

CALENDAR

Week 10

Monday 7 December – Hour Of Code; 6pm P & C AGM

Tuesday 8 December – Presentation Day

Thursday 10 December – 8.30am Appreciation
Breakfast; 5pm Year 6 Farewell at Coogee Diggers

Friday 11 December – SB, SD and SU Australian
Museum excursion; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (5/6G)

Week 11

Monday 14 December – Disco

Wednesday 16 December – Talent Quest; Last day for
students

The school calendar above is getting shorter and the year is quickly coming to an end. There is a lot happening at school next week in particular. We hope you are able to join us for the many special events.

We look forward today to the 3-6 Concerts. The dress rehearsal had the hall 'rocking'.

Presentation Day - Reminder

All parents and friends are invited to join us for our annual K-2 and Years 3-6 Presentation Days which will be held at Randwick Boys' High School in the Hall on Tuesday 8 December 2015.

- 9.30am Kindergarten to Year 2 (includes Kindergarten Graduation)
- 10.45am Years 3 - 6



Reports

Teachers are in the process of finalising Semester 2 reports which will be distributed next Friday, 11 December. It has been fabulous over the last week when reading reports to read of the wonderful achievements of our students. Teachers have put a lot of time and effort into providing parents with a comprehensive outline of students' achievements in each of the six key learning areas, work habits, effort, additional activities and general school life.

For students in Years 1-6, achievement is measured against achievement of syllabus outcomes using what

is called the 'common grade scale'. The same scale is used in public schools across NSW. **Students who are achieving at grade level i.e. where they should be at this stage of their learning, are defined as 'Sound'.**

This is different from when many of us were at school and can lead to confusion. Students working above expected grade level receive either 'High' or 'Outstanding' whilst those who aren't yet achieving at expected grade level receive either 'Basic' or 'Limited'. Of course, a student's level of achievement can be limited by their level of English language.

The full descriptors for each grade level are:

Outstanding (A): The student has an extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and can readily apply this knowledge. In addition, the student has achieved a very high level of competence in the processes and skills and can apply these skills to new situations.

High (B): The student has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the content and a high level of competence in the processes and skills. In addition, the student is able to apply this knowledge and these skills to most situations.

Sound (C): The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills.

Basic (D): The student has a basic knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a limited level of competence in the processes and skills.

Limited (E): The student has an elementary knowledge and understanding in few areas of the content and has achieved very limited competence in some of the processes and skills.

Students in Kindergarten and the Support Unit classes receive a comment about their achievement in each of the key learning areas.

If, due to family circumstances, you require a duplicate copy of your child's report, please advise the Office or your child's class teacher.

Redevelopment Update

The PRG is meeting today. Keep an eye out in next week's Rambler for an update.

Appreciation Breakfast

We would like to thank all parents and family members who have assisted us this year in the classrooms, at school and P & C events etc. Please join us at the Appreciation Breakfast on Thursday 10 December 2015.



Student Leadership 2016

Leadership elections were held yesterday. Well done to the 12 girls and 7 boys who nominated to be a Student Leader, they presented some fabulous speeches and certainly gave the voters a lot to think about! The successful candidates will be announced at the 3-6 Presentation Day which is on Tuesday.

2016 School Start Dates

- Wednesday 27 January 2016 – Staff return
- Thursday 28 January 2016 – Students going into Years 1 to 6 return
- Friday 29 January 2016 – Students going into Kindergarten start school

NOTE: From 1 January 2016, our school uniform will be sold through Lowes at Eastgardens (and online).

2016 Absence

It is essential that we have accurate numbers for 2016 class development. Our numbers are very tight and we are close to having an additional class. If you are travelling and will not return for the first day of school next year (28 January 2016) AND you did not indicate this on your enrolment confirmation form, please advise the Office in writing as soon as possible. This

will ensure that we can 'count' your child and they will have a place for next year. Thank you.

Hour Of Code

The Hour of Code is a global movement reaching tens of millions of students in 180+ countries. The aim of the event is for people between 4 and 104 to engage in an hour of computer coding. It is a one-hour introduction to computer science, designed to demystify code and show that anybody can learn the basics. Some of our classes are getting involved. Why not give it a go yourself? One-hour tutorials are available in over 40 languages. No experience needed. For more details, visit <https://hourofcode.com/au>



Australia Museum Excursion

SU, SB and SD have been studying dinosaurs and are looking forward to their excursion to the Australia Museum on Friday 11 December. They will be visiting the Dinosaur Exhibition as well as other exhibits of interest. If the weather is fine, lunch will be had in Hyde Park, across the road from the museum. Can students from these classes who have not paid please ensure that payment and the permission note is returned as soon as possible. Thank you.

Steven Boersma

Excursion Organiser

Schools Spectacular

This year, over 3,600 of the most talented singers, dancers, instrumentalists and actors from NSW public schools took part in the 32nd *Schools Spectacular - This is our World*.



The show will be broadcast on:

- Saturday 5 December, from 7.00pm – 10.00pm, on the Nine Network; and
- Saturday 12 December, from 12.30pm – 3.30pm, on GEM.

The entire show will also be available to view via catch-up TV at *Jump-in* from Sunday 13 December 2015. *Jump-in* is a free, downloadable app. For details please see www.jump-in.com.au

Young people are at the heart of all we do, and the *Schools Spectacular* is a celebration of the talent, creativity and commitment of our NSW public school students and teachers.

