Leading by Learning

I am thrilled to be back with RMPS community after completing a four week Internship at Yarra PS in Richmond. The Internship is a core component of the Bastow, Unlocking Potential Principal Program which I am undertaking this year. Throughout my internship I was challenged to put into practice my leadership skills within a different setting, focusing on my strengths, and continuing to develop a growth mindset for change and improvement. I have outlined below some of my leadership learning, over the last five years at RMPS, the research I have done at Bastow, and what I experienced at Yarra PS:

- Schools are built around a different context and purpose, are unique environments and have their own set of core beliefs and values.

- As a leader it is critical that you have a clear vision for the school, share this vision with your staff and the parent community, and enact your vision, by guiding your community to reach the set targets and goals, in line with the school’s Strategic Plan and Annual Implementation Plan.

- The key work for Principals is to focus on teaching and learning so continual improvement in student learning is achieved.

- Leading strategically with the ‘L’ hat (leadership hat) and continually adding leadership tools to your tool box.

- Leaders must be clear about process expectations and clear about process accountability.

- Good leaders can identify the need for innovation and change that is consistent with the school’s vision and values and informed by student learning outcomes.

- Trust is at the core of learning. When children feel safe and happy in a caring environment they can learn best.

- Developing a mutually, supportive, collaborative and trusting relationship with staff and parents, and leading by example is essential.

I will conclude with a quote from the book, ‘Confucius on Leadership’ by John Adair, which I read with the Yarra Leadership team during my Internship:

‘A good leader is someone whom people will follow through thick and thin, in good times and bad, because they have the confidence in the leader as a person, the leader’s ability and his or her knowledge of the job, and because they know they matter to the leader’.

Amanda Wigg
Assistant Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, 1 June
- School Finance Meeting in the Staffroom 6:15pm
- School Council Meeting in the Large Conference Room 7:00pm

Thursday, 2 June
- Book Fair Sales 8:30 – 9:00am & 3:30 – 4:00pm

Friday, 3 June
- Book Fair Sales 8:30 – 9:00am & 3:30 – 4:00pm
- School Tour – Meet in the School Foyer – 9:30am
- CSEF Parent Applications Close 4:00pm

Tuesday, 7 June
- 3/4 Cybersafety Sessions

Thursday, 9 June
- Art Show Meeting in the Staffroom 7:30pm

Friday, 10 June
- 5/6’s District Winter Sports Round Robin Tournament

Monday, 13 June
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday – No School on this day

Tuesday, 14 June
- Buddy Day Lunch and Open Afternoon 1:00 – 3:30pm
- 3/4 Cybersafety Sessions

Wednesday, 15 June
- F-2 Cybersafety Sessions

Friday, 17 June
- Student Reports available on Compass
- School Tour – Meet in the School Foyer – 9:30am

Saturday, 18 June
- Local Landscapes Art Exhibition NGV
- Trivia/Bingo Social and Fundraising Night in the School Gym – Doors open 6:15pm, Trivia Starts 7:00pm

Monday, 20 June
- PSD Morning Tea in the Staffroom – 9:00 – 10:30am

Thursday, 23 June
- Golden Ticket Family Fair Donation Day – FREE DRESS
- Last Day of Term 2
- Partnership Meetings – 3:45 – 7:00pm

Friday, 24 June
- Curriculum Day – No School on this day
- Partnership Meetings

Monday, 11 July
- Term 3 commences

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop hours are:
- Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm
- Thursday 8:30 – 9:30am

Sue Truscott & Jo Townsend

Have you applied for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)?

Parents are reminded that if you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for the CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classrooms for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their achievements.

The Annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application forms or download from the schools website under the forms button on the Home Page. Applications close 3 June 2016.

Entertainment Books are now available at the school office for $65

Lost Property

Attention: All parents / carers

IF YOU WANT YOUR CHILDREN’S BELONGINGS RETURNED they must be labelled (no initials) and I will return them. Any unnamed items are either returned to the Uniform Shop for resale, if poor quality these goods are discarded and any unlabelled lunch containers are also discarded. Any Unlabelled Non School uniform will be given to a charity of choice if not claimed. If you have purchased or been given secondhand uniform, please make sure you re-name it so it gets back to you.

