

RAINBOW RAMBLER

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CALENDAR

Week 4

Monday 16 February – 3.30pm ESPSSA Zone trials for Basketball at Randwick Boys' HS; 5pm Welcome BBQ
Tuesday 17 February – 3.30pm ESPSSA Zone trials for AFL at Chifley
Wednesday 18 February – 3.30pm ESPSSA Zone trials for Tennis at Snape Park
Friday 20 February – Round 1 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly

Week 5

Monday 23 February – ESPSSA Zone trials for Soccer and Rugby League at Banksmeadow
Tuesday 24 February – 3.30pm ESPSSA Zone trials for Hockey
Thursday 26 February – ESPSSA Zone Swimming Carnival at Botany Pool
Friday 27 February – Schools Clean Up Day; Round 2 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly

Week 6

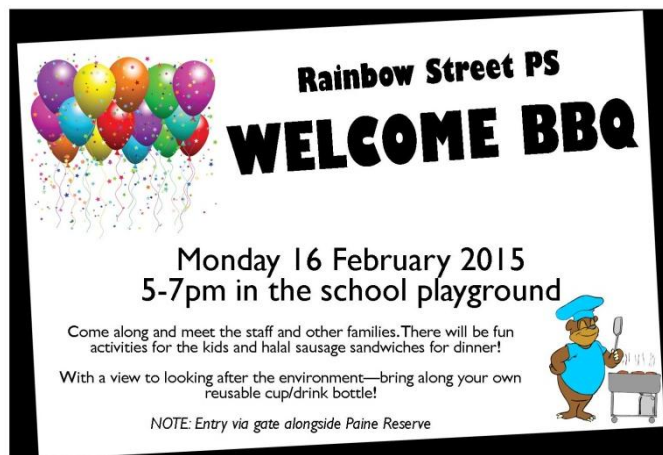
Monday 2 March – 6pm P & C Meeting
Tuesday 3 March – 9am NAPLAN Information Session for parents
Friday 6 March – Round 3 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly

Parent Information Evening

It was fabulous to see so many parents at the Parent Information Evening last night. If you were unable to attend and have not yet received a copy of the handouts, please contact your child's class teacher.

Individual parent-teacher interviews will be held at the end of this term however if you would like to meet with your child's class teacher prior to that, please contact them to organise a mutually convenient time.

Our next event is the Welcome BBQ on Monday night (details following). We hope to see you all there.



Online Payments

It's been great to see many of our parents making use of the new online payment system. Go to the school website www.rainbowst-p.schools.nsw.edu.au Click on *Make a payment* and follow the prompts to make a payment.

A New Special Friend

We have a new special friend joining us this week – meet Rainbow Bear!

Rainbow Bear will be awarded to the best class at the K-2 Assembly each fortnight.

Primary students have a special trophy.



Sport News

Swimming Carnival

What a fabulous carnival we had last week. It was wonderful to see so many students entering races. So many in fact that sadly we didn't have time for the teachers v parents race! Congratulations to the 22 students who will represent our school at the Eastern Suburbs Zone Carnival on Thursday 26 February at Botany Pool.

PSSA

PSSA commences next Friday (20 February). The softball/Tee ball draw is:

Date	School Playing	Venue
20 February	Maroubra Junction	Heffron Park 1
27 February	Matrville	Heffron Park 1
6 March	Maroubra Bay	Heffron Park 1
13 March	South Coogee	Nagle Park
20 March	Matrville Soldier's	Heffron Park 2
27 March	Chifley	Chifley PS

The AFL draw is:

Date	School Playing	Venue
20 February	Matrville	Heffron Park
27 February	Maroubra Bay 1	Heffron Park
6 March	Maroubra Bay 2	Heffron Park
13 March	South Coogee 2	Heffron Park
20 March	Malabar	Heffron Park
27 March	Banksmeadow	Heffron Park

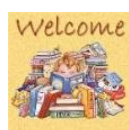
Please note that the summer sport competition runs through Term 1 and 4 so the competition will resume on Friday 16 October 2015.

Zone Team Trials

Just as we have school representative teams so does the Zone. Rainbow Street and other schools in the area belong to Eastern Suburbs Primary School Sports Association (ESPSSA). Over the next few weeks trials in the various sports will be held, mostly after school, for students from all of the local schools who have the skills to represent ESPSSA at Regional level. Mr McMahon and Mr Davies have been informing our students about the zone trials. Students interested in trialling for one of these zone representative teams must complete a form and return it to Mr McMahon. Please contact Mr McMahon for more information.

Upcoming trials are:

- 16 February – Basketball
- 17 February – AFL
- 18 February – Tennis
- 23 February – Soccer and Rugby League
- 24 February - Hockey



From The Library

It was wonderful to meet all of our new Kindergarten students in the library this week. They were all very interested in listening to the story and having a chance to 'browse and borrow' a book to take home. Please help your child to read their book and enjoy the pictures.

Students in Kindergarten to Year 4 should bring their library bag and return their book each week.

