

In Focus



From the Foundation Principal

"We live in the inner suburbs, a place of great diversity. Let's celebrate this diversity. I don't want anyone's gender, ethnic background, religion, colour of skin or hair or any difference, used against them. I don't want socio-economic background, homophobia, transphobia, racism, aggression, meanness to be part of our culture. None of these things meet community standards and I expect you to be kind to each other."

*Our Foundation Principal speaking to students at our first assembly.
#richmondhighschoolvalues*

■ From the principal School Council 2018-2019

The results of our School Council elections were called on Friday.

We had six parents and five staff vacancies. The numbers of nominations, at close of nomination, were exactly the number required for parents and below the number required for staff. On that basis I declare all nominated people elected. Any further staff who join will be by casual vacancy. The process for student members is yet to be communicated to us by the department. Three parents will commence a two-year term and two parents a one-year term. If no parent volunteers to be a one-year appointment we will draw names at our first meeting to determine. Thank you to parents for their interest.

Staff:

- Victoria Triantafyllou
- James Taylor
- Charlene Lloyd

Parents:

- Karen Hovenga
- Rebecca Walker
- Stephen Claney
- Megan Penfound
- Jeremy Gans
- Julie Slifirski

This council and School Councils for the next six years will share in the school building journey that we have embarked on together.

School Establishment thus far

We have been pleased with the start and have been surprised how normal the school feels. Staff have been working very hard and everyone is exhausted and ready for the Easter Vacation.

I apologise that newsletters have been scant, we have been really busy and setting up our Google Education, Compass and other environments. Part of that has been a draft online newsletter we are developing so that our staff can produce it, not me. The newsletter in term 2 will be similar to Richmond West Primary School.

Critically we have achieved the 'early wins' we set ourselves, including:

- The successful set-up of the 'pop up school' in the Gleadell Campus
- The resourcing so we can work effectively in this campus
- Ensuring that the building process is closed off effectively
- Commenced negotiations with the City of Yarra on a Joint Use Agreement
- Completed testing of all students so we understand them as learners, importantly we are discussing this with them
- The extension of, and support for learners has been put in place
- School clubs have been established and student culture is being engineered and supported
- Behaviour management of several students has been a key goal and is producing results
- Teachers are working hard on curriculum development and our approach to teaching and learning in the school
- Our ICT environment is nearly completed and the development of our Google platform is nearly completed and ready for the next stage of Intranet development

Other activities

- We welcomed parents for an information session to briefly talk about the Enhanced Chinese Program and offer a Q and A session.
- Met with The University of Melbourne to discuss the Mentor Program for teachers. This resulted in us joining the program.
- Met with Hershel Landes, Bridge Road Traders

Family social connection

I had scheduled a potential connection for families last Thursday, but for planning reasons we have decided to move the date and move it to Thursday 19 April. This will give our School Council Parents time to lead this with others. This will either be at Citizen Park or near our old site on The Boulevard.

If you have not yet logged into Compass please do this soon, we have a wealth of information and resources for you. James Taylor is working hard developing our positive school culture and he has lots of material on here, including specific and positive comments about children that you can see as a parent.

<https://rhs-vic.compass.education/>

COLIN SIMPSON



From the Assistant principals

Student Immunisations - Tuesday 20th March

Student Immunisations will take place Tuesday 20th March during Sessions 1 and 2. Form Groups will be collected by a member of the Principal Team and escorted to the gym. Students will sit quietly and rest in the gym for 10 minutes after their injection before returning to their Session 1 or 2 class. A member of the Principal Team and the First Aid Officer will supervise students in the gym. Session 1 and 2 teachers will remain in their timetabled classroom and wait for their students to return. Please direct any questions about this round of immunisations to Paige Willing at reception.

JAMES TAYLOR

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VICTORIA TRIANTAFYLLOU

About us

Richmond High School is a bespoke, multi-level co-educational learning space created to serve the local community.

We are welcoming and inclusive, embracing difference and diversity in its many forms. We offer a strong academic focus that encourages creativity and original thinking.

We have high expectations of our students, balanced by care and support whenever it is needed. We hope to equip the students in our care for an ever-changing world, encouraging them to embrace learning for life and the desire to make a difference.



Richmond High School
Make a difference.

Respectful acknowledgment

Our school is located on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation, we pay our respects to them.

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