Diary Dates

November 15  Wednesday, Governing Council @ 6pm
November 20  Monday, Pupil Free Day
November 23  Thursday, Y12 Graduation & Awards Ceremony, Bonython Hall @ 6pm
December 1   Friday, Special Education Leavers Dinner, Mawson Lakes & Function Centre @ 6pm
December 5   Tuesday, Y7 STEM Presentation Night @ 6pm
December 15  Friday, Students dismissed @ 2.15pm

Artwork by Y11 student Suhalia Haidari
Acrylic paint on hard board, using art line pen to create effective mandala inspired patterning.

A mandala (Sanskrit: मण्डल, literally "circle") is a spiritual and ritual symbol in Hinduism and Buddhism, representing the universe.
In common use, "mandala" has become a generic term for any diagram, chart or geometric pattern that represents the cosmos metaphysically or symbolically; a microcosm of the universe.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mandala
Principal’s Report

A number of functions and events have been planned throughout term 4 to celebrate student achievement and success. Our Year 12 Graduation Ceremony and Awards Evening will be held at Bonython Hall, Adelaide University, on Thursday 23 November; the Year 12 Special Education Campus Leavers Dinner will be held at the Mawson Lakes Function Centre on Friday 1 December, and the Special Education Campus Concert is planned for Thursday 7 December. I hope you will be able to join us at these events.

Thank you to all of the families who attended our term 4 parent/teacher interview night and Year 10 Personal Project Expo. It was wonderful to see the many interesting, creative and innovative projects completed by the Year 10 students. Our Year 9 students all had the opportunity to view the exhibition and have gained valuable insight into the work requirements of the Personal Project which they have just commenced.

Five teachers from Thailand visited our school over two weeks. They are working with our teachers to learn about the teaching strategies they use to deliver the Australian Curriculum, IB MYP and SACE.

*Left to right, Mr Wissarut Buatoom, Ms Nattaporn Khumkrong, Sandy Richardson with Ms Miruntee Tophawong.*

We welcome back Louise Mather, Assistant Principal STEM, who has been on Long Service Leave and thank Diana Hinic and Steven Lindsay for their work as Coordinators whilst Louise was on leave.

Congratulations to Charlotte Fitzgerald has been appointed as The Arts Coordinator and Bianca Rawlings as the Design and Technology Coordinator for term 4 2017 to backfill Stammy Overell who is acting as Head of Campus Girls’ Education for term 4 whilst Judith Clelland is on leave.

Paul Simpson has been appointed to the Special Education Campus as an ongoing teacher commencing in 2018 and Lynley Johnston has been appointed as the Head of Campus Special Education for five years.

Emma Russo has been appointed as the Literacy, Communication and Learning Technologies Coordinator and Aimee Schook as the Learning Support Coordinator for five years.
Principal’s Report

Welcome, Congratulations and Farewells

We farewell Karen Fitzpatrick (right), Deputy Principal, who has won the position in DECD as Assistant Director School and Preschool Operations and will commence Week 4 Term 4.

This is a significant promotion and well deserved. I would like to thank Karen for the substantial contribution she has made over 7 years to our school. She is an outstanding instructional leader and in particular, was instrumental in our school’s successful IB MYP Authorisation. We wish her well in her new role.

Congratulations to Pepe Bouzalas who will be acting as the Deputy Principal, Ann Falk as the Head of Campus, Co-Education Senior Years, Dalal Zahr as Co Ordinator Languages and ESL and Tash Taylor as Co Ordinator English & Humanities until the end of the year.

Welcome

Welcome to Sachiko Kurose, Japanese Teacher Assistant, from Okayama, Japan who has commenced at our school this term and will continue with us until March next year.

World Teachers Day

World Teachers Day was on Friday 27 October. A special celebration morning tea was held to acknowledge the fantastic work of our teachers. Thank you to Frances Bedford MP for Florey for her generous contribution towards the morning tea.

Assembly Celebration for the Year 12 Students

A very successful whole school assembly was held on Friday November 3 where we acknowledged the achievements of our 213 Year 12 students and wished them well in completing their assignments and sitting their exams over the next few weeks. Following the assembly the students undertook a fun and relaxing day at the Beach House, Glenelg.

