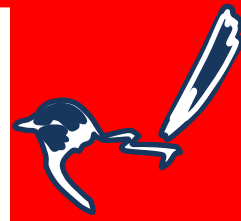


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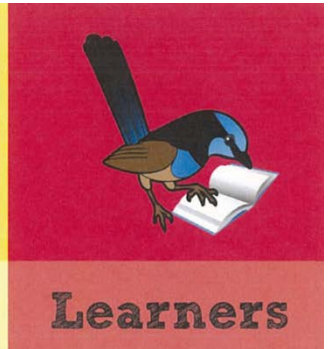
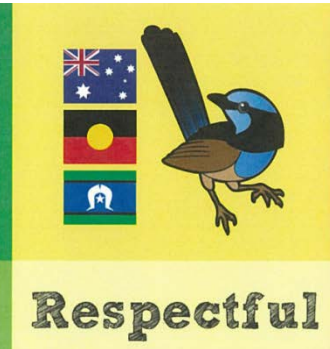
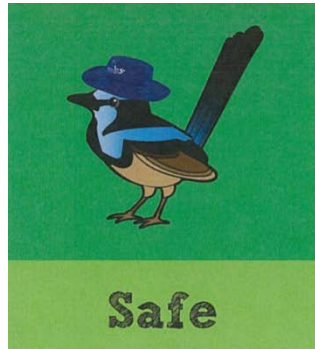


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DATES TO REMEMBER

08.12.15	<i>Preschool Party Day</i>
09.12.15	<i>Presentation Day</i>
11.12.15	<i>Preschool Party Day</i>
11.12.15	<i>Year 6 Formal</i>
14.12.15	<i>Preschool Orientation Day 2016</i>

14.12.15	<i>Talent Quest</i>
16.12.15	<i>Last Day, reports home</i>
28.01.16	<i>Years 1-6 Return to School</i>
28.01.16	<i>Kindy 2016 Best Start begins</i>

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last 'Link' for the year!!

Another year has come and gone – how did that happen? What a fabulous year it has been for the students, their families and the staff here at Rydalmere Public School and Preschool. I am so proud of our achievements and every day I feel immense pride knowing that I am Principal of this wonderful school. I believe a picture speaks a thousand words, and so I'd like to reflect on the year that has been with a collage of photos showing some highlights of the year.

Increase in student numbers from 101 to 115, plus our preschool at full capacity.



Choir participation in Celebrating the Arts @ Parramatta Riverside Theatre

Harmony Day – another tree in our 'Harmony Orchard'





Students who represented our school at District, Regional and State level in athletics, swimming, football and golf.



**Harmony Day 2015:
Multicultural Feast**



**Harmony Day 2015:
WE ALL BELONG**

Outstanding NAPLAN results showing sustained growth in student achievement through the years

Easter Hat Parade





Our first induction of Library Monitors



National Simultaneous Storytime – using Video Conferencing



Winter PSSA – Junior AND Senior Soccer Teams



Anzac Day Service



Music Count Us In



Education Week Open Day



EDUCATION WEEK 2015: CELEBRATING LOCAL HEROES



Grandparents Day



Science Show @ Ermington Library



Camp Wombaroo



Teamwork, Challenges and FUN FUN FUN!

K-2 Excursion to Wannabees



Primary OSHCare as our Before & After School Care providers – ONSITE ☺

Community Hub development –thanks to our Hub Leader Reem Kashif



Community of Schools Athletics Carnival





Dedicated staff who are 'young at heart' and make every second of your child's learning count!!



Best wishes to our out-going Year 6 students as we farewell them for their journey into high school.

I would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy festive season – enjoy this time together. We look forward to seeing you all back here in 2016!!

Bek Zadow
Principal

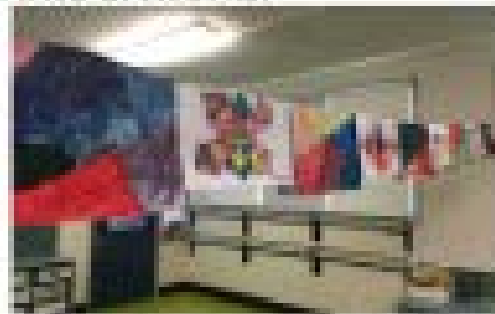
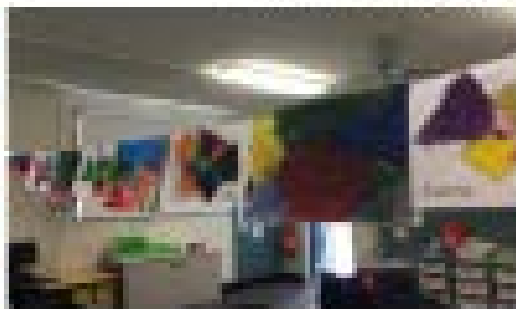
Book Week Activities



What is happening in 2R?

2R has had a wonderful term learning with Mr. Hammond.

This term 2R has been learning about 3D shapes and making them into artworks.



