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## REDESDALE MIA MIA PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Values:

Respect  
Relationships  
Resilience

### Vision:

The community of Redesdale-Mia Mia Primary School considers itself a family that fosters well-being and embraces diversity. We strive to develop independent leaders who are globally capable.

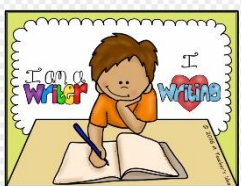
Congratulations to the following students on their efforts this week:



**Principal's Award: Tyler Kirkpatrick - for your brilliant start to the year. What a star!**



**Maths Award: Adam Huntly - for your eagerness to learn all about factors and multiples.**



**Literacy Award: Lili Arnephy – for completing 7 nights of home reading this week!**

	Staff Days
<b>MONDAY</b>	Aaron, James, Micaela, Pak Mick
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Aaron, James, Micaela, Joeelyn
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Aaron, James, Micaela,
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Aaron, James, Lou
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Aaron, James, Micaela, Lou

Dates to Remember – 2020		
<b>Term 1</b>		
February		
Monday 10th		3 Way Conferences
Friday 14th	9am 4:30 – 6pm	Dental Van Visit School BBQ & Working Bee
Tuesday 18th	2pm	School Council
March		
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2pm	School Council AGM
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Labour Day – no school
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	All week	Swimming Kyneton

## Principal's Report

### 3 Way Conference

Conferences will be held on Monday afternoon. These provide a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress and allows for collective input into future learning goals. Learning is a journey and the stronger the partnership between home and school the greater the opportunities there are for learning.

Resources to assist with home reading and mathematics progress will be explained and handed over at this conference. If you haven't yet made a time, please contact the school to do so or log onto UeducateUs.

### Welcome back BBQ and Working Bee

Next Friday, afterschool we will be holding a welcome back to school BBQ and working bee from 4.30pm – 6pm. All families are encouraged to attend. It will be a great opportunity for our whole school community to mingle and catch up following the recent holiday break. The school will be providing sausages, hamburgers and salad. Families are asked to bring any garden tools that may be required. The majority of the works needing to be completed will be raking and sweeping paths and the moving and spreading of mulch. We hope to see you there.

### Lunch Orders

This year our lunch order days will be Thursday and Friday. Those placing orders are asked to clearly write their order on a brown paper or zip lock bag and drop it to the office before school. A list of the available products will be sent home with today's newsletter

### Dental Van Visit

Dental van permission forms were sent home last week. Thanks to those parents that have already returned these. The van will be here on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February. The online form and paper permission forms will need to be completed prior to this date in order for children to access the services. If you do not wish for your child to be seen, please let either James or myself know.

### Permission forms

Please ensure the permission forms sent home last Friday are returned to school at your earliest convenience. These included the photograph and digital media form, head lice check permission and the local 'on foot' excursion permission forms.

### School Council

In the coming weeks I will be calling for school council nominations. I would urge all parents to consider becoming a member of our school council. Meetings will occur twice per term, with a suitable time for meetings to be negotiated by the 2020 school council. If you're interested and have any questions, then please speak with me.

### Code Red Days

Redesdale Mia Mia PS has been identified as a high fire risk and is included on the Department's bushfire at-risk register. This means that on days determined Code Red by the Emergency Management Commissioner we will close.

All families will be notified by text message. Once a Code Red day has been determined the decision will not change regardless of any changes in weather forecast. On Code Red days all bus routes servicing these schools will also be cancelled. Bus routes from schools not on the Department's bushfire at-risk register that enter high-risk areas will be pre-emptively closed as well e.g. Kyneton School Bus for older siblings.

Cheers,  
Aaron

## Child Safe Standards

The child safe standards require schools to consider all aspects of child safety and put measures in place to protect children from all forms of abuse, including:

- sexual or grooming offences
- physical violence
- serious emotional or psychological harm
- serious neglect.

There are seven child safe standards:

1. *Strategies* to embed an organisational culture of child safety.
2. A child safety policy or statement of commitment to child safety.
3. A child safety code of conduct.
4. School staff selection, supervision and management practices for a child-safe environment.
5. Procedures for responding to and reporting allegations of suspected child abuse.
6. Strategies to identify and reduce or remove risks of child abuse.
7. Strategies to promote child empowerment and participation.

# PROTECT

Protecting children & young people from abuse is our responsibility



## Working with Children Checks (WWC)

Based on the new legislation and best practice that is in line with the Child Safe Standards, it is now a requirement for all parents and carers who volunteer their time at Redesdale Mia Mia Primary School to have a valid WWCC. For more information about how to get your volunteer WWCC please come into the office or go to

<http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/home/>

[www.parentline.vic.gov.au](http://www.parentline.vic.gov.au)

Professional telephone counsellors are available from 8:00am to midnight (7 days a week) to discuss issues including:

- discuss any issues that impact on parenting and parent/carer-child relationships
- assist with developing strategies for positive parenting and personal coping
- promote and contribute to the resilience and wellbeing of families
- support the linking of families with their local community resources and services.



Working with  
Children Check



## Student Levies 2020

*Student Levies can be paid through the office, online transfer or Centrepay (see below). Our student Levies for 2020 will be \$157 per student. This covers the essential learning items and specialist programs. Parents and families will have the option to contribute further through a voluntary contribution. Family statements will be sent home shortly.*

### Centrepay - An option to manage school costs

#### What is Centrepay?

Centrepay is a free direct bill-paying service offered to parents receiving Centrelink payments. Through Centrepay you can choose to pay bills by having a regular amount deducted from your payments and transferred electronically to Redesdale Mia Mia Primary School.

#### Why use Centrepay?

Centrepay is voluntary. Parents who choose to use Centrepay benefit from its convenience and security knowing that their bills are under control. Instead of having large bills every month or quarter, your bills are paid in manageable amounts from your payments, making it easier for you to budget.



#### Family Accounts

To help with your books and fees for next year, parents are welcome to pay into your family school account from now on.

BSB 063-517

Account 0090 3062

Reference: Your Family Name

This will be put on YOUR family account and will help with your 2019 payments.

Money you put on your account this year will be carried forward to next year.

#### How do I set up Centrepay?

You can follow the steps below:

**Step 1:** Sign in and access the main menu. Sign into MyGov and select your Centrelink online account to access the main menu and your homepage;

**Step 2:** Add a new Centrepay deduction;

**Step 3:** Choose a service provider;

**Step 4:** Enter the details of your deduction;

**Step 5:** Review and submit;

**Step 6:** Sign out.

If you are going to commence Centrepay payments for your child/ren, please see Lou in the office.

# Recycling



"In class we have been learning about how to recycle. I found out that dog tins can be recycled. I also found out that food scraps can't be recycled in our bins." Kaitlynn

"We have been learning about how to recycle. I found out that tissues go in the red bin." Cienna

"I found out that crust goes in the red bin." Jayde

"I found out that glue sticks go in the red bin." Tyler

"I found out that noodle cups go in the red bin." Malaki

"I found out that there were different coloured bins." Brodi

"We have been learning about how to recycle. I found out that glass goes into the yellow bin." Riley

"Cans and tins go in the yellow bin to be recycled". Lili & Skye

