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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Date Claimers

Fortnight in Review

I would like to start off by thanking the P&C, in particular Kellie and Philip

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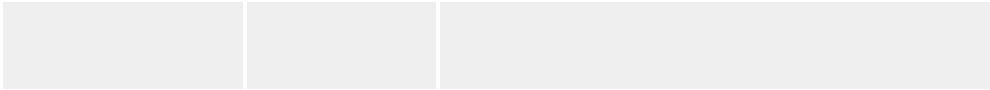
Reid as well as their crew of happy helpers at last Saturday's Rydalmere Bunnings BBQ. They managed to raise over \$1100 for our school. Well done to you all. Super Effort!



This year, in addition to our regular Friday PSSA competitions, we have also entered teams in some PSSA State Knockout Competitions. Over the past fortnight, both our boys and girls soccer team participated in their first round matches, but were unfortunately defeated. Next week, our boys and girls basketball team will also play a knockout match. We will also be fielding a team in the netball knockout gala day later in the term. We are proud to be providing students of further opportunities to represent our school, as well as experience new team sports.



On the topic of representing our school, last week, two teams from REPS travelled to debate against Winston Heights Public School in the first round of Premier's Debating Challenge. Good luck to the teams for future rounds.



July	
6 July	Last day for Term 2
23 July	Staff resume for Term 3
24 July	Students resume for Term 3
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Congratulations to our Cross Country runners who represented our school at the Parramatta Merrylands Zone Carnival. The carnival was held last Tuesday at Don Moore Reserve and both Miss Monardo and Mrs Hose reported back that we have sensational school ambassadors.



Voluntary School Contribution

Thank you to those families who have made their voluntary contribution. Over forty students so far have their names in the draw to win a prize at the Week 10 assembly. These contributions go straight towards the learning experiences we provide for your children. Thanks for your support.

Click here to download the Voluntary Contribution Flyer

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Privilege session

As you are reading this we will have completed our First Privilege Day. Today, students who have demonstrated Safe, Respectful and Responsible Behaviour were invited to attend fun activities in the



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middle session. Some of these activities included movies, dance parties, bike riding, art/craft, construction, cooking, coding and free sport. I am pleased to announce that the majority of students at our school attended today's activities. Some students missed out on a very small amount of time to be reminded of the appropriate behaviours; others missed out on a larger proportion of time. The good news is that as of Monday this week, we reset our behaviour and all students start with a clean slate (in relation to privilege day attendance). Our next Privilege Day will be in Week 10, and our goal as a school is to have a higher student attendance rate. That will happen if we all follow our expectations. I hope your children had fun at Privilege Day today.

Report Writing

Your child's teacher is currently spending time after school, most likely every night and on the weekend writing your child's Semester 1 Report which will go home to parents in Week 10. It is a massive task which teachers put so much time and energy into. Thanks to our teachers for their professional and dedicated approach to report writing, and I am sure they would appreciate your thanks as well.

School Disco

Don't forget the school disco is on next Thursday 7 June. All tickets need to be pre-purchased so please get your note and money into the office. The disco starts at 4:30pm and finishes at 6:15pm. Remember, this is a family event whereby parents will be responsible for their child's behaviour. Therefore, students will need to attend with a parent. More information is available on the note that went home last week and if you don't have a copy, request one from the office. I am looking forward to seeing you all there for a dance!



School Photos

Our school photos are scheduled for Tuesday 24 and Wednesday 25 July 2018. That's the first day back for students for Term 3. We will send more information out later regarding uniform expectations for class and sporting teams.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will take place on Monday 18 June 2018 at 6:30pm in the staffroom. We had excellent numbers last time and would love to see that number continue to grow. At our meetings they are very relaxed and you will get an opportunity to hear from me as I take you through our school plan and latest updates, you will have the opportunity to ask me questions in an open forum, and you will also get to have a say in relation to our fundraising and other P&C activities. We keep the meetings short and sharp, so please come along and see why our P&C is the best P&C going around.

