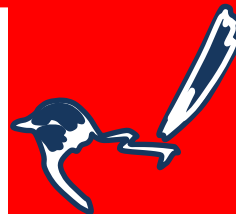


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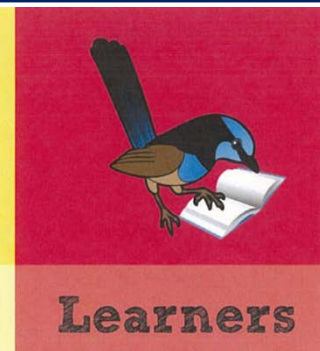


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DATES TO REMEMBER

17/10/17	Field of Mars Excursion Kto Yr 2
18/10/17	Kindergarten Orientation
18/10/17	Crazy Hair/Hat Day
27/10/17	Bandana Day
30/10/17	Biscuit Day
31/10/17	Grandparents Day

14/11/17	Mufti – When I grow up I want to be....
29/11/17	Year 6 Mini-Fair
7/12/17	Presentation Day 10am
8/12/17	Year 6 Farewell
14/12/17	Talent Quest
15/12/17	Last day for Students

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

External Validation

All NSW schools are required to go through an external validation where they are validated against a School Excellence Framework in the areas of Learning, Teaching and Leading. Our school worked extensively to self assess on this framework and provide seven extensive evidence sets to support our self assessment.

On day 2 of this term, the External Validation Panel met with myself, Miss Gray and Mrs Ryan where they validated our evidence and agreed on our self assessment.

I am so proud of everything we do here at RPS, but was particularly proud that in the area of 'Learning: Wellbeing' we were validated as Excelling. Wellbeing involves everything we do and say every second of the day with our students – the way we nurture the whole child to facilitate learning.

As parents, this should be very reassuring to you - that your child is in a fabulous place to learn every day!!

The statement of excellence for 'Learning: Wellbeing' is:

"In schools that excel, there is a strategic and planned approach to support the cognitive, emotional, social, physical and spiritual wellbeing of all students."

This means that:

- We have in place a comprehensive and inclusive framework to support the cognitive, emotional, social, physical and spiritual wellbeing of students, which measurably improves individual and collective wellbeing.
- We are a school where individual learning is supported by the effective use of school, system and community expertise and resources through contextual decision-making and planning.
- Our students are self-aware, build positive relationships and actively contribute to the school, the community and the society in which they live.

Outstanding in Student Learning

If you attend P&C or read our school sign on Victoria Road, you will have seen me sharing our fantastic student results in NAPLAN. We celebrate learning successes every day here at RPS based on school assessments and school-based learning continuums, but it is always refreshing to see national data backing up what we are saying about our students' academic achievements.

While some graphs around this data will be released in the 2017 Annual Report (published in Term 1, 2018), I want to share some of these successes with you now:

- In 2017, our Year 3 students outperformed **THE WHOLE STATE** (private and public schools) in **EVERY area of NAPLAN**. That's right – in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy!!
- In 2017, our Year 5 students made more growth from Year 3 to Year 5 than **THE WHOLE STATE** (private and public schools) in **EVERY area of NAPLAN**. That's right – in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy!!

The learning programs we offer all students here at Rydalmere PS are of the highest quality. They are current, backed by research and our data at school and externally proves they work for our students!!

Rydalmere PS is growing!! PLANNING FOR 2018 CLASSES:

With our biggest Kindergarten on record for 2018, we will maintain at least six classes and are only two students from moving to a SEVEN class structure.

Having accurate numbers is vital for our 2018 planning and staffing. If you know of any changes in your circumstances that mean your child will not be attending RPS in 2018, please let us know now.