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Principal’s Report (cont’d)

North East Community Day
On Saturday 4 November our school participated in the North East Community Day at the Hillcrest Community Centre. This was a fantastic opportunity to showcase our school within the local community and to promote our STEM programs. Thank you to the students and staff for volunteering to be involved and the families who visited our stall.

Parent Opinion Survey
All parents and carers who have supplied us with an email address will be sent a parent opinion survey via email. Please contact the school if you have not yet supplied us with your email address or your email address has changed. Your feedback will be used to further improve our work with your children and will be included in our Annual Report.

Sandy Richardson
Principal
Our Year 12 students have been working harder than ever in the lead up to Year 12 exams and final assessments. Our Year 12 teachers have also been working ‘above and beyond’ supporting students, many staying late into the evening to give students the help they need. We were able to wish our year 12s well at our recent whole school assembly.

All of our teachers will be involved in developing Year 8 to 12 units of work in our next Professional Development day on November 20 2017 and involved in Literacy, Technology and Numeracy workshops.

This will involve shared planning of curriculum, designing assessment tasks and moderating student work. We continue to work in a way to ensure that all students receive a quality education and that standards are consistent across classes.

Thank you to the many parents who attended Parent/Teacher interview evening on October 25, 2017. Our Parent/Teacher interview evening continues to be popular and make a big difference in student learning outcomes.

Snapshot mid term grades will be available on Daymap Wednesday November 15, 2017.

Karen Fitzpatrick
Deputy Principal
Special Education Campus Report

On Thursday 26 October a number of classes from the Special Education Campus participated in the Special Olympics SA 2017 Unified Netball carnival. The students had an excellent time competing against students from other school and showing their passing and shooting skills. I would like to thank Rebecca Hill for her organisation and the staff who supported the students on the day. Participation in community events is an important part of the program for all students and it is always a pleasure to see how enthusiastic they are about going and how proud of their efforts they are when they return.

We held an Open Morning in week 2. This is part of our transition process for new students and families who will be joining us in 2018. I would like to thank Chloe and Caleb for representing our current students by welcoming our visitors and guiding them on a tour of the Special Education Campus. They did an exceptional job in demonstrating our school values and being role models for the new students who visited. The transition process will continue with our new 2018 students joining classes on Tuesday 14 and Tuesday 21 November.

I am pleased to be able to announce that an appointment has been made to the Special Education Campus Pastoral Care Worker position left vacant by the retirement of Raelene Watts in term 2. Dean Hawkins will bring with him a wealth of experience of working with young people and will start in the position from the beginning of the 2018 school year.

The 2017 Leavers Dinner will be held on Friday 1 December at the Mawson Lakes Hotel and Function Centre. This is an annual event for our students who are leaving school at the end of the year and is an opportunity for them and their families to celebrate together. It is an event enjoyed by our students as they prepare for their move from school to post school options. We will also be holding our annual concert again this year, on 7 December. All Special Education classes perform an item and the Multi Purpose Hall will have a display of student artwork from all classes.

Lynley Johnston
Head of Campus Special Education
Term 4 has been our busiest term by far; but that does not mean we haven’t been working hard to make it the best one yet.

Isadora Roberts is a new tutor who is working with us while Jamie is backfilling Julie’s ASETO role. She has been a great support to our students and has become an asset to the Aboriginal Education team.

Our Year 12 students have been putting in extra effort with our tutors Rachel, Tim, and Isadora to make sure that all their external assessments and class tasks are completed. I am proud to report that all Year 12s are on track to complete their SACE and are ready to venture forth into the future, whether it be at University, TAFE, or full-time employment.

This Friday marked the last session of AIME for 2017. We have had an enthusiastic group of students participate in AIME this year. Over the past two terms, students have worked with Aboriginal mentors and role models to develop their own journey as a young role model and demonstrate this ability back in the school community. The day was exciting, and filled with great activities, which the students loved participating in.

On Wednesday the 1st of November, Ngahuia Henry and Errol Lovegrove came to Roma Mitchell to speak about traineeships for Aboriginal students in the Department of Planning, Transport, and Infrastructure. Ngahuia, a past student, spoke of the great opportunities she had experienced as part of the one-year traineeship at DPTI. Errol also spoke to a group of enthusiastic Year 10, 11, and 12 students about applying for these traineeships and many students were definitely considering this valuable opportunity as something they may consider after they finish their school.

