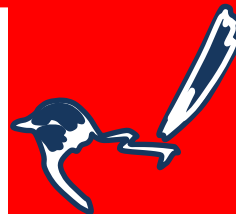


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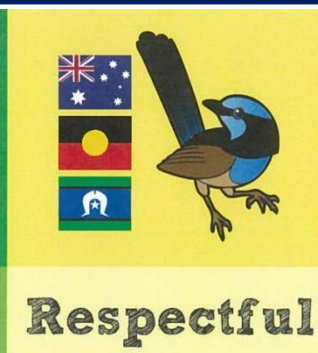
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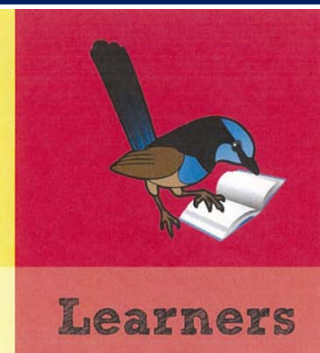
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DATES TO REMEMBER

8 th Feb	Parent Information Evening – 6-6:30pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome

A very warm welcome to another engaging year of school and learning at Rydalmere Public School. This year we welcome MANY new families from Preschool to Year 6, who have joined us for the first time. I know that your children will flourish in all areas of their education at Rydalmere PS. We also welcome some new staff: Mrs Messer and Mrs Regan.

Kindergarten

Today we welcomed 16 Kindergarten students to 'big school'. These students will be supported by their Buddy over the next few weeks as they settle into our routines. I would like to thank all of our buddies for taking on this leadership role to nurture our newest students.

Classes

Provided our student numbers don't decrease over the next two weeks, we will remain with the following and staffing structure for 2016:

TEACHERS:

Preschool: Mrs Regan

KG: Miss Gray

1M: Mrs Martelli (Mon/Tue/Thur/Fri) & Mrs Ryan (Wed)

2A: Mrs Aldred

3/4G: Miss Gallace

4/5/6M: Mrs Messer

Library: Mrs Houghton (Wed)

RFF: Mrs Ryan (Assistant Principal)

ESL: Mrs Smith

Learning & Support: Mrs McDonald (Mon & Tue)

Office & Support Staff:

Administration Manager: Mrs Kushturian

Office Assistant: Mrs Camporeale (Mon-Tue & Thurs)

Preschool SLSO: Mrs McKay

General Assistant: Mr Tom (Markovski)

SLSO: Mrs Williamson

Bek Zadow

Principal

Preschool News

We welcome our new and returning families to Rydalmere Public School Preschool. The children and teachers have all enjoyed getting to know each other and have settled in nicely. We look forward to having an enjoyable time as we learn through our play and interests.



Blue Group



Green Group



1 February 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers

This is a guide to the materials required for your child in 2016. Personal items need to be labelled with your child's name. Class collection items are required by every student to help stock every classroom with basic supplies. These items do not need to be labelled.

Boh Zadow
Principal

LIST OF MATERIALS FOR CLASSROOM USE 2016

Personal items for students

Pencil case
6 lead pencils - HB
Coloured Pencils
2 erasers
Sharpener (with room for shavings)
Scissors
Ruler (showing millimetres)
1 x A4 exercise book for homework
Plastic A4 wallet for home reading
1 x A4 display folder for Science
Gardening gloves for Science
Painting Shirt - optional
Library bag
USB stick (4 GB) and headphones
(available for purchase from Uniform Shop)

Class collection items

8 x glue sticks (Solid type 25-35gram)
4 x family size box tissues
Handwash
Paper towel (4 rolls)

Extra items for Years 4, 5 and 6

Highlighters
2 red, blue and black pens
Geometry set
Textas (optional)
Calculator (optional)
Dictionary/Thesaurus (optional)

P&C NEWS

Welcome back and a very warm welcome to our new parents and carers. We hope you had a great break and are refreshed and ready for 2016.

Crunch & sip

Crunch & sip will start back up again next week. If any volunteers are able to help cut up fruit in the morning, please come and see Maryanne regarding the roster.