We thank you for your help with this. As always, please continue to positively promote our school so that our local children continue to come to us 😊

2019 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The 2019 Selective High School placement test will be held on Thursday 15th March 2018. Selective High Schools are a strategy used by the Department of Education to cater for the learning needs of gifted and talented students transitioning from Year 6 into high school. Application for 2019, Year 7 Enrolment in a Selective High School opened online on Tuesday 10th October 2017 and will close on Monday 13th November, 2017. Please ensure any applications are completed online by the closing date as late applications for Selective High Schools 2019 will not be accepted. The following link will connect you to the application process: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

COSfest 2017

This year, classes and groups of students have worked very hard to create a digital media piece as a part of our Community of Schools film competition. It was particularly hard to choose the finalist for our school due to the high quality of the entries. I am pleased to announce that the RPS finalists are:

- K Blue
- K Purple
- 1/2 M
- 2/3A
- New Earth (Jasmine Y, Jasmine L, Alana, Yiwen, Madison & Cailin)
- Water Story (Kory, Alex & William M)

Our whole school community is invited to the COSfest viewing and awards presentation on Thursday 9th November at 6pm. Please see the invite below. Also, please note – if you are intending to come, please RSVP as per the invite.



Beq Zadow
Principal

PSSA NEWS

We have just received this year's results for PSSA Soccer.

A big **CONGRATULATIONS** goes to our Junior team, who came in at **THIRD PLACE!** What a fantastic achievement! We are all so proud of your hard work and effort.

Thank you to all members of both teams for participating in PSSA and showing your safe and respectful behaviour throughout the season.

We look forward to another enjoyable season in 2018!

Miss Gallace.

A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

Lost Property

Please be aware that we have many items of lost property here in the school office. These range from glasses to keys and include a sleeping bag that was left at camp!!

If you think any of these items belong to you, please come and see us at the office.

Please ensure all items are labelled with your child's name! It is amazing how many items of clothing are handed in that are not labelled. These items can't be returned to owners if we don't know who they are!

Many thanks for your help 😊

iPLAY

iPLAY is a school-based program conducted by Australian Catholic University and the University of Newcastle, and is funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council and NSW Department of Education. iPLAY aims to promote children's physical activity through implementing a whole-of-school approach. iPLAY involves 6 key components: 1) quality physical education and school sport, 2) classroom movement breaks, 3) physically active homework, 4) active playgrounds, 5) community physical activity links and 6) parent/caregiver engagement.

This term a section will be dedicated to iPLAY in your school newsletter. This section will have information and ideas for promoting physical activity and fundamental movement skill development in children.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 3/4S?

3/4S Define Poetry

The purpose of poetry is to engage and excite the imagination of the reader, or stir an emotional repose within them.

Acrostic Poem 'Dream' by Oceana

Doing what you want to do

Reaching for the stars

Exploring new things

Accomplishing your future goals

Making your dreams come true



kennings Poem 'Dragon' by Daniyal

Fire-Breather

Scaly-Skin

Meat-Eater

Extinct-Giant

Fearful-Beast

No trustworthy-Creature



Ode Poem 'Butterfly' by Nasia

Oh butterfly, so gentle and free,

You are so beautiful and colourful,

You are so soft, delicate and fragile,

I can feel happiness everywhere you go,

I am so happy,

It clears the negativity all around us,

Oh so pretty and free, Butterfly.



3/4S Define Poetry

The purpose of poetry is to engage and excite the imagination of the reader, or stir an emotional repose within them.

Acrostic Poem 'Ocean' by Mikayla

*O*n the shore, see the crashing waves
*C*reatures elevating and crawling around
*E*njoying the cold, harsh waves
*A*mazing colours, salt water heaven
*N*ever goinf far, never staying near.



Shape Poem 'The Moon' by Emma

The Moon

*The moon,
Such a beautiful wonder.
Living far out in the deep galaxy,
Such an amazing and wondrous
creation.
Did you know the ocean use to
belong to the moon, but it fell.
It fell to the Earth.
The ocean jumps and evolves
into the high tide reaching for
the moon again.*



National Bandana Day

Friday 27th October 2017

Wear your Bandana to school

On sale from Monday 23rd October until sold out.

\$5.00 each

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Grandparents and students are invited to join in celebrating Grandparents Day! Grandparents will be able to visit classrooms, do an activity, see performances by students and enjoy morning tea with their grandchildren.