Remember that on November 16 we are having our Aboriginal Education Family BBQ. Flyers have been sent out and make sure to RSVP as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you then.

_Alistair Ward_
Aboriginal Education Coordinator
Co Education Campus & Girls' Education Campus Report

Year 12 Final Assembly and Excursion to the Beachouse at Glenelg

A whole school assembly was held on Friday 3 November 2017 to officially farewell and wish year 12 students well in their exams and in the completion of all assigned tasks. Year 12 Prefects and SRC students were also acknowledged for their work throughout the year. After the assembly the year 12 students chose to visit the Beachouse at Glenelg, so that they could engage in a range of physical activities to mark the occasion. This was an informal event that was organised to involve all students in a more relaxed activity.

Year 12 End of Year Arrangements

Departing dates for Year 12 students
Students have different finishing dates according to their work requirements. Individual teachers have provided students information about specific work and attendance requirements and final dates for presentation or submission of work.

Not all year 12 subjects have an exam. Year 12 students will need to manage their time effectively and efficiently so that they can prepare for exam subjects and also meet normal assessment requirements in their other subjects. Students will need to meet and conference with their subject teachers during exam weeks.

Students must wear full school uniform when attending school for any reason. This includes attending school for exams and/or scheduled subjects or returning books.

Return of books (library and text books), laptop and laptop charger, combination lock and collection of Year Book.

When year 12 students have completed their subject work requirements they will need to clean out their locker and return books, laptop, laptop charger, combination lock to the Library. This process should be finalised by Friday 18 November 2016. Students can collect their Year Book from Building 1, Administration (any time between 9.00 am until 10.30 am) on Friday 15 December 2017.

Year 11 End of Year Exams and Year 11 to Year 12 Transition Program

Exams
Semester 2 end of year exams will be held at the school for year 11 students and will commence Tuesday 15 November 2016 and end Friday 18 November 2017. General information relating to exam week and an outline of the exam timetable will be issued to students. After exam week students will have an opportunity to finalise assessment tasks and review exams.
Co Education Campus & Girls’ Education Campus Report (Cont’d)

Graduation and Awards Evening

Year 12 students, parents/carers and staff will be invited to attend the Graduation and Awards Evening to be held on Thursday 23 November 2017. The venue for this event is Bonython Hall, North Terrace, Adelaide. Year 12 students will be recognised for years of study, completion of their senior years and special recognition eg subject and special awards. Year 12 students are expected to wear full school uniform.

SACE Results Release Day

The date for students to access their results online as soon as they’re released (week beginning 18 December 2017). Staff will be available at the school from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm to support students and parents with any queries regarding Stage 2 SACE results including how to access results, discuss bonus points and possible changes to University and TAFE pathways.

Year 11 to 12 Transition Program and Year 11s begin Year 12 Subjects

To support students, make a smooth transition from year 11 to year 12 all year 11 students will commence their year 12 subjects on Monday 4 December 2017. Students will benefit greatly from having an additional two weeks to complete their year 12 courses. It gives students a head start for the challenge of year 12. To support students in this transition from year 11 to year 12 a transition day will be held on Friday 1 December 2017. More details will be provided to students and parents/carers after the exams.

Year 10 Round Table Discussions

The final Personal Learning Plan (PLP) assessment task requires all year 10 students to participate in a round table discussion. Students will need to demonstrate their learning to their teacher and parent/carer. The panel will ask students a range of reflective questions that are structured around the SACE capabilities.

PLP round table discussions will be held in the Library on Thursday November 16 for the Girls’ Education Campus students and Friday November 18 2017 for Co-Education Campus students. No scheduled classes will be held on this day for year 10 students. The round table discussion will take 15 minutes and we would like to invite all year 10 parents/carers to participate. Students are expected to wear full school uniform.

All year 10 students have received a letter about the year 10 round table discussions and it includes a section for parent/carer to complete details about your preferred appointment time.

Pepe Bouzalas
Head of Senior Years

Stammy Overell
Head of Girls’ Education Campus
Certificates of Academic Excellence & Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates of Academic Excellence, Academic Merit Awards for term 3.

