



12 October 2026

Term 4 Parent Information

Dear Parents,

I hope that students and families enjoyed the holiday break and were able to get outside and enjoy a taste of Spring. We especially welcome new families joining our RJ community this term.

Term 4 is a shorter, and in some ways, busier term with a number of events scheduled including Strings and Band concerts, Year 4 Pyjamarama, Swimming lessons for Years K, 1, 2, 4 and 6, Gymnastics lessons for Years 3 and 5, the K-2 Christmas Twilight concert, Year 6 Graduation and our Junior School Presentation Afternoon. What a great way to finish another wonderful year here at RJ 😊

College Uniform

Students should now be wearing their full Summer Uniform. To protect students from harmful UV rays, **all Junior School students must wear their hat during recess and lunch each day.** Students wear the JS broad-brimmed hat during Recess and Lunch breaks and during PE/Sport lessons as per our College Uniform and Student Presentation Policy. Please ensure hats, like all uniform items, are clearly labelled. Suitable haircuts, especially for boys, are part of the uniform policy. Please read the relevant sections if unsure.

Gymnastics lessons – Years 3 and 5

Students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in gymnastics lessons each Wednesday for six weeks from 14 October to 18 November. Students continue to wear their Sports Uniform on Wednesdays all term.

Swim School – Years K-2 plus Years 4 and 6

Swim School **commences on Wednesday 14 October** for students in **Years K-2, 4 and 6** and will continue each week until **Wednesday 18 November**. Please complete all Swimming permission notes coming via email so groups can be allocated and communicated to the Swim School. Please ensure your child has their swimming equipment at school *each Wednesday* for their lesson. Parents will not be contacted if a child forgets to bring their swimmers to school. Students will still attend the pool with their class if they do not have their swimmers where they will read a book or watch from the side.

Year 6 Graduation Celebrations

The Year 6 Graduation will be held on **Friday 4 December at 9:00am**. The Graduation Celebrations consist of a formal Graduation Service which parents will be able to attend. After the Graduation Service, Year 6 students and their parents enjoy a lovely morning tea. Year 6 students then change into casual attire and head off for some bowling and laser tag fun plus enjoy a special lunch together. The Year 6 Graduation Celebrations, planned by the College, celebrate the students' years in Junior School whilst acknowledging

that they are growing up and transitioning, literally across the Hardcourt, into Senior School. We do not recommend parents plan or participate in any activities beyond the formal Year 6 Graduation College events without speaking to College leadership first.

Assembly

In Assembly in Term 4, we have our final classes in Kindergarten and 1V presenting from Week 1. Lions House will bring us the House Assembly later this term. Students receiving Principal's Awards or other special commendations will have parents notified with an invitation to join us on that Friday starting at 9:10am in the College Hall.

Presentation Afternoon cumulative awards

If your child has received their fourth Principal's Award, they are eligible for a special award at Presentation Afternoon. This needs to be communicated to Reception staff by 30 October so these awards can be prepared in time. Please let staff know if this applies to your child.

Stationery Supplies

A reminder that students in Years 3-6 are required to have basic stationery supplies at school each day. This includes lead pencils, a pencil sharpener, pens (Yrs 4-6), a ruler, an eraser, a glue stick, a couple of highlighters and a pair of scissors. Please ensure that your child has these essentials to start the Term well prepared. Please refer to the stationery lists that can be found on the RJ website. Stationery infringement notices similar to our Uniform notices will come into effect if equipment is regularly missing.

Compassion Child Sponsorship

Thank you to families who regularly send in gold coin donations to support our Compassion sponsor children in Indonesia. \$2 per month per student easily allows us to sponsor a child per year level and makes a huge difference to the lives of these children. As the year progresses our donations decrease. Please continue to send a gold coin each month throughout Term 4 so we can continue to support the students over the longer summer break period. All classes have a collection box in their classroom.

Gifts

With special calendar events occurring this term and in the interest of equity, if you wish to send in something for Christmas for your child's friends, please send a Christmas card only which will be handed out in the last week of the school year. Please do not send in Christmas candy canes or any other gifts for classmates, including **Halloween** – which is not celebrated at our College.

Community Prayer Meetings

You are warmly invited to attend College Community Prayer meetings led by our College Chaplain on 3rd November and 1st December starting at 8am in the Hive. It is wonderful to come together to pray for RJ.

Events for your Diary

Event	Date	Additional Information
Year 6 Leadership 2027 Applications due	Tuesday 20 October	For current Year 5 students
Year 4 Pyjamarama	Fri 30 Oct– Sat 31 Oct	At school 6pm start
Swim School – Years K-2, 4 & 6	Wed 14 October – Wed 18 November	Electronic permission needed. Wear Sports uniform. Bring swim gear.
Gymnastics – Years 3 & 5	Wed 14 October – Wed 18 November	Wear Sports uniform
Junior School Band Concert	Tuesday 3 November	3:45pm College Hall
Junior School Strings Concert	Wednesday 4 November	3:45pm AV room The Hub
House Meetings	Friday 20 November	Students wear their House Shirt
Year 7 2027 Orientation Days	Thursday 12 and 19 November	Year 6 students to Year 7, 2027. Information sent from Senior School.
Christmas Twilight Concert K-2	Friday 27 November 5:00pm	K-2 will present a Nativity mini-musical in the Junior School Courtyard.
Year 6 Graduation and Activity Day	Friday 4 December	9:00am - Graduation Assembly and Morning Tea for Year 6 students and their families – further details to follow.
Junior School Presentation Afternoon and final day for students Term 4	Wednesday 9 December (1pm)	Parents welcome. Students wear Summer uniform.
Semester 2 Reports available on Edumate	Thursday 10 December	
Optional Parent / Teacher Interviews	Friday 11 December	Staff available for interviews to discuss the Student Report. Please contact your child's Teacher if a booking is required.

Additional events may be added to the calendar throughout the term. Please check the RJ Review, College emails and Seesaw posts from your child's Teacher.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Karen Shannon-Duhigg | **Head of Junior School**