When: 9:00–11:00am Tuesday 31 October 2017

Where: School Hall, Rydalmere PS

RSVP on the number of grandparents and students attending by Wednesday 18 October in students take home note or to zgrant@ssi.org.au

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB



As from Term 3 any purchase of books from Scholastic Bookclub will have to be ordered and paid for via the Scholastic website or the app called Book Clubs Loop for Parents.

To do this you will need to go to www.scholastic.com.au. On the left side of the home page select Loop for Parents. You will be required to register and then follow the prompts to order your books. If you would like assistance with the Loop process please contact us at school for assistance. All books will be sent to school for distribution.

School rewards will continue to be received when books are ordered in this way. These rewards allow our school to obtain books and other classroom equipment at no cost.

Should you find this system does not work for you due to having no access to a computer or the inability to pay via a credit/debit card please contact the school for assistance. We do not wish for any child to be disadvantaged and miss out on purchasing valuable reading material due to this change.

We hope you continue to support this great program which allows your child access to high quality reading material and also gives rewards to your school.

Sue McKay and Shenpei Lin

Bookclub Coordinators.



Thank you to all the parents who have made orders this term using the Parent Loop. This transition appears to have been successful. If you are have any difficulty placing orders please remember we are here to help you.

P&C NEWS

UP COMMING EVENTS

- **Tuesday 24th October at 3:00 pm-**
Gardening afternoon.
- **Monday 31st at 7:30pm – AGM P&C**
meeting.
- **Friday 3rd November- Movie Night**

VOLUNTEER!
every hour makes a
DIFFERENCE



Rydalmere Public School
Parents and Citizens Association



Annual General Meeting Notice

The P&C would like to invite all current financial members to the Annual General Meeting held in the library on **Monday 31st October 2017 at 7:30pm.**

At this meeting a new committee will be elected and planning will start for the year. If you are interested in holding a committee position or if you want to contribute to the success of the P&C next year come to the meeting.

Role of the President

The President is responsible for:

- The successful functioning of the P&C Association meetings
- The attainment of the P&C Association's objectives
- Ensuring that the P&C Association takes part in decision-making processes in the school
- Fostering fair participation of all members and ensuring that all new members are made to feel welcome
- Supporting volunteers
- Consistent adherence to the constitution and By-Laws
- Acting as the P&C Association's spokesperson when public statements or actions are needed

- Setting up lines of communication with the Principal
- Being signatory on the Association's bank accounts
- Chairing meetings, in the absence of the President, one of the Vice-Presidents will chair the meeting or the meeting can elect a chairperson from the members present for that meeting

Role of The Secretary

The Secretary is responsible for:

- Carrying out the administrative tasks related to the decisions of the meetings as resolved
- Preparing, in consultation with the President, all meeting agendas
- The Secretary is required to attend P&C Association meetings and produce a set of Minutes for subsequent distribution to members
- The position includes receiving and tabling all correspondence as well as writing and dispatching outgoing correspondence as resolved/appropriate
- The Secretary also issues notice of all meetings and maintains official records of the P&C Association such as the constitution, by-laws, rules of subcommittees, Incorporation Certificate, ABN details, list of financial (voting) members, Minutes, Attendance book.

Role of The Treasurer

The Treasurer's responsibilities are

- Complying with financial accountability requirements, this is. The Treasurer receives and deposits monies, maintains records, draws cheques and presents accounts
 - Ensuring that all funds held and handled by P&C are properly and openly accounted for as the Treasurer is responsible for all funds held in the name of the P&C Association. This includes all P&C Association committees
 - Ensuring that the various sub-committee financial records have been kept to the Treasurer's satisfaction.
 - The Treasurer must ensure a ledger is kept, recording all financial transactions of the P&C Association.
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Gardening afternoon

On Tuesday 24th October from 3:00, the P&C will be holding a gardening afternoon. Just some light weeding and gardening to get our school looking it's best for the upcoming movie night.

Grab you gloves and come along. Afternoon tea will be provided.