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|      |        |                        | Aun Haider                                                             |
| 8    | Co Ed  | Academic Merit         | Divy Patel                                                             |
|      |        |                        | Justin Barola                                                          |
|      |        |                        | William                                                                |
|      |        |                        | Leon                                                                   |
|      |        |                        | Oliver Moors                                                           |
| 9    | Co Ed  | Academic Excellence    | Jessica Bottcher                                                       |
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|      |        |                        | Jasmin Sicolo                                                          |
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|      |        |                        | Anne Peou                                                             |
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|      |        |                        | Charlene Pham                                                         |
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| 9    | Co Ed  | Academic Merit         | Mansukhveer Singh                                                     |
|      |        |                        | Phat Nguyen                                                          |
|      |        |                        | Mohit Chhabra                                                        |
|      |        |                        | Luke Nieuwenhuize                                                      |
|      |        |                        | Dayna Capel                                                          |
|      |        |                        | Ramim Hossin                                                        |
|      |        |                        | Ana Ribeiro Dos Santos                                                |
|      |        |                        | Oscar Puz                                                           |
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      |        |                   | Amy Southwell  
      |        |                   | Ria |
| 10   | Co Ed  | Academic Merit    | Devansh Patel  
      |        |                   | Parth Vyas  
      |        |                   | An Le  
      |        |                   | Izabella Mellors  
      |        |                   | Jemma Rattley  
      |        |                   | Huy Vo  
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      |        |                   | Jaden Bressan  
      |        |                   | Christina Chhay  
      |        |                   | Leyla Barnett  
      |        |                   | Aaron Matsen |
| 11   | Co Ed  | Academic Excellence | Dilpreet Singh  
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      |        |                   | Tasnim Hossin  
      |        |                   | Dakshdeep  
      |        |                   | Aatif Sunasra |
| 11   | Co Ed  | Academic Merit    | Hannah Smith  
      |        |                   | Lachlan Dziego  
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      |        |                   | Francine Domingo  
      |        |                   | Matt Duggan  
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Senior Jumpers - Attention Year 11 Parents/Caregivers

If your child is in year 11 now (2017), remind them to come and try on the RMSC Seniors Jumper, exclusive to Year 12 students (2018) all campuses. The following dates are for fittings at the RMSC uniform shop located at the Girls’ Education Campus.

- Thursday November 9: 8:15am – 11:30am
- Thursday November 16: 8:15am – 11:30am
- Thursday November 23: 8:15am – 11:30am
- Thursday November 30: 8:15am – 11:30am
- Thursday December 7: 8:15am – 11:30am
- Thursday December 14: 8:15am – 11:30am (Last day for payment)

How to order and pay for a senior jumper

Order by phoning UMS direct on 8363 5255 or visit the UMS Uniform Shop on Thursdays (at the Girls’ Campus) to order and try one on for size. You can pay using Eftpos, cash or cheque. You can order online at www.umspl.com.au Password is RMSC

Cost: $75.05 (inc gst)

Grey woollen jumper with campus stripe and school/year logo. The photos to the left and below are examples of the Girls’ Education Campus Seniors Jumper.

- Girls’ Education Campus stripe, Purple
- Co Education Campus stripe, Red
- Special Education Campus stripe, Blue
SYC Youth Impact Project

SYC is a not-for-profit organisation centred on employment, training and youth services. With a core purpose to positively affect the lives of people in need, last year SYC helped more than 61,000 people in the areas of Home, Wellbeing, Learning and Working.

On Tuesday October 24, as part of the Youth Impact Program that 10 of our senior students have been involved in, one of students, Afisa Cyuzuzo, was given the opportunity to talk about this initiative live on ABC Radio Adelaide with presenter David Bevan. The ABC were keen to speak to two students in the program about their experiences, learnings and goals. They identified one male student from Scotch College and requested a female from Roma Mitchell Secondary College and Afisa was very keen to represent the school and in particular talk about mental health issues as this is an area of career interest she would like to pursue in the future as a neuro-psychologist.

