Dear Families,

I must begin with a huge thank you to all those who came along to our working bee last Friday evening. The number of families represented was wonderful and many jobs were completed. I was very impressed with the work ethic of many of the children who attended and as a result our grounds are looking much tidier and refreshed. I understand that some families have commitments and cannot help at this time. Don’t forget that there are always a range of jobs that family members can do to help out at school. Just let us know your skills, interests or ‘contacts’ and we will be very happy to discuss ways that you can help us.

You are probably aware by now, that there is an election on July 2nd. RHPS is a polling place for the election and we will have lots and lots (and people) of people coming here to vote. This is a wonderful opportunity to show off our fabulous school and to access funds from outside our immediate school community. The Parents & Friends Association will be holding a barbecue and cake sale on the day and are very keen to hear from people who may be around and able to help out – by baking, selling or barbequing. The teachers would like to take the opportunity to raise some of the funds that we need to run our Chaplaincy program. This is an important part of our school wellbeing program for which we only receive minimal funding. Most of the money has to come from school sources. The teachers have decided to also access the crowds on election day and will be hosting a second hand book sale. If you have any good quality, saleable books, CDs or DVDs to donate, please leave them on the red chairs beside the principal’s office door. No VHS, board books or encyclopaedias please!

Teachers have been hard at work pulling together a range of information about learning in order to write student reports. It is a massive task and I know it is done with great care. Reports will be available to access through Compass in the last week of term and will not be sent home in hard copy. If you have any concerns about the reports or the process, please do not hesitate to make a time to meet with your child’s teacher, Ms Moore or myself.

Birthdays are exciting times and many children very generously love to bring a treat for their friends. As mentioned in a recent newsletter, food items are problematic due to allergies and food sharing issues. After lengthy discussion, teachers feel that ideally, non-food items will be preferable to food. If a child brings an edible treat, it must be individually wrapped, such as a chocolate frog, and children will be required to put these in their bags to take home. No treats will be eaten at school.

On Tuesday we had seven children represent the school at the division cross country event. Well done Ciara Willey, Mitchell Oulton, Taiysha Wallis, Mali Davies, Harry Ratray, Jackson Holly and Jack Roach. They all performed admirably and we were very proud of them. Congratulations to Ciara, Taiysha, Harry and Jackson who have made it to the next level of competition! Another sporting achievement to share is that Ava Van Leemput, one of our school captains has been selected for the Victorian state primary school netball team. Well done Ava! We will be doing everything we can to assist her family with the significant costs associated with this activity so watch out for raffle tickets that will be available via the office soon.

Despite our recent wintry and miserable weather, many children have been arriving at school far too early. Please do not allow children to get to school before 8.30am (at the earliest) unless it is for a set school activity. Teachers are not on duty in the playground until 8:45am and children are at risk in that they are not able to be supervised before then. Our ‘out of school hours care’ (OSH) program is a popular place to be from 7:30am and after school until 6pm. Please use this facility rather than dropping children at school unsupervised in the cold. If this is a problem for you, please contact the office to discuss your needs.

Congratulations to the 153 children who have actively taken on the Premier’s Reading Challenge. This is a wonderful achievement and I have been delighted to have many children approach me and proudly share their targets. Thank you to Mrs Nettelbeck and Ms Plunkett who have been inspiring our young readers.
Principal’s Message cont.

School enrolment for 2017 has been going gang busters! If you have a child starting school in 2017 or have friends or neighbours in that situation, please make sure we have enrolment forms lodged as quickly as possible. Every child needs an individual enrolment so just because you have children at the school already does not automatically enrol any siblings who may be starting school. We want to be well planned and ready for transition activities so would like to have our enrolments finalised this month.

On a final note I need to share a thought or two as a parent. My little boy recently mastered the difficult developmental milestone of leaving home. (This is your cue to gasp and say, “Goodness, you don’t look old enough to have an adult child!”) It was a very tricky thing for a mother to manage. I vividly remember thinking that he would be 30 years old before I would ever allow him to cross the road without holding my hand, let alone drive a car or, worse still - move out. I went to great lengths to teach him to cook and do his own laundry so that he could be independent. And then something terrible happened ... he grew up and became independent. Letting go of our children is one of the hardest things to do and starting school is a really important step in this process. I spend a lot of my day talking to children about making choices, being independent and being resilient. I talk about negotiating arguments and managing without an adult to be the umpire. We bring children into the world and they depend upon us totally, but our ultimate aim is for them not to need us at all. School is an important place to learn lots of the independence lessons of life. I feel very honoured to have a role in helping your children in their development. Thank you for giving all of us at Rolling Hills PS your trust.

