

REVESBY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Information booklet



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THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

The school occupies a large site close to Revesby shopping centre and other community facilities. The grounds are pleasantly laid out with gardens and large grassed playing areas surrounded by trees. There are adequate paved and covered areas to serve the needs of the children in inclement weather.

The school perimeter is enclosed by a security fence to keep students safe and ensure security after hours. These gates will be locked at approximately 9.30am and re-opened at approximately 3:00pm. The only pedestrian access during school hours is via The River Road entrance (closest to the pedestrian crossing).



The school grounds provide for a wide range of activities, which include a synthetic soccer pitch, play equipment, cricket nets, netball, basketball, sensory garden, handball and marked playground games and activities to suit children of all ages and abilities.

We have chickens in our chicken coop, vegetable garden and a greenhouse which students can help maintain.

All buildings are original design but well maintained and have redgum verandahs. Each block has a breakout room attached. All rooms are carpeted and have air conditioning. The large awning covering an

asphalted playground area provides the children with shelter while playing and during outdoor assemblies.

The school hall provides a suitable venue for assemblies, dance and gymnastic activities and musical experiences. Visiting performers use the hall to present items to the children. The hall is used by a number of community based groups who offer programs such as dance and tae kwon do.



Our modern library is situated near the administration block and is well-equipped with extensive reference, fiction and non-fiction sections. The library also contains an interactive whiteboard and a computer technology centre which allows the children to participate in independent research.

SUPERVISION

Direct supervision of children commences at 8:45am. Students should not be on school premises before this time or after school finishes at 3:15pm.

When arriving at school, students are to put their bags in the area specified by their class teacher and then they are to go to the playground. If students arrive before the teacher commences playground supervision, they must sit in the designated seating area, students will then be able to play from 9am until the bell.

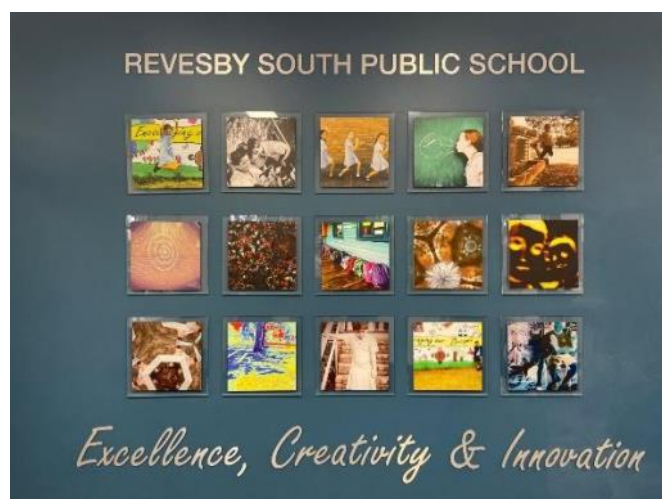
When collecting your children at 3:15pm, the staff would appreciate if parents, could wait at the gate rather than near the child's classroom. There is a school crossing supervisor in the morning and afternoon on The River Road.

If you are unable to collect your child/ren from school at 3:15pm you must contact the school before the bell to ensure we can make contact with the class teacher. Students will remain in their classroom with their teacher until you arrive.

Office hours are Monday-Friday 8:30am-3:30pm.

School Times

Morning Bell	9:15am
<i>Mid-morning fruit break for 10 minutes</i>	
Lunch Break	11:25am-12:10pm
Recess Break	1:40pm-2:00pm
Afternoon Bell	3:15pm
Scripture – Tues	(Primary) 9:15am 9:45am (Infants) 9:45am-10:15am



AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before School, After School and Vacation Care is operated by the YMCA and is operated on the school premises. Parents can drop their children off early in the morning for supervision by highly qualified trained YMCA staff from 7:00am and concludes at 9:00am. Supervision commences again after school by YMCA staff at 3:00pm and lasts up until 6:00pm. Vacation Care 7:00am-6:00pm.

The children's interests are the foundations of our programs. We encourage children to be involved in interesting and exciting play experiences and explore their natural talents and potential. Children enjoy different team sports, dancing, indoor discussions and activities, such as art and craft. Homework is encouraged. We inspire all children to engage in a healthy lifestyle. We offer breakfast and afternoon tea in accordance with government recommended healthy eating guidelines. We also encourage children to participate in outdoor active play.

Contact Number: 1300 009 649 Email: childcare@ymcansw.org.au

For more information visit our website: ymcansw.org.au/revesbysouth

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The wearing of school uniform helps foster pride in the school and assists in developing good tone and conduct. Our "Sun Safe" policy requires that students wear hats to protect them from the sun.