Other RMSC students who have been involved in this 4 session program are:

Sangna Joshi  
Matt Duggan  
Tatsat Mehta

Trushti Patel  
Dilpreet Singh  
Tasnim Hossin

Deanna Parkinson  
Bianca Reyes  
Francine Domingo

Above Sam Afisa and Lauren Dimas (Head of SYC Communications) with ABC Present David Bevan live ‘on air’.

Above—Afisa and Sam in the foyer waiting to go ‘on air’.

By Darryl Ashby
Key Club Excursion

This term the Key club enjoyed an overnight hike at Mt Crawford Forest. It was the first time they had been camping for most and the first time any of them had carried a pack with everything they needed except their tent. The aim of the camp was to increase understanding and connectedness to the environment and natural world.

The walk was very enjoyable. It was very calming just listening to the natural sounds of the wind in the trees, the rain on the ground and birds in the morning which gave a greater appreciation of the environment. The walk also had its challenges as the first thing we did was hike to the top of the lookout tower and then it rained for the entire afternoon. The views were great and some of the girls surprised themselves that they were able to make it with their packs. We saw lots of kangaroos which was exciting for those who had not seen them before and it was good to learn how to use a trangia for cooking and set up a tent. The best thing was sitting around the campfire at night getting to know each other better and playing campfire games.
Key Club Excursion (Cont’d)

A couple of the girls were also very interested in trying their hand at navigating and learnt about the use of identifying land features and how to read coordinates found on all the gates.

The one thing that surprised the group was the amount of rubbish they managed to create in just two days this was significant because they had to carry it but also how quickly this builds up when you don’t think about it especially as most of it was soft plastic that would just get thrown in the bin. This highlighted how it is important to be considerate of the packaging when we go shopping in order to reduce waste and therefore the effect on the environment.

Thanks to Cheryl Housego for accompanying us on this trip.

Students who have permission to have their names published are listed below -

Latifa Hakimi
Zahra Dad
Ferishta Ayoubi
Saima Abdullah
Soraya Ehsani
Areeba Siddiqui
Year 10 Personal Learning Plan (PLP) Excursion

This excursion was to Adelaide Zoo as part of the subject Y10 PLP. The Adelaide Zoo was holding ‘Careers Week’ and students went along to discover the sorts of careers that are involved in running a metropolitan zoo. Students were surprised by the volume of careers, from administrative and catering, through to animal husbandry and teaching.

Student 1…..

During the zoo excursion, we watched an interesting presentation about the different jobs that working at a zoo can offer. Then we looked at cute animals and played in the playground for the rest of the day.

Written by: Ria

Student 2…..

I enjoyed learning new things about the zoo animals and the possibilities of working at the zoo as I find it interesting. I loved being able to have the opportunity to pat the corn snake and having a look at the animals. I learnt what diverse job opportunities are at the zoo, what a corn snake is and I learnt facts about a hippo that I never knew about.

I loved going to the zoo and would love to go again with the school and I thank the school so much for giving us the opportunity to go and learn new things.

Written by: Ebony Roberts

Student 3…..

What sorts of careers did you learn about that you hadn’t thought about in terms of zoo employment?

There are researchers in particular places around the Zoo watching the animals and taking downs notes of their every move. I never expected the Zoo organisation to be this busy at all, even when there are visitors and tourists visiting the Zoo.

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Year 10 Personal Learning Plan (PLP) Excursion (Cont’d)

Student 3…. (continued)

What did you enjoy the most about the day?
I enjoyed the whole experience in the Zoo and I was grateful to see many animals in person which I haven’t seen them right in front of my eyes before, only seeing them on television.

What would you recommend to Yr10 students wanting to do this excursion next year and why?
Try and see the Zoo because there might be something that will amaze you, like how it amazes me when I got to see many dangerous animals in person and also to get to touch a snake as well.

What do you think you gained by going on this excursion?
That working in the Zoo can be a lot of fun seeing amazing animals every day and even getting to go near them apart from the dangerous ones. It made me realise that working in the Zoo could be hard work meaning that the job you do in life will be hard working as well.

Do you have a funny or interesting story/stories to share from your day?
The funniest part of the day was when I went into a cage full of birds with my friend (Elvin) and as we were about to walk out of the next gate to exit, a large bird flew in front of the gate and started walking towards us. I was really scared and also my friend, and so we ran to the other side of the doors but it was locked and we were screaming for help. Little kids were watching us and laughing seeing two grown teenagers screaming and being frightened by the bird.

