



# On The Grapevine

## A quality education in a caring, innovative environment

*April 2015 (Issue2)*

### ***Congratulations***

Thank you to those families who paid their student levies last term. Congratulations to the families of Renee (1B) and Adem (3/4R) who won movie tickets in the 'Student levy draw'. Families paying their levies in Term 2 will also have a chance to win a prize. Payments of \$40 per student or \$80 per family are welcomed at the office.

### ***Anzac Day ceremony***

A solemn ceremony was conducted by our Captains and Prefects last Friday. Each class laid a wreath to honour those men and women who served our country. Our school will be celebrating the centenary of the Anzac campaign with a specially written musical on Remembrance Day in November.



### ***School plan***

Our three year school strategic plan has been finalised. Thank you to the community, staff and students for their input. The plan will be available from our website after 1 May.

### ***Easter Book Fair winners***

Congratulations to Kayla, Clare, and Shania who were the Easter Book Fair lucky door prize winners. Each received a \$20 book voucher.

Thank you to those who supported the book fair. The school received \$220 in rewards to be used to purchase more resources for the library.

### ***Books to Vanuatu***

Each year Ms Ivanek culls seldom used books from the Library's collection to make room for new resources. During the holidays about 200 of these 'old' books were delivered to the Primary English Teachers' Association office in response to their appeal for books for cyclone devastated schools in Vanuatu.

Ms Ivanek's Mazda loaded with books for Vanuatu



Canteen reopens Wednesday 29 April  
Open Mondays for lunch only  
Wednesdays and Fridays recess and lunch

## ***Birds in schools***



Our Birds in Schools planting day was reported in a recent edition of the Parramatta Advertiser.

'Kora helps plant small bird habitat plants' – Parramatta Advertiser



Ben and Aiden help with the planting

## ***Cross Country***

Our Kindy to Year 6 cross country will be run tomorrow from 11:30 to 1:00pm on a course within the school grounds. Sports uniform should be worn.

Parents and carers are welcome to cheer for the students. In the event of wet weather a back up date of Tuesday 5 May has been set.

## ***Perfect attendance***

Congratulations to the wonderful 63 students who had perfect attendance in term 1. They will be presented with their certificates at next Thursday's assembly.

## ***Student Wellbeing***

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

Bronze Level 1: *Jackson, Edwin*

Bronze Level 2: *Ben B*

Silver Level 1: *Daniel A*

*Keryn Hinchcliffe*

Principal

28 April 2015

Upside down Friday

Starts 8 May

Lunch 11:00 to 11:50am

Recess 1:40 to 2:00pm

## ***Dates For Your Diary***

<b>29 April</b>	Canteen opens for Term 2
<b>30 April</b>	Cross Country
<b>30 April</b>	School assembly and afternoon coffee
<b>4 May</b>	Zone soccer
<b>4 May</b>	P&C meeting 6:30pm Admin Block
<b>5 May</b>	Cross country back up day
<b>6 May</b>	AFL day at school – wear sport uniform
<b>8 May</b>	PSSA starts
<b>8 May</b>	Upside down Friday bell times start for Terms 2 & 3
<b>12-14 May</b>	NAPLAN



## Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:



Charlotte Mc G	Rafael	Rohan
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### *End of Term Picnic*

On the last day of Term 1 many children were invited to attend lunchtime picnics at two local parks. This outing was a fun reward to recognise the children who consistently remembered to follow the school expectations throughout Term 1.

It was wonderful to see the sheer joy of the children as they played with their friends in a different environment. Excited, energetic children happily talked and laughed as they interacted. It was quite a novelty for the children to have so many friends to play with in the park.

Clearly, this outing was a great success so we aim to have a similar reward at the end of Term 2.



Next P&C meeting  
Monday 4 May  
6:30pm  
Admin block  
All welcome

### **P&C**

Thank you to everyone who helped with and supported the P&C's Easter raffle and guessing competition. We raised over \$ 650 for the school. A special thank you to Carol Piper who arranged for the donation of the prizes.



## OOSH

Dear Parents

Over the holiday period some of the children from helping hands went along to helping hands at Oatlands for a vacation care program. During the 2 weeks the children were able to participate in a variety of activities including going out on excursions to the movies and flip out. The children enjoyed going on excursions as they were able to gain new friends from Oatlands Public School. We had a variety of different days where children could do some cooking, bring their bikes, science experiments and so

much more!

Starting in May at Helping Hands Rydalmere East we will be having someone come out on a Tuesday afternoon for five weeks to assist the children with making billy carts. This will be an amazing opportunity for children to learn team work skills and make their own billy cart that at the end of it they can take home and keep. If your children would be interested in joining in for this afternoon please feel free to come and see Melissa or James at Helping Hands and we would be happy to answer any question.

**Best Regards**

Melissa Fletcher

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## Is your child starting kindy in 2016?

**Rydalmere East Public School**  
*inspiring lifelong learners  
through a nurturing and  
innovative environment*

Join us for Mini Kindy  
Thursdays 28 May,  
4 & 11 June 11:30 – 12:45

Play sessions on Fridays  
21 & 28 August & 4 September  
2:00-2:55pm

Orientation Day Wednesday  
28 October at 9:30am

Rydalmere East Public School 9638 2250  
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Enrol now at REPS for 2016  
We are now taking enrolments for  
kindergarten and preschool for next year.

- Kindy students need to be turning 5 by  
31 July 2016
- Preschoolers need to be turning 4 by  
31 July 2016

Please let your friends and neighbours know.  
Enrolment forms are available from the office  
or from our website

No experience necessary.

Watch for the Mothers' Day stall at school  
next week

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1</b>	20 April	21 April	22 April	23 April	24 April <i>Anzac service</i>
<b>2</b>	27 April	28 April <i>Show 'Australian Folklore'</i>	29 April	30 April <i>Cross Country Assembly &amp; coffee 1:55pm</i>	1 May
<b>3</b>	4 May <i>Zone soccer</i>  <i>P&amp;C meeting</i>	5 May <i>Cross country back up</i>	6 May <i>AFL day at school</i>	7 May	8 May <i>PSSA starts</i> <i>Upside down Friday</i>
<b>4</b>	11 May	12 May NAPLAN	13 May NAPLAN <i>123 magic</i> <i>Parenting program</i>	14 May NAPLAN <i>Assembly &amp; coffee 1:55pm</i>	15 May
<b>5</b>	18 May	19 May  <i>Zone cross country</i>	20 May <i>123 magic</i>	21 May <i>Mini Kindy 11:30-12:45</i>	22 May
<b>6</b>	25 May	26 May	27 May <i>123 magic</i>	28 May <i>Mini Kindy 11:30-12:45</i> <i>Assembly &amp; coffee 1:55pm</i>	29 May
<b>7</b>	1 June  <i>P&amp;C meeting</i>	2 June	3 June <i>Featherdale Farm P-2</i>	4 June <i>Mini Kindy 11:30-12:45</i>	5 June
<b>8</b>	8 June Queen's Birthday Holiday	9 June	10 June <i>Pet Ownership K-2</i>	11 June <i>Assembly &amp; coffee 1:55pm</i>	12 June
<b>9</b>	15 June	16 June	17 June	18 June	19 June <i>Reports go home</i>
<b>10</b>	22 June	23 June <i>Parent/teacher interview evening</i>	24 June	25 June <i>Assembly &amp; coffee 1:55pm</i>	26 June
<b>H</b>	29 June	30 June	1 July	2 July	3 July
<b>H</b>	6 July	7 July	8 July	9 July	10 July

School resumes Tuesday 14 July for term 3