Robyn English
Principal

Have you responded to the following notices/Compass activities this fortnight?

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Dear Families,

Brrr… whilst the weather has taken a change and it is truly cold outside, I am constantly amazed that some of our students don’t seem to feel it. I’m afraid this means lost property is filling up. A gentle reminder that items of clothing are much more likely to be returned if clearly labelled!

Adam and I watched the first session of The Revolution School on ABC TV last week. Adam is a truck driver, so saw the program from a different perspective. We chatted throughout the program – me explaining some of the terminology and what goes on from the ‘inside’ and his thoughts from the ‘outside’.

**School Policies:** Watch out in your Compass inbox for the next lot of policies. We hope to be sending out our cyber safety policy and our social media policy this week. Your feedback is welcome. Please reply via Compass or come up and chat about the two policies sent home on Wednesday.

**Digital Technologies:** This week, I am talking about privacy. The Australian Privacy Commissioner has developed, after consultation with students across Australia, the TEN TOP TIPS FOR PRIVACY. Students across Australia enthusiastically participated in presentations which helped them to be aware of the latest scams; report a scam, unwanted contact and cybercrime; think before they post personal information online; check settings to secure information and use strong passwords. Here is a link to the web page, “Essential Kids” that is worth reading: [https://www.oaic.gov.au/resources/individuals/privacy-fact-sheets/general/ten-privacy-tips-for-parents-and-carers.pdf](https://www.oaic.gov.au/resources/individuals/privacy-fact-sheets/general/ten-privacy-tips-for-parents-and-carers.pdf) and [http://www.essentialkids.com.au/education/school/high-school/do-you-know-how-to-protect-your-kids-privacy-online-20160513-gouqo8](http://www.essentialkids.com.au/education/school/high-school/do-you-know-how-to-protect-your-kids-privacy-online-20160513-gouqo8)

**Student Support:** This week, it has been a privilege to start reading reports about how hard your child is working and where they need to focus. We have also had three days of Student Support Group [SSG] meetings with teachers, Education Support Officers and families to set goals for Term 3 for some students. It’s been a joy to hear manners and see the smiles on students’ faces as they come to school. I have also enjoyed our Super Siblings lunchtime session recently where we got to share our thoughts and feelings and do some art work.

Don’t forget Buddy Day next week – wear yellow and purple to show your support for positive buddy behaviours.

**Grounds:** Thanks to Pete Schilling and sons who have worked really hard in grinding some of the concrete paths to improve some of the ‘rough bits’ around our school grounds.

**On the Window:** Anglicare have some new presentations and group sessions.

Have a great week – talking footy with the kids and one of my Hawks mates, RJ, tells me that NEXT week [against North Melbourne] he knows I won’t understand that he will just HAVE to pick the Kangaroos in footy tipping. Mr. Smith [not Adam] and I have a very long standing bet when the Hawks play the Roos – I think I’ll get that king size Mars bar ready for you now, Damien. May your sports team do their Personal Best and I hope you enjoy the upcoming long weekend for some lovely family time.

See you at the school gate,

Cheers,

Mary
5F Pizza Parlours!

During our fraction unit, 5F have been working hard (and enjoying) creating our own pizzas!

First, we had to divide our pizza into equal pieces. Not as easy as it sounds for those of us who had to create 12 piece pizzas!

Next, we had to choose ingredients. We had to choose which fraction of the pizza had each topping.

Then, we wrote equivalent fractions and composed worded problems about our pizzas.

Now, we are trading pieces of pizza to learn about adding fractions!

We have had so much fun! Seeing fractions visually has really allowed us to strengthen our fraction knowledge! It has made us hungry though.... Who's for pizza?

Thank you to Porta Via in Mooroolbark for providing us with the pizza boxes. Much appreciated!
Thanks to a **FABULOUS** turn out we achieved many goals on our list! We had 24 families in attendance, creating a wonderful community spirit with children, previous students, parents, grandparents and staff all working together to beautify the school.

If your family attends a working bee, you will notice that the “buildings and grounds levy” payment on Compass will be marked as paid because your participation reduces the need to hire contractors. We understand that we lead busy lives, so the $50 family Levy is another option for those wanting to make a contribution.

**We are looking forward to the next working bee in term three and we’d like to know your thoughts.** Do you like the convenience of after school working bees or do you prefer weekends? If you have 3 minutes to fill in our survey we’d appreciate your input.

**Have your say at:** [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VF3RPSR](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VF3RPSR).

