

RIVERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 5 June 9.00-9.40am
Maths Open Classrooms

Friday 7 June
LSSSA Cross Country 12.55pm

Monday 10 June
Queen's birthday long weekend

Monday 17 June 7.15pm
RPSA Meeting

Tuesday 25 June
All Schools Cross Country Carnival

Friday 5 July
Last day of Term 2

Monday 22 July
Student Free Day

Tuesday 23 July
First day of Term 3

Grade 4 to 6 students were engaged with the presentation by motivational speaker, Jonny Shannon, who focused on a cyber safe message including the importance of building social relationships. There were over 300 students on the edge of their seats with his witty stories.

Children takeaways in Grade 6 and 5/6's were:

- *True friends have each other's back – in real life and online*
- *Online bullying? Block, Stop, Report*
- *Would you say that or show that to your mum?*
- *Need friends? Find common ground. Ask a question today.*
- *Be kind behind the screen*
- *Don't type what you wouldn't say*
- *Don't take the cyber bait*
- *Be the same person online as you are in real life*
- *Negative conversations online – STOP/BLOCK/TELL SOMEBODY – take a screen shot of comments/photos*
- *Be friendly and interested. Friendly people make friends.*
- *Nobody wants to hear negative news on social media*
- *When you're with your friends, don't have your technology near you because otherwise people are on technology, not talking. It's about communication.*
- *Bullies often have insecurities and that's why they are mean*
- *We all have something that we are insecure about and these are things you can fix later on. But the ones you can't fix, you've got to learn to love yourself.*
- *Bullies win against people who react but lose to people who ignore them*
- *When you stop looking down on yourself you will notice no-one looks down on you*

This was followed by a presentation for parents at the Tailrace. He highlighted cyber safety, bullying and digital footprints. Scary stuff about how your posts are saved forever!!

These opportunities were funded by an anti-bullying grant obtained by our cluster of schools – Riverside High, Trevallyn, West Launceston and us.



Highlighting learning

Grade 6 and the 2 5/6's have focused on democracy linking back to the election. Children formed their own parties, spruiked their policies and voted at their own school based election with booths. Clever idea teachers!
The enthusiasm and engagement of students transferring the election into the school was evident.
Election day was topped off with a democracy sausage.

Meanwhile, the Grade 3's have been exploring Hollybank as part of their science inquiry around the way things change, adapt and grow to help us to predict life cycles which are necessary to keep our planet working.

The prediction of increased winter illnesses seems to have impacted this week's attendance. A reminder to please phone the office, email or use the Skoolbag app if your child is away.

Spelling Workshop

Mr John Mason ran two very informative workshops for parents on helping their children with spelling. He has attached some tips in this newsletter.

Staff Changes

Mrs Maree Duggan will be taking leave from next week until the end of the term. Mrs Louisa Hooper will be responsible for Grade 1 to 3 and will be the senior staff point of contact for parents. Mrs Jane Jones will be undertaking AST responsibility on Mondays – Mrs Loretta Kenny will be taking 6JJ on this day. Mrs Carmel McGee will be undertaking an AST role on Fridays – Mrs Bec Van Est will take her class on this day. These changes will take effect from Tuesday, 11 June.

Looking forward to seeing a great attendance at the parent open morning on Wednesday.

Jane Bovill
PRINCIPAL



2019 TERM DATES

Term 2

Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July

Term 3

Tuesday 23 July – Friday 27 September
(Student Free Day 22 July)

Term 4

Monday 14 October – Thursday 19 December
(Student Free Day Friday 1 November)

TERM 2 ASSEMBLIES 9.00am

7 June	Prep-2	2JR
14 June	3-6	5RW
28 June	Prep-2	PKD
5 July	Whole school	6MW

5/6 FRIDAY SPORT 31 MAY

Sport	Opposition	Venue
Football 1	Norwood	Norwood
Football 2	Summerdale	Riverside
Netball 1	Mowbray	Mowbray
Netball 2	Trevallyn	Trevallyn
Netball 3	Glen Dhu 1 and 2	Riverside
Soccer 1	West Launceston	Riverside
Soccer 2	Summerdale	Summerdale
Hockey	West Launceston	St Leonards
Bootcamp		City Park

CANTEEN NEWS

Next week soup of the week is chicken noodle soup. The daily special on Thursday 6 June is a pulled pork roll with coleslaw \$5.00.

STATE CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations Thomas Blazely who received a silver medal in the U13 State Criterium Championships and bronze medal in the U13 State Road Championships.

Fun with...

