



On The Grapevine

A quality education in a caring, innovative environment

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Week in Review

Week 10, Term 4, is always an exciting time to be in a school. As the year draws to a close, it's a great opportunity to celebrate a wonderful year together.

This week, all students had the opportunity to visit Muru Mittigar Aboriginal Education centre in Rouse Hill. The students braved the heat and participated in some really rich learning experiences.



Students also enjoyed party day which included lots of party food, the jumping castle and some water play. All students and teachers really enjoyed themselves.

With all the fun aside, the highlight for me was Presentation Day. It was great to see such a great representation of our parent and community body and it was also great to see so many children smiling receiving their awards; however, the thing that I am most proud of, was the student's behaviour throughout the day. They sat respectfully throughout the whole assembly and should be very proud of the way they conducted themselves. Please see the list of award recipients later on in the newsletter.

Thanks to our presentation day committee which has consisted of Mrs Hungerford, Miss Butler and Miss Monardo who organised the large majority of this event. Over the last couple of weeks, they have been super busy along with Mrs Chapman and Ms Krautloher and our Assistant Principals Miss O'Flaherty, Mrs Chow and Mrs Brown organising all of this for our students and parents and I can't thank them enough for their efforts. Thanks also must go to Louise Wills for her amazing effort in organising the raffle. Thank you!



Farewell, Mrs Hungerford

I announced at Presentation Day that Wednesday was the last day at work for a little while for Mrs Hungerford. Mrs Hungerford started teaching at Rydalmere East Public School in the late 1990s (she thinks it was 1998) and as of Wednesday, she is going to go on a long break from school, spending some time at home and hopefully on some holidays and trips away to decide if that's the life she wants to live and retire from teaching. As a staff, we have farewelled Mrs Hungerford, but on behalf of the students, parents and wider community, I would like to thank her for everything she has done for the students at Rydalmere East. Mrs Hungerford is a true professional, who always conducts herself as an outstanding role model for students, staff and parents. I think everyone will be secretly wishing that Mrs Hungerford doesn't enjoy the retirement life and that she comes back next year, but if that's not the case, we wish her all the best for a very long and happy retirement.

Welcome, Mr Train

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mr Ben Train to our school who was successful through merit selection for the Assistant Principal Special Education Position. Ben will begin with us on Day 1 next year and he joins us from Wentworthville Public School. Please join with me in welcoming Mr Train to our school.

Election BBQ

Tomorrow, our school will be a polling station for the Bennelong Bi election. The P&C will be running a BBQ and if you can spare some time to help, that would be fantastic. If not, please come up and vote at the school and buy a bacon and egg roll or sausage sandwich to support our school.

Back to School dates

Just a reminder of the return dates for 2018:

Monday 29 January	Tuesday 30 January	Wednesday 31 January	Thursday 1 February	Friday 2 February
Staff Only Uniform Shop open 8:30am	Year 1 – 6 Return Line up in old class lines Best Start Assessments (Kindergarten) Uniform Shop open 8:30am	Best Start Assessments (Kindergarten)	Best Start Assessments (Kindergarten)	First day for Kindergarten

Thanks

I feel extremely honoured to have been able to spend the year as the relieving principal of Rydalmere East Public School. A school that has had such a tremendous impact on me already in such a short time. I am a really big believer that if we want to make sure that children receive the best possible experiences at school, we need excellent people to drive this, and we here at Rydalmere East are truly blessed to have such a hard-working and tremendously motivated groups of people who come together regularly to achieve this.

Our staff are among the most dedicated, passionate and caring group of teachers and support staff that I have ever worked with. Thank you to our staff that do such an amazing job, day-in day-out.

Our P&C is another hard-working part of the machine, full of people who genuinely want to make sure all the children in our school receive a better experience from their contributions. Our parents and community do so much for our students and I would like to thank each and every one of them who has helped in whatever capacity this year.

Most importantly, I want to thank our students. You too have helped welcome me into this school and made me feel at home straight away. You all should be very proud of what you have achieved this year. I know for a fact that you have all made many improvements in all subject areas, and from a whole school perspective your behaviour has been very good too.

As I said above, I really am truly honoured to work in this school. A school that is rich in culture, history, opportunities and experiences. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas with family and friends and I hope that the holiday period is a safe and enjoyable one.

