Learning with iPads at Robbie Mac!

As adults we use technology every day! We use it to find the information we are seeking, we use it to express how we are feeling, we use it to organise ourselves and we use it to make our lives more efficient. Technology is everywhere and it can be taken wherever we want.

Technology is here to stay and as educators we need to be immersing the students in technology so that they can hone their skills, understand the safe and responsible use of technology and communicate their thinking in a way they understand.

Here at RMPS, a significant amount of time has been put into the research of why technology is important and how to use it best. Certain apps have been chosen to make sure that the iPad is a learning tool in the classroom, a tool that specifically caters to the learning style and needs of your children.

On Thursday, 19th May, come along for a special opportunity to listen and witness how RMPS uses the technology of the iPad in the classroom. Understand how what used to happen in Primary Schools is not necessarily how it happens now and that technology plays a massive part in the interest, learning and assessment of students today.

Our guest speaker Ray Nashar will share his expertise as a teacher, parent of primary school aged children and his work with technology. He will also discuss how his work with the staff at RMPS is building the skills of the teachers, students and parent community is important to teaching and learning. Staff will also present some insights into the classroom and the use of technology.

It certainly will be an interesting and informative night!

**When:** Thursday 19th May, 6.45-8pm.

**Where:** 5/6V classroom

Please register your interest at the school office.

**Tips and Tricks**

Ever wondered how to use restrictions on your iPad?

http://ipad.about.com/od/iPad_Guide/ss/How-To-Enable-iPad-Parental-Controls-Restrictions.htm#step1

Are you running out of space on the iPad?
http://www.wikihow.com/Manage-the-Storage-on-Your-iPad

**General Reminders:**

- Please make sure iPad is fully charged ready for the day
- Have the correct apps downloaded on the iPad
- Download ‘Showbie’ to see what’s going on in your child’s classroom (ask class teacher for your parent code)

Ash van Hattum - ICT leader
DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, 11 May
- 3/4 Tennis Clinic at Box Hill Tennis Club – 10:00 – 12:30pm

Friday, 13 May
- Year 6-7 Transition Forms due back
- Golden Ticket Family Fair Donation Day – FREE DRESS – see flyer on Page 5

Tuesday, 17 May
- Education Week Open Morning – 9:30am Addressed by Principal, 10:00am and 10:30am School Tours by House Captains. Please phone the office to book in

Wednesday, 18 May
- Jump Rope for Heart Day – 9:00 – 1:30pm

Thursday, 19 May
- Parent Information Evening – Learning with iPads at RMPS – Ray Nashar

Tuesday, 24 May
- District Cross Country 9:00 – 2:30pm

Monday, 30 May
- Book Fair Sales
- PSD Morning Tea in the Staffroom – 9:00 - 10:30am

Tuesday, 31 May
- Book Fair Sales

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

Thursday, 2 June
- Book Fair Sales

Friday, 3 June
- Book Fair Sales
- School Tour – Meet in the School Foyer – 9:30am

Tuesday, 7 June
- 3/4 Cybersafety Sessions

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

Tuesday, 14 June
- 3/4 Cybersafety Sessions

Wednesday, 15 June
- F-2 Cybersafety Sessions

Friday, 17 June
- Student Reports available on Compass
- School Tour

Saturday, 18 June
- Local Landscapes Art Exhibition NGV
- Social and Fundraising Night in the School Gym

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

Jump Rope for Heart 2016

Double under, criss cross, and egg beater are being mastered by several of our students in P.E. classes.

All students have been busy learning new skills and great improvements have been shown across the year levels.

Excitement is building as our Jump Off day gets closer. Put Wednesday 18th May in your diaries now and come along to school to relive your skipping days!

Our fundraising target is growing every day. Online sponsorships have now passed $3000 and we predict more through cash sponsorships!

Congratulations to the following students who at the time of writing have raised some outstanding and staggering amounts.

Isabella D $1478.75
Lucy DS $606.50
Charlie and Oscar McC $336.50
Oscar K $184.00
Ollie G $118.75
Matilda W $82.00
Ella W $82.00
Jack R $78.00
Elly, Asher and Taj FW $76.75
Paige and Harrison D $49.00

Thank you to all who have raised money for this important cause.

All cash sponsorships are due in on our Jump Off day, Wednesday May 18th so there’s still time to raise more. Don’t forget to wear a touch of red on our Jump Off day.

Thanks,
Jayne McConnell
Jump Rope for Heart Co-ordinator

ACTIVE APRIL

Thank you to all students and families who registered for Active April 2016. As a school we were active for a total of 621 hours in April. Congratulations to the following students who were active in April: Ollie G with an amazing effort of 62 hours, 31 minutes, Jacob R 43 hours 25 minutes, Phoebe T 36 hours 23 minutes, and Maddy T 34 hours 50 minutes.

