

Riva Primary News



22 February 2022

From the Principal

As we visit classrooms there is a strong feeling of students and staff settling in, building relationships of respect and inclusion and strong foundations for achievement throughout the year.

Voluntary contributions

It has been heartening to see the support for the school through Voluntary Contribution payments over the past weeks. Through payments made via Ziggies with stationery orders, and a steady flow through the office, we're approaching 50% payments already. Please do keep this up, and, if you are able, complete the payment of voluntary contributions by the end of Term One. Payment can be made via EFTPOS in the front office, or direct credit to our bank account. The amount requested is \$60 per child for the year.

If Yanchep calls, please answer

Our main school phone line is 9562 8600. This number is a virtual number, with our system being Voice Over Internet. When calling you on your mobile, it is likely that we may be identified as calling from Yanchep. We promise we're not trying to sell you solar panels, it is in fact the school trying to communicate with you. It's probably a good idea to save the number to your phone under Riva Primary School.

Attendance

Our SMS number is 0456 575 024. This number may be used for attendance notifications. If your child will be absent from school, feel free to text through the reason. Automated messages are generally sent at 9.30am each day for unexplained absences.

Urgent or emergency contact

Our school aims to have a variety of channels for communication to keep everyone informed, included and prepared. We use Seesaw, Facebook, our Newsletter and Website for general information. For more formal and direct communication we use email, SMS and phone calls. If the need arises to rapidly communicate with our community, this will most likely occur via text message and email. Please assist us by ensuring that your contact details are up to date, and that the person designated as the primary contact is able to receive and share information within the household. If there are any changes to your contact preferences, please contact our office at riva.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Upcoming Events April 2022

March 2022

2nd Riva PS Official Opening
7th Labour Day
Public Holiday
8th Newsletter Issued
22nd Newsletter Issued

For Kindergarten attendance days and planners, visit <https://www.rivaps.wa.edu.au/our-students/kindergarten/>

5th Newsletter Issued
8th Last day of Term One

Voluntary Contributions
The school bank details are:
Riva Primary School
BSB 633 000
A/C No. 187 401 047
Please use your child's name as a reference.

Parking pace

The general courtesy and respect shown in our carparks is something that makes me proud. So I'd like to thank you, but also ask for a little more. At all times, as we do at Riva, remember that the reason we are here is for children. It should be no surprise that children, and their younger siblings, and their wonderful parents, carers, aunts and grandparents are moving in and out of the school, and through our carparks. Please slow right down to a walking pace and stay alert. If we all look out for each other, we'll get everyone where they need to be safely, and with time to spare.

Our official opening

It is my pleasure to invite our community to join us virtually for the official opening of Riva Primary School by the Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Sue Ellery MLC. It is important that our moment in history is acknowledged, and that we do it safely with the current settings. Therefore, we're holding a virtual opening.

We invite you to join us on Wednesday 2nd March for the livestream through our YouTube page – we'll get the link out through Facebook, Seesaw and our other channels. The livestream commences at 12.35pm. We will also make a recording of the event available and share the link if you wish to watch the event later.

Students will be watching the livestream from their classrooms, with the ceremony culminating in the screening of our whole school performance.

Assemblies

An aspect of our official opening is to test how we can deliver a livestreamed experience—one that connects with our community, allows for our student performances to be respected and included, and provides a platform to acknowledge achievements within our school.

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Following from the opening, we will hopefully have developed a durable and engaging way to safely conduct school assemblies going forward, and make any improvements identified, ready to commence livestreamed school assemblies from Term Two of this year.

A healthy team

While we value everyday attendance, we also require that students and staff who are unwell remain at home. Taking a day or two to recover fully is far preferable to battling through the school day, and potentially spreading illness in our community.

Thank you for taking responsible actions and keeping our school informed. Should you need to urgently advise the school on health-related matters, please email riva.ps@education.wa.edu.au or the Principal directly at aaron.chaplin@education.wa.edu.au

Uniform updates

Our Riva uniform continues to come into stock, with Faction Shirts arriving last week, and available for purchase in store and online.

Stock levels for Faction shirts are good, and there is availability for every faction, in every size. Students from Pre-primary to Year 6 are encouraged to wear their faction shirts each Friday. If you need a reminder of your family faction, please text FACTION to 0456 575 024.