The uniform room is open every **Wednesday 9:00am-9:45am** for purchasing items by cash. For convenience you can direct debit orders and send in your order form to the office or email the uniform room directly. The processed orders will then be delivered to your child's class. Alternately you can purchase uniforms from *Claudine School wear* online <https://onlineshop.claudineschoolwear.com.au/revsps> or in-store at 6/133 The River Road Revesby NSW 2213.

Parents are asked to ensure that all school clothing is appropriately labelled so that lost property can be returned to its owner. For any enquires contact us rspsuniforms@gmail.com You can view images of the school uniform and download the price list from our school website under parent services / uniform tab.



SEASONS	GIRLS	BOYS
Summer (Mon-Thurs)	Summer dress Black jacket/sloppy joe White socks Black leather shoes Black sports hat Navy hair elastics/ribbons	Sky blue polo shirt Black shorts Black jacket/sloppy joe White socks Black leather shoes Black sports hat
Winter (Mon-Thurs)	Winter Tunic with crest Black Pants Sky blue polo shirt/Skivvy Black Jacket/Sloppy Joe White socks/ black tights Black leather shoes Navy Elastics/Ribbons Black sports hat	Black trousers/Black shorts Sky blue polo shirt/Skivvy Black Jacket/Sloppy Joe White socks Black leather shoes Black sports hat
Sports Uniform (Friday)	Gold polo with school crest Black Netball skirt/black shorts Black jacket/sloppy joe Gold Socks Black or white sport shoes Black or gold hair elastic/ ribbon Black track pants if desired in winter	Gold polo shirt with school emblem Black tracksuit pants Black Sport Shorts Plain gold Socks Plain black or white joggers

SCHOOL CANTEEN

Our School Canteen offers students a wide selection of both hot and cold healthy foods at lunchtime and afternoon tea at very reasonable prices. The canteen is operational **Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays** by our canteen supervisor and parent volunteers.

Lunch orders can only be purchased online via QuickCliq at www.quickcliq.com.au **before 8:30am** on the day of order.

The canteen is only accepting cash for counter sales such as ice blocks, chips etc.

Students should not bring large sums of money to school. For security and safety students should carry money within a zippered pocket or wallet in their uniform. Money should not be left in school bags.

See below for instructions on how to register with QuickCliq.



Introducing your school's online ordering platform

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Visit our website to
sign up and register
www.quickcliq.com.au



Add credit to your online
wallet to pay when ordered!
No more money in envelopes!



Pay and place your order
it is that easy and easy!
Food orders, uniforms & more

More information on how to **Get Started** is on the back.

Need help

Phone or email us - Monday to Friday, 7:30am - 4:00pm
Call 1300 11 66 37 | support@quickcliq.com.au



How to get started

- QuickCliq is free to set up and easy to use
- Register at www.quickcliq.com.au
- **SIGN UP** and complete the registration form
- Receive a link via email to **ACTIVATE** your account before logging in
- **ADD STUDENT**, add your child's details, select their school and save to your account
- **ADD CREDIT** to your online wallet before ordering
- Select **MEAL ORDER** and you're good to go

Orders can be placed up to 28 days in advance. You can view your completed orders via the Active Orders or Transaction History tabs in your account.

Want to know the best thing about QuickCliq?

- ✓ It was designed by parents, for parents, so it's easy to use and incredibly intuitive!
- ✓ One family, one account - you will have one unique and secure login to manage all your children's orders, even if they attend different schools. QuickCliq saves you time and gives you complete visibility over your family's needs.
- ✓ Tired of scrounging around for loose change every morning before your kids run off to school? With QuickCliq, lunch money is a thing of the past.
- ✓ We're giving control back to you over your children's diets. By ordering their lunch ahead of time, you can ensure they are eating healthy and balanced meals.
- ✓ QuickCliq was designed with mobile access in mind. Simply login to add credit and order, all from the convenience of your smartphone or tablet.
- ✓ To top up your account you have three options; Direct Deposit / Credit Card / PayPal
 - Direct Deposit is free
 - The surcharge to add credit is 1.5%
 - The surcharge for PayPal is 3.8%
 - When placing an order there is a small booking fee per transaction per student.

Our Call Centre is here to assist your families
with ordering online **Call 1300 11 66 37**



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

PARENTS & CITIZENS GROUP (P&C)



The P&C is open to all members of the school community. This group meets twice a term.

