



# School Newsletter

Week 01, Term 4, 2024

Issue No. 16/24

## Upcoming Events

### TERM 4, 2024

#### Week Two

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October

**Bilbies Transition to School Visit**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October

**Whole School Assembly**

#### Week Three

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October

**School Improvement plan Share your thoughts after school in Staffroom**

**School Council Meeting 5pm**

**Ross Park Staffroom**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**After School Gymnastics**

3:00 – 4:00 pm

**Children's University**

**Graduation 5:30 pm**

**St Philip's Hall**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

**Echidnas Transition to School Visit**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

**World Teachers' Day**

#### Week Four

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October

**Transition Swimming Lessons**

**ALL WEEK**

**St Philips Orientation Day**

**First Half of students**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**After School Gymnastics**

3:00 – 4:00 pm

**St Philips Orientation Day**

**Second Half of students**

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October

**Halloween Dressup SRC**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

**Ross Park Swimming Carnival**

**Assembly – Junior School**

**Only**

## From the leadership team



Dear families, carers, and community,

What a fortnight we have had at Ross Park! Term 4 is typically one that is packed with momentous events, celebrations and full of great opportunities. In typical Ross Park fashion, our wonderful teachers have presented plenty of these for our students thus far. Every single classroom has been a hive of activity. It has been a tremendous but busy start to the term. There are so many activities taking place this fortnight and next.

On Tuesday we had the privilege of welcoming retired Hockey Olympian Renee Taylor to our school. She spoke about her hockey journey, the sacrifices she made, her determination, drive and dedication to make it into the Hockeyroos Team. Renee's performance on field has been an incredible achievement, and her presentation to our school was inspiring and captivating.

Ross Park Can Dance! We are absolutely delighted to be working once again with **GUTS Dance Central Australia** to be participating in Alice Can Dance. Rehearsals are underway, with enthusiasm and excitement from our dancers. We cannot wait to see our talented dancers on stage.

The highlight of **my** weeks will be **BOOK FAIR**. This is a sensational event that engages our children and promotes literacy. Book Fair is a fun event that provides our students with a chance to see, touch and connect with books they want to read. The display in the library has the best range with publishers worldwide catering for every reading level and interest.

As we approach the completion of 2024 school year, let's encourage our students to finish strong and take pride and joy in their accomplishments. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Here's to a fantastic Term 4!

***Until next time, take care.***

Joy Georgopoulos

Student Wellbeing and Inclusion

Senior Teacher





# DRUMMING GROUP

Wednesday saw Miss Hewitt and Miss Naomi leading the year 4 boys in our freshly formed drumming group. Everyone had lots and lots of fun, and by the sounds of it we may have some budding rockstars on our hands! We look forward to many more laughs over the next six weeks and seeing the progression of our new percussion group.



**LOTS OF FUN!!!**



# Bilbies Come to Ross Park!



On Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> our bubbly preschoolers ventured over the road to have a go at big school. The Transition students taking on the role of the big kids and teaching the Bilbies all about Ross Park. They were working so well together, and we are all excited to see the connections they build in the next few weeks.

**We are so excited to have all your wonderful faces here next year!**

Thank you to the Preschool and Transition teachers for setting up these wonderful opportunities for orientation visits.





# Morning Games!



**START  
THE DAY  
HAPPY  
AND  
HEALTHY**



**MORNING GAMES WITH  
MR SIMMON**

**TUES, WED, THURS  
8AM-8.30AM**

All ages welcome!  
Join Mr Simmon on the soft  
fall 3 mornings a week and  
run off some energy before  
class, making friends at the  
same time.

**Come hang out in the mornings to play  
some fun games with Mr Simmon.**

**Everyone's Welcome!**





Renee Taylor, our very own Hockey Olympic Athlete visited the Year 3-6 students at Ross Park Primary with an inspiring and motivating speech. She shared her story of mishaps, achievements, and mindsets. Renee spoke to the students about envisioning their dream and creating a goal. She suggested, write it down, set some smaller targets with time frames and most importantly, don't see challenges as roadblocks, see them as speed humps.



# Gymnastics

Over lunch our fantastic year four students lead the transitions through twelve different gymnastics stations, showing our little ones how to bend and tuck and roll safely. Thanks so much for all the fun! All the transitions had an absolute blast!



Students in Year 4 showed the skills to Transition students that were on the display cards. Each group of Year 4 students was responsible for one station and had to repeatedly show the activity to the next group coming through. They had to do this for twelve different groups. The Transition students were listening and attentive as they were learning about gymnastics.

By Madi Cunningham

Thanks again to Alistair Sheriff and Lucy Winwood-Smith for giving up your lunch to supervise!



*Gymnastica Fantastica*

# little people BIG VIRTUES

## LEARNING GOALS:

To nurture **strong values** in young children to become holistic individuals

To build stronger families through **strengthening parent-child bonds**

To provide a **safe space** for children and parents to **share** their thoughts and experiences

To improve **self-awareness** and confidence in **self-reflecting**

8-WEEK COURSE

**WHO:** FOR KIDS IN TRANSITION TO 8YO AND THEIR PARENTS

**WHEN:** WEEKLY SESSIONS STARTING SATURDAY OCT 19TH 3-4PM

**WHERE:** ST PHILIP'S COLLEGE

**COST:** \$25 PER FAMILY (to cover printing and activity costs)

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kindness

gratitude

resilience

sincerity

integrity

humility

empathy



Spaces are limited.