Car Park

I don't normally write messages like this in the Grapevine; however, it is becoming a potentially serious issue. This is just a very friendly reminder, our car park is a staff car park and I would respectfully ask that parents do not use it to drop off or pick up their children. This would also include dropping off in the driveway. I know we can all work together to help keep our children safe.

School Readiness Program for Kindergarten 2019

We have started our preparations for 2019 Kindergarten enrolments. This year, all our transition visits will fall under the banner of the "school Readiness Program." 2019 Kindergarten students will be invited to all these sessions and it is our intention to provide optional sessions for parents in this time

wanting to know more about our school, as well as support services that may be available in the school community. More detailed information will follow, but essentially, you can keep these dates for your diary.

Join us for our School Readiness Program on:

Friday, 26th October 9:15am – 10:00am
Tuesday, 30th October 9:15am – 10:00am
Friday, 9th November 9:15am – 10:00am
Tuesday, 13th November 9:15am – 10:00am
Friday, 23rd November 9:15am – 10:00am
Tuesday, 27th November 9:15am – 10:30am
Tuesday, 27th November – Orientation Session for parents

As always, have a great fortnight.

Mr Carters
Relieving Principal



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POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

PBL Award Recipients

Week 3 – Respectful: We are inclusive and considerate of others

Congratulations to the following students: Alaula-Rose, Rachel, Farhad, Jayden L, Thomas C, William L, Harper, Mike S and Sisca



Class Greece used this theme as inspiration for their Office foyer decoration.



Week 4 – Respectful: We always do our personal best

Congratulations to the following students: YooJu, Adem O, Zainab, Elena, Kaiyeisha, David S, Daisy, Yebin, Uroomah and Zoe N.



Current and Upcoming Expectations

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Week 5	Safe	We use our equipment appropriately
Week 6	Responsible	We wear the school with pride

OZZIE MOZZIE AWARDS AND ASSEMBLY

Our next assembly– Friday 8 June at 2:15pm
Mrs Smith’s Class Scotland will be performing at this assembly
All parents and community members are welcome

At our last assembly, Mrs Gibbs’ Class Greece read from their favourite book *Do Not Open This Book* by Andy Lee. Everyone spoke with beautiful loud voices. Congratulations Greece.



Congratulations to the following students on achieving Principal’s Awards.

- Gold Level 1:** Reuben (Belize),
- Bronze Level 1:** Kristy (Spain), Anna (Argentina),
- Bronze Level 2:** Sisca (Scotland), Declan (Scotland), Elena (Mexico), William (Argentina), Jacob (Argentina)

Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:				
Sebastian (Argentina)	Noah (Argentina)	Eloise (Brazil)	Yara (Belize)	Ryder (Spain)
Ethan (Brazil)	Sophie (China)	Corey (Argentina)	Dallas (Mexico)	Charlotte (Brazil)
Mitchell (Scotland)	Xavi (China)	Lauchlan (China)		

CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT

Miss Andrews teaches Class Argentina comprising Years 1 and 2 students. They have been working hard on their literacy and numeracy skills and doing energizer activities learnt from the recent iPlay Professional Learning session.



PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

As always, staff are busy engaging in Professional Learning. At the moment, we are engaging in iPlay which is a program aimed to increase physical activity levels in children. We had our first session with facilitator Ian Moyes. Whilst session one was a lot of theory, he still had our staff up and dancing. We are looking forward to session 2 next Monday afternoon and then most importantly, using what we have learnt with our students.





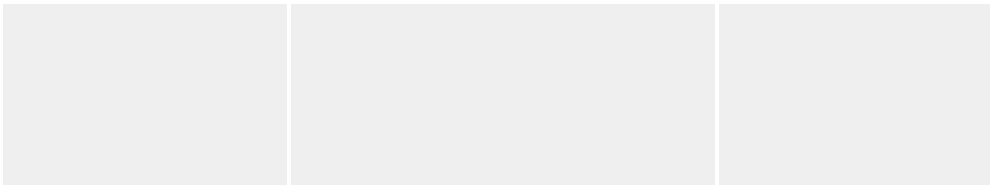
PSSA

Our soccer teams play each Friday morning at George Kendall Reserve. Parents and carers are most welcome to cheer on our teams.