Well done to the grade six students who came along to dig out the soil in the old veggie patches. We can’t wait to see you bring the old structures back to life as part of your term three Inquiry projects. *Alayna Corner, Melissa & Karen Hand, Ruby & Sonia Hubben, Ava Van Leemput, Abby Kunst, Amy & Emma Draper and Mitchell Wighton.*

A special thanks to the OSH care leaders Nicole, Susan, Ellie and Lynne for getting the OSH care students involved. They worked tirelessly to move a mountain of mulch and showed great teamwork. They enjoyed a pile of donuts as a reward! Thanks to these students: *Jett & Riley Ahern, Aaron & Rhys Brock, Shia Daniels, Mali Davies, Ryder Davies, Hudson & Jamieson Don, Indie Duyn, Connor Hartley, Tristan Hughan, Billy & Zack Loc, Paige Looney, Heidi & Kody McDerby, Alexia Molina, Georgia Murphy, Isabella Palmer, Sarah Pampakas, Ebony Payne, Ally Phieffer, Brilee Rentmeester, Lily Russell, Kayla & Mitchell Scott, Riley & Hayden Still, Alannah, Luke and Brayden Sutherland, Oscar Sweet, Georgia Van de Pol and Phoebe Tonissen-McGrath.*

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**Thank you to the following families who attended:**

- **Apps:** Seth
- **Barnet:** Alexander, Ebony & Malcolm
- **Cantlay:** Emma, Lisa & Paul
- **Durrant:** Taj, Summer, Malia & Melissa
- **Feuser:** Owen & Kerry
- **Hardy:** Oliver, Quinn, Ash & Mark
- **Hobson:** Samantha, Katherine, Kelly, Brad & William
- **Johnson:** Eva & Joel
- **Knight:** Jas & Maree
- **Ling:** Darcy
- **Lees:** Sophie, Matt & Jaci
- **Lucas:** Juanita, Shelby
- **Petrella:** James, Daniel & Matthew
- **Reid/Thomson:** Austin, Brodie, Kimberly, Gene & Collin
- **Zaviska:** Elle, Indiana & Candice

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**Thank you also to our dedicated staff:**

- Mrs Plunkett, Mrs Yang, Mrs Addicott, Mr Wilson, Miss Warner, Mrs Ray, Mrs Hailey and Ms English.

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**An extra special thank you to these SUPERSTAR families who have attended BOTH Working Bees this year.**

- **Fiskens:** Michael, Chloe & Tracey
- **Gibson:** Olivia & Yang
- **Grigson:** Hailey, Xanda, Tayleen, Kerlise & Michael
- **Horley:** Jessica & Tracey
- **The Pasinati family**
- **Rennick:** Abbey, Hannah, Megan & Helen
- **Sakareassen:** Adelaide & Michael
- **Vennix:** Cooper, Bella & Michelle

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**Do you or a family member/friend work for Telstra?**

If yes, we’d love to hear from you!

The ‘Telstra Kids Fund’ offers grants to organisations connected to an employee.

*It’s a simple process to nominate us for funding!* Please get in contact with the school office, Mrs English or Mrs Hailey.
VOLUNTEERS:
I am currently working on the Term 3 Roster so if any current volunteers have specific dates they would like to work or changes to availability, please contact me ASAP on 0438 553 177.

If you are not a Canteen volunteer and would like to be, please also contact me on the number above.

PIZZA LUNCH DAY:
Thanks to the families who have already returned their orders for Pizza Lunch Day which will be held on Tuesday 21st June. Please remember your orders are due back to the office no later than 4pm on Wednesday 15th June (not Monday 13th which is Queens Birthday!) and no late orders will be accepted.

SPECIAL:
Our special for the next two weeks will be home baked Lemon Cake, which will be available to order with your lunch or can be purchased at the canteen window for $1 a slice, from Friday 10th June until the end of term.

CANTEEN IOU’S:
Reminders for outstanding IOU’s will be sent home next week. Please endeavour to send payments to the Canteen ASAP.

Thank you,
Wendy Schilling & the Canteen Sub-committee.

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Students of the Month - April

Congratulations to the following students, who receive ‘Student of the Month’ awards in May. Fantastic!

- Foundation H - Cooper Vennix
- 1/2M - Shia Daniels
- 5A - Josh Carlile
- Foundation M - Lia Snell
- 3A - Tyson Yates
- 5F - Madi Skinner
- 1/2A - Emma Snell
- 3R - Ollie Jones
- 6D - Melissa Hand
- 1/2C - (next assembly)
- 4P - Anneliese Hilton
- 6K - Amy Draper-Williams
- 1/2H - Lilly Chatelier
- 4V - Nicholas Foley
- 6T - Brayden Sutherland
- Visual Art — Tyla Tarrant
- Performing Arts — Adam Testro
- PE — Ciara Willey
- Chinese — Nicholas Foley
- Aussie of the Month — to be announced 10th June

School Banking

Well done to the following students who have achieved a School Banking Bronze Certificate for their great efforts in making 10 deposits.: Scarlett Leishman, Shelby Lucas, Blake Podesta and Jack Scott.

