Wednesday 29th, Whole School Picnic, at school

Vision Portraits fundraiser will also be happening this year – so save family portraits until later this year

Contact the PFA
PFA email: rmps.pfa@gmail.com
Robin Fripp: 0402 245 488
PFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

When: 7:30pm Thursday, 2\textsuperscript{nd} March
Where: School Staffroom

The PFA will be holding its Annual General Meeting (and Cheese Tasting!) with regular meeting to follow. Parents and Carers are invited to attend and hear the reports on the past year and help elect the committee for 2017.

Committee Members for 2017 to be elected

All Office Bearer positions are declared vacant and open at the AGM to be elected to office for 2017 to March 2018.

Office bearers of the Committee are:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Other office bearers and assistant roles can also be elected as required.

YOUR CHILDREN’S SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

- Do you like to be involved with the school?
- Enjoy organising social, community and fundraising events?
- Would like to work as part of a team with a friendly and fun group of volunteer parents/carers for a common goal.

Is that YOU?

Parents and Carers are invited to nominate or be nominated for any of the committee positions. Nomination forms are available at the school office or we can email one to you.

- Secretary, Vice President and Treasurer - to re-nominate and if elected will continue.
- President - Co-President required to be nominated for 2017 to take the lead in 2018.

Please remember:

- The PFA Committee work as a team:
  Administration tasks and management of activities are shared and distributed as required amongst the Committee and Parent Helpers.

- Roles can be shared:
  Level of involvement is flexible to the time you have, roles can be shared or you can join the Committee with a friend (the Secretary and Vice President are currently shared roles).

- Smaller Committee Roles:
  New positions and assistant roles can be created to suit if required

Come and chat to us – after assembly:
We are around after assembly near the sandpit most days at pick-up, so please come and see us for a chat about what it’s like being on the PFA Committee.

Or Contact us so we can chat.
PFA President:
Email: rmps.pfa@gmail.com
After School Care Program

OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

Welcome back to the new school year to our OSHClub families and the wider Roberts McCubbin PS school community. We would particularly like to welcome any foundation year learners on their incredibly exciting first week of OSHClub.

This week the program theme is Being Creative! The reason behind the theme is to challenge children’s brains by stimulating the cells linked to problem solving and creativity and to find a way express themselves through different means, from arts and craft to finding creative ways to solving problems amongst each other in a positive manner.

Play on Sports!

Play on Sports is back for the new school year and bookings have opened for parents. This year we will be doing Basketball once a week on Tuesdays in the gym. For more information hop on the OSHClub website or grab an information flyer off one of the friend staff in the OSHClub room.

Updating medical and other forms:

Being the beginning of the year, Michelle and Martin are working very hard to renew and update expired medical information (asthma/anaphylaxis action plans, dietary, etc) and “Release and Return” forms for afterschool activities. If you have been sent home with a form to complete, could you please either bring it back as soon as possible or scan and send a copy for us to update at the program, as children’s safety and wellbeing at OSHClub is extremely important to us.

Important reminder:

Any items brought into the program by the children are that child’s responsibility. Toys, trading cards and other items brought in need to be taken care of by that child. If a child has an item that they want to protect during program time, there is always the option of storing it in the iPad lockers or the office. We will be providing labels at the sign in desk for any child that wishes to store items away during program time.

A friendly reminder:

The program concludes at 6pm each evening with a $2.00 per minute charge thereafter. If you are running late please contact us to let us know. All children enrolled in OSHClub must have fully updated anaphylaxis/asthma/risk management plans if needed and any medications required are to be held at the facility. No pen, no plan, no play.

OSHC program phone: 0407 634 842 (Available Mon - Fri 7am - 9am, 3pm - 6pm)
Coordinator: Michelle
Assistants: Martin, Tom, Harriet, Jane, Rhys and Grace
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
8 February 2017

Dear Resident,

NOTIFICATION OF WORKS
BOX HILL SKATE PARK EXTENSION

Further to Council’s previous notifications and publications, I would now like to provide notice of forthcoming works associated with the Box Hill Skate Park Extension project, located at the corner of Canterbury and Middleborough Roads, Box Hill South.