Movie night Raffles and Auction



Movie night is just around the corner and raffle tickets will be coming home shortly. Keep your eye out for them and get selling. We have some great prizes. The list of prizes will be available on our website rydalmerepandc.simplesite.com and the P&C facebook page

Our online auction will go live on Monday 23rd October from 9:00am, go to rydalmerepandc.webstore.com to bid on some great experiences. Auction will close at 6pm Friday 3rd November.

Centerlink Volunteers

Good news for the Community and the P&C. The P&C have been approved as a workplace to host job seekers who are undertaking voluntary work as an approved activity. If you or someone you know can do voluntary work as an approved activity, come see Jo-Anne, email rydalmerepandc@hotmail.com or drop into centerlink to fill in the appropriate form



Soccer grant for Soccer equipment. Includes soccer nets, balls, bibs, pump, whistle, field markers \$936.00

Canteen News:

The Fresh Fruit campaign has now finished THANK YOU to all that participated and good luck to every child who has an entry in the competition to win.

Fruit cups are still \$1.00 but what ever seasonal fruit it may be at the time. As fruit prices change all the time. Please ask what it is



New yoghurt ice bars for
\$0.50c each for sale every
WEDNESDAY and **FRIDAY**.



CANTEEN

Canteen is opened every **MONDAY**,
WEDNESDAY and **FRIDAY**, for **LUNCH ORDERS**
ONLY.

**Keep an eye out for specials days on
the canteen board for Friday.**

Note: Volunteers are needed (if anyone could help the children taking orders in the canteen mornings please come and see Gina)

Uniform Shop News

- The new price list September 2017 is on the website.
- The prices of skorts & jumpers have a new price. ☺



Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

Thank you to all that sent in Woolworths earn & learn stickers. A great effort by every students, parents, friends, teachers, grandparents. We collected over 246 sheets of stickers which came to

14,760 stickers. (AMAZING). Watch this space for what the school gets for this.



Movie under the Stars

Movie Showing



**FRIDAY 3RD
NOVEMBER at
Rydalmere
Public School**

On-line Auction website
rydalmerepandc.Webstore.com
Visit our website for updates
rydalmerepandc.simplesite.com
Follow us on Facebook
[Rydalmere Public School P&C Events](https://www.facebook.com/RydalmerePublicSchoolP&CEvents)

Ticket Prices

\$5.00 each

**\$10.00 Family (mum/dad and
children of same family)**

- *Butterfly Tent*
- *Sausage Sizzle, drinks
and snacks*
- *P&C Gift Stall*
- *Lots of Free Activities,
Games and Craft*

4.30 pm - Gates open
6.00 pm - Auction closes
6.20 pm - Butterflies released
6.30pm - Auction and Raffle winners
7.00pm - Movie starts

Sponsored by:
Mitsubishi Electric
Integrity Security

Gardening Afternoon

Grab your gardening gloves and tools, the P&C will be holding a gardening afternoon to get our School looking it's best for the movie night festivities.

All ages welcome and no gardening skills required.

Tuesday 24th October. From 3.00pm to 5.00 pm

Afternoon Tea will be provided, please bring your own water.

Hat and sunscreen

Email rydalmerepandc@hotmail.com if you want more information
or to confirm your attendance



COMMUNITY NEWS

Clement Art School
www.clementart.com.au
 Epping, Eastwood, Chatswood, Burwood,
 Hurstville, Hornsby, Parramatta, Killara

Craft Drawing
 Creative Art
 clay Painting
 sketching



Email us if telephone line is not be connected  

Tel: 0414435388 email: clementartschool@hotmail.com

EPPING Shop 12, 74 Rawson Street (G/F)	BURWOOD Shop 4, 181 Burwood Rd (G/F)
EASTWOOD Suite 9, 225 Rowe St (level 1)	HORNSBY Suite 4, 169 Pacific Hwy (level 1)
PARRAMATTA 4/105 Church Street (level 2)	HURSTVILLE Suite 8, 123 Forest Rd (level 1)
KILLARA Suite J, 680 Pacific Highway (level 1)	CHATSWOOD Shop 75, Oscar St (level 1)