Our Puffer Vest has arrived in store at Maddington Central. This is currently the only winter uniform available, and is not yet listed for online sales. The puffer vest retails at full price of \$49.95, or, wait to pick up at the 20% off sale in the near future. **The puffer vest is an optional part of our uniform.**

In the meantime, we continue to operate with a range of uniform options:

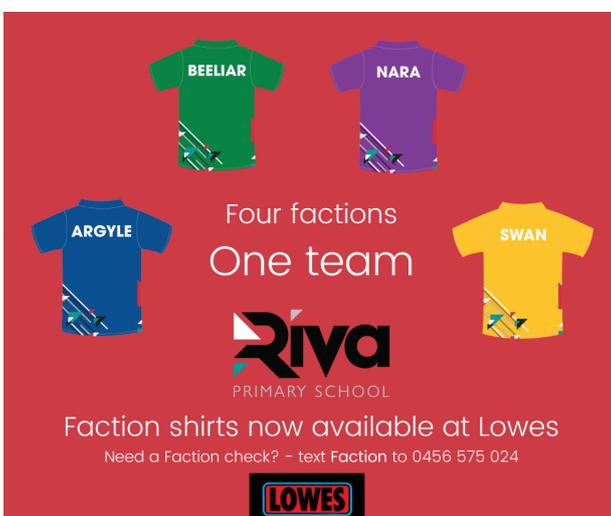
- Wearing existing uniforms from previous schools (option until end of Term One)
- Wearing plain red polo shirts (option until end of 2022)
- Wearing available Riva uniform.

While we're awaiting winter stock, parents are welcome to purchase plain black outerwear – jackets / jumpers from a supplier of your choice, with the same 12 month grace period before transitioning to Riva uniforms.

Plain black garments for pants, shorts, skirts etc are always permissible as part of our uniform and dress code.

We expect to be announcing a 20% sales event at Lowes very soon. We will also have a one-off Riva Primary School only 20% off sale, held when the entirety of the uniform becomes available.

Thank you for your patience while we navigate the manufacturing and shipping complications of our times.



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ARGYLE SWAN

Four factions
One team

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Faction shirts now available at Lowes

Need a Faction check? - text Faction to 0456 575 024

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Keep warm.

Stay cool.

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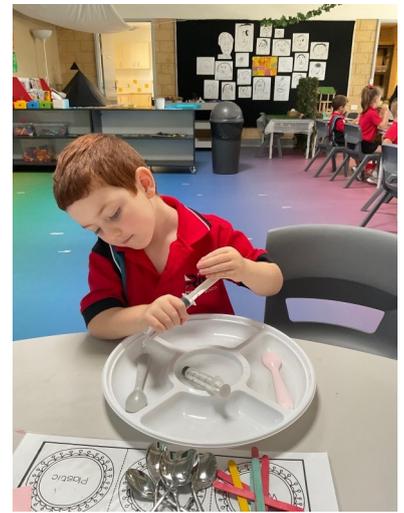
Puffer vest now available in store at
Lowes Maddington Central



Pre-primary Science Investigations

Our Pre-primary students from across the four Pre-primary classes have been investigating materials and their properties during Science as part of the curriculum focus on Physical Sciences and Science Inquiry Skills.

This involved observation, testing, using their senses and recording their findings.



Volleyball Clinics

Several classes are participating in Volleyball Skills Clinics arranged by Mr Batt and delivered by the team from Volleyball WA. This is a great way to enrich the sports and expertise on offer.

Here are some action shots from our Year 5/6 class in LA4.1



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From the Community Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Samantha Fernando and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program. Please keep an eye out for the consent form that will be provided by your class teacher. The assessment is usually completed at school. If you would like to be present for your child's assessment, please indicate this on the School Entry Health Assessment consent form.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on **0439 794 571** or via email, **Samantha.Fernando@health.wa.gov.au**

Community News

Proudly supporting our community



City of Armadale - Movies in March

- 11th March Flight of the Navigator
Rushton Park, Kelmscott
- 18th March E.T.
Novellii Pavillion, Piara Waters



In theme of the retro feature film E.T., City of Armadale are running a **Best Dressed Bike Competition!!** The winner will receive a really cool Bike Hamper. So leave your cars at home, jump on the bikes for a fun filled family night.

Extra bike racks will be setup, along with a roving Bike Mechanic fixing up bikes and making adjustments for our community.

- 25th March Back to the Future
Champion Centre Community
Seville Grove

Grab your **FREE** tickets from the Eventbrite link, bring a picnic or purchase some food while you enjoy a delightful evening of children's activities and a family movie together!

For all tickets -

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/movies-in-march-piara-waters-tickets-239814500627?fbclid=IwAR3XVFNcDS_4W1Ie89pGCycUKaPmWXIn3m8FmnlB7EdNnJNOnSi8m5ECBeM

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We at Riva Primary School acknowledge and respect the Whadjuk Noongar people and their continuing connection to the language, stories, culture and history. On Noongar Boodjar, from the hills to the waters, we open our hearts and our eyes as we walk this land, listening, learning and caring for Country and it's people. We extend this respect to Elders; past, present and emerging and to all First Nations peoples reading this today. **We are all included and respected here.**

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