Jen Walker
First Aid Nurse

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 the office or see Jen Walker in the First Aid Room.

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The Uniform Shop hours are:
- Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm
- Thursday 8:30 – 9:30am

Sue Truscott & Jo Townsend
What’s Growing in the Robbie Mac Garden?

This week, we went down to our large garden beds and prepared the soil for planting. Next we planted a range of herbs including corriander, lemon balm and dill. We also planted some flowers, sweet peas and nasturtium seeds. Finally, we gave everything a little soaking and scattered some egg-shells to ward off those pesky snails.

Well done, team! 😊

If you or your child is interested in helping out with the garden, or you are able to donate any gardening equipment or supplies (or expertise), please speak to

Ms Anita Siggins in J4S siggins.anita.a@edumail.vic.gov.au or

Mr Tristan Liao in J2L liao.tristan.t@edumail.vic.gov.au
WIPE OUT WASTE!

As part of our focus on sustainability, caring for the environment and school pride we are holding a whole school Wipe Out Waste (W.O.W) day every Thursday!

When planning lunches for W.O.W Thursdays, please help us minimise food and packaging waste by packing a waste-free lunch.

Every piece of packaging that we can save from landfill makes a difference. We appreciate your support to Wipe Out Waste!

ECO TOP TIP!

Let’s say we use a zip-lock bag to pack our sandwich every day. That’s 10c per day, 50c per week. For a family of four, that’s $104 per year!

Compare this to one reusable sandwich container used over the year, which costs around $5 from the supermarket. That’s only 0.002 cents per day!

Our Wipe Out Waste Day is: THURSDAY

Remember to pack a wrapper-free lunchbox!

If you are interested in helping out with our quest to become a more eco-friendly school, please contact Steph Bates J8B, Margie Hardy 56H or Michael O’Donovan 34O
Dear Families,

National Buddy Day celebrates the special bond that students develop with their buddy over the year. As a school we will be celebrating this on Tuesday 14th of June with a range of events. Roberts McCubbin recognises the important role that buddies play in building our positive school community. The Alannah and Madeline foundation ‘Better Buddies Program’ provides the older and younger buddies with invaluable opportunities to develop a range of social, emotional and academic skills.

To celebrate this day we are asking students to come in free dress wearing a touch of purple for a gold coin donation. All classes will be participating in a ‘buddy picnic lunch’ from 1:00pm which we would love you to join. Buddy activities during lunch will be run by school captains. Please feel free to participate. From 2:30- 3:15 classes will use this time to celebrate the important relationships buddies build in schools. All sessions are open and we would love parents/grandparents to come in to help celebrate this unique relationship. The school has decided to use this event to raise money on this day to donate to Alannah and Madeline’s Better Bags Program- helping children entering emergency accommodation get the basics. http://www.amf.org.au/BuddyBags

We would love to invite you into the school from 1:00pm- 3:15pm so you see the great things buddies are doing together. If you are planning on popping in please let your child’s teacher know so they can direct you to where the buddy session will be held.

We look forward to this day of celebration acknowledging all that buddies do in supporting a positive school community.
From the President

Hey, hey, it’s PFA!

As I sit here writing this piece much later than I had planned to, I am pondering procrastination. I am wondering what a procrastination championship might involve and what my chances there would be. I am so very good at putting off things. There are a couple of schools of thought on procrastination. Ahn Do’s father told him there are only two times, now and too late. My own father said the good thing about putting things off is that you find out what is really important to have done. I have experienced a friend re-booking flights 3 times because he changed his mind, so in that case, waiting would have been smart. Mostly I find I put off doing something I had to do (like housework) and then have to do it when I had better things planned. As with all things, there is a balance to be achieved between rushing to get something done without thinking and doing too much thinking and not enough getting things done. I am definitely erring on the latter side. Especially now!

The Trivia night is coming up fast and Matoula and Sarah are organising some great prizes and silent auction items. I have just picked up a couple of vouchers from my favourite butcher, Cornehls and Blackburn. Thanks to Darcy’s dad, Mick, for those. You will all have to fight me for them.

People are talking about what they are going to wear. Could be a bit of Kath and Kim happening. Maybe Kel Knight is my favourite butcher after all. There is great scope there. I am liking Kath’s active wear, but then Kim is the real bogan.