PBL and Peer support

Our Week 9 Positive Behaviour focussed on being safe, responsible and respectful on your way to and from school. Congratulations to these students who were observed following this expectation:

Noah, Japreet, Kaiyeisha and David



Student Wellbeing

Congratulations to the following students on achieving these awards:

Silver Level 1: Dakota
Bronze Level 3: Scarlett

Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winner:



Jayden KB

Mr Carters

Relieving Principal
15 December 2017

	Students	Award Comments
60		
	Clare	Outstanding effort and application in all areas
	Sienna	Citizenship
	Freeman	Outstanding application in Mathematics
	Amira	Consistent application and effort in all areas
	Arina	Consistent effort and application in Mathematics
	Ruby	Consistent Effort and application in all areas
	Ann	Consistent Effort and application in all areas
4/5M		
	Jayden	Academic Excellence in Literacy and Numeracy
	Elisha	Application and Achievement in Literacy and Numeracy
	Hannah	Outstanding Application across all KLA's
	Justin	Consistent Effort and Application
	Rachel	Consistent Effort and Application
	Abbey	Citizenship
	Riley	Citizenship and School Spirit
3/4S		
	Mahan	Academic Excellence
	Reilly	Excellence in Mathematics
	Rohan	Outstanding Citizenship
	Yara	Achievement in Mathematics
	Farshad	Consistent effort in all areas
	Mallek	Outstanding effort and application in all areas
	Alaa	Consistent effort and application
2/3M		
	Ella	Academic Excellence in Literacy and Numeracy
	Kaiyeisha	Outstanding application in Literacy
	Alisa	Consistent application and effort in all Key Learning Areas
	Lincoln	Consistent Effort and Application
	Aston	Effort and achievement in all KLAs
	Elena	Consistent Effort and Application
	Erissa	Citizenship
3/6D		
	Daniel	Academic Achievement
	Madeline	Citizenship
	Edwin	Citizenship and School Spirit
1/2HK		
	Zoe	Excellence in Mathematics
	Scarlett	Excellence in Creative Arts
	Joshua	Citizenship
	Resha	Outstanding improvement in reading
	Ali	Most improved
	Logan	Enthusiasm and commitment to learning
	Leila	Excellence in visual arts

K/1B		
	Lone	Outstanding Application across all KLAs
	Grigorii	Academic Achievement
	Emelia	Academic Achievement
	Thomas	Citizenship

	Lacey	Application to Learning
	Billie	Application to Learning
	Azzan	Citizenship
KB		
	Stan	Academic excellence in Numeracy
	Harry	Outstanding effort in Literacy and Numeracy
	Jayden	Academic excellence in Literacy and Numeracy
	Isaac	Citizenship and School Spirit
	Omar	Academic excellence in Numeracy
	Aarav	Excellent effort in Literacy
	Olivia	Academic excellence in Literacy
K/2L		
	Declan	Outstanding Improvement
	Jayden	Academic Excellence
	Sisca	Consistent Effort and Application
Gloria Kells Award		
Gloria Kells Award	Jamaya	
Peer Support Award		
Peer Support Award	Taylor	
Healthy Harold Award		
Healthy Harold Award	Jessica	
Reading Recovery		
Reading Recovery	Canne	
Reading Recovery	Balin	
Reading Recovery	Antonio	
Reading Recovery	Ervin	
Reading Recovery	Lone	
Reading Recovery	Dilara	
Debating Certificates		
Debating Certificates	Georgia	
Debating Certificates	Shania	
Debating Certificates	Molly	
Debating Certificates	Illisaane	
Debating Certificates	Riley	
Debating Certificates	Jayden	
Debating Certificates	Elisha	
Debating Certificates	Asiya	
Debating Certificates	Kuheli	
Debating Certificates	Rachel	
Debating Certificates	Ja'Leah	
Debating	Ruby	
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Certificates	
Debating Certificates	Sienna
Debating Certificates	Jasmin
Debating Certificates	Taylor
Minecraft Leaders	
Minecraft Leaders	Amira
Minecraft Leaders	Ann
Minecraft Leaders	Hareem
Minecraft Leaders	Ethan
Minecraft Leaders	Daniel
Minecraft Leaders	Freeman
Minecraft Leaders	Ali
Minecraft Leaders	Ja'Leah
Minecraft Leaders	Carla
Minecraft Leaders	Molly
Minecraft Leaders	Lucas A
Library Awards	
Library Awards	Amira
Library Awards	Ann
Library Awards	Shania
Library Awards	Clare
Library Awards	Hareem
Library Awards	Ethan
Library Awards	Daniel
Library Awards	Jasmin
Library Awards	Abbey
Library Awards	Rachel
Library Awards	Kuheli
Library Awards	Elisha
Library Awards	Asiya
Margaret Kelly	
Margaret Kelly	Cooper
Premier's Sport Medal	
Premier's Sport Medal	Jacob
Ken Newman School Spirit Award	
Ken Newman Award	Ann
All Rounder Award	
All Rounder Award	Clare
Literacy Award	
Literacy Award	Abbey
Numeracy Award	
Numeracy Award	Farhad
Peter D'Ermillio Award for Student Leadership	
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Student Leadership	Jacob and Sienna
PRINCIPAL'S AWARD	
PRINCIPAL'S AWARD	Riley
Active Citizenship Award	
Active Citizenship Award	Reuben
LESLEY COKER AWARD FOR MUSIC	
Music Award	Ruby
Junior Boy Champion 2017	
Junior Boy Champion 2017	Omar
Senior Girl Champion 2017	
Senior Girl Champion 2017	Clare
Geoff Lee Award	
Geoff Lee Award	Georgia