# MINECRAFT

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CAMP

**COST: \$90 PER DAY**

**SCHOOL YEARS 3 TO 7**

**TIME: 8 AM TO 4PM**

**SESSION 1: DECEMBER 16TH - 20TH**

**SESSION 2: JAN 20TH - 24TH**

**HOSTED BY**



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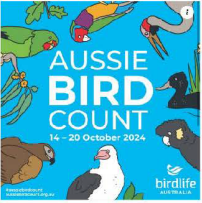









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ROSS PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2024 – Term 4 – Whole School Event Planner



7 October - 13 December

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1</b> 7 -11 October	Students and teachers back to school 	Olympian Athletes to give a talk to Yrs 3-6 at 1.30-2.30 	Sole Sisters Running group 7.30am	SRC meeting 8.30am	
<b>Throughout Week 1</b>	Alice Can Dance (ACD) rehearsals begin this week Tuesday 8.45-9.45am PAT testing				
<b>Week 2</b> 14 -18 October 	ACD 8.45-9.45 Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime Bilbies – Transition to School Visit Lesson 2 Bird Count – Eco Rangers and the school community.	ACD 8.45-9.45	Sole Sisters Running group 7.30am Book Fair  Mountain Biking 7am-8am Transitions gymnastics with Year 4 After school Gymnastics	SRC meeting 8.30am Book Fair RWI training Transitions gymnastics with Year 4	Whole School Assembly Interschool Basketball Book Fair RWI training
<b>Throughout Week 2</b>	Newsletter Front Page: Joy Class items from: Year 1 and 2 PAT testing, Rona Glynn Bake Sale Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> October in the Ross Park carpark				
<b>Week 3</b> 21 -25 October	ACD 8.45-9.45 Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime	ACD 8.45-9.45	Sole Sisters Running group 7.30am Mountain Biking 7am-8am Transitions gymnastics with Year 4 After school Gymnastics Children's university Graduation 5.30pm St Philips Hall	SRC meeting 8.30am Echidnas – Transition to School Visit Lesson 2 Transitions gymnastics with Year 4	World Teachers' Day 
<b>Throughout Week 3</b>	PAT testing, Robo Cup Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct				
<b>Week 4</b> 28 October – 1 November	ACD 8.45-9.45 Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime St Philips orientation for half our students	ACD 8.45-9.45	Sole Sisters Running group 7.30am Mountain Biking 7am-8am Alice Beat rehearsal 11-1 St Philips orientation for half our students After school Gymnastics	SRC meeting 8.30am Halloween Dress Up Coordinator Kristy and SRC  Alice Beat 9-12 Alice Beat evening performance	Ross Park Swimming Carnival  Assembly for the junior school only – 1C performing Diwali Art Show - Preschool
<b>Throughout Week 4</b>	Newsletter Front Page: Bec Class items from: Transition, Transition Swimming lessons				
<b>Week 5</b> 4 – 8 November	ACD 8.45-9.45 Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime	ACD 8.45-9.45	Sole Sisters Running group 7.30am final celebration Mountain Biking 7am-8am Whole School Emu Parade After school Gymnastics	SRC meeting 8.30am <b>Duprada Dance</b> Company Performance: Sleeping Beauty 11:10am – Jr Classes 11:55am – Upper classes 	Interschool Basketball Carnival 2025 Bilbies Orientation 1:30pm 
<b>Throughout Week 5</b>	Invite your Grown Up to School Week, Transition Swimming lessons				
<b>Week 6</b> 11 – 15 November 	ACD 8.45-9.45 Remembrance Day Coordinator- Jess and Team Leaders Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime Bilbies – Transition to School Visit Lesson 2	ACD 8.45-9.45 Interschool Swimming Carnival	NTLC Darwin Mountain Biking 7-8am Steve Irwin Day Wear Your Crocs to School Day Coordinator- Kristy and SRC After school Gymnastics Transition Info evening 5.30-6.30pm	NTLC Darwin SRC meeting 8.30am Science Fair Year 4, 11-1pm 	NTLC Darwin STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY.  Alice Can Dance performance – evening

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<b>Throughout Week 6</b>	Newsletter Front Page: Emma Class items from: Preschool and Specialists				
<b>Week 7 18 – 22 November</b>	Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime	Crazy Hair Day 	Mountain Biking 7am-8am  After school Gymnastics	SRC meeting 8.30am  Echidnas – Transition to School Visit Lesson 2  Year 4 Excursion  Transition Info evening 5.30-6.30pm	Year 3 HASS excursion  2025 Echidnas Orientation 1:30pm 
<b>Throughout Week 7</b>					
<b>Week 8 25 – 29 November</b>	Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime	Preschool Concert (Bilbies) 	Mountain Biking 7am-8am	SRC meeting 8.30am  Preschool Concert (Echidnas) 	Whole School Assembly Thank you, morning tea, after assembly  Interschool Gymnastics Comp
<b>Throughout Week 8</b>	Newsletter Front Page: Lachie Class items from: Year 3 and 4				
<b>Week 9 2 – 6 December</b>	Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime	International Day of People with a Disability		SRC meeting 8.30am  Year 6 Graduation 	End of year fun assembly for some participating classes
<b>Throughout Week 9</b>	Career Day SPC date TBC				
<b>Week 10 9 – 13 December</b>	Eco-Rangers meeting-lunchtime  Year 5 excursion to cinema	Year 6 Pool Party Junior Wet n Wild 	Meet the Teacher 9.30-10.30 Class parties Senior Wet n Wild	Last Day of Term 4 for students Whole School Assembly Graduation Assembly 2.20pm	Last day of term for staff.
<b>Throughout Week 10</b>	Newsletter Front Page: Penny Class items from: Year 5 and 6				