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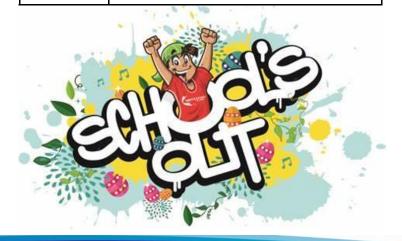
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Term Dates 2023

Semester One 2023				
TERM 1	Wednesday 1 February—Thursday, 6 April			
BREAK	Friday 7, April—Sunday, 23 April			
TERM 2	Monday, 24 April—School Development Day No school for students			
	Wednesday, 26 April—Friday 30 June			
BREAK	Saturday, 1 July—Sunday 16 July			

Semester Two 2023				
TERM 3	Monday, 17 July—School Development Day No school for students			
	Tuesday, 18 July - Friday, 22 September			
BREAK	Saturday, 23 September - Sunday, 8 October			
	Monday, 19 October & Friday 15 December— School Development Days			
TERM 4	No school for students			
	Tuesday 10 October—Thursday14 December			



From The Principal Mrs Margaret Keen

Kaya. (Noongar for Hello)

It has been a very busy term as you can see from the photos in the following pages. Students have been busy both in the school and offsite and involved in a range of activities. We find our students learn best when they are engaged in activities that are hands on and spark their curiosity or creativity.

Thank you to the parents and families that were able to come along to our student assembly hosted by our year twelve students from room 6 last Tuesday. We had a lot of hard-working students awarded with certificates of merit and a very interesting digital presentation of the year twelves term at school.

This morning we held our ANZAC assembly and our student councillors, Simon yr 7, Georgia yr 8, Taj yr 10, Eva yr 10, along with students Riley yr 9 and Taylah yr 11 were excellent hosts for this event. We were very lucky to have Warrant Officer, Geoffrey Loftus of the Royal Australian Infantry Corps shared his reflections on the ANZAC traditions and give a personal account of his duties in the defence force. He was also available afterwards for questions from our students.

I would like to welcome a new staff member to our school, Deone (Dee) Teale, who has joined us from Baldivis Secondary College. Dee has been merit selected for the new position of Workplace learning support officer and will be based in the administration building. She will be working closely with our senior students to make sure they have opportunities to complete workplace learning building upon their strengths in their field of interest. We look forward to working with her.

We also had to farewell our specialist art teacher this term, Melissa Justins. She is pursuing her passion of art therapy in another workplace and we wish her well with her new endeavour. Melissa provided our students with a fabulous art program and will be missed by staff and students alike. Ms Emma Barker will be taking on this role next term and we look forward to working with her.

Year 10

Year 10 is a busy year of transition into senior school. For students, Term 1 is a gentle move towards achieving more independence, focusing on improving communication skills and accepting greater responsibility for themselves. Along with their general subjects of Math, English, HASS, Science, PE and option classes, students have participated in Community Access (transport training) and Life Skills programs with great results.

This term, students have embarked on transport training by catching Transperth buses in the local area. The focus this term is on using the Transperth App to plan journeys, purchasing a ticket, or using a smart rider, and practicing how to travel safely. Students have been fantastic when making practice emergency phone calls to school. Learning to use a public phone has also been a new experience for students.

As a part of their Life Skills program, students have been learning a variety of skills in sewing and cooking classes. In sewing, students are learning how to operate a sewing machine safely and are making aprons for their cooking class. In cooking, students continually focus on safety in the kitchen. They have made delicious recipes such as: Chinese fried rice, loaded potato skins, spaghetti bolognaise, noodle frittata, honey joys pizza and enchiladas. It is great to see students try a variety of new skills and tastes!



ANZAC Day

Today we hosted our ANZAC Assembly, as we don't return to school until after ANZAC Day. Students resented a wonderful assembly,, paying tribute to all the brave men and women who selflessly defended our country. We were honoured to welcome Warrant Officer Geoffrey Loftus, a current serving member of the Royal Australian Infantry Corps, who spoke of the history of ANZAC Day and his own experiences defending our country.



World Autism Awareness Day

Last Thursday we celebrated Autism Awareness Day! We had a range of activities, City of Rockingham joined us to make slime and we wore blue to show our support for people living with Autism



Lego Club

Every Wednesday Lego club is held at recess in Room 5. Students enjoy not just building with the Lego bricks but also creating stories and acting them out with the Lego minifigures! Many thanks to those who have donated Lego sets and Woolworths Lego which means we always have something new to make.