PCYC PARRAMATTA

COMMUNITY OPEN DAY

SAT 16 SEPT 9am - 3pm

FREE BBQ FOR ALL CLUB MEMBERS
 LIMITED TO THE FIRST 200 MEMBERS.
 MUST SHOW MEMBERSHIP CARD

**MARTIAL ARTS, BOXING, YOGA,
 ARTS & CRAFT THROUGHOUT THE DAY**

**MEET OUR STAFF AND COACHES
 TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS**

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE




Defence School Transition Aide

Position Available

RYDALMERE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

A DEFENCE SCHOOL TRANSITION AIDE (DSTA) PROVIDES ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT TO THE CHILDREN OF AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE MEMBERS AS THEY MOVE FROM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND DURING TIMES OF PARENTAL ABSENCE.

THE DSTA AT RYDALMERE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL WOULD DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A RANGE OF RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES TO ASSIST THESE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES TO INTEGRATE INTO THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY AND TO INCREASE THEIR ABILITY TO COPE WITH THE MILITARY LIFESTYLE.

THIS IS A PART TIME POSITION APPROXIMATELY 20-25 HOURS PER WEEK AND THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT WILL NEED TO BEGIN MID-NOVEMBER, 2017

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION PACKAGE
 CONTACT RYDALMERE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL ON 96382250
 OR EMAIL RYDALMERE.E.P-SCHOOL@DET.NSW.EDU.AU

Applications Close Friday 27 October, 2017

Telopea 'Schools as Community Centres' (SaCC) Project

Term 4 2017

MONDAY	<p>Australian Red Cross 'Good Start Breakfast Club' 8:30am-9:00am Telopea SaCC Rooms. A healthy breakfast is provided free for Telopea Public School students in a friendly, inclusive environment.</p>
TUESDAY	<p>Sing Rhyme and Story Time 10:00am-10:30am The Fun Lab, North Rocks Shopping Centre. A weekly Early Literacy Program for parents/carers and children birth to 5 years. This program was developed and is facilitated by the Telopea SaCC Facilitator. The program was awarded Honoured Nominee in 2011 Kookaburra Awards. The session will support parents to assist with their children's literacy development.</p> <p>Meet and Greet 1:00pm-2:30pm Telopea SaCC Rooms Information sharing session for families with baby birth to 12 weeks. Facilitated by Community Health</p>
WEDNESDAY	<p>Early Years Garden Club 9:00-10:00 Telopea Public School Edible Garden and Orchard. Seed Harvest Spoon early childhood environmental garden program for parents and children up to five years. 8 Week program. REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL</p> <p>Supported Playgroup 10:00am-12:00noon Telopea SaCC Rooms REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL Organised indoor and outdoor activities, story time, music and dancing for families with children birth to 5 years. A friendly, inclusive and supportive playgroup where adult involvement is encouraged and supported.</p> <p>Tuning Into Kids 12:45-2:30 Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence. REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL Children with higher emotional intelligence: *have greater success with making and keeping friends *have better concentration at school *are more able to calm down when upset or angry</p>
THURSDAY	<p>Australian Red Cross 'Good Start Breakfast Club' 8:30am-9:00am Telopea SaCC Rooms. Description as above.</p> <p>Jiggle'n'Jam Music Program 2x half hour baby classes (birth to 12mths@9:30am and 12mths to 18mths@10:00am) 2x Toddler Music Classes 10:45am and 11:15am (18months to 3.5years) TERM REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL for the toddler classes. Structured music classes for families with chn birth to 3 years. Facilitated by 'Accent On Music' Music School in Telopea SaCC Rooms</p> <p>Baby Playgroup 10:00-12:00noon Telopea SaCC Rooms Social gathering for families with children birth to 18 months in safe, air conditioned environment with toys. Enjoy spending time with friends after the Jiggle'n'Jam music class.</p>
FRIDAY	<p>Supported Playgroup 9:30am-11:30am Telopea SaCC Rooms Description as above. REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL</p>

Telopea 'Schools as Community Centres' Project (SaCC)

Based in the grounds of Telopea Public School, Chestnut Ave., Telopea N.S.W. 2117

Please direct all enquiries to SaCC Facilitator **Pip Martins**

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