Uniform Shop

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

Sue Truscott & Jo Townsend
What’s On....

Tuesday 17th May -
9.30am Welcome by the Principal in the Library
10.00am School tours by Year 6 Captains
10.00am Launch of ‘Learning to Play and Playing to Learn’ playgroup
10.30am School tours by Year 6 Captains

Thursday 19th May -
6.45-9.00pm Learning with iPads at Robbie Mac
Come and learn about how the school is working to plan for and implement 21st century learning in order to prepare our students for the future.

Morning Teas

3/4L MORNING TEA

Monday 16th May, after drop off at 50 Birds Cafe (across the street)
All parents, carers & siblings are welcome
Look forward to seeing you there

3/4O Parents and Carers

Parents and carers of 3/4O are invited to a Morning Tea on Friday 20th May from 9:00am at 50 Birds Café.
Hope to see you there!
Starting school is an important time for children and their families. It’s an exciting time for children and families to adjust to new roles and expectations as well as become familiar with our school and developing new relationships with peers and other adults. At Roberts McCubbin Primary School we provide a range of activities to support each child and their family through this transition. Please refer to our school web site for updated information.

www.robmacps.vic.edu.au

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<td>We will also have an information session on Learning with iPads on Thursday, May 19 at Robbie Mac from 6:45pm in our School Hall</td>
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| Term 2: Pre School Visits | Junior School staff visit centres to continue developing our strong relationship we have with each of them |

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<td>Allow Foundation 2017 students to visit and participate in our Specialist Classes on Thursday, July 21 and 28</td>
<td>• During the School Discovery Program your child will have an opportunity to visit one of the specialist classes on offer at RMPS</td>
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Golden Ticket Donation Day - Free Dress
Friday 13th May

This donation day we are looking for new unopened items to be used for hampers, lucky dips and prizes. We’d ideally like modern items, things that you would buy for yourself, your home or your kids. Please no Nanna knickknacks! Also no perishable items please.

Don’t forget that each donation brought to school earns that child an entry into the Golden Ticket Draw to be held at Christmas, where 3 golden tickets will be won by 3 lucky children - 1 from each of the current Prep/1/2, 3/4 and 5/6 areas. Winning The Golden Ticket entitles them to a free ride bracelet as well as a fairy floss, sausage, cupcake, snow cone, icy pole, hair spray, lucky dip prize and heaps more! It’s a free day of family fun!

Here’s what we’d like you to bring:

**PREP, GRADE 1 AND 2**
Arts, crafts and stationery:
Here are some ideas:
- Pads of white and coloured paper
- Texters
- Pencils
- Erasers
- Paintbrushes
- Paints
- Art smocks
- Drawing books
- Craft books
- Crafts sets
- Notepads
- Desk accessories
- Card making supplies

**GRADE 3 AND 4**
Homewares, kitchen and garden:
Here are some ideas:
- Small plant pots
- Signs
- Framed posters
- Kitchen containers (tea, coffee, sugar)
- Vases
- Candles / tealight holders
- Coasters
- Picture frames
- Funky ornaments
- Kitchen utensils
- Baking items
- Gardening tools
- Things that smell nice
- Canisters
- Trinket trays
- Cosmetic bags

**GRADE 5 AND 6**
Lucky dips and re-gifting:
Here are some ideas:
- Any new unopened toy or gifts
- Hair accessories
- Note pads
- Cool pens
- Small soft toys
- Small Lego packs
- Fairies
- Superhero figurines
- Books
- Posters
- Wands
- Toy key rings
- Toy watches
- Girls bracelets
- Whistles
- Puzzle or cross word books
- Lip gloss

Shops to try: Kmart and The Reject Shop both have GREAT stuff as well as $2 shops, the supermarket and IKEA.

Thank you so much for helping! We really appreciate it!

Donate for your chance to win the....
What’s Growing in the Robbie Mac Garden?

This week, in our “May the Fourth Be With You” outfits, we worked down at the big garden beds and watered and did some important weeding. We also picked the last of the carrots and purple beans. We planted seedlings of snow peas and used egg shell cartons to plant some beautiful flower seedlings. We also constructed a new bean teepee!

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
Eco-News

Our Wipe Out Waste Day is: THURSDAY

Remember to pack a wrapper-free lunchbox!

ECO TOP TIP!

Single serve sizes of things like yoghurt, chips, or biscuits come with lots of packaging and can produce lots of waste!

**Swap** single serve sizes for bulk lots that you can dish out into reusable containers.

These yoghurt movers are fantastic! And they keep your child’s yoghurt chilled for recess 😊

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.
Shrek The Musical Jr

Shrek tickets are selling super fast with both shows ¾ full. Make sure you book so you do not miss this fantastic whole school opportunity!

Tickets can be found by following the links on Compass.

If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to ask me.

Thanks!

