Welcome back!

It is great to see all of the wonderful community of Regents Park State School. We are all looking forward to a fun filled year.

Classes 2017
We wait for our day 8 enrolment figures to be confirmed before we can lock in staffing for the 2017 school year. At this point in time we will need to change some classes to best fit the learning needs of our students and our staffing numbers. Letters will go home to those affected on Friday. The change of some classes will occur Monday.

Tip of the week for Language Development:
Write a letter together. Perhaps there is a relative or family friend that you could write to (you could even send your letter as an email or picture text message if you’d prefer). Talk about how you will start your letter, think of topics that you could write about, and discuss how we structure our sentences. Maybe your letter could be about something that your family did on the weekend, or at day care?

Yours in Education
Brad Roberts, Principal

Parent Information Night
You are invited to meet your child’s teacher on Tuesday 7 February. We have 2 sessions 3:15pm to 4:00pm and 5:00pm to 5:45pm. Both sessions will cover the same information. This gives you an opportunity to attend straight after school or work and also gives you the opportunity to visit at least 2 classrooms.

Please come and meet your child’s teacher, find out their expectations for this year and if needed, arrange a time to talk about your child and any individual learning needs they may have.

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS

WELCOME
I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all our Regents Park staff and families as well as our new staff and families joining us in 2017.

As a classroom teacher at Regents Park State School for the last 14 years and Master Teacher for the past 18 months, I am thrilled to be taking on the role of Deputy Principal at this fantastic school.

Mr Roberts and I are fortunate enough to work with passionate, dedicated teachers that are here to provide your child with the best education. Please make time to meet and introduce yourself to your child’s teacher.

Looking forward to a wonderful year!

Emma Cairns
Deputy Principal

GERMAN NEWS

Frohes Neues! – A happy New Year – Welcome, and welcome back.

Well done to the students of Year 5 and 6 for a great start to their year of German studies.

The fun and games begin as we celebrate the festival of Karneval in the next few weeks.

Frau Hay
German Teacher
Welcome back to school and a special warm welcome to all our new students and their families!

The Hub at Regents Park is a community centre within the school that is open to all school families – which means YOU!

The Hub is a place for parents, carers and grandparents to connect with others and make new friends, learn new skills and find out about local services. The Hub which is located in M Block is coordinated by Marlo Bronzi and is open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays during school hours.

So What's on this Term in the Hub?

Food Mate – a 4 week food skills and nutrition program. You can pick up some healthy tips, great recipes, lunch box ideas, budgeting skills to help keep grocery costs down, safe food handling tips and much more in a relaxed friendly environment.

Where: The Hub – M Block
When: Wednesday 15 and 22 Feb, 1 and 8 March
Time: 9:15am to 10:15am
Cost: Free
Who: Everyone/children welcome

Boppin Babies
Boppin Babies is an early learning music program delivered by a music therapist, designed to help babies, toddlers and preschoolers develop a love of music.

Where: The Hub – M Block
When: Every Wednesday
Time: 10:30am to 11:30am
Cost: Free
Who: Babies, toddlers and preschoolers

24 Fit Club
The 24 Fit Club is a fitness program for anyone wanting to get fit in a friendly, supportive environment.

Where: MPA
When: Every Monday
Time: 9:30am
Cost: $5.00 per person
Who: Parents, carers and grandparents – all fitness levels – children welcome

The Hub has new activities starting all the time. So if you don’t want to miss out keep an eye on the school’s Facebook page and the Platychat.

Have a great week.

Chaplain Marlo

At Regents Park we are STARS…

At Regents Park we have a morning routine for all students that arrive at school before 8:50am. All students from Yr 1 to Yr 6 are expected to follow this routine.

**Student expectations**

At Regents Park we…

- Walk straight to the Senior Court or MPA with our bags.
- Sit quietly and wait for the supervising teacher to arrive.
- Walk down to the oval using paths after being instructed to do so.
- Walk off the oval when the bell sounds.
- Sit quietly with our bag in 2 lines at designated area.
- Stay seated until we are dismissed.
- Yr 1 & 2 walk behind student leader/supervisor to class blocks once dismissed.
- Yr 3 & 4 walk behind student leader/supervisor to class blocks once dismissed.
- Yr 5 & 6 sit in class lines until collected by teacher.
- SAFETY

At Regents Park we…demonstrate safety when we conduct ourselves with care and responsibility.