Stage One Environmental Hub Excursion

Today saw Year 1 go to the Randwick Community Centre for their sustainability excursion organised by Ms Engles. Year 2 went on Monday, with both grades participating in the "Hello Sun" and "Sounds Like Water" lessons. Students learnt about water, energy and light through hands-on activities. All students experimented with solar panels and discovered more about the Permaculture Garden's Water Wise Trail. Thank you to students for their excellent behaviour and enthusiasm.



Mr Svanfelds (on behalf of Stage One)

Swim School Lost Property

I have one size 8-10 white sock with red sole/toes; one size 9-12 white sock; one "small-sized" white sock; one Meriton Serviced Apartments Bondi Junction towel; one "light blue" pair of goggles; one "dark blue" Eyeline pair of goggles; one "light green" pair of goggles; and, one "blue and yellow" Speedo pair of goggles. Items can be collected from my room, opposite the Computer Lab. Any lost items not collected by next Friday will be thrown out.

Mr Svanfelds

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DISCO EXTRAVAGANZA!!!

WHO'S READY TO GET THEIR PARTY ON!!!

WHEN: Monday 14 December 2015
VENUE: School Hall
TIME: K-2 4.00 - 5.30pm, 3-6 - 5.30 - 7pm
TICKETS: \$6.00 each (Ticket includes drink, ice block & glow stick) Tickets will be sold before school on Friday 11 & Monday 14 December 2015 near the canteen.
The disco is only for children that attend our school. Parents who are not helping on the night please drop and go! :)



Our P & C meeting is on next Monday, 7 December 2015 and will be our AGM (Annual General Meeting).

I hope to see you there. We will be electing office bearers for 2016, including President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and up to 6 additional Executive positions. If you are interested in becoming an office bearer and/or would like to know what's 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 . TRAC provides free childcare for **any children of families from RSPS over 3 years of age** during the meeting. Please contact Tanya by the close of business today - 4/12/15 on tracrandwick@gmail.com to make a booking.

I am looking forward to Presentation Day on Tuesday 8 December. What a great day to celebrate the students of RSPS.

Raffle! Have you got your tickets? There are more available at the office.

Thanks to Top Gun Appliances for donating a TV!
What a great prize to win!

We also have lots of book packs donated by Booktopia
– Thanks!

There are vouchers galore from AMART Sports, Kidstuff, Complete Bodycare, Strike Bowling, Nijimi, Massage by the Sea, Four Frogs Creperie and loads more. Thanks to the parents who have been collecting these donations. Your support is greatly appreciated.

If you or someone you know is able to donate a prize or voucher for our raffle please leave it at the school office ASAP or contact me at sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au.

If you are able to visit/email/phone some businesses to ask for donations please pick up some school letters at the office to take with you. If you would like one emailed to you please leave your details for me at the office or contact me on the email listed above.

The Disco is on Monday 14 December 2015. Tickets will be on sale soon. If you would like to help with the organisation, set up and/or supervision on the night please see Jess in the canteen.

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

Community News

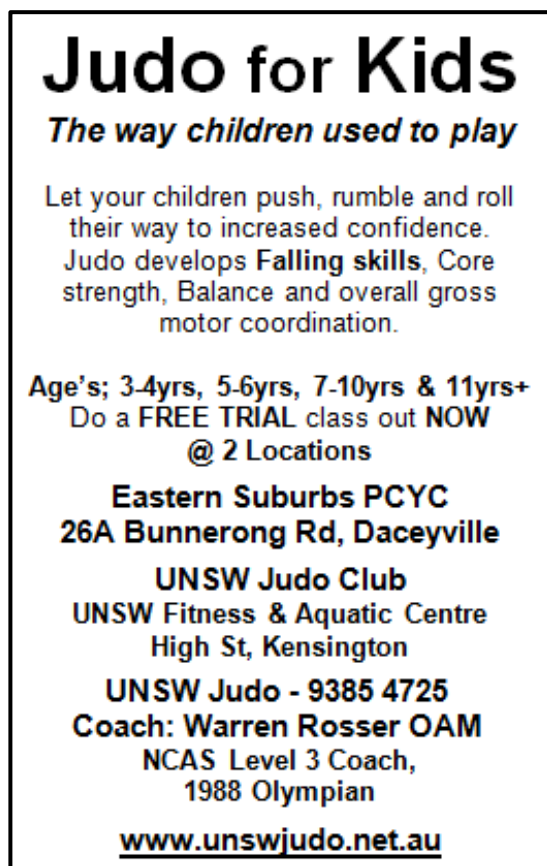
Disclaimer: Rainbow Street Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events which may be of interest. RSPS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events.



WILD STREET CAROLS

Sunday 13 December BBQ at 5:30 Carols at 6:30
Wild Street Anglican Church, cnr Wild & Holden Streets Maroubra
9314 2500 www.wildstreet.org.au

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December: 16th - 18th 2015
January: 4th - 22nd 2016
Monday to Friday

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Summer Camp: December: 16th - 18th 2015
January: 4th - 22nd 2016

Age

Children between 5 - 12 years will be divided into age appropriate groups.

5 - 7 years
8 - 10 years
11 - 12 years

Location

Randwick Tafe NSW
Located in the Auditorium
(Level 2 Building B)
Cnr Darley Rd & King St
Randwick 2031
Onsite Security and Free Parking

Enquiries

- 0424 112 724
- info@koolkidzz.com.au
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