Well, don’t procrastinate like me. Organise your tables for the trivia night. There is no time like the present, but I think June 18th will be special.

Have a great week!

Bingo and Trivia Night Help Wanted!

Donations:
Can you or your business/organisation help with a DONATION or SPONSOR a prize/item for our - Silent Auction – Raffle – Games Prizes?

It would really be appreciated and we will ensure that the donation is properly acknowledged and advertised to our school community.

On the night:
Can you help with SET UP/PACK UP or with one of our GAMES/ACTIVITIES (door “greeter”/sell raffle tickets/collecting gold coins etc) or SERVE AT THE BAR?

Please ensure you fill out the Bingo and Trivia Night reply slip so we can contact you or catch us for a chat!

Thanks heaps!

Contact: Sarah 0409 794 772 and Matoula 0411 089 506 or via PFA email: rmzs.pfa@gmail.com

July 2nd Election Day stalls/sausage sizzle. This is a brilliant fundraiser to get money from the wider community. It is during school holidays, but we still will need bakers for a cake stall and helpers to man BBQ and stalls. Please keep this in mind and call us with any inspired ideas.
Bingo and Trivia Night

BOGAN EXTRAVAGAAAAANZA!

Saturday 18th June

Doors open 6.15 for 7pm start.

$25 per Shazza or Dazza (nibbles and 1st drink incl)

BYO: Food and Munchies

Drinks: at the bar at bowls club prices!

RSVP: Strictly by Wednesday 8th June.

Have you bought your tickets yet?

Gather up your maaates and don’t miss out on an aaaawesome night out for all our parents and friends!

Dress to unimpress and release your inner bogan!

Your invitation has been sent home with an attached reply slip – so send in your RSVPs ASAP!!

Payment Options: Online via Compass (via Eldest Child Course Confirmation) or Cash/Eftpos at the school office. Don’t forget…we also NEED YOUR REPLY SLIPS returned on time to your eldest child class teacher.

Compass payment option WILL CLOSE 4pm on Wed 8th June.

PFA Morning Tea and Meeting.

Monday 6th June – join us for a cuppa after drop off. Also, Karen Deltondo will be showcasing her long lasting lipsticks. Come and check them out.

PFA looking ahead…

June
Social night at school for grown ups. Parents/carers, teachers and our friends all welcome.

June 18th.

July
Election Day Sausage Sizzle / Cake Stall

August
Family Movie Night
Book Swap

September
Father’s Day Breakfast
Footy Day Walkathon

Contact the PFA
PFA email: rmps.pfa@gmail.com
Robin Fripp: 0402 245 488
The Roberts McCubbin Parents and Friends Association presents 2016....

**Bingo & Trivia Night**

**BOGAN EXTRAVAGAAANZA!**

at the Roberts McCubbin School Hall

Calling all Shazzas and Dazzas of the Robbie Mac Clan

Break out your moccies, find your thongs, put on your flannies and show us your tatts - time to bogan up!

**Join us for aaaaawesomw BINGO and TRIVIA FUN & GAMES**

**SAT > 18 JUNE 7pm to 11pm**

doors open 6.15

**PRIZES - RAFFLE - SILENT AUCTION - GOLD COIN GAMES**

**BEST DRESSED SHAZZA / DAZZA - BEST MULLET**

Funds raised will go towards replacing the Synthie Grass on the school oval.

**$25 Per Shazza or Dazza**

- RSVP: by Wednesday 8th JUNE
- BYO Food and Munchies only
- Nibbles and 1st drink included
- Beer/Wine/Bubbles/S Drinks for sale at the bar

- Chat to your maates or Class Rep and get sorted in tables of 8 to 10 or we can chuck you on one.
- Name your team/table for bragging rights for best team name!
- Bring along your gold coins and let out your inner bogan and have fun!