Nicholas Kong

Before you book please consider the following:

- It is an expectation that students will be performing both nights
- Tickets are $23.30 and can only be purchased via the TRYBOOKING website
- You do not have to purchase tickets for students performing on the night
- As we are expecting this event to sell out, please do not leave a gap between seats
- The show will start at 7.00pm but we ask all students to arrive at 6.30pm so we can get them ready to go on stage
- There is parking at the venue for a gold coin donation
- Children under the age of 3 do not have to purchase a ticket provided they sit on an adults lap
From the President

Hey, hey, it’s PFA!

Well, our Mother’s Day gifts turned out beautifully and I hope everyone who received one was happy with their gift. Thanks to all those who helped put these together. Siobhan T, Sonia Y, Matoula, Robin, Jo C, Judy C, Jo T, Ellen S, Narelle Mc, Giannina C, Kathy B and Shannon D, you all did a great job. Special thanks to our wonderful art teachers for their extra effort in organising the art work and to the Meat Keeper for helping us source the trays. We still have some frames available if you missed out on ordering yours. Contact the PFA.

The Mother’s Day breakfast was a great success. Over 170 families came along and enjoyed being catered to by a bunch of dedicated volunteer dads. I would like to thank Andrew and Arash for getting the ball rolling and keeping it going with a lot of help from Matoula too. About 30 dads answered the call to help on the day and did a fantastic job. Thank you all so much, it made mums feel special and was much appreciated. We have had some lovely messages from grateful mums. This looks like becoming a fixture in our calendar (Andrew and Arash have already said ‘next time’). I’m looking forward to the next one!

Have a great week!

Help wanted

Upcoming fundraising social night June 18th. If you would like share the fun of planning this event with us please email the PFA or contact Sarah McCahon on 0409 794 772. Helpers will also be needed on the night. This is always fun to be involved with.

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.

Mother’s Day Raffle – Beautiful handmade rug to win!

We have a toastie warm, hand-knitted patchwork rug which has been made with love by the McClachart family’s Nanna and donated to the PFA for

Ticket will be sold in the vicinity of the Junior Deck area at drop off and pick up times. They can also be purchased at the school office.

It’s approx. 1x 1.5m in size.

The raffle will be drawn at assembly this Friday, 13th May. Good luck!

Robbie Mac Parents and Friends

BIG NIGHT OUT – Saturday 18th June

SAVE THE DATE!

BOOK THE BABYSITTER!

To all our Robbie Mac Shazzas and Dazzas.

Get the gang together in tables of 10.

Fluff up your mullet. Show us your tatts. Put on your flannies for a fun night out.

Fun and games for all with a Silent Auction and Raffle to help raise funds towards replacing the synthie grass on the oval. Your invitation will be sent out next week.
Can you help? Donations WANTED for silent auction and raffle please. If you can help out through contacts or you own business/organisation towards our event that would be really appreciated. We will ensure that they are properly credited and promoted. Thank you.

PFA Morning Tea and Meeting.
Monday 6th June – join us for a cuppa after drop off.

PFA looking ahead...

June
Social night at school for grown up. Parents/carers, teachers and our friends all welcome. June 18th. Details coming soon.

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
Basketball Rep Ready Program


May 15, 22 and 29 and June 5, 19 and 26
12:30pm - 1:30pm

Slater Reserve, Grosvenor St, Blackburn North.
Cost $40 includes a free t-shirt.

For more information or to register contact Paul Lankford: bom@vikingsbasketball.net.au or 0431 559 893.

The Shack

Kid's Fitness/Activity

Get Fitter, Faster, Stronger at The Shack

Friday May 20th

- Time: 4.15pm - 5pm (Age 5-8)
  5pm - 5.45pm (Age 9-14)
- Venue: 2 Leslie Court, Burwood
- Cost: $15 per week.

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Program Update
We now have new toys for our program and our children have been really happy using them. They have been exploring different ways to construct and use their imagination with the ‘Moulding Goo’ which is a type of Play dough. Another toy that has been very popular is the Rubik’s cube, this cube encourage children to use their memory, concentration and problem solving skills. They have also been playing chess and other board games that promote their intellectual skills.

JOIN US
We are happy to announce that OSHClub will join Australia’s Biggest Morning/Afternoon Tea which supports the Cancer Council, so on Friday, 27th May children are more than welcome to bring a gold coin. In the lead up to this event we will be running associated activities at After Care such as: Making a “Welcome” sign, cooking, tissue paper flowers and making recipe books. If your child is booked into After Care on this day, they will automatically be included and you are invited to join in the fun with us. For catering purposes, please make sure you book adult guests in for the Afternoon Tea with the Program Coordinator (limit of 2 per family please). Please no under school age children.

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: My favourite movie character

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OSH program phone: 0407 634 842 (Available Mon - Fri 7am - 9am, 3pm - 6pm)
Coordinator: Azucena
Assistant: 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.