PRESCHOOL NEWS

We would like to thank Rawson Dental for visiting the preschool to allow all children to have a free dental check. The children were enthusiastically engaged in the presentation about oral hygiene and appropriate habits to ensure our teeth stay healthy. The highlight of the visit for the children was being able to brush the giant tooth with a giant toothbrush.





Applications are now open for our 2019 Preschool with preference given to those who have siblings enrolled at REPS and those who reside in the local area.

Preschoolers need to be turning 4 by 31 July 2019.

Sessions run on a 5 day per fortnight basis to comply with the Department of Education's guidelines and will operate as follows:

- Class 1** will attend Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday then Monday and Tuesday for the second week.
- Class 2** will attend Thursday and Friday then Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for the second week.

Our fees remain unchanged at \$30 per day with concessions given for

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Status
- Commonwealth Health Care card holders
- Those experiencing financial difficulties

More information is available on our website - just click onto the *Preschool* tab.

PEER SUPPORT

During our second week of peer support, students looked at the qualities that their friends may have. They also explored the skills of friendship including cooperating and listening. Later sessions focussed on the types of friends including 'best friends', 'friends' and 'people we know.' Students also discussed the fact that friendships can change over time for various reasons.





MEET THE TEACHER – MISS OLIVER

Hi my name is Sarah. I recently started at Rydalmere East Public this term in the Kindergarten, Year 1 Support class (Luxembourg). I am a passionate Special Needs teacher who enjoys engaging students and incorporating Social Emotional Learning techniques into my teaching.

I love soccer and this term I am coaching the REPS, PSSA Soccer teams with Mrs Gibbs and soon to start working with the Dance club. I am an avid traveller and love to experience food from all around the world. In my spare time I love to read, especially Harry Potter and I really enjoy going to the theatre.

I am very excited to continue my teaching career at Rydalmere East Public School with Luxembourg class. Over the last five weeks I have really enjoyed getting to know the students and staff at REPS and look forward to continuing this in the future.



DEFENCE UPDATE

For Defence Families Information, please contact:

Donna Flanagan

Defence School Transition Aide
Rydalmere East Public School

Email: donna.flanagan6@det.nsw.edu.au



Hi Everyone

With so many deployments happening at the moment, I have been touching base with all the Defence children & their teachers on a regular basis to monitor how they are going. I encourage you to please let me know if your child is struggling with an absence and if there is anything I can do to further support them whilst they are at school.

Defence Club continues to be popular with the children and has been very well attended. During the sessions we take time to go around the table and chat whilst doing a fun craft activity. The children are very supportive of each other and those who are more experienced with Absence often offer advice and support to their friends.

Defence Club is held in the hall every Tuesday (Infants) & Wednesday (Primary), at the 2nd lunch bell (1.30pm). Please continue to remind your Defence children about Defence Club and encourage them to come along. Attendance is voluntary and the children can simply attend whenever they feel like some company.

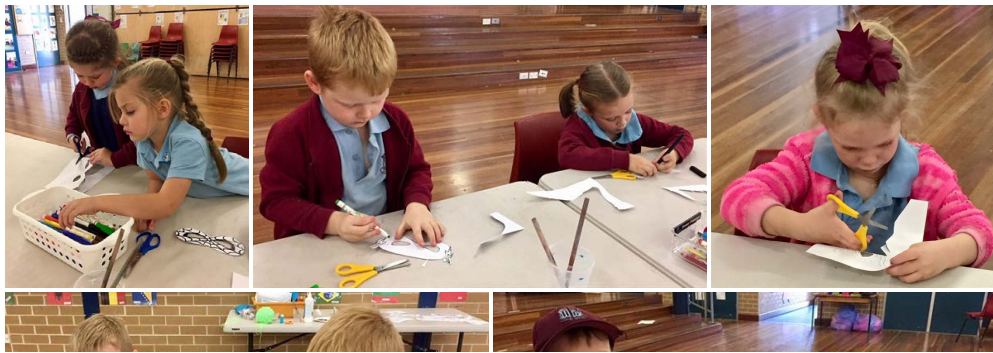
If they haven't already done so, I encourage all Stage 3 children interested in attending the Invictus Games excursion to please return their Expression of Interest notes. I will be reserving tickets over the next couple of days – as soon as the ballot opens. It is going to be a fun day... and a fantastic experience!