The P&C has committees which meet regularly. These committees operate the School Canteen, School Uniform Shop and liaise with the school in fund-raising activities. We require parent volunteers to be able to sustain operations. For several years now parent helpers have become an important part of school life, a core of very dedicated people who work hard to provide resources for the school and endeavour to achieve improvements in the school environment. If you have an hour a week or more to spend at school it would be greatly appreciated. Parents support can be requested

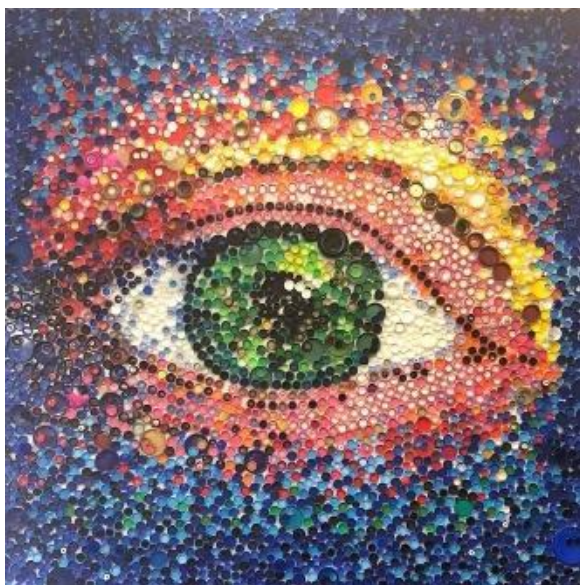
by the teacher for sports carnivals, excursions etc. Sharing in these experiences is great fun for parents and children.

Parents with special skills and interests can work with class teachers in craft, writing, maths and reading lessons. If you would like to help in this way talk to your child's teacher.

The school consults parents when it is developing school policies such as the Welfare and Discipline Policy and student assessment and welcomes their suggestions and practical help when developing new curriculum programs.

There are many interesting ways parents can be involved in the school.

School buildings such as the hall, the community room, classrooms and school grounds are in constant use by the community.



Education is a co-operative venture and only when community, parents, teachers and children come together in friendship, goodwill and with a spirit of enquiry and a great deal of hard work, will our schools be the best for our children.

For any enquiries, please contact the P&C:
revesbysouthpc@gmail.com

SUPPORT SERVICES

The **Learning Support Team (LST)** meets weekly to discuss specific learning or behaviour issues. The LST comprises the Principal, School Counsellor, Learning Support Teacher and Assistant Principal and classroom teachers.

The **School Counsellor** attends the school one day a week. The counsellor is available, on request to talk to parents concerning their child's progress and to be involved with the school in closer assessment of student's needs, strengths and specific problems. He/she works in tandem with the class teacher in formulating programs of work.

An **E.A.L/D program** is offered to assist students from non-English speaking background.

Students with disabilities are enrolled under the **Integration program**.

The school employs a speech pathologist who attends our school on Mondays.

A Learning and Support Teacher involves students from K-6 in several intensive programs such as **Multilit** and **Minilit**.



SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL BYTES

Is the only communication system for all correspondence between you and the school, you receive all information, permission notes, make payments, enter full day student absences, give online consent and more. Parents must register for school bytes and download the app - contact the office for more details.

LATE ARRIVALS / EARLY LEAVERS

Students arriving at school after the commencement of classes must report to the office with a parent/guardian to record and sign their time of arrival. Partial Attendance days can NOT be submitted through School Bytes. Parents/Carers wishing to pick up a child before the end of the school day must obtain a note from the office before going to the classroom. This person needs to be over 18 years of age. Identification may be required when signing out a student.

HOLIDAY EXEMPTION LEAVE

If you're planning an overseas trip/cruise for any duration of time you are required to complete a certificate of extended leave travel form via School Bytes which needs to be authorised by the Principal. You will also need to upload a copy of the itinerary. This also applies if you are travelling domestically 10 school days or more.

CUSTODY OF CHILDREN

The Principal should be fully informed of any legal custody matters related to your child. This avoids problems with children being removed from school without a parent's permission.

MOBILE PHONES

If your child is required to bring a mobile phone to school, it is to be clearly labelled and brought to the office upon arrival to school and collected from the office at the end of the school day.

LOST PROPERTY

All lost property which is labelled with a child's name will be returned to that child as soon as possible. Any lost property which does not have a child's name on it will be sent to the lost property box which is located outside the canteen. All valuable items found in the school grounds i.e. watches, glasses, jewellery, etc. will be sent to the office.