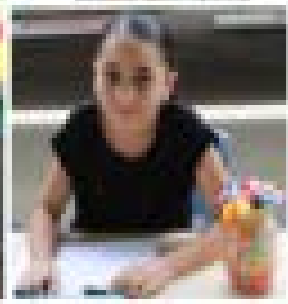
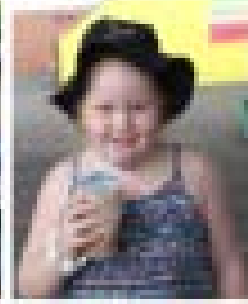
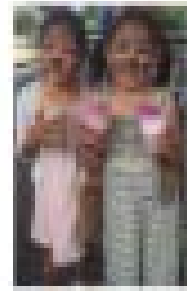
In English all students have enjoyed working in literacy groups and having a chance to give news each week.



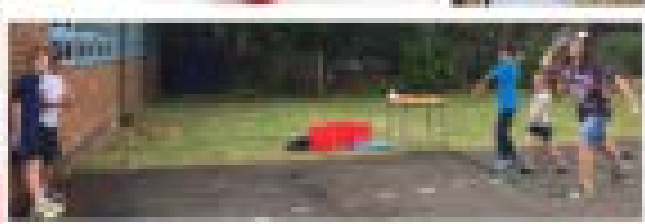
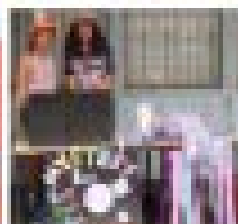
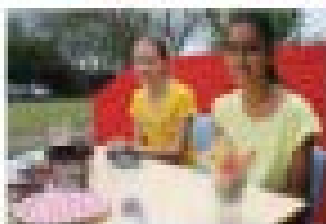
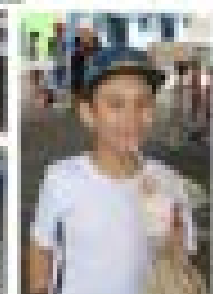
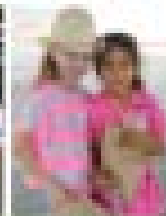
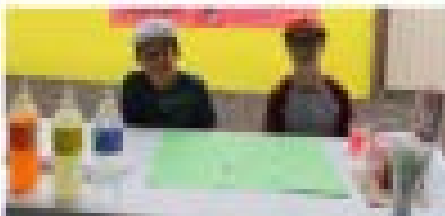
2R has also been enjoying doing some hands on cooking. We have made funny faces and play dough..... we are all excited to know what we will be cooking next.



MINI FAIR 2015



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CHRISTMAS HAMPER



4 December, 2015

St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Hamper

This year Rydalmere Public School will be donating a food hamper to St. Vincent De Paul Society.

If you are able to donate any food items to this worthy cause, please leave your donation at the office in the box provided.

Thankyou

Bek Zadow

Principal

P&C NEWS

P&C Last news for the year

THANK YOU

The P&C Members would like to thank all the Families, friends and community for all your help this year with our fundraising . What a great year it has been, just to name a few things we have paid for the bus for year 3/4/5/6 camp, given money to the school for smart boards plus many more wonderful things.

We have worked with the school with providing gifts for Mother's Day, Father's Day and many more great fun days.

NEWS: The canteen is closed but expression of interest forms have gone home. If you would like to help in any way to run our canteen next year, please fill these in and send them back. The saying is many hands make light work.

One little effort before we sign off for the year is if you would like to donate to the "Sharing the Dignity" cause, which is helping ladies in need, by donating a handbag filled with any items eg personal items, sanitary products, deodorant, soap, hair brush etc. These handbags give a smile to ladies that are either homeless or in a refuge. If you would like to donate to this lovely charity please bring in a handbag filled with these items BEFORE Friday the 11th December and leave at the P&C room or hand to a P&C member.

THANK YOU

PC committee members for 2015 : We would love to thank our committee members this year who have done a fantastic job:

Nichole Elsoussi – President

Jo-anne Fourro - Vice

Maryanne Thompson – Vice /Uniforms

Paula Britz – Secretary

Loretta Jordan – Treasurer

Jenny Mercer – Canteen

Michelle Ly – Executive Parent Member

P&C NEWS

Delia Bebarragai – Executive Parent Member

We would love to wish all the Year 6 students all the best for the future and their high school selection also good luck to the parents and wish you all the best.

If you would like to be part of the P&C for 2016 please come along to the AGM which will be held on the 18th February in the Library at 6:30.

DON'T FORGET Our last Meeting for the year will be held in the library at 6:30pm on Thursday the 10th December.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
RYDALMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEN OPERATOR – VOLUNTEER
DUE: 3PM FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2015
APPLICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED TO: rydalmerepandc@hotmail.com

Rydalmere Public School P&C, in conjunction with the school are seeking expressions of interest for the position of canteen operator. Ideally we would like to have a canteen operating every week day, so considerations will be made as to whether the Canteen Operator can be a shared role to enable this. This commitment requires you to work 8:45-2pm on your chosen day/s.

We require an enthusiastic person/s with good management skills. Our school caters for 110 students, 20 preschool children and 12 staff.

