

TERM 4
WEEK 6
2013

RAINBOW RAMBLER

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CALENDAR

Week 7

Monday 18 November – Selective High School 2015 applications close

Wednesday 20 November to Friday 22 November – Support Unit Camp at Myuna Bay

Friday 22 November – Round 13 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1G)

Week 8

Monday 25 November – 1.30pm Year 6 to White Ribbon event at Randwick Boys' High School

Tuesday 26 November – Year 4 visit to Randwick Boys' and Randwick Girls' High Schools

Wednesday 27 November – Disco

Friday 29 November – Round 14 PSSA (final round); 2pm Years 3-6 Assembly (SD)

Week 9

Monday 2 December – Student Leader election posters on display; 6pm P&C AGM and December Meeting

Tuesday 3 December – Years 3-6 Concert rehearsal

Wednesday 4 December – NSW Government High School Orientation Day (Year 6 students); 11am Garden Grant presentation at Randwick PS

Thursday 5 December – Student Leader election speeches; 6pm Years 3-6 Concert

Your Opinion Matters

Each year NSW Government schools undertake an evaluation process. As part of that evaluation, surveys are conducted about various aspects of the school. This year we will be evaluating Teaching and Mathematics.

Additionally, as explained previously, the Executive are currently engaged in a project which utilises positive psychology principles and a strengths-based approach. As such we will be asking for information about Rainbow Street PS' strengths.

Students, staff and parents will all have input into the evaluation. Using *Survey Monkey*, three surveys have

been developed for parents.

They can be accessed through the following links:



Teaching:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/P8HXTXC>

Mathematics:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PLBV5RT>

RSPS Strengths:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PVVD6RZ>

We really value your opinion, so please take the time to complete the surveys. If you do not have access to a computer and would like to complete a survey, please contact Miss Sayers.

Gardening Grant

Last term I applied for a grant from the Randwick Council Schools Food and Native Gardens Grant program. I am very pleased to announce that we have won a \$2000 grant! The grant is for native and vegetable gardens and will support the work of the Garden Club. It will be used to regenerate the native garden outside 1G and 1M and the vegetable patches near our playground equipment. The grant will be presented at a ceremony on Wednesday 4 December at Randwick PS.

Rule Focus

This coming week's rule focus is 'I clean up after myself'.

Carer Reminder

Sometimes, people other than the usual parent/carer need to look after children. If this is the case, please ensure that carers are aware of school policies and procedures, specifically that we ask that no nuts or nut products are brought to school; and that the playground equipment is not used (including before or after school) unless the student is with an RSPS teacher or TRAC. Please also advise your child's class teacher and the Office of the name and contact information for any carers.

Resources To Support The New English Syllabus

A huge thank you to the Rainbow Street P&C for their generosity in supporting the purchase of new reading resources as we prepare to implement the new English syllabus in 2014. Below are some photos of the most recent purchases. We have purchased 16 copies of most of these as class sets. Students will be able to share one book between two students.

Thank you to the parents, grandparents and friends (and Miss Sayers) who have kindly taken books home to cover them in contact to preserve the life of these books. We have also purchased a number of sets of 'Collections' magazines which feature a variety of different reading samples. If you would like to visit the library to cover some books, or take some home to cover, please contact Ms Mayhew to pick them up or have them given to your child to bring home.

The purchase of these resources is a wonderful start to our teaching and learning with the new syllabus.

Thank you again!

Nicole Mayhew

Teacher Librarian



Rainbow Street PS presents

Turn Back Time!

Thursday 5 December 2013

6.00PM

Year 3-6 Concert

The final touches are being added for the concert on Thursday 5 December (Week 9) at 6.00pm in our school hall. All students in 3C, 3L, SD, SM, 4M, 4/5A, 5/6D



and 5/6M will feature in the concert. The concert should conclude at approximately 7.00pm.

We anticipate students will need to arrive at their classroom by 5.30pm.

Tickets are still on sale. If you have not yet purchased your tickets (maximum of 2 tickets per family), please return the ticket order form to your child's class teacher as soon as possible as they are selling quickly. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please note that TRAC will be providing childcare during the 3-6 Concert, from 6-7pm for children aged 3 and over. Please email Tanya on tracwork@iprimus.com.au by Friday 29/11/13 to reserve your place. Thank you Tanya!

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

The Year 6 Farewell Dinner will take place on Thursday 12 December at the Randwick Labor Club from 5.00pm-8.00pm.