HOMEWORK

The purpose of homework, like school work, is learning. It helps reinforce and build on what students have already learned in the classroom and prepares them for the next stage of their learning. Homework also helps to bridge the gap between the home and the school. Parents and caregivers can see the type of learning being undertaken at school and assist in encouraging their children.

Home reading is a vital part of the child's homework. It provides opportunities for parents to reinforce the reading strategies learned at school and gives children much needed practice in these strategies. Home reading helps children with their writing and speaking, and can help to broaden their general knowledge.

PLAYING AREAS



Students are allocated supervised areas for play. They are not permitted in the rooms unless under the direct supervision or direction of a teacher during play periods.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

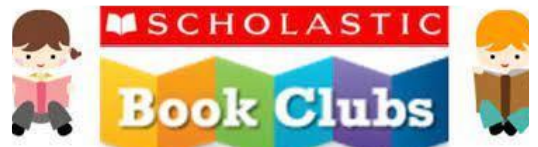
Scripture is held here on Tuesday morning. Students not attending scripture classes are supervised by a class teacher. Currently the school offers Anglican, Catholic, Islamic and Orthodox scripture classes.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

During the year we arrange for individual, sibling, class and special group photos (sport, choir etc) to be taken by a photography company. All photos are purchased and paid for online.

BOOK CLUB

All students may purchase books through the Ashton Scholastic Book Club, comprising Lucky, Arrow and Star, depending on their reading level. The aim of the Book Club is to encourage children to read for enjoyment and to provide reasonably priced books designed to appeal to children of all abilities.



There is no obligation to purchase books. Orders are organised online or through the school. The necessary forms and correct amount of money should be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked "Book Club" and showing the child's name and class. This should be handed in to the office or class teacher in the morning.

TOYS AT SCHOOL

Often students may wish to bring a favourite toy to school to show the class during news time. Students are permitted to do this, however these toys are not to be taken into the playground during play times. If a favourite toy is taken into the playground and is lost or broken the child is likely to become very upset. Students may bring a ball or skipping rope to use in the playground. The school cannot take responsibility for lost or broken valuables.

TOILETING OF CHILDREN

In the morning, at the end of recess and lunch, there are two bells. The first bell is a signal for the students to go to the toilets and wash-sheds. By the time the second bell rings the students should be lining up.

If students need to go to the toilet during class time they are sent with a partner as a safety precaution.

SMOKING POLICY

Parents and visitors to the school are reminded that all New South Wales Department of Education premises and grounds are non-smoking areas.

DOGS

Dogs are not allowed in the school grounds, even on a lead. These pets are a nuisance and a hazard in the playground and frightening to some students. Kindly ensure that dogs do not follow students to school.

PARKING

For safety reasons parents are not able to drive into the school grounds unless there are special circumstances agreed to by the Principal. There is no pedestrian access via the staff carpark on Mars Street.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

Students from K-6 will participate in emergency evacuation drills regularly to educate them on how to respond calmly in an emergency.

EXCURSIONS

Excursions and educational visits to the school are a part of the school's educational program. Each activity is chosen to support an educational program which is operating in the classroom. All students are expected to participate in the excursions and visits organised for the class to gain maximum benefit from the classroom activities conducted before and after the activity.

Excursion costs are closely watched. Written details will be provided to parents online via School Bytes and online parental permission will be sought before a child can participate.

If you are concerned about the cost of an excursion or visit please contact the school office and arrangements will be made to ensure that your child does not miss out on the experience.

STUDENT MEDICATION – DEPARTMENT POLICY

Parents of any children requiring any form of medication to be administered during school hours will need to consult with the office staff and to complete a consent form.

Ventolin/Asmol used for treating Asthma is the only medication that students are allowed to keep in their school bags. No other medication is to be left in the child's school bag.



ANAPHYLAXIS & ALLERGIES

In the interests of students with nut allergies, we request that parents do not supply your child with these products for school lunches as several students can experience an extremely serious reaction.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the students is of paramount importance. If your child has a medical condition, please ensure you complete the appropriate forms relating to their condition. Action Plans, Asthma Plans, Emergency Response Plans and Individual Health Care Plans are available from the school office.

FIRST AID

First aid for any injury incurred by your child at school is catered for by the school administrative staff. Any child requiring first aid should firstly report to the class teacher or the teacher on playground duty.

ACCIDENTS

First Aid is administered by staff for minor injuries. In the event of sudden illness or major accident at school, parents will be contacted and an ambulance will be called.

It is essential that the school be notified of changes of telephone numbers (work and home) and emergency contacts telephone numbers are correct.