When was the last time you got to visit the zoo before this and what has changed?
The last time I visit the Zoo was in 2015 when I went for a family vacation to Myanmar where we saw many dangerous animals and the Zoo in Myanmar comparing to Adelaide Zoo is a whole lot different. Like Myanmar Zoo, it was pretty dangerous I would say because they didn’t really have glass cages for the snakes and it was mostly tiny cages stacked up to each other as there were snakes everywhere. It gave me the chills. The Adelaide Zoo, there’s protection everywhere between the animals and the people which was a relief to see unlike Myanmar’s.

Who helped you to enjoy your day and why?
The person who helped me enjoy my day was my PLP teacher Miss Hall because without her help in bringing me to the Zoo and providing me food I wouldn’t be able to come and would have starved on the day so I owe her a lot for everything she has done for me.

Your friends favourite, what did you do after the talk in the morning, which animal exhibits did you visit?
My friend wanted to see the Giraffe because he was so fascinated about how tall they were and to see how tall he would be next to the Giraffe but it didn’t work out as planned to go next to the Giraffe but at least he was still amazed at how tall and big it was.
I had an amazing time at the Zoo on that day and will never forget the experience I had and maybe one day I will take my family to the Zoo as well especially my younger siblings since they love animals so much and always asking to go see them.

Written by Philemon
Year 11 Work Inspiration Excursion

Article by students Bianca Reyes & Tasnim Hossin

Year 11 students were selected to attend a Work Inspiration workshop at Kain Lawyers. The Work Inspiration excursion was a wonderful experience that provided us with the insight on how we have the power to shape our own careers. Over the course of two days, we got to hear from professionals and their hardships they faced during their journey of becoming who they are. We learnt that it is always wise to step out of your comfort zone and take opportunities.

We were also lucky to be invited to take a tour of the South Australia Health and Medical Research Institute, where we were able to extend our STEM knowledge. We also learnt how to write professional resumes and earned lots of interpersonal skills. Overall, this was an excellent experience to be a part of the Kain Lawyers family. We felt so much better about our futures as pressure was taken off our shoulders through this experience. We definitely recommend this excursion to anyone who is worried or unsure about their future choices.
Library Report

Busy, busy, busy! The Library is a hive of activity with senior students finishing projects and assignments before the exams.

Book Donation

Left — Tamara Grujic, Makalie Watts- Owens, Jacinta Jeffries and Kaitlyn Handley (not in picture) - for Society and Culture we are studying social issues and decided to focus on homelessness and work with Hutt St Centre. Through Hutt St we purchased a book ‘Cleo's Search for a Purr-fect Home’ by Annabelle Hall and donated to the school library. Hutt St Centre is a place of hope and opportunity, helping people facing homelessness to rebuild their lives, without judgement and our contribution will help the centre to continue to do this.

Text Book Returns

Students at RMSC are fortunate to be able to borrow text books for the year. It is extremely important that students take responsibility for these text books and ensure they are all returned in good condition.

During the school holidays we have created new genre areas in the library for students to be able find books that they may like to read. For reluctant readers, looking at a shelf full of books is overwhelming and gets put in the ‘too hard’ basket. On one of our new pyramid shelves we have displayed books showing the covers of books, another area is for short stories. ‘Quick Reads’ another area where we have novels that contain less than 140 pages and we encourage our ESL students to look at these.

We have continued our subscription to World Book online for another year and encourage students to log in and use this resource. It can be accessed at school and home 24/7. ID = RMSCP and the password = Library

Homework after school still remains popular and we encourage students to make use of this service to get extra help to finish off the year.

Premier’s Reading Challenge will be celebrated later in the term where certificates and medals will be handed to students who participated this year.

Bianca and Sharon

Library Team
Diwali

Diwali is the five-day festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. The festival, which coincides with the Hindu New Year, celebrates new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness.

At RMSC, we celebrated Diwali on Friday week 2 this term. The staff members got dressed up in colorful/Indian clothes. The teachers brought traditional cultural food from home and students from commercial kitchen class cooked “Pakora”, which is vegetable fritters, “Gulab Jamuns”, which is sweet dumplings and “Halwa”, which is sweet dish made of semolina. All the staff members hugged and wished “Happy Diwali” to each other.