Year 9 Science

This term we have worked on Earth and Space and Chemistry. We have constructed Chemistry timelines introducing the invention of the periodic table while in Earth and Space we have constructed jigsaws showing the different tectonic plates. Students have done their own research by watching videos on rocks, and earth movement and have tested their knowledge by playing various games with their peers. These games have included topics like rocks, the rock cycle, volcanos, tsunamis and earthquakes.



Year 7 Lifeskills

Year 7 students have been busy in Lifeskills, sewing their bears. Each Tuesday they have spent time carefully sewing. The class made a special visit to Mrs Keen's office last week to show her what a wonderful job they have all done. We are so proud of how hard everyone has worked



Work Place Learning

Joshua and Joseph commenced their work place learning this term at Bunnings Rockingham and are both really enjoying working in the nursery and tending to the plants. They make sure all the plants are watered and the area is safe and clean for customers.



YEAR 7 BUSH RANGERS

The Year 7 Bush Rangers have enjoyed an amazing hands-on experience with Animal Ark. They were introduced to fossils, shells, snails, stick insects, green tree frogs, bobtail lizards and snakes. Also, they meet a redback spider, tarantula, scorpion, and tiger snake. They were not allowed to touch these venous creatures only look at them in their special enclosures. Many of the Year 7 Bush Rangers stepped out of their comfort zone to touch the animals. Thank you, David, from Animal Ark for a wonderful incursion.



YEAR 8 BUSH RANGERS

In Year 8 Bush Rangers we are learning to classify animals. We had the pleasure of working with Kanyana Wildlife and Rehabilitation Centre in a unique incursion called Classy Animals. The Bush Rangers got to meet a bobtail, snake, tawny frogmouth, echidna, and a burrowing bettong. The animal that made the greatest impression was the echidna, it is a mammal that lays eggs. An egg-laying mammal is known as a monotreme.



Building Independent Futures

YEAR 9 BUSH RANGERS

Our re-scheduled beach clean-up for Clean Up Australia Day saw the Year 9s collect a range of marine debris from the beach. They found items ranging from hair scrunchies to shoes, rope, and plastic bottle lids. During the clean-up, many natural items found on the beach were identified too, examples included, coral, sea urchins, shells, and various forms of seaweed. We even saw dolphins swimming in the shallows.



YEAR 10 BUSH RANGERS

The Year 10 Bush Rangers travelled to Perth Zoo to view endangered animals, learn about their conservation status, and gain an understanding of how zoos are working hard to conserve these animals. Check out the photos of their day.



SENIOR BUSH RANGERS

The Senior Bush Rangers participated in the Bush Rangers WA Annual Conference held on Penguin Island in the Shoalwater Islands Marine Park. They presented their Saving Sea Lions project to 100 Bush Ranger delegates from around Western Australia. Their aim was to increase awareness of the plight of the Australian Sea Lion and share their work on three fronts:

· Saving Sea Lions Project

- The Bush Rangers worked with a scientist, cartoonist, fashion designer, and DBCA Marine Rangers through a series of incursions. Cartoons of Australian Sea Lions drawn by the Bush Rangers were turned into sustainable fashion products by Melissa Cook, GIROUD. They sold these products and funds raised were donated to scientists for the filming of the Australian Sea Lions

· Reel It In Bins Stickers

- Reel It In Bins are placed on many jetties to allow for the safe disposal of fishing lines, hooks, and bait bags. The Bush Rangers have drawn a range of stickers raising awareness of the Seal Wise conservation message. These stickers will be placed on the side of Reel It In Bins next term.

· Sea Lion Spotter Citizen Science Program

- Using drone footage of Australian Sea Lions provided by South Australian Parks and Wildlife, the Bush Rangers are classifying sea lions as male, female, juvenile or pup.

While on Penguin Islands they met the Minister for Environment, Reece Whitby and the Minister for Youth, Simone McGurk, saw the Little Penguins and boarded two marine ranger vessels.

The Senior Bush Rangers should be congratulated on their outstanding efforts!



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SENIOR BUSH RANGERS

Next term the second instalment of the AUSTRALIAN SEA LION products will be available to purchase. The products were designed by the Year 10 Bush Rangers of 2022 and will include:

- Leggings
- Shorts
- Towel

Check out our first photos of these amazing products. They are manufactured in Australia and made from recycled plastic. More details on how to order these products will be communicated in Term 2.



Welcome Mrs Teale

My name is Deone Teale, mostly known as Dee. I am the new Structured Work Place Learning Officer. I have loved supporting students with special needs since 2013. I have found my happiness in helping students with finding a career they can look forward to after their school years that is based around their interests. You can often find me in classrooms chatting with students and getting to know them. I am a big people person!



Happy Easter

Our Year 7 students have been very busy making some delightful Easter creations in class this week. They would like to wish everyone a very Happy and Safe Easter.