MATHS

Open Morning
Date: Wednesday 5th June
Time: 9:00 AM - 9:40 AM
Place: YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM

Parents, grandparents and friends are invited to attend a Maths focussed open morning in your child's classroom, starting with some fun Maths games outside from 8.30

CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE

With a foggy start to the day, the weather turned nicely in our favour for our annual school Cross Country carnival. This year we had a change with the Kinders being the first group to run through the track and what a wonderful job they all did. Our Preps, Grade 1 and 2's followed on with wonderful effort and lots of smiles on faces.

After recess our Grade 3-6's showed a little more competitiveness with selection for LSSSA in their minds. Each student was encouraged to set their own personal goal in relation to Cross Country and some students had an adapted course in order for them to achieve their goal as well. Well done to our students on their high level of enthusiasm and effort on the day.

Thank you to our school community for their support of our carnival and providing encouragement to our students. The RPSA had an incredible number of orders for the BBQ! Thank you to our volunteers for organising this.

We would also like to say thank you to Riverside High School for once again allowing us to use their wonderful grounds, which allows fantastic viewing of the whole course.

Final scores were... Barnes 1293, Freeland 1578, Thompson 1801 and the winning house Griffiths with 1896 points.

Well done everyone.

LSSSA CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the following students who were successful in making the LSSSA team.

Grade 3: Kaleb Reid, Oliver Green, Mason Squires, Hamish Blazely, Ben Hay, Ethan Finlayson, Oliver Murray, Chloe Harper, Kennedy McQuestin, Bailey Clark, Amelia Prewer, Nataya Maxwell, Kyah Macintosh, Coco Turnbull, Lily Macpherson

Grade 4: Mitchell Mundy, Beau Prewer, Ranga Eri, Oliver Holmes, Harry Taylor, Keelan Officer, Angus Caie, Sebastian Plakalovic, Hailee Finearty, Lucy Walker, Nandali Ahmat, Madison Manzoney, Makayla Booth, Amelia Parish, Georgia Cheney

Grade 5: Aiden Reid, Finn Price, Kaden Tootell, Christian Turner, Koby Atkinson-Gunton, Cohen Heiniger, Kade Greenwood, Sophie Brewster, Aurora de Boer, Olivia Bender, Kasey Morehead, Lily Gurudoss, Skyla Higgins, Sienna Bowden

Grade 6: Euan Best, Logan Gibson, Lucas Wootton, Billy Taylor, Dane Plakalovic, Thomas Death, Samuel Groeneveld, Sophie Brewer, Lara Danziger, Mia Price, Ruby Hardcastle, Poppy Walker, Grace Matthews, Mackenzie Chiselett

Date: Friday June 7
Rain Day: Friday June 14
Location: Waverley Primary School
Time: 12.55pm start

CROSS COUNTRY BBQ THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our magnificent band of volunteers who gave up their time to help out with our fundraising BBQ last week. These events take planning and lots of team work so thanks to every one for your efforts. We raised \$1649.00 - a slight increase on last year.

A big thank you to Miss Batty and Mrs Bovill for your guidance, help and understanding before and during the event, it was much appreciated. Thank you to the teachers for your assistance with getting the pre-orders out in a timely and efficient manner.

I would also like to comment on something that I noticed on the day - how well-mannered the students were, particularly how patient they were when we had to cook more sausages. Mrs Bovill, the teachers and parents should all be very proud.

Once again thanks volunteers. I look forward to working with you all again soon.

Andrew Murfet
Vice Chairman

SPELLING

Tip No. 1 : Helping with high frequency words.

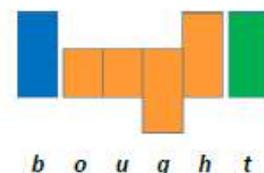
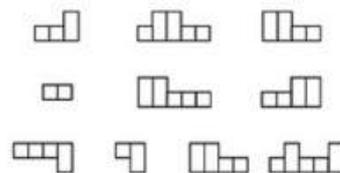
In the past, high frequency words have often been learnt only by rote. We now know this is not an effective way to learn the spelling of words for long term retention for most children

A more effective way is to use the word shape based on lowercase letter size to scaffold a child to spell words correctly.

Use coloured squares and rectangles to represent the shape of a word by providing the correct sequence of tall, short and below the line letters. If a number of letters make a single sound, make them touch and point this out to your child. Have them spell the word touching each card as they spell, writing the word as you point the shape or moving magnetic letters below each card.

It is also preferable to have prefixes and suffixes grouped as these are units of meaning and the spelling doesn't change.

Alternatives to coloured card are unifix blocks and graph paper (at least 10mm).



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