The purpose of the evening is to celebrate the achievements and contributions of the Year 6 students throughout their years at Rainbow Street Public School. Year 5 students are invited to attend the dinner to help farewell Year 6 students. RSPS staff will be in attendance at the dinner. Parents and carers will drop off their child inside the club, returning at 7.40pm for speeches and the cutting of the cake. Students will then go home with their parents and carers at 8.00pm.

For catering purposes, the payment of \$35.00 should be returned to your child's class teacher by Friday 22 November.

Student Leadership 2014

Year 5 students have met with Ms Mayhew this week to revisit the procedures and timeline for Student Leadership in 2014. Please find the outline below and contact your child's classroom teacher or Ms Mayhew for further information.

Term 4 Weeks 6-7

Once nominees have been confirmed, nominees need to design a campaign poster. These posters will be displayed in the hall from Monday until Thursday of Week 9. Posters should:

- Be A4 in size (no larger)
- Include the student's name in big bold writing
- Include a current photograph of the student
- Contain information about:
 - The student's school contribution – what they have been involved in or done to support our school
 - Role of a prefect – what the student believes a prefect does and what responsibilities they have
 - Electing them – why the student body should elect the student, what the student would do for the school, etc. (Remember not to make promises that can't be kept e.g. installing a swimming pool)

Term 4 Week 9

During Week 9, classes are encouraged to walk through the hall at a time suitable for them to read the posters and discuss nominees and what each one is offering the school and student body.

During the election process, students are not to hand out flyers, offer bribes or approach students in the playground pressuring the students to vote for them. Students are asked to present a speech at a Year 2-6 Assembly. They must have their speech approved by a teacher before they present it to the school assembly. Students in Years 2-6 and all staff will vote. Four girls and four boys are elected.

Presentation Day

School Captains and Prefects are announced and presented with their badge on Presentation Day. The *Student Leader Code Of Behaviour* will be signed by the elected students, their parents and the Principal.

Reading Challenge

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge Preview app is a great way for students to find new books and track their progress in the challenge. It's free to download. To download the app:

<http://apps.microsoft.com/windows/en-au/app/nsw-premiers-reading-challenge/7a451df8-214b-4cd7-92a8-f8a4ea6dbe78>

**Rainbow Street Public School**
Working Bee
Sunday 17 November

We are holding our final working bee for 2013 on Sunday 17 November. Please join us any time between 1 and 4 pm. It is a great way to help your school and meet other families. All are welcome, kids and parents.

No need to RSVP – drop in for an hour or stay all afternoon.



Planting Weeding Pruning

There are plenty of jobs to be done. No experience necessary - we will be planting, weeding, mulching and tidying up our wonderful school grounds. Bring tools if you have any - or use ours.

Afternoon tea provided.

For more info, contact Claire on 0414 340317

Selective High School Placement

Applications for 2015 placements for Year 7 in a selective high school close 18 November. Parents with internet access are asked to apply online.

For information and application forms:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

Art About Australia

The Aussie Art competition invites primary school children (K-6) to enter an artwork with a brief description of why 'Australia is the best place in the world' for a chance to win a P&O family cruise or a 16GB iPad 2. The competition closes on 17 February 2014.

Enter the competition: www.aussievault.com.au

Ready for high school

The *Transition To High School, Ready For High School Checklist* is now available in 36 languages.

Search by language:

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/documents/start_ss/rfhsc.php

App Of The Week

This week's app is "Play School Art Maker" available for free on iPad only. The app creates pictures, animated movies and story slideshows using Big Ted, Humpty Dumpty, Jemima and the rest of the Play School toys, and you can even watch episodes of the TV show over Wi-Fi.

Darren Svanfelds

Computer Coordinator

3-6 Student of the Week

Week 5

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
3C	Catherine	Being a good listener in class discussions.
3L	Georgia	Being a caring and considerate class member.
4M	Toby	Enthusiastic dancing in our concert rehearsals.
4/5A	Kalliopi	Great effort in concert preparation.
5/6D	Paolo	Significant improvement in public speaking.
5/6M	Tricia	Always offering to help staff and students.
SB	Mike	Following the rules when playing games in PE.