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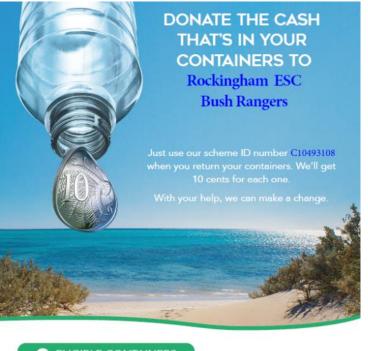
Please send them with your child to the Bush Ranger room.

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Just use our scheme ID number **C10493108** when you return your containers. We will get 10 cents for each container. With your help, we can make a change.

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Mid Term Assembly Award Winners

Congratulations to all of the award winners from the End of Term Assembly.

Nominating Teacher	Classes/Options	Form	Year	Certificate of Achievement awarded T1 Week10
Laura Baldwin	Class	R11	YR7	James HUGHES
Sammy Maxwell	Class	R2	YR8/9	Cooper AHSAM
Jen Naude	Class	R8	YR9	Dwayne GIGGINS & Riley MINNS
Amy Nicholls	Class	R10	YR9/10	Eva IRVINE
Kama Pike/Marie Johnson	Class	R1	YR10	Ethan CHAPMAN
Jo Lawler	Class	R5	YR11	Trent TOMLINSON
Nat Crerar	Class	R6	YR12	Bailey COUTTS
Nicola Meegan	Class	R7	YR12	Tiffney SUTHERLAND
Amanda Flood	WPL/VET	R5/6/7	Yr11/12	Nathan MIFSUD / Ryan MEAD
Jo Lawler	Café/VET	Various	YR11/12	Connor BENDER
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R11	YR7	James HUGHES
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R2	YR8	Aiden PROSSER
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R8	YR9	Dwayne GIGGINS
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R10	YR9/10	n/a
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R1	YR10	n/a
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R5	YR11	Trent TOMLINSON
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R6/7	YR12	Amber DUNN
Paul WILMOT	FOOD	R2/8	YR9	Charlie LOWER
Paul WILMOT	FOOD	R5/6/7	YR10/11/12	Kayla CHIDGEY
Nicola Meegan	Business Enterprise	R5/6/7	YR11/2	Kurt OMAR
Melissa Justins	Art	R11	YR7	Chelsea BUSHELL
Melissa Justins	Art	R2/8	YR9	Michael WALTON
Melissa Justins	Art	R1/10	YR9/10	Gabby PRESCOTT
Melissa Justins	Art	R5/6/7	YR11/12	Trent TOMLINSON
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R11	YR7	Zaiden FAHEY
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R2	YR8	Cooper AHSAM
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R8	YR9	Nickolai ROMAO
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R1/10	YR10	Deegan DONE
Rachel Nixon	Senior Bush Rangers	R5/6/7	YR11/12	Dylan KING
Rachel Nixon	Senior Bush Rangers Saving Sea Lions WA CONFERENCE	R5/6/7	YR11/12	Ryley BERGLUND, Bailey COUTTS, Joseph DACE, Amber DUNN, Dylan KING, Kurt OMAR, Elijah SARGENT, Sarah WAGNER
Melissa Reeves	Drama	R2/8	YR8/9	Cooper AHSAM
Melissa Reeves	Music	R1/10	YR9/10	Matthew NAPOLI
RSHS Julia Nunez	Home Economics	R2/8	YR8/9	Joshua SCHOONBEE / Blake TURBETT
RSHS Jake Domington	CODING		YR9/10	Scott CAMPBELL
RSHS Neil Robinson	Media	R5/6/7	YR11/12	Tiffney SUTHERLAND

Community News

April School Holidays at Rockingham Youth Centre





Rockingham Youth Centre



12pm – 3pm | Ages 15+ Come along to our School Holiday sports day at Anniversary Park. Run by the Stephen Michael Foundation.



👼 Tuesday 11 April

Movie Night

under the Stars

5pm – 7.30pm | Ages 13+

Come along to RYC's movie night under the stars! Sit back on the beanbags with a hot chocolate and popcorn.

ACT BELONG COMMIT

Junior Nerf and Darts Participation Competition

Wednesday 12th April 1:00- 1:45 pm The Leisurelife Centre, 34 Kent Street, East Victoria Park

DO YOU HAVE PRECISION AIM? TEST YOURSELF IN WADSA'S ACT BELONG COMMIT JUNIOR PARTICIPATION COMPETITIONS! IT'S ALL ABOUT JOINING IN AND CONNECTING WITH OTHERS!

Contact Tiffany to Register: tiffany@wadsa.org.au 9470 1442 WADSA

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Ages 6-17

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