



On The Grapevine

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Zone carnivals

We were well represented by our students at the zone athletics carnival for track events this week. Unfortunately the field events were washed out again and are now scheduled for Thursday 4 September. Thank you to Mrs Brown and Mrs Hungerford for coordinating the teams, Ms Krautloher for acting as manager and to the many parents who cheered our representatives.

Special mention for the following students for their results:

Brendan 1st place Junior boys 800m in a new record time

Danielle 2nd place Junior girls 800m

Will 3rd place Junior boys discus

Congratulations to Brendan and Danielle as they now progress to the next level of competition.



Brendan winning Junior boys 800m in record time



REPS Junior relay teams

On - site OOSH for REPS

Our plans are progressing well for our own on-site OOSH to service our school community.

Contractors interested in tendering to run our service will be attending an open day on Monday 8 September.

I can provide them with extra information and outline any specific requests from our school community so please contact me directly before that date with any suggestions or concerns.

We anticipate that the service will be available on the first day of term 1 2015.

We value your input!

As we enter a new school planning cycle we want to engage our school community as valued partners with input into our school vision and directions for the future.

We are currently planning a *Breakfast Expo* in Week 10 to showcase the many and varied programs and opportunities for our students. All teachers will be available for parents to ask questions, comment and provide feedback. We want our community to have a say in the vision and directions for the future.

Details: Thursday 18 September from 8.15am in the school hall and COLA

Mark the date in your diaries and join us for coffee, muffins and an informal chat at the showcase.

Playground improvements

Thank you to the Grounds Force that worked tirelessly on Saturday 16 August to improve the grounds at our school. The installation of the bike rack and the extra logs around the stepping logs are valued additions to the school playground.

Three cheers for our wonderful workers:

Hewkins family, Troy Williams, René Thomas, Melissa Welsh & family, Barber family and Marg Kelly.

Thank you to the Snell / Mills family for the donation of logs.

Please note: Should your child wish to ride to school please contact the school office on 9638 2250 for guidelines. For their safety, students are not permitted to ride until all conditions are met.



Cup cake for a cure

To raise money for children's cancer research, members of staff are baking cupcakes for the students to buy, ice and decorate and then eat!

When: Wednesday 17 September

Cost: \$1 to buy a cupcake to decorate and eat!

Please support this wonderful cause and bring your appetite!

Celebrating the Arts

The big night is almost here! We wish Emma all the best for the role of compere and Ruby for her singing solo. I am also very much looking forward to our instrumental group, string group and combined choir performances. Hope to see you there!

Basketball

The Sydney Kings basketball clinic was a great success with the students 4-6 participating in skill development activities. I look forward to watching the students practice their skills during lunchtime basketball sessions.

Student Wellbeing

Congratulations to the following students on achieving Principal's Awards:

Bronze Level 1: Luke D

Bronze Level 2: Jun, Mikayla M

Bronze Level 3: Farhad, Luke C

Silver Level 1: Brendan M, Danielle M

Keryn Hinchcliffe

Principal

29 August 2014

Dates For Your Diary

1 September	P&C meeting
2 September	Fathers' day stall
3 September	Celebrating the Arts Concert Riverside Theatre
4 September	Fathers' day stall
4 September	Assembly and afternoon coffee
5 September	Kindy playsession 1:55 -2:55pm
11 September	Premiers Spelling Bee
16 September	Anti bullying program 'The right balance'
17 September	Cup cake for a cure day
18 September	Assembly and afternoon coffee
18 September	Breakfast Expo 8.15am Hall and COLA



Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:



Farshad	Hannah M	April Rose	Elisha	Abdul
Seryn	Galileo	Shayne	Aidan S	Rohan

K/3L Excursion to Riverside Theatre

The students in K/3L have been studying the Mr McGee books in class. On Friday the 8th of August, K/3L went to the Riverside Theatre in Parramatta. The students saw six whimsical Pamela Allen stories woven together in a funny and enchanting stage adaptation of the much-loved children's books Mr McGee and the Biting Flea. The play was fantastic and the students thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

And then

After posting letters of appreciation to Pamela Allen, K/3L were excited to receive a hand written thank you note from the much loved author. She recommended some of her books and told them of her next book due out next year.



Miss Lodewijks

Book Week 2014



Last week we celebrated Book Week at REPS with a fabulous author presentation by Oliver Phommavanh. He definitely showcased his comedic skills as he entertained the students and staff with his personal stories and pearls of wisdoms for aspiring writers.

We also announced the winners of the Book Week competitions. Two competitions were run, one for K-2 and one for 3-6. The winners in the K-2 competition correctly grouped the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) shortlisted books from the Early Childhood and Picture categories. The winners in the 3-6 competition submitted a written piece explaining which book they thought would win in the CBCA's Book of the Year category of their choice.

The winners in the K-2 competition were: Mallek, Meranai, Gigi, Chloe W, William O, Seryn L,

Jasmin, Christopher, Gabriel, April and Obama. These lucky students got to choose from a range of prizes which including books, posters and pencils. The 3-6 winners were: Kayla, Emma, Alexander, Jade H, Jade G, Maeve and TJ. These students participated in a very exclusive Writing Master Class delivered by Oliver Phommavanh. Congratulations to all the winners!

Ms Ivanek

Oops!

Sometimes our students have toileting accidents and come to the front office for a change of clothes. It would be really helpful if you could return the laundered spare clothes to the office promptly. Thank you

Ms Krautloher & Mrs Chapman

Community events

Rydalmere Park Family Fun Day
To celebrate the opening of the sports
amenities building
Sunday 31 August
10am – 12pm
35 South St Rydalmere
Jumping castle, face painting
Pony rides, animal petting zoo

Community & Road Education
Scheme
24 September
10am – 3pm
Auto Place Peter Brock Dr Prospect
Bike checks, Road safety info
cake stalls, sausage sizzle
BYO bike and helmet
caresprospect@police.nsw.gov.au

Are you interested in attending
Mandarin classes after school?
Cost unknown. Please contact the
school office if interested.