It is never too late to begin School Banking; all you need is a Youthsaver account. If you have any questions regarding any part of school banking, please contact the office to leave a message and we will get back to you.
We recently welcomed Football Federation Australia’s free active play program, Play Project to deliver their workshops to our level 1-6 students. Delivered in class to students by a facilitator, the program’s fun and interactive workshops are designed for children at critical stages of development. Created in collaboration with leading academic experts, each workshop is tailored to the needs of specific year groups and has been mapped to the Health and Physical Education Curriculum.

Our school has proudly joined Football Federation Australia’s Play Project in its commitment to support and inspire a generation of young Australians to engage in more active play and healthier lifestyles. Overall, the program proved to be a highly beneficial experience for students and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. For more information on the program and each of the workshops we encourage you to visit www.playproject.com.au.

The Workshops
Stage One (Years 1 and 2)
Doesn’t matter what we play, huff ‘n’ puff every day!
Our team Trainer character engages students to participate in a series of fun and safe activities that both practically demonstrate, and drive a real understanding of the positive effects daily active play has on their health and wellbeing. Concepts covered include the relationship between active play and our bodies, minds and emotions, and active play for indoor settings.

Stage Two (Years 3 and 4)
After school every day, huff ‘n’ puff is the way!
Using a series of motivating games and activities students are challenged to think creatively about alternatives to screen-time, equipping them with the practical knowledge and awareness they need to make informed and positive lifestyle choices. Concepts covered include active play through the ages, and the impacts of excessive recreational screen-time on our bodies.

Stage Three (Years 5 and 6)
60 minutes of huff’n’puff every day!
The workshop engages students in facilitated group activities that speak practically to the tangible and lasting benefits of ‘huff’n’puff’ (MVPA) on their overall health and wellbeing. Students learn to both identify ‘huff’n’puff’ and ways of achieving their 60 minutes every day. Concepts covered include the five key benefits of daily ‘huff’n’puff’, as well as the recommended amount and intensity.

This week we had 7 of our students across level 3-6 compete at the Divisional Cross Country at Yarra Glen Racecourse. All the students represented Rolling Hills beautifully and should be extremely proud of their performances. Thank you to all of the parents and Ms. Moore who gave up their time to come and support the children in the event. I am very pleased to say we had four students that will now go onto compete at the regional level next week. All of Rolling Hills wishes Ciara Willey, Taiysha Wallis, Harry Rattray and Jackson Holly all the best for the next race.

This Friday also marks our last interschool Sport game for the level 6 students. They will play St Mary’s at their school, except soccer which will play here (a last-minute change). Good luck to all teams and enjoy being together for one last time. A huge thank you goes to Ms Emma Fawcett for coaching the Volleyball team and to the level 6 teachers who tirelessly coach each and every week to get the students up and running.

Our level 3/4 Hoop Time tournament is at Kilsyth stadium this Friday 10th June. I want to wish all the students the best of luck. Most importantly, go out there and have fun playing sport! Thank you to all the level 3/4 teachers who have worked hard behind the scenes to get all the teams ready. Thank you to the students from Mooroolbark College who have given up their student free day to come and coach our teams. Thank you to the parents and family members who have also donated their time to help score and supervise each of the teams. It is a massive effort by everyone to get this very exciting day underway!

The level 5/6 students will compete at Hoop Time on Friday 17th June at Kilsyth Stadium.

Until my next instalment good luck to everyone who is competing over the coming week! Keep healthy and active!

Beck Young
Physical Education and Sport Coordinator
Walk and Ride to School

We have been working hard in level 6 on a campaign to get as many students as possible to walk or ride to school. If you are worried, you can walk with a friend or a family member. If you live too far away you can drop your child, or children, closer to school and they can walk the rest of the way.

Walking and riding to school is a great way to get fit and reduces your carbon footprint. Walking to school is a great habit to get into because it lets you get back to nature and it can increase your fitness greatly. So many people do it. It’s not a difficult activity to do. If you ride or walk you will be rewarded with house points and a sticker. If we don’t do anything the efforts will be catastrophic. This will have an affect on your child or children’s futures.

By Daniel, Zac, Bella & Jackson

If we do nothing this is what our planet will look like.

If we start to walk and ride to school we can live here.

Compost

Help us by donating some compost worms for our school sustainability project. We are making our school a cleaner place with compost. If you can help, please donate to the Level 6 area.

Thank-you!

Mitchell, Mason, Charlie and Ben