

# Reynella Primary School

## GRAPEVINE

**Term 2 Week 7**  
**13/06/2017**

**16/6 Assembly 10:15**  
**20/6 School Photo Day**  
**7/7 Early Finish 2:30pm**  
**Last Day of Term 2**

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### INFORMATION SENT HOME LAST 2 WEEKS

- Swimming Note Group 2
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### PAYMENTS DUE

**FRIDAY JUNE 16**

Swimming R - 5 Group 2

**MONDAY JUNE 26**

Yr 6/7 Latitude Excursion

There is no  
elevator to  
success.  
You have to  
take the  
stairs.

**FIDGET SPINNERS – just another craze**



As students, parents or teachers we have all witnessed the latest crazes take over the schoolyard in many iterations. I vividly remember when yo-yos became the latest and greatest. You had to walk carefully across the yard to make sure you weren't hit by a whizzing yo-yo as we all earnestly tried to master 'walk the dog' and 'around the world'. I do recall many a bruised head and chipped tooth. And of course we all had to have a Coca Cola yo-yo!

Fast forward to today and we are now faced with the latest craze to emerge out of nowhere and into schoolyards across Australia; the fidget spinner! I watched closely and noticed that as time passes teachers are spending more and more time dealing with issues arising out of this gadget, which means less time on the learning.



Fidget spinners are marketed as aides for individuals with anxiety, autism and ADHD and promise greater concentration as the toy provides a pleasing sensory experience and can help calm special needs students. There is no doubt that for *some* children who require this sort of sensory stimulation these toys are useful as they do help with their concentration and enable them to engage more with the learning. However for most students they are merely a distraction; they are a toy.

Toy fads are important because they represent something novel and different and are an integral part of all our childhoods. If your child brings a fidget spinner to school, *they do so at their own risk*. As a school we won't be investing time and energy into finding missing spinners or repairing broken ones.

Fidget spinners are getting a lot of attention today but like all fads, the novelty will soon wear off and these little gadgets will be consigned to the back of the drawer, waiting to provide little jolts of nostalgia when they are found a few years later.

Michele Russell

## Congratulations Michele

Governing Council News

Dear Parents and Carers,

One of the tasks of Governing Council this year is to appoint a new Reynella Primary School Principal.

After participating in the DECD Merit Selection process, it is with great pleasure to **advise that Michele Russell has won the position** until the end of 2023.

Congratulations Michele, we look forward to the new and exciting vision you bring to the role and to your continued commitment to the learning and development of potential in our children.

**Amanda Carne**  
*Governing Council Chairperson*



## Reconciliation Week

Hi, I'm **Jayde** I will be telling you what happened on Tuesday when we went to Colonnades for the Indigenous gathering with kids from many local schools for Reconciliation Week.

Freddy, Richard, Ryder and I were at the back of the bus which took us all to Noarlunga.

When we got to Colonnades, Charlene told us to eat our recess on the grass at the Nature Play area. She told us that we could go anywhere in that area where they had a big sausage sizzle, a huge inflatable whale and many other activities for us to have fun with. Some of us got henna done on our hands and I also ate two hot chilli peppers.

We really had a fun day celebrating with Charlene and the group. Thank you to Tanya and Wolf who also came with us, we hope they had a great day too.



### What does Reconciliation Week mean to me?

To me I think Reconciliation week is all about respecting Aborigines and their rights to the land. I think the week is also about respecting the stolen generation and the kids that got taken from their families. I think part of reconciliation is the "Rabbit Proof Fence" book because it explains part of the stolen generation story.

I also think that Eddie Mabo is a big part of Reconciliation week because he spoke to the High Court for the Indigenous Land Rights. I think the week is really important because if I was an indigenous person back when they weren't treated well I would have wanted a special week to pay respect to the Aborigines now.

**Alishia H**



It means a lot because it represents the aboriginal culture, who are a part of the indigenous people in our country.

Reconciliation is about unity and respect between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and non-Indigenous Australians.

It is about respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage and valuing justice and equity for all Australians.



Let's get fundraising

# Quiz Night

Friday June 23  
 Doors open 6:30 pm  
 7 pm start  
 Licenced Event - 18 years and over

Buy your tickets now  
 on Okr or at our Front Office  
 \$15 per person  
 \$110 - Table of 8  
 \$120 - Table of 9 or 10

Supervised Creche Available  
 \$10 per child  
 \$16 - 2 children  
 \$21 - 3 children  
 pre-schoolers welcome

\*\*\* Loads of Prizes \*\*\*  
 Silent Auction  
 Raffle

Table Theme Competition  
 Get Creative  
 and win a team prize

Proceeds will go towards upgrading  
 our Oval Sports Storage Sheds  
 and Sports Canteen

Need more information?  
 contact Kaylene  
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 or phone 8381 1493

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 Entertainment Book yet?  
 Fantastic discounts, have a look  
 through the book in the front office or  
 look online at  
<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/750443/1>

SAVE THE DATE  
 Colour Fun Run  
 Friday 22 September



**SAY CHEESE**



School Photo Day is:

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

*Have your child's school memories captured forever*

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points:



- Don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request and need to be ordered before or on photography day. Please make your children aware they are having a family photo.
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash, cheques, credit card and money orders accepted.

Why not give ONLINE ORDERING a go!! It's quick and easy

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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## CANTEEN ROSTER

WK 7	Monday	12 June	Denise Steer
	Tuesday	13 June	Help needed
	Wednesday	14 June	Nikki
	Thursday	15 June	Help Needed am
	Friday	16 June	Bianca/Kylie
WK 8	Monday	19 June	Denise Steer
	Tuesday	20 June	Help needed am
	Wednesday	21 June	Nikki
	Thursday	22 June	Help Needed am
	Friday	23 June	Bianca/Kylie

## URGENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Deb and Amanda are always looking for new volunteers for the canteen.

It only takes an hour or two a week.

Coffee and a laugh supplied.

Drop in and see us!



**Amanda Rishworth MP**  
Federal Member for Kingston  
Shadow Minister for Veterans' Affairs  
Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel

# Annual Winter Appeal 2017

This winter my office will again be **collecting donations** for those in need

New warm socks and beanies (for all ages)  
Non-perishable food such as tins and baked beans  
Toiletries and sanitary items  
Animal food and blankets (no stuffing)

*I hope by collecting donations and partnering with local charities, I can make it that bit easier for our generous community to help those who are struggling over the cooler months*

**Donations can be dropped to my office**

232 Main South Road  
MORPHETT VALE SA 5162  
Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm

*Your generosity is greatly appreciated*

## Abby's Gift

Supporting Families staying at Ronald  
McDonald House Adelaide

Winter Warmer Food Drive  
Collecting non Perishable foods



Abby's Gift is a Family project which is in its 4th year of supporting families who stay at Ronald McDonald House Adelaide.

Our Family has in the past and will continue to relocate to Ronald McDonald House Parkville Vic for our daughters ongoing treatments. We know first hand how hard it is to keep the family home running as well as living away from home. The financial burden is real, families are unable to gain assistance via mainstream avenues, as need proof of income where there is No Income.

We are asking for families to donate Non Perishable food Expiry Date no earlier than Nov 2017.

Please drop any donations in to the Office, Thank you.

To Find out more on how or food ideas , please go to Facebook Page 'Abby's Gift' or [abbysgift2012@gmail.com](mailto:abbysgift2012@gmail.com)