- To RSVP YOU MUST fill out and return the attached “Bingo & Trivia Night” reply slip to school.
- **Payment options:** Cash/Eftpos at school office OR Online on COMPASS (Eldest Child Course Confirmation)
- For further information please contact the PFA: mmps.pfa@gmail.com OR text to 0411 089 506
- Eftpos facilities available on the night
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Camp #1 Richmond
When: Monday 27th & Tuesday 28th June 2016
Where: Melbourne Girls College – Yarra Blvd, Richmond
Age: 6yrs – 16yrs
Time: 9am – 3pm daily
Cost: $165 Full cost
      $155 Early bird special
      $155 Sibling discount
FREE:
1x NBA style camp hoodie
1x Molten indoor/outdoor basketball

Camp #2 Richmond
Advanced 4-on-4 Tournament Camp
When: Wednesday 29th June 2016
Where: Melbourne Girls College – Yarra Blvd, Richmond
Age: 10yrs – 16yrs
Time: 9am – 4pm (1 day only)
Cost: $175 per person, $165 sibling discount
For the first time Tomorrows Stars Basketball will be running a 4-on-4 tournament camp for players to play, mix up their skills and challenge other teams throughout the day. Sound fun? To top off being called the champions of the camp, winners will receive $150 prize money each or $600 per team plus be presented with a championship trophy. This day will be loaded with fun and excitement, giving players plenty of real game time experience. Bring your game and talent and you might just be rewarded with a place in our Semi or Grand Final on the day. All teams will be selected by Tomorrows Stars Basketball staff, games will have special tournament rules and every team will finish off with a tournament ranking.
FREE:
1x NBA style camp hoodie
1x Molten indoor/outdoor basketball

Camp #3 Box Hill
When: Thursday 30th June & Friday 1st July 2016
Where: Aqualink – Surrey Drive Box Hill
Age: 6yrs – 16yrs
Time: 9am – 3pm daily
Cost: $165 Full cost
      $155 Early bird special
      $155 Sibling discount
FREE:
1x NBA style camp hoodie
1x Molten indoor/outdoor basketball

FREE NBA Style Camp Hoodie & Molten Basketball for every camp participant.

$600 prize money for winning team!

EARLY BIRD SPECIALS AVAILABLE
Early bird specials close at midnight on 10 June
BOOKINGS: WWW.TSBASKETBALL.COM
Bookings close midnight on 22nd June for all camps.
Nunawading Basketball are holding basketball clinics every day of the coming holidays. They will be run by Nunawading SEABL professional players and are suitable for all age levels that cater for beginners, intermediate, and advanced players. Please visit www.nunawadingbasketball.com.au for more information and signup details.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Seeking Volunteer Host Families

Are you interested in different cultures and foods, learning about the world and different ways of thinking? WEP Australia is now looking for volunteer host families for our Italian exchange students due to arrive this July.

Find out more now!
Request a comprehensive information pack, including student profiles.

Sylvia Kelly
World Education Program Australia
For the cost of a local call: 1300 884 733
Email: info@wep.org.au
www.wep.org.au

WATTLE PARK SAINTS BASKETBALL CLUB

presents.......

Free Basketball Clinics for Girls Only

Sunday 10th and 17th July

Wattle Park Primary School 1pm to 2pm

Wattle Park Saints Basketball Club would like to invite all girls in Prep to Grade 3 who have an interest in basketball or who would like to discover the fun of basketball.

The Clinics will be run by our experienced coaches who will aim to introduce and teach basic basketball handling and shooting skills in a supportive and fun environment.

If your daughter is interested in participating in these clinics please send an email to danabi1@gmail.com to register a place by Friday, 24 June. Numbers are limited.

Please bring a basketball (Size 6) and water bottle.

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Pre- Purchase before 12th April 2016 to receive Early Bird Bonus Offers you can use straight away! (Subject to availability)

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OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update
The children have been very happy doing art and craft and playing sport. They have also been practicing one of the values of the school, caring, they know that part of caring is to share with others the material and equipment that we provide them.

Holiday Program/Vacation care, As every term we will be running our program. Don’t forget to book your child. We will have a lot fun. For more information visit our website www.oshclub.com.au

A friendly reminder that 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.

This Week’s Activities: What is a hero? For children to develop the ability to recognise unfairness and bias and the capacity to act with compasion and kindness

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OSH program phone: 0407 634 842 (Available Mon - Fri 7am - 9am, 3pm - 6pm)
Coordinator: Azucena
Assistants: Martin, Rhys, Zahn, Tom, Rachel, Anne, Georgia
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.