Interested persons are invited to submit an expression of interest addressing the following:

- Demonstrated ability to lead, plan, organise and control the day to day operation of the canteen on their designated day/s
- To work with the P&C Treasurer who is responsible for the financial management of the canteen (including stock ordering) and the banking
- Ability to implement the NSW Healthy Canteen Strategies
- Ability to plan a variety of menus – summer and winter (provide examples)
- Ability to advertise menu items prominently and professionally
- Ability to motivate and communicate with and relate well to primary school aged students, volunteers and staff
- Mobile phone for use while in canteen that both the P&C and school can use to contact
- Working With Children Check clearance provided
- The exact days (Mon-Fri) that you are willing to operate the canteen

The Expression of Interest should be submitted in the following format (this digital document can be located on the school website under the 'News' tab.)

If you are interested in applying, please see the school website to download the template. All families were sent a hard copy of this on Friday 4th December. All financial members of the P&C were sent an electronic copy of this document as well.

RAFFLE PRIZE DRAW

Raffle Ticket Prizes for RPS Movie Night

1. Oatlands Golf Club 4 people round of golf for 18 holes \$690 & Dooleys \$50 voucher - Mike
2. Studio 1000 family sitting \$545 & powerhouse museum family pass \$30 - Emily
3. Studio 1000 family sitting \$545 & Ryde Aquatic Centre family pass \$25.20 - Hamoun
4. Studio 1000 family sitting \$545 & museum of fire family pass \$25 - Tarryn
5. Ryde/Parramatta Golf Club 4 people 18 rounds of golf \$280 – Oz Kebab
6. Lollipops Playland 10 visit pass \$149 & manly sea eagle ball signed by Feleti Mateo - Maz
7. Lollipops Playland 10 visit pass \$149 & museum of fire family pass \$25 - Aaeesha
8. Mission Code Red Laser Skirmish 10 missions \$130 & Australian museum 2 adult pass (kids free) \$30 - Sakura
9. Mission Code Red laser Skirmish 10 mission \$130 & Ryde Aquatic family pass \$25.20 - Shane
10. Lollipops Playland 10 visit pass \$149 - Hagop
11. Mission Code Red laser Skirmish 10 mission \$130 - Sejin
12. Next Generation one Month Membership - Dudley
13. Dooleys Voucher \$50 & city Extra voucher \$50 -Sejin
14. Captain Cook Cruise for 2 people \$98 - Damian
15. Riverside Theatre 2 tickets to A rabbit for Kim Jong-IL \$49 each - John
16. Australian National Maritime family pass \$70 & Ryde Aquatic Family Pass \$25.20 - Aaeesha
17. Taronga Zoo 2 adult pass \$92 - Laily
18. Retro Popcorn Maker \$95 – Ryan
19. Scenic World family pass \$88 - Donna
20. Dooleys voucher \$50 & 2 Australian Museum pass (kids free) \$30 - Elizabeth
21. Dooleys Voucher \$50 & Ryde Aquatic Family Pass \$25.20 - Terry
22. Jenolan Caves 2 adults & 3 children pass \$75 – Paul

RAFFLE PRIZE DRAW

23. Edge Rockclimbing 2 person entry and extras \$50 and museum of fire family pass \$25 –Zac
24. Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink family pass \$69 – Sophie
25. Featherdale Wildlife Park 2 adult passes \$59 - Graeme
26. Ladies Pamper Hamper - \$55 - Aaeesha
27. Ryde Aquatic Centre Family Pass - \$25.20 - Rami

The MM guessing competition number was 1954 and was won by Amelia

Emma won a prize for selling raffle tickets

Aaeesha won a prize for selling most tickets

Pre – purchase tickets family was the Lee family.

Thank you everyone for participating and well done to all the WINNERS.

RPS Knits...

This Knitting Group has made a fantastic effort to complete the Project Unity blanket for our PC room this term. This coming Tuesday (8th) will see the blanket completely stitched and ready for use. I'd like to thank all those participating.... Delia, Pinny, Enelee, Nichole, Loretta, Jennifer, Maryanne, Michelle, Jo-Anne, Leonie and even Michelle's Mum, Noelene, pitched in knitting a square whilst visiting.

What an achievement Ladies, well done!

We plan to continue this group in 2016 so if you wish to join the group you are most welcome too. We meet on Tuesday mornings 9.30 am to 11.30am.

Hope to see you there,

Leonie

RPS Sews...

Last Friday was our last sewing group meeting. The group had sewn a knitting roll to keep knitting needles tidy. Throughout the term we have made Rabbits, Wraps, Eye masks and Knitting tidy rolls.



This group will continue next year with a change of day and time – Tuesday afternoons 1-3pm. You are welcome to join us. We will be making a simple patchwork square throw.

A list of materials you will need are:

- A selection of cotton fabrics (2.5 mtrs in total) – I suggest 4-5 colours, a combination of patterns big prints, dainty repeats and plains.
- Backing Fabric – 110 x 160 cm (suggestion of calico or contrasting fabric)
- Wadding – 115 x 165cm



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