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me. I am in the school every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. You can reach me through the school office or via email at donna.flanagan6@det.nsw.edu.au . You can also find me on Tuesday mornings at the weekly morning tea.

Best wishes for the upcoming week

Donna Flanagan (DSTA)
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P&C NEWS

Bunnings BBQ

A big thank you to all the families who came to support our P& C fundraiser at Bunnings Rydalmere on Saturday 26th May. It was great to see so many familiar faces.

We had a great day and raised \$1150 for the school.

A special thankyou to all the people who helped:

Anthony, Philip, Mary, Cherie Ann, Melissa, Jess, Lisa and Nick! It was an amazing effort and we could not have done it without you!!

Canteen

The canteen will begin opening on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** for Recess and Lunch week commencing 11th June.

In addition to normal lunch orders we will have Theme days on Tuesdays where kids can pre-order and purchase a special themed lunch. On Tuesday 12th June the kids will have the option of Hotdogs.

Other suggestions for these theme days are pizzas, nacho's, soups, party pies and sausage rolls etc. Please advise if you have any further suggestions.

**Reminder: Next P&C meeting – Monday 18 June
at 6:30pm in the staffroom in Block L**

Kellie Reid
P&C President

OOSH NEWS

Dear Families

If you are requiring a booking for your child please be aware that we are now fully booked on Thursday afternoon and Wednesday afternoon. This is wonderful for us as we welcome new friends and form new friendships. We have been lucky



enough to welcome some amazing children from the Support Classes over the past weeks. The children are able to respond very well to each other and allow them to play with them and interact together.

I will be going on two weeks annual leave from Monday 18 June till Friday 29 June 2018 inclusive, leaving Claudia in charge during this time. We are also changing over our system within the next two weeks to help us make sure we can accommodate the new CCMS which will be starting on 2nd July. This will mean we will be using new technology for the parents to sign in on and do bookings. This is an exciting time and we hope this will make sign in and sign off time easier for our families.

Thank you so much for the families who have filled in the survey which was recently emailed .This helps us to know how we can better accommodate families and plan for the future. If you have not done so I would really appreciate your input. The survey should take a few minutes to fill in.

Over the past two weeks, the children have been talking about healthy living and healthy eating. This has been incorporated into our program and we are working on a variety of physical activities in the morning to challenge each other and to help us become fit and healthy.

Kind regards

Melissa Fletcher
Helping Hands Rydalmere East
Phone 0475 823 785



COMMUNITY NEWS



FREE FOOTY TICKETS

Bulldogs v Dragons

Monday 11 June, 4pm
ANZ Stadium

Thanks to the Bulldogs, NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge and ANZ Stadium, students and staff at your school have the opportunity to witness these two Sydney giants go head to head!

As your school is participating in this year's NSW Premier's School Sport Challenge, up to **four (4) FREE tickets** are available for *each* student and staff member to redeem for the match.

Tickets are limited so be sure to secure them quickly for what will be a great afternoon of rugby league. To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should follow the steps below:

1. Simply go to the following website: <http://www.anzstadium.com.au/premiers-sporting-challenge>
2. Register their details via the form
3. Print out the voucher and bring it with them on the day to gain entry through Gate E into general admission seating at ANZ Stadium.

For additional information, please visit the ANZ Stadium website by [clicking here](#).

Please note:

- *Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer.*
- *Each student is entitled to up to four (4) free tickets (limited to one registration per student).*
- *Match ticket voucher must be printed and presented at Stadium entry gates for entry to this match.*
- *There is a limit of 8,000 tickets (redemption available to 2,000 individuals).*
- *Entry may be refused if match ticket vouchers are damaged or defaced in any way or redeemed in an unauthorised manner.*
- *If a match ticket voucher is resold or redeemed in an unauthorised manner it may be cancelled and the bearer of the ticket refused entry.*
- *Accessible seating is available within the allocated general admission seating area.*

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