



On The Grapevine

A quality education in a caring, innovative environment

May 2016 (Issue 1)

Another P&C grant success – Exciting news!

The P&C has been successful with a second Community Sports Grant from Parramatta City Council. The grant is for \$3406 to purchase table tennis equipment for our school.

The goal is to provide an ongoing Table Tennis Training Program for the students with friendly competition within the school and with other local schools.

The grant provides another 5 tables as well as balls, bats, nets and covers. The school will fund the training by instructors and students.

This is a wonderful opportunity to expand the REPS sports program with an activity that appeals to all ages and abilities.

Suzanne Barber

REPS P&C President

Cross Country

Our annual REPS cross country event was held on Thursday, 5 May. It was so wonderful to see students trying hard and doing their best in individual events. Sports houses cheered on others in their house displaying great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. A great day and thankyou to all the families and friends who came along to cheer.

Also a huge thankyou to Miss Monardo who organised the entire event! Placegetters will be able to represent our school at the Zone carnival on Tuesday 24 May at Parramatta Park. More action photos have been posted on our webpage.





Our Year 6 *Legends* proudly wear their new shirts



New Library system Oliver

Our Library has had a software upgrade with the Oliver web based management system being implemented this week. This process was guided by Ms Ivanek who is on secondment to the Oliver Implementation team. This new system is being installed in all Department public schools and allows staff to streamline the accessioning process as well as being more user friendly for students searching for resources.

NAPLAN 2016

Students in Year 3 and 5 completed NAPLAN assessments in Writing, Language Conventions, Reading and Numeracy this week. The children's results from these nationally-based assessments will be provided later in the year.

Chickens Hatching



Students were so excited when they discovered that the ten eggs with incubator had arrived. They could not contain their excitement when the first chick hatched, soon followed by the other nine.

The next step was to remove the ten chicks from the incubator and place them into the brooding box which has a lamp to keep them warm.

After ten days, seven of the chicks will return to the farm. The school will keep three hens as school pets. Under the guidance and experience of 3-6D, Preschool to Year 2 classes will assist in the feeding, caring and nurturing of the chicks. As they grow older they will move to the hen house that is located in the chicken run which is adjacent to the preschool. Before we know it...there will be fresh eggs to collect.

No roosters are allowed to stay!

Student Wellbeing

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

Silver Level 1: Rawda, Farshad

Bronze Level 1: Bowie

Bronze Level 2: Alaa, Omar, Mahdi, Gabriel

Bronze Level 3: Alisa

Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:



Nima	Levi	Riley G	Ahmad	Caelan	Logan
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Lesley Coker & Angelique Brown

Relieving Principals

13 May 2016

12 May	New Library system <i>Oliver</i> goes live
13 May	PSSA soccer starts
13 May	Upside down Friday starts
13 May	Preschool - Police visit
16 May	P&C meeting 6:30pm Admin block
18 May	Taronga Zoo excursion Years 3-6
20 May	Walk Safely to School Day
24 May	Zone cross country
25 May	Premier's debate

Walk to School Day (Friday, 20 May)



Children, parents and carers are encouraged to regularly walk safely to school.

'Walk Safely to School Day aims to encourage each Australian child to lead a healthier, more active lifestyle by including a walk at the beginning and end of each day to achieve at least 60 minutes of daily exercise to help prevent obesity and other health problems.

The event also promotes reduced car-dependency, greater use of public transport, cleaner air, improved diets and road safety to primary school children throughout Australia.'

***This year, the Walk Safely to School Day App* is available to download and will allow children, parents and carers to track their kilometres to and from school, time spent walking and their average walking speed.

P&C meeting
This coming Monday night
16 May
6:30pm in the Admin Block
All very welcome

Rydalmere East Public School - Term 2 2016						
T2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
1	25 April ANZAC Day Public Holiday	26 April SDD	27 April Students return	28 April	29 April	30 1 Apr May
2	2 May	3 May	4 May	5 May Cross Country	6 May	7 8 May
3	9 May Living Eggs	10 May NAPLAN Preschool Police visit	11 May NAPLAN	12 May NAPLAN	13 May PSSA starts Upside down Friday starts Preschool Police visit	14 15 May
4	16 May P&C meeting 6:30pm	17 May	18 May Zoo excursion Yrs 3-6	19 May	20 May Walk safely to school day 4/50 Movie exhibition 2-2:55 in hall	21 22 May
5	23 May	24 May Zone cross country	25 May Premier's debate	26 May	27 May	28 29 May
6	30 May	31 May	1 June	2 June Mini Kindy 11:30-12:45	3 June	4 5 June
7	6 June	7 June	8 June	9 June Mini Kindy 11:30-12:45	10 June	11 12 June
8	13 June Queen's Birthday	14 June	15 June	16 June Mini Kindy 11:30-12:45	17 June	18 19 June
9	20 June ASD excursion MCA P&C meeting 6:30pm	21 June	22 June	23 June	24 June Reports sent home	25 26 June
10	27 June	28 June Snaketails reptile show Parent/Teacher interviews	29 June	30 June	1 July	2 3 July

Students resume Tuesday 19 July for Term 3

Upside down Friday bell times

Lunch begins	11:00am
Lunch ends	11:55am
Recess begins	1:40pm
Recess ends	2:00pm