TEAMWORK

At Regents Park we…demonstrate teamwork when we work and play cooperatively.

ACHIEVEMENT

At Regents Park we…demonstrate achievement when we are prepared and willing to participate.

RESPECT

At Regents Park we…demonstrate respect when we speak and behave in a considerate and well-mannered way.

At Regents Park we are STARS!

SAFETY…TEAMWORK…ACHIEVEMENT…RESPECT

Andrew Eggins

Behaviour Specialist
It has been nothing but rock and roll time for 6SM since Term 1 has begun! In Math we got cracking into revising every operation in the first week and have applied our skills towards ordering operations in large equations.

Have a go yourself!
6 + ( 8 x 5 ) ÷ 10 x 2 = ????

We love Math. In English, we will be studying the twisted tales of Gary Crew and analysing the language features of narratives, with the purpose of creating our own awesome short stories. We can’t wait to start Art, where we will study many different art styles and recreate our own pieces. Mrs March loves displaying our work. Our class goals are attendance, reading growth, 110% effort and being the very best we can be! Year 6 will be a big year for us, as we are now the leaders and role models of the school.

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Reading at Regents
Welcome back to another great year of learning at Regents Park. Our focus is on Reading and so we are conducting an information session on “Reading at Regents” for all parents of students Prep to Year 6 on Tuesday 7 February at 4:15pm to 4:45pm in the library.

In your child’s classroom, you will see the CAFÉ reading model displayed.
CAFÉ stands for:
C – comprehension – I understand what I read
A – accuracy – I can read the words
F – fluency – I can read accurately with expression and I understand what I read
E – expanding vocabulary – I know, find and use interesting words

In the following weeks, we will look at the reading strategies explicitly taught across the school.

SOUNDWAVES
All students at RPSS have access to paid content from Soundwaves for Kids. Use your access codes below to log in.
Student Codes for

www.soundwaveskids.com.au

Prep – sister892, Year 1 – again828, Year 2 – seat679,
Year 3 – lunch686
Year 4 – read416, Year 5 – card765, Year 6 – spent032

Sue Cartner and Kaylie Leighton

PARK RIDGE TENNIS
A new season of Hotshots Coaching is starting the week beginning Monday 6 February. Anyone can come and try over the next few weeks as the first lesson is free. All new pupils receive a free racquet and Hot Shots TShirt on sign up. Lessons run every afternoon for all ages and levels.

We have pee wee groups for 4 to 7 year olds, Hot Shot programs for 7 to 12 year olds and advanced groups for 12 to 17 year olds. For adults we have lessons or night comps. We also have a new fast 4 comp for players starting or getting back into tennis. The fast 4 format goes for just over an hour.

Places are limited so book in to arrange a free trial by phoning Paul or Steph on 3200 0354.

STUMP UP FOR THE McGrath FOUNDATION
Saturday 18 February is PINK STUMPS DAY https://pinkstumpsday2017.gofundraise.com.au/page/parkridgecc
Come along – bring the family and friends to Hubner Park, Park Ridge for a fun day out to raise money for the McGrath Foundation from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

- U/10 and U/12 Junior Cricket Game from 8:00am
- Biggest Hitter Competition from 12:00pm
- U/14 to 15’s T20 Big Bash Cricket Game from 1:30pm
- Ladies on the Lawn High Tea Tent ($5 entry)
- Raffles
- McGrath Foundation Merchandise on sale
- Jumping Castle
- Face Painting
- Sausage Sizzle, Food and Bar (NO BYO)
- Dress Code for the day: Wear Pink

Browns Plains Blue Light Disco
When: Friday 3 February
Where: Logan West Community Centre, Wineglass Drive, Hillcrest
Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Ages: 6 to 14
Cost: $5.00 – no pass outs
Full Police supervision
Cloak room and Canteen