Thanks to all the staff members who joined in the celebration to make it really enjoyable experience for all of us.
Would a scholarship help your family’s education?

The Smith Family supports long term participation in education through the timely opportunities and support, enabling students to optimise their education outcomes. As part of the Learning for Life program, The Smith Family offers scholarships, programs and support throughout the primary, secondary and tertiary education years.

Scholarships are awarded to students that have demonstrated their commitment to education. A referral by Pepe Bouzalas should be completed if you meet the criteria and are committed to the long-term benefits of education.

Eligibility
- Attend a partner school in reception to year 8
- Have a current Pension Concession or Health Care Card and
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to education through a minimum 90% school attendance.

As The Smith Family have openings for a number of scholarship vacancies at the moment, families who meet the eligibility criteria, are encouraged to speak to Karen Fitzpatrick, Deputy Principal RMSC on 8161 4600

Enquiries can also be made to

Regina Zare (left)
Family Partnership Coordinator, Learning for Life
0429 220 538
regina.zare@thesmithfamily.com.au

Free Tutoring and Homework Assistance

Join The Smith Family on Monday afternoons for homework assistance and tutoring in the Library, Building 1.

Our friendly volunteer tutors (right) are here to help in subjects ranging from English and Humanities, through to Maths and Science and Research Projects in any year level. There is no cost to attend, but you need to complete a consent form which is available for collection from the Library.

The Smith Family Learning Club runs on Monday afternoons in the library from 3.15pm to 4.30pm.
On site uniform shop

Uniform Management Services (UMS) are operating an on-site shop at Roma Mitchell Secondary College during school terms each Thursday from 8:15am-11:30am.

The Uniform shop is open in Building 3 (yellow building). Students and families from the Co-Education and Special Education Campuses can walk along the path at the front of the school and enter the shop via the walkway to the entrance of Building 3. A sign is placed at the entrance of the shop during opening hours. Uniforms can also be purchased from the UMS shop 1/6 Montrose Avenue, Norwood SA. Phone 8363 5266 or visit www.umspl.com.au

Free Hemming Service

The school is offering a free onsite hemming service to take down the hems of Roma Mitchell Secondary College uniforms (dresses, skirts or pants) for RMSC students.

Girls’ Education Campus
Wednesdays 1 pm to 1.30 pm
Drop off uniforms to the Library B1

Co Education & Special Education Campus
Thursdays 1pm to 1.30pm
Drop off uniforms to the Library B1

Note—items will need to be left for the alterations to be completed

Second hand uniforms

Families who wish to sell their second hand uniforms may do so through UMS or the Sustainable School Shop.

Option 1 Second hand uniforms can be taken into UMS at Norwood. Items must be clean and in good condition. Parents will receive partial cost of the sale once the uniform has been sold.

Option 2 Register online with the Sustainable School Shop
www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au

Once registered, families are able to enter the uniform item they wish to sell or buy online. Please contact the school if you have any queries about the second hand uniform service.
Finance Report

2017 School card closing date November 24, 2017 applications cannot be accepted after this date.

Parents/Caregivers are reminded that a new school card application must be submitted every year. Forms are available at Student Services.

Please contact the school on 8161 4600 if you require any information regarding eligibility or assistance with completing the application.

Approved School Card applicants are relieved from paying the Material and Services Charges.

Finance

2017 Materials and Services Fees are now overdue. Final Notices have been issued. Please contact the Finance Manager if you would like to arrange payments by instalments. Payment can be made by cash, credit card, eftpos, direct debit or cheque.

Direct Debit

The school offers direct debit payment plans. Payments can be made from your nominated bank or credit card account. Payments can occur weekly, fortnightly or monthly. If you think this payment option will assist you in finalising amounts outstanding for school fees, laptops or uniform, please contact the Finance Manager on 8161 4600 to arrange a suitable time to set up a direct debit payment plan.

Friendly Reminders

Laptop Instalment Plan

the fourth instalment was due to be paid by 26th October 2017. Any outstanding laptop instalment payments are required to be paid before the end of the 2017 school year.

Thankyou to families who have already made payments.