The improvement works to the existing facility include a separate new beginner area, introduction of street plaza style skating elements, a new basketball half-court , upgrade to the main bowl, removal of the existing shade shelter and construction of two new shade shelters, installation of lighting and additional seating. A copy of the revised concept plan of the works is attached.

Due to the nature and extent of works being undertaken within the site and to the existing facility, it will be necessary to temporarily close the existing skate park facility and car park area for the duration of the works. Regular users of this facility are encouraged to visit website www.skateboard.com.au for a comprehensive list of other skate parks available for use.

The works are scheduled to commence on Monday 20 March 2017 and are expected to be completed by mid-September 2017 (weather permitting). It is proposed to maintain access to the public toilet at all times but this will be subject to construction activities being undertaken at the facility.

Regular updates will be provided by Council during the works and project information can be found via Council’s website and the projects dedicated Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/BoxHillSkateParkImprovementDesignProject/

Council has appointed an experienced contractor, Independent Concrete Constructions Pty Ltd, to carry out the work. If you have any questions please contact the contractor’s Project Manager, Trevor Brown on 0406 595 995 or Council’s Project Engineer, Robert Kennedy on 9302 6376 or via email at robert.kennedy@whitehorse.vc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

ILIAS KOSTOPOULOS
MANAGER
ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Enclosed: Revised Concept Plan January 2017

Key features
1. Existing skate park
2. New beginner area
3. Street plaza elements and feature ‘ditch’ run
4. A half-court basketball facility
5. Upgrade of main bowl to kidney shape
6. New shade shelters
7. Installation of automatic shut-off lighting
8. Additional seating

Box Hill Skate Park Extension
Revised Concept Plan January 2017
Perfect Partners

"Amazing, one of the best professional learning sessions I have attended."

"Amy loves, lives and works with a child on the spectrum every day, so the information was very valuable."

Join Dr. Amy Wilson in an affordable and easy-to-understand seminar on the topic of understanding autism.

Whether your interest in autism is personal, professional or commercial, I have a seminar which provides information that really helps you!

Ideal for everyone, including:
- Educators and health care professionals
- Retail and service professionals
- Extended family and friends
- Parents or carers of newly diagnosed children

"Very easy to identify with. Her journey speaks volumes."

Early Bird prices range from a low $13 to $23 per session.

Confirmed Dates:
- Burwood: Saturday 6 May and Tuesday 27 June
- Geelong: Saturday 3 June and Monday 5th June
- Warrnambool: Saturday 14th and Monday 16th October
- Bendigo: Saturday 28th and Monday 30 October

Coming to Albury, Bundroora and Shepparton in mid to late 2017.

Gift Tickets also available.

For more information and booking info visit www.understandingautism.wixsite.com/amywilson

ROBBIE MAC CHAT

KDA

Now taking enrolments for 2017!

Dancing is a great way to improve self-confidence, co-ordination and self-esteem. At KDA we focus on creating a fun, safe and caring environment so as to best support the development of our students as both dancers and individuals.

We offer a number of styles (across most age and skill levels) that include Jazz, Tap, R.A.D. Ballet, Contemporary, VCE Dance and Hip-Hop as well as our new FitFun Acro Jazz and Adult classes which are non-performance based.

If you would like to get in contact or you are after some more detailed information please visit our website. www.kallistadance.com.au 9894 3265

E.BEES JUNIOR BASKETBALL CLUB

2017 WINTER REGISTRATIONS DUE NOW

The E.Bees Junior Basketball Club provides young girls and boys an excellent opportunity to develop and enhance their personal basketball skills in a friendly and welcoming environment.

The Club encourages a true sense of cooperative teamwork, good sportsmanship and focuses on the children continuing to enjoy the experience of playing basketball.

E – Every
B – Basket
E – Every
E – Effort
S – Success

It takes a player to shoot a basket, but it takes a team to win a game.

E.Bees Junior Basketball Club are currently taking registrations for the Winter 2017 season.
Would you like to understand why your child behaves the way they do?

Are you interested in knowing more about why you parent the way you do?