Week 6

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
3C	Patrick	Cutting loose in our 'Footloose' rehearsals.
3L	Max	Writing an interesting fantasy narrative.
4M	Kaetie	Being a fantastic mathematician.
4/5A	Leila	Excellent effort at PSSA training.
5/6D	Eka	Bringing enthusiasm and style to learning the class dance.
5/6M	Chloe	Creative and interesting questions in Maths.
SD	Lufti	Improved independent working skills.
SM	Kenneth	Being a great friend and valued member of SM.

Rainbow Badges

Year	Students
3	Ryan S, Jaydon, Anneliese, Sebastian, Tobey, Oliver, Ryan M and Orlando



What a busy year the P&C have had at Rainbow Street! I can't believe that we are already half-way through November. We still have the End-of-year Disco on 27/11/13 to look forward to!

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) is rapidly approaching and will be held on Monday 2 December 2013, 6pm-8pm in the Gallery of Learning. At the AGM we elect the office bearers for next year, including the positions of President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary. Anyone can attend the meeting, but you must be a financial member to vote and hold positions. TRAC kindly offers free childcare during the meeting for children aged 3+. Please contact them by Friday 29/11/13 on tracwork@iprimus.com.au to book a spot.

See you at school!
Belinda Simmonds
 P&C President

DID YOU KNOW - the P&C website can be translated into 65 languages!
 Take a look: www.rainbowstpandc.org.au

The Annual Rainbow Street End of Year

DISCO

Wednesday 27 November 2013
4pm to 5.30pm Kindy to Year 2
5.30pm to 7.00pm Year 3 to Year 6

In the new hall

* Entry Price - \$5.00, avoid the queue by paying in advance. A desk will be set up before and after school near the canteen in the week of the disco, OR pay on the night *

Entry price includes a drink and ice block.

Parents and carers are asked to drop children off at the new hall and collect them later. Children will not be allowed to leave the supervised area. Unfortunately, we cannot have younger siblings at the disco.

Music by the fabulous "dance2bfit" team

Thank you in advance from
 Rainbow Street P&C

Community News

Disclaimer: Rainbow Street Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events which may be of interest. RSPS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organization of these events.



KIDS SQUADS

TERM DATES 2014

Term 1: January 28 – April 12

Term 2: April 28 – June 28

Term 3: July 14 – September 20

Term 4: October 7 – December 20

GREAT PRICES
From \$210 per term

Kids squads run daily from 4pm Mon-Fri and from 8am on Saturdays. Squads have a maximum of 4 per class and follow an intensive program that develops all strokes leading to preparation for points play and competition. Coaches are qualified tennis professionals. Modified balls and coaching equipment accelerate the learning curve to maximise enjoyment for all ages.

MACCABI TENNIS JUNIOR PROGRESSION PATHWAY			
AGE	SQUAD		PROGRAM
11+ years	YELLOW BALL		Uses normal balls on a full court. Technical and tactical development
9+ years	GREEN BALL		75% compression GREEN balls that bounce lower. Normal net & full size
8-10 years	ORANGE BALL		50% compression orange balls bounce lower. Normal net & smaller courts
5-8 years	RED BALL		25% compression red balls bounce lower, much easier to hit. Uses 3-6m mini nets
4-6 years	MINI TENNIS SQUADS		A Fundamental & Perceptual Motor Skill program teaches kids the basics of tennis
2.5-5 years	KANGA SQUADS (Multi-sports)		Multi-sports class incorporating skills from many sports with a focus on tennis. This class is an action packed fun class

Maccabi Tennis Bondi - 105 Wellington St, Bondi
9130 3096 bondi@maccabitennis.com
www.maccabitennis.com



HOLIDAY CAMPS

Tennis camp takes place every school holiday. Bookings essential. Fun way to learn tennis and improve skills. Ages 4-16 years. 9am-3pm daily. Price includes lunch daily.

CAMP DATES 2013

December Camps

Week 1: December 9 - 13 *

Week 2: December 16 - 20 *

CAMP DATES 2014

Summer Camps

Week 1: January 6-10 *

Week 2: January 13-17

Week 3: January 20-24

Easter Camps

Week 1: April 14-18

Week 2: April 21-25

Winter Camps

Week 1: June 23-27 *

Week 2: June 30-July 4

Week 3: July 7-11

Spring Camps

Week 1: September 15-19 *

Week 2: September 22-26

Week 3: September 29-October 3

December Camps

Week 1: December 8-12 *

Week 2: December 15-19 *

BOOK EARLY
\$60 p/day
Includes Lunch
Limited spaces!

* Camp at White City only

Maccabi Tennis White City - 30 Alma St Paddington
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