School banking

Leonie Beasley co-ordinates the Banking and this is done on Wednesday's. If you would like any information regarding Banking, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Uniform shop

The uniform shop is open every Friday morning between 8:50 and 9:15. If you can't make it on that day and would like to buy anything just come and find Maryanne and organise a time to suit you both.

If your child has grown out of any uniforms the uniform shop will take any donated items. Thank you

THANK YOU

A BIG thank you! What a fantastic way to finish our great fundraising efforts for the year 2015. The P&C members donated 15 handbags full of personal items to a group called "Sharing the Dignity" which helps ladies living on the street.

P&C NEWS

Our Next Meeting will be held on Thursday 18th February 2016 in the Library at 6:30pm

Come along and join in and be involved in planning and chatting for the year ahead.

Looking forward to seeing many new faces on Thursday.





RYDALMERE OSHC CENTRE

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER INCLUSION

January/February 2016

It's hard to believe that we have been in operation for a complete year! We have returned from an eventful vacation care at Ermington West OSHC Centre, and RoseHill OSHC Centre. Both centres featured excursion/incursion days, and there was also a joint-centre day with Ermington West, RoseHill, and Mortlake OSHC, where the children and educators joined up to play group sports together!

At this current point in time, we do not have any enrolments from the preschool, or the kindergarten, but we are hoping to work in collaboration with the school community to try and build the numbers this year.

Our program will continue to feature the same clubs as last year – Sustainability, Music, and Fitness Thursday. These clubs were very successful with children, so educators will continue to offer the club experiences, or possibly create new clubs also.

We have been highlighting our menu items each week, in our weekly summary. This weekly summary is sent out to our parents consistently every week, letting them know about the experiences and events that we participate in or acknowledge with the children.

Sadly, our co-ordinator from last year, Dola Haddad, has relocated to another service closer to her home. We wish her the best at her new service and are confident that she will do a fantastic job. Cathy Ho, the previous assistant co-ordinator will now take the position as centre co-ordinator, and Isabella Caruana will work alongside her as a permanent educator.

Cathy Ho, and the centre regional manager also will be attending the P&C meetings together each term.

Families can contact staff at the centre by calling 0419 816 734 or emailing ryoshc@primaryoshcare.com.au. Centre Managers can be contacted directly by emailing headoffice@primaryoshcare.com.au.

SCHOOL BANKING



SCHOOL BANKING NEWSLETTER.



Update from Veronica

Hello Leonie

Welcome to School Banking 2016!

Looking back, 2015 was a great year for School Banking. Together, we helped more than 300,000 children continue on their savings mission and Australian schools earned a share of over \$2.4 million in commission payments. Last year also came with a few challenges, and I would like to thank you again for your support in our decision to withdraw the Cosmic Light Beam Torch and Lunar Light Band from our 2015 Rewards Program.

This year's program is themed the Outback Savers and we're taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they'll learn to master smart savings habits. You'll notice that we're incorporating more financial literacy tips and fun financial activities in our newsletter articles each term. It would be great if you could share these with parents and students in your school newsletter.

We're really excited about our new Outback Savers theme and would love to hear your feedback, so please feel free to drop me an email at schoolbanking@cba.com.au with anything you would like to share.

Kind regards,

Veronica Howarth
Head of School Banking and Youth
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2016 Outback Savers Rewards

We're excited to launch the new rewards items for 2016 from our Outback Savers range.



- Flying Snake Tail and Wildlife Water Set, released Term 1
- Mud Splat Handball and Outback Pot Bag Tag, released Term 2
- Backtrack Eraser Pen, and Jump and Skip Rope, released Term 3
- Bush Fly Fan and Wiggly Glow Worm, released Term 4

SCHOOL BANKING



Win a wildlife family adventure holiday at Australia Zoo

This year we're giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals. Find out more at MATHSWORKS.HAS-REACHED-A-GOAL/2016 or email info@australiazoo.com.au for more details.