Would you like to explore how to enhance your parenting and relationship with your child?

Bringing up Great Kids (BUGK) is a program that uses mindfulness and reflection to support parents / carers of children as they review and enhance their patterns of communication with their children.

The BUGK Program supports parents as they explore what influences their parenting practices, and the messages they’re passing onto their children.

The program aims to work with parents as they establish a new relationship context with their children.

For more information or to register, please contact Melanie Fearn on 8878 3800

Who
Parents / Carers of children
Aged 0-10 years

Where
EACH
14 Silver Grove
Nunawading, 3131

When
Tuesdays
7th March – 28th March 2017
(4 Consecutive weeks)

Time
10.00am-12.30pm

Cost
Free
(Morning tea provided)
*Sorry no child minding available

This program is funded by the City of Whitehorse.
Perfect Partners

Australian Girls Choir

January Open Classes
Come along and try a free class at your local rehearsal venue! Berwick, Box Hill, Caulfield North, Cheltenham, Essendon, Ivanhoe, Kew, Ringwood and Yan Yean.

Australian School of Performing Arts
aspa@aspagroup.com.au

ROBBIE MAC CHAT

a very good place to start

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

February Open Classes
Come along and try a free class at your local rehearsal venue! Berwick, Box Hill, Caulfield North, Cheltenham, Essendon, Ivanhoe, Kew, Ringwood and Yan Yean.

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The Parenting Masterclass
How to raise independent kids

"Never before has a generation of children been so dependent on their parents." - Michael Grose

Lose the bubble-wrap and step away from the helicopter!
Join bestselling author and parenting expert, Michael Grose, for an engaging evening designed to challenge thinking and empower parents to raise independent, resilient and confident children. Michael will share hard-won and practical strategies to help:
- Encourage independence
- Build strong, caring, and cooperative family relationships
- Reduce anxiety
- Foster emotional intelligence

See Steve growing empowered to move forward in raising your independent children.

National tour dates | 7:30pm | Tickets $35*

Adelaide | Exeter South | Thursday 5th March
Brisbane | Maroochydore | Tuesday 10th March
Sydney | Sydney Opera House | Wednesday 16th March
Geelong | Geelong Arts Centre | Thursday 24th March
Melbourne | Moorabbin | Tuesday 29th March
Adelaide | Aldgate | Thursday 1st April

*10% of the proceeds will be donated to The Smith Family, helping young Australians in need to transform their lives through education.

About Michael Grose
Michael has been sharing his insights and strategies with parents and teachers for more than 25 years. Michael has been the teacher and his wife is the parent. He’s written 10 award-winning books including Thinking and is currently touring Australia with his newest: Raising Generation Spoonfed.

TUNING IN TO KIDS
EMOTIONALLY INTELLIGENT PARENTING

Would you like to learn tips and strategies to:
- Be better at talking with and understanding your child?
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions and deal with conflict?
- Children with higher emotional intelligence:
  - have greater success with making friends
  - have better concentration at school
  - are more able to calm down when upset or angry
  - tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

A six session FREE parenting program for parents, grandparents & carers of children aged 0 – 12 years

WHERE: Mitcham Community House
19 Brunswick Road, Mitcham
WHEN: 21st Feb to 28th March
12.30pm to 3.00pm
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL as places are limited

CONTRACT: Julia at Parentzone on 9735 6190 or 0400 866 495

Mitcham Community House

9735 6190 | anglicarevictoria.org.au

Kingswood College
Scholarships 2018

Applications close 5pm, Friday 24 February 2017

Academic General Excellence
Visual and Performing Arts

Come and enjoy some jazz at our Open Evening
Thursday 23rd March 2017 4.00 – 7.30pm

Kingswood College

Education is a gift that lasts a lifetime...
Kingswood College is offering you the chance to share in our education experience by providing Scholarships to students from Years 3 to 11 in 2018. Scholarships are available in the following areas:
- Academic
- General Excellence
- Visual Arts
- Performing Arts

Applicants for all types of Scholarships are required to apply via our website and to complete the Online Examination to be held on Saturday 4 March 2017.

www.kingswoodcollege.vic.edu.au

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