Thank you for your ongoing support to ensure your child attends school regularly and also communicating any unavoidable absences to the school. Class teachers, Front Office staff and I will continue to follow-up absences and offer any support we can.

DECD has a student attendance target of 93% for all DECD schools across the state. Over the year our attendance has remained below this target with our current overall rate being at 90%.

- Term 1 Attendance Rate: 91%
- Term 2 Attendance Rate: 88%
- Term 3 Attendance Rate: 88%
- Current Term 4 Attendance Rate: 90%

We would like to remind you that the primary responsibility of a student’s attendance rests with the parent/caregiver and when you enrol your child at Risdon Park Primary School you accept the responsibility to:

- Ensure your child attends regularly and punctually. Children are expected to arrive at school no earlier than 8:30am and no later than 8:55am.
- Provide an explanation when your child is absent via a conversation with a staff member, a note, phone call, text message or via the Skoolbag App.
- Provide a medical certificate when your child is absent for more than 2 days due to illness.
- Update any personal information with the school as soon as the information changes; this could include home address, personal phone numbers or emergency contacts. Changes can be made by providing a note in your child’s communication book/diary, phoning the school or coming into the Front Office.

If your child is reluctant to attend school or you would like support in improving your child’s school attendance then please contact their teacher or myself so we can work through any issues. Thank you for your continued support.

Regards

Carly Pavy, School Counsellor
KINDY TO SCHOOL TRANSITION

Students, who will be starting school in Term 1 on Monday 1st February 2016 will be involved in 4 transition visits:

- Wednesday 11th Nov  
  We hope you enjoyed your first transition visit!
- Wednesday 18th Nov  
  9am—1pm (Bring healthy snack for recess & hat)
- Wednesday 25th Nov  
  9am—3pm (Bring recess, lunch, water bottle & hat)
- Thursday 26th Nov 
  9am—3pm (Bring recess, lunch, water bottle & hat)

IMPORTANT: Don’t forget that enrolment forms MUST be completed at our front office prior to your child starting transition. Please call at the front office or telephone us on 8632 2226 if you have any questions.

CAPTAIN’S CHAT

We are over half way through Term 4, and there is still so much to do! We are doing a great job with our attendance rate being at 90%. Let’s keep up the good work.

A huge congratulations to three students who have been selected to represent South Australia in different carnivals. Kynan Couch is off to Fiji for soccer, the Adams sisters, Zali and Neve, have been selected for softball and Tiah Peak has been selected for U14 state basketball team. We are so proud of them and wish them all the very best!

This Friday we are having a fundraiser day for Kynan, Zali, Neve and Tiah. This will be a casual clothes day for a gold coin donation. We will also be having a disco in the hall which is 50c entry.

Risdon’s Got Talent auditions are in full swing and grand finalists will be announced at the end of week 6 for the grand final in week 7.

Unit 1 and Unit 2 students are taking part in the Christmas Tree Spectacular, which will be displayed at the Uniting Lighthouse Church from December 3rd—5th (more information to come).

Kids Co will be running Christmas activities at recess and lunch time from week 7 (more information to come).
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**TERM 4 WEEK 6**
- Monday 16th Nov
  - K. Conley
- Tuesday 17th Nov
  - H. Davidson
- Wednesday 18th Nov
  - M. Dienhoff
- Thursday 19th Nov
  - M. Brown
- Friday 20th Nov
  - **STUDENT FREE DAY**

**TERM 4 WEEK 7**
- Monday 23rd Nov
  - K. Conley
- Tuesday 24th Nov
  - S. Jebb
- Wednesday 25th Nov
  - H. Davidson
- Thursday 26th Nov
  - K. Gray
- Friday 27th Nov
  - G. Baggott
  - H. Davidson

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**CANTEEN SPECIAL**

**FRIDAY SPECIAL 13th NOV**

Chicken & Gravy Roll and BIG M (Choc or Strawberry)
- Full Serve $5.50
- 1/2 Serve $4.50

NO CHICKEN WEDGES/MEATBALLS FRIDAYS

**MEAL CARDS ARE HERE!!**

**LOST CARDS WILL NOT BE REPLACED**

Every time a child spends $5 or more on their lunch orders, they will get their card stamped. When the card is full, they will receive a free meal.

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**GIVE AWAY—5 KITTENS**

Please Contact Lisa on 0458 526 916

**CUB SCOUT FUNDRAISER DAY**

Saturday 21st Nov, At The Scout Hall, 10am—2pm
- Live Entertainment
- Games & Prizes
- BBQ
- Cupcakes
- Homemade Beaded Jewellery

COME ALONG & ENJOY THE FUN !!!

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**SCHOOL TIMES**

*Please remember you should NOT be on the school grounds before 8:30am*

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Respect  Responsibility  Persistence  Confidence

Quality Education Empowering Community Minded Learners—*Helping each other to succeed.*
We wrapped a balloon up with string. It was yucky.
Ella

It was great. I liked it.
Noah

I liked putting the string and glue around the balloon.
Kade

I liked it when we got to choose a colour and Mrs Wilton sprayed it.
Nikita

I also liked it when we sprayed them.
Milee

I liked putting on the colour.
Mia

I liked it when we sprayed them with colour.
Austin

In Reception—Year 2 technology this term we are being creative and messy with string and glue. It takes lots of concentration and skill to get the string baubles to work, but we are getting results.