

### CALENDAR

#### Week 2

Monday 12 October – Year 6 Ceramics  
Tuesday 13 October – Deadly Kids Awards at UTS  
Thursday 15 October – Multicultural Day  
Friday 16 October – Round 7 PSSA (Summer competition resumes – AFL and Softball/Teeball); 2pm K-2 Assembly (1M)

#### Week 3

Tuesday 20 October – 2016 Kindergarten Orientation  
Wednesday 21 October to Friday 23 October – Support Unit Camp at Myuna Bay  
Wednesday 21 October – Stage 2 Reverse Garbage incursion  
Thursday 22 October – Year 4 Water Safety talks  
Friday 23 October – Round 8 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (3R and 3M)

#### Week 4

Monday 26 October – Year 6 Ceramics  
Tuesday 27 October – 2016 Kindergarten Transition  
Thursday 29 October – Count Us In song  
Friday 30 October – Australian World Teachers' Day; Round 9 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly(1N)

#### Week 5

Monday 2 November – 6pm P & C Meeting  
Tuesday 3 November – 2016 Kindergarten Transition  
Friday 6 November – Round 10 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (3-6 Support Unit)

### Welcome Back

Welcome back everyone. We trust that you had a good break and were able to enjoy some quality family time. There is lots happening this term starting with Multicultural Day and Kindergarten 2016 Orientation in the next two weeks.



If you haven't already done so, please mark the dates of the following major end of year events in your diary.

- 3-6 Concert – 6pm Friday 4 December 2015
- Student Leader Elections –

11.30am Thursday 3 December 2015

- Presentation Day – Tuesday 8 December 2015
- Year 6 Farewell – 5pm Thursday 10 December 2015
- Disco – Monday 14 December

### Staffing

A reminder that Ms Justine Jennings will be relieving in the library this term and that Miss Kerri Goldspink will be Relieving Assistant Principal – Stage 2.

Next week will be Mrs Roomi's last week before she commences her maternity leave. We wish her and her husband all the best and look forward to seeing a picture of their gorgeous bub. Miss Erinn Panaretos will be teaching KR from Monday 19 October 2015 until the end of the year.

After many years' service at Rainbow Street, Milena our school cleaner, is transferring to Randwick Girls High School. Milena has ensured we are always looking our best and that students have a clean environment in which to learn. We appreciate all that she has done for our school and will miss her. Our two new cleaners, Monica and Raoul, commence on Monday 12 October 2015.

### Quality Teaching Rounds

Seven Rainbow Street teachers are about to engage in a fabulous professional learning opportunity – Quality Teaching Rounds.

The Quality Teaching model describes in detail the major elements of what constitutes good classroom and assessment practice based on strong research.



The Quality Teaching Model has three dimensions that describe classroom and assessment practice. Each of these dimensions is then broken down into six elements.

*Intellectual quality* refers to pedagogy focused on producing deep understanding of important, substantive concepts, skills and ideas. Such pedagogy treats knowledge as something that requires active construction and requires students to engage in higher-order thinking and to communicate substantively about what they are learning.

Intellectual quality elements: deep knowledge, deep understanding, problematic knowledge, higher-order thinking, metalanguage and substantive communication.

*Quality learning environment* refers to pedagogy that creates classrooms where students and teachers work productively in an environment clearly focused on learning. Such pedagogy sets high and explicit expectations, and develops positive relationships between teachers and students and among students.

Quality learning environment elements: explicit quality criteria, engagement, high expectations, social support, students' self-regulation and student direction.

*Significance* refers to pedagogy that helps make learning meaningful and important to students. Such pedagogy draws clear connections with students' prior knowledge and identities, with contexts outside of the classroom, and with multiple ways of knowing or cultural perspectives.

Significance elements: background knowledge, cultural knowledge, knowledge integration, inclusivity, connectedness and narrative.

During Term 4, Mr Roche, Miss Goldspink, Mr Davies, Miss Hagan, Miss Fester, Mrs Zouroudis and Mr McMahon will be undertaking a process where they will be refreshing their understanding of the framework and engaging in peer observation and coding of lessons (their own and others') against the elements. This is a collaborative process led by a team facilitator and will provide then with powerful insight into teaching practice.

### Security

During the holidays Rainbow Street PS was broken into. If you notice anything suspicious occurring on site, please contact either:

- School Safety and Security – 1300 880 021
- Maroubra Police – 9349 9299



### ICAS Mathematics

Congratulations to the following students for their excellent results in the recent ICAS Mathematics Assessment.



*Certificate of High Distinction* – Eliza and Lawrence

*Certificate of Distinction* – Ariva, Noah E, Zarif, Jonathan W, Abrar, Rohan, Zara M, Sian, Orlando F and Ryan S

*Certificate of Credit* – Leyla, Danica, Henry C, Xavier, Milla, Seeya, Sascha, Thuriya, Ananya, Joshua C, Lachlan, Lily T, Jeremy, Tim B, Georgia M, Katrina, Gus and Alex T

*Certificate of Merit* – Miles F, Chloe T, Jarryn, Alyssa and Maida

### Rule Focus

Our rule focus for next week is *I am on time*.



### 3-6 Concert

Classes have been busy with the initial planning stages of the primary concert. Thank you to the parents who have already returned the commitment notes which were sent home this week. As Term 4 is such a busy time in the school calendar it is essential that teachers are aware of any absences that may potentially interfere with the organisation of the concert.

