

# Rivervale Primary Newsletter

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## SCHOOL HOURS

8:45am – 11:00am

11:00am – 11:20am—Recess

11:20am – 1:00pm

1:00pm – 1:30pm—Lunch

1:30pm – 2:50pm

**Early Close—Thursday  
2:30pm**

Classrooms open at 8:30am.  
There will be supervision  
available from 8:15am in the  
undercover area for children  
who arrive earlier than  
8:30am

Please phone or email us at  
the school if your child is  
going to be absent from  
school.

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## WELCOME

A BIG “Welcome back” for 2017. It is so great to see all of the children return with such a positive attitude. This will be a great year filled with fun and learning. It is lovely to be able to welcome so many new families to Rivervale Primary School.

We welcome the :

Abdi Naju Family, Abdullahi Ahmed Family, Al Ammar Family, Binder Family, Biundo Family, Bolton Family, Brown Family, Callychurn Family, Chuwah Family, Cooney Family, Davies Family, Gilkinson Family, Gordon Family, Infirri Family, Khan Family, King Family, Leckie Family, Lu Family, Mackrill Family, McPherson Family, Medina Perez Family, Neillings Family, Nielson Family, Phillips Family, Pun Family, Rana Family, Roebuck-Baxter Family, Roebuck-McCumstie Family, Russell Family, Salih Family, Smith Family, Thanikachalam Family, and the Win Family.

WE hope that you and your children enjoy many wonderful years at this school. We pride ourselves on being helpful, enthusiastic and above all—caring about your child and their education

## CLASSROOM INFO 2017

We would like to welcome Mr Rob MacKenzie to our staff. Mr MacKenzie will be working with our Year 6 and Year 2/3 classes.

All classroom teachers have been asked to pass on information about how their classroom functions. This is not always in the form of a meeting. This could be a newsletter or an informative email. We do make teachers' emails available to you so that you can correspond at any time. We would expect our staff to answer your question within one working day. If you would like to organise a meeting at any time please email the teacher or phone the school on 9277 1642.

KIndy : Mrs Thompson

Pre Primary : Mrs Wheatley & Miss Peden

Year 1/2 : Mr Lewis

Year 2/3 : Mrs Piperis & Mr MacKenzie

Year 3 : Mr Keirnan

Year 4 : Mrs Machiri

Year 5 : Mrs Rockley

Year 6 : Mrs Procter & Mr MacKenzie

## ASSEMBLY CHANGE

We completed our term 4 assembly trial and have responded to feedback. Assemblies will be in the morning (9:00am start) in terms 1 and 4. They will be at 1:50pm in terms 2 & 3. Our first assembly for the year will be this Friday 10th Feb starting at 9:00am.

## PARKING

You have probably noticed that the Belmont City Council did some major road works over the summer break. They have added many more parking bays and a designated pedestrian crossing area. The next stage for us is to apply for a properly demarcated "Zebra Crossing". This does involve several surveys and can take up to one year. In the meantime you will usually find myself or Mr Major resplendent in our high vis, ensuring the safety of the children crossing at the end of each school day. Please encourage your children, even if you are crossing with them to cross at the specific crossing area just to the right of the school sign at the front of the school. I will keep you updated regarding the crosswalk application.



## STANDARISED TESTING

Classroom teachers usually conduct testing at the start of the year. We also have On Entry testing taking place for our Pre Primary, Year 1 and Year 2 students between weeks 2 and 6. As a whole school we are also conducting Standardised testing in Numeracy, Comprehension Spelling and Vocabulary for our Pre Primaries through to Year 6. The results from these tests help us to plan for a more individualised approach with regard to teaching your child. They also help us to program some whole class focus areas. If you have any questions about any of the testing please ask.



## ACT BELONG COMMIT

This logo that you will now see in every newsletter and around the school links us to the Act, Belong, Commit Mentally Healthy program. We are linking this very important aspect of growth, development and learning to our TOD (Treat Others Decently) program. Act Belong Commit strives to get all people to think about all facets of their wellness. With regards to children, we are attempting to help create mentally healthy, mentally aware and well balanced young adults. Each newsletter will carry a different Act Belong Commit message.

The website link is :

[www.actbelongcommit.org.au](http://www.actbelongcommit.org.au)

# ACT, BELONG, COMMIT MENTALLY HEALTHY TIP

*Master your emotions*

*Before your emotions become your master.*

*Sometimes you just need to let things go.*

## VALUES PROGRAM

At Rivervale Primary we have a very comprehensive whole school values program. This is made up of : TOD (Treat Others Decently), PATHS (Promoting Alternative Thinking strategies- primarily K-Yr1) and Act Belong Commit (Mentally Healthy Program)

Below is a brief description about the goals linked to the PATHS program

The P.A.T.H.S .program being used at our school has five goals:

1. Increasing student's abilities to think and solve problems for themselves
2. Increasing student's abilities to use thinking skills to act responsibly and maturely
3. Improving student's understanding of themselves and others
4. Improving student's feelings about themselves (that is ,improving their self –esteem)
5. Increasing student's abilities to learn more effectively in the classroom environment

## KindiLink and Playgroup

Our Kindilink program for Pre Kindy age children has had some times changes. All families are welcome on Thursdays between 9:00—12:00 in TLC 2. Friday is a day for Aboriginal families only from 9:00 until 12:00 in TLC 2.

If you would like to attend Kindilink please come into Admin and complete a Registration form. Bring a copy of your child's birth certificate.

### PLAYGROUP

Playgroup stars in Week 3. It runs on Tuesdays from 9:00—11:00 in TLC 2. Please join Mrs Colleen Anderson for this terrific group. New families are welcome. Please bring along a piece of fruit to share.

Program & Venue:  
**COMING TO RIVERVALE PRIMARY!**  
 Classes commenhttp://rivervaleps.wa.edu.au/ce from the 12th  
 of February (Sunday mornings)



## SOCCER FUN FOR BOYS & GIRLS 2-12!



**MITE**  
(2-3 YEARS OLD)



**PINT SIZE**  
(4-5 YEARS OLD)



**INTRO TO MICRO**  
(5-6 YEARS OLD)



**MICRO +**  
(8-12 YEARS OLD)

**MICRO +**  
(6-8 YEARS OLD)

**CALL NOW FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!**

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Aurora Calisthenics Club

Calisthenics is a fun and healthy way to keep fit. Aurora CC offers classes to girls aged 5-13 years. It combines Gymnastics, Ballet, Folk Dance, Jazz Ballet, Apparatus (Clubs and Rods), Figure Marching and Singing.

Classes are held on Wednesdays 4:30-6:30pm in the Drama Room at Leisure Life Centre, Kent Street East Victoria Park. We will be offering the first two weeks of Term 1 for FREE!

**FLETCHER PARK In2CRICKET CENTRE**

Friday Afternoons

February 17<sup>th</sup> to April 7<sup>th</sup> 4:30 - 5:30pm  
 For more details contact: Corey (M) 0419 938 669  
**OR** register via the website below



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