The evening performance is on Friday 4 December at 6pm. Tickets will go on sale during Week 5. There will be two tickets available per family and the seats are allocated from the front row back, based on the order that payment is received, i.e. first in, first served. Further information will be given closer to this date.

If you are interested in helping with costumes and set design please see your child's class teacher.

*Miss Goldspink*



### Sports News

Summer PSSA resumes on Friday 16 October.

#### AFL Draw

Date	Team Competing Against
16/10/15	Daceyville PS
23/10/15	South Coogee PS 1
30/10/15	Maroubra Junction PS
6/11/15	Matraville Soldier's Settlement PS
13/11/15	BYE
20/11/15	South Coogee PS 2
27/11/15	Finals and play offs

### Reverse Garbage Workshop

In Week 3, Stage 2 students (Years 3 and 4) will have the opportunity to participate in an in-school workshop lead by two members from the 'Reverse Garbage' team. The workshop will be held in the school hall on Wednesday 21 October 2015.

Reverse Garbage is a community run organisation that recycles all sorts of items which would normally be thrown out by manufacturing companies. Check out the web page to find out some interesting facts about what happens at 'Reverse Garbage'.

<http://reversegarbage.org.au/about/reuse/>

Students will learn how to make sculptural art from a huge range of interesting, weird, unusual and creative recycled objects. We hope to see every one in Stage 2 participate in this fun event.

*Mrs Hargrave and Miss Goonan*



### Helping Kids Understand The Law



A re-vamped website that helps children and young people to navigate complicated legal issues has been launched by Attorney General Gabrielle Upton. Issues such as parental break ups, family violence, criminal issues and property settlements are all issues that can affect children and young people, and Ms Upton said the justice system needs to be easily understood and accessible for everyone.

The updated *Best for Kids* website, developed by Legal Aid NSW, has legal information and resources for young people and families on a wide range of legal issues which can impact their lives including family law, care and protection, family violence, criminal law, consumer credit and debt.

The website includes answers to questions about what happens when parents separate, what is an AVO, what happens at court and the role of an independent children's lawyer, what happens when children are removed from their parents' care, how to deal with debt and money issues and what young people should do if approached by the police.

The website also features videos for parents including on family violence, mediation and property settlements.

For more information, go to [www.bestforkids.org.au](http://www.bestforkids.org.au)

## 3-6 Student of the Week

### Week 10

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
2/3M	Dheeren	Amazing problem solving in maths.
3G	Nam	A great start to his new school and demonstrating excellent maths.
3R	Anthony M	Outstanding use of volume, pronunciation, expression and pace during public speaking.
4A	Zara	Always being helpful to other students during English lessons.
4F	Jeremy	Always being a helpful and enthusiastic class member.
5R	Ryan S	Outstanding calculations using circle geometry.
5/6G	James	His dedication and maturity during Year 6 Fun day preparation, organisation and delivery.
6D	Mikelina	Showing creativity and perseverance during space and geometry lessons.

### Week 1

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
3G	Oliver	Presenting an excellent speech using enthusiastic and engaging expression.
3R	Jonathan	An amazing speech on Global Warming.
4A	Rohan	Being inventive when balancing equations.
4F	Joshua	Great enthusiasm during public speaking activities.
5R	James	Outstanding alternate ending to The Watertower.
5/6G	Eric	Outstanding commitment to take home projects including an environmentally-friendly designed house.
6D	Mikey	Continually showing enthusiasm when exploring books in library.

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
SL	Ari	Excellent application in maths lessons.
SD	Emma	Excellent application in gymnastics.

## Rainbow Awards

Year	Student
3	Chloe
5	Anna, Aaron, Momen, Ryan S, Pietro, and James



Welcome back to a busy Term 4. I hope you survived the holidays and were able to enjoy some family time.

In Term 3 we saw a fabulous K-2 concert and this term it is Years 3-6's turn. If you are able to help with costumes/props please let your child's teacher know.

### Our Car Boot Sale is on Saturday 24 October 2015.

We need helpers on the day with the cake stall, BBQ, face painting, jumping castle etc. If you can spare an hour or two please email Hui at [huihoh@optusnet.com.au](mailto:huihoh@optusnet.com.au) We also need our fabulous

bakers to bring some cakes, cupcakes slices etc. to sell on the day. These can be dropped to the Gallery of Learning on Friday 23 October 2015 in a labelled container or to the stall on the morning of 24 October 2015. We appreciate your time and donations to help us reach our target of \$6000 for the day.

### Our next P & C meeting will be on Monday 2

**November 2015.** This will be our AGM (Annual General Meeting) where elections will be held for the executive roles within the P & C. This is your chance to vote for your 2016 representatives on the P & C. We will be electing office bearers for President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and up to six additional Executive positions. If you are interested in holding one of these positions and would like to know what is involved, please talk to one of the P & C executive, see the information sheets at <http://pandc.org.au>, or email me on [sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au](mailto:sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au). If you need childcare to attend the meeting, TRAC provides **free** care for children over 3 years of age. Please remember to make a booking with Tanya at TRAC before Friday 30 October 2015 at [tracrandwick@gmail.com](mailto:tracrandwick@gmail.com)

We hope to have our first **Library Friday** of the term next week from 9am. Come along for a coffee and a chat while we cover some library books.

*Sal Notaras*

*P & C President*

**DID YOU KNOW** - the P&C website can be translated into 65 languages!

Take a look: [www.rainbowstpandc.org.au](http://www.rainbowstpandc.org.au)