Library days for each class are:

Monday: 2S, 4F, 4A and KD

Tuesday: KR, 2M, 3G, 3R and 5R

Wednesday: 2/3M, SD, SB, 1N, 1M, 1/2R and SU

Thursday: SL, 5/6G, 6D and KH

Library Monitors

Year 4 and 5

students are eligible to apply to be a library

monitor. These

students have been

offered the opportunity to apply by completing the application forms. Completed forms are due back to the library by *Monday 16 February 2015*. Students who are selected will be informed on *Tuesday 17 February 2015* and receive their badge at the 3-6 assembly on *Friday 20 February 2015*. Parents are very welcome to attend this assembly. The criteria, as per the RSPS Student Leadership Policy which is available on the school website, are outlined below.



Rainbow Street Public School endeavours to develop students' leadership skills and to share decision making processes. These procedures put in place have been developed to be fair, unbiased, equitable and inclusive for all students.

Library Monitor roles allow Year 4 and 5 students to assist the Teacher-Librarian in daily routines and to familiarise and encourage students in the workings of the library.

Nomination Of Candidates

Students can be nominated if they fulfil the general school leadership criteria. In addition, they must:

- Hold a general knowledge and understanding of the organisation and role of the library;
- Show an awareness of the required behaviour and time dedication involved;
- Wear full school uniform at all times;
- Shows willingness to assist at all times in the library;
- Be a positive role model for other students in the classroom, library, playground and when representing the school; and
- Model appropriate use of technology including the Internet and library resources.

Election Procedures

Students are informed of the criteria for being a Library Monitor. This occurs at the end of the previous year (for students in Years 3 and 4). In addition, the Teacher Librarian will encourage students to apply to be a Library Monitor at the assemblies at the beginning of the year and through school newsletter articles.

Students attend a meeting in the Library at which the requirements for Library monitors are outlined. Students complete a *Library Monitor Application Form* outlining why they would like to be a library monitor, their knowledge of the library organisation and systems and how they would promote the school library.

The Teacher Librarian will review the applications and determine the Library Monitors. The Principal and/or Assistant Principals may assist in this process if required.

The announcement of successful students will be made at a 3-6 Assembly early in the school year. Parents are invited to the 3-6 Assembly and students will be presented with their badges at this assembly. The *Library Monitor Code Of Behaviour* will be signed by the elected students, their parents and the Principal.

Nicole Mayhew
Teacher Librarian

Garden Club

Some parents are meeting on Thursday mornings to do weeding and general maintenance in the school gardens. We'd love for you to join us - meet at the Canteen after lines. If you aren't available Thursdays, but would like to help, contact Claire.

cjcousin@bigpond.net.au or 0414 340 317
All welcome, no experience necessary.



Jargon Buster

Wondering why your kids talk about playing under the school COLA? Baffled at parent-teacher discussions about KLAS? This list of common abbreviations or terms will help you to become familiar with the world inside school.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/school-jargon-busters>

Maths Questions

Are you in search of an educational game to sharpen your child's maths skills and recall? Maths Monkey's Quest features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. It's aimed at children from Years 3 to 8. <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/maths-monkey-s-quest>

Helping Your Child With Homework

How do you help your child while allowing them to develop independence? Teachers talk about how parents can help kids take responsibility for their homework and avoid Thursday night meltdowns.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/helping-your-primary-school-child-with-homework>



Website Of The Week

This week's website is *UpToTen* found at: <http://www.uptoten.com/>. Featuring age-appropriate learning games for kids aged up to ten, there are cartoons, colouring, and even a 'Song of the Week'.
Mr Svanfelds
Computer Coordinator

K-2 Student of the Week

Congratulations to the first group of K-2 students who have received Student of the Week awards - a great start to the year!

Week 1

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
KD	Shreya	A great start to Kindergarten.
KH	Zoe	Being an amazing helper in class.
KR	Anny	Thinking of lots of words starting with 'a'.
1M	Max	Always following the class rules.
1N	Allegra	Beautiful art work.
1/2R	AJ	Approaching all tasks with enthusiasm.
2M	Valerie	Being a kind and considerate member of 2M.
2S	Charlie	Enthusiastic and positive contributions to class discussions.

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
2/3M	Krithiga	Settling in well to her new school.

Week 2

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
KD	Asher	A great start to Kindergarten.
KH	Kobe	Having lovely manners and listening well.
KR	Yoshka	Trying really hard in the computer lab.
1M	Jude	Always doing his best work.
1N	Aliyah	Displaying an enthusiastic attitude towards learning.
1/2R	Aidan	Using great strategies to solve addition problems.
2M	Finley	Settling into his new school well.
2S	Olivia	Representing herself and our class so well at the swimming carnival.
2/3M	Asya	A detailed sketch of a Chinese dragon.
SB	Fayaaz	Enthusiastically participating in all activities.

Week 3

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
KD	Miyara	Always listening and super neat work.
KH	Mohammad	Excellent counting during Maths lessons.
KR	Marley	Being a kind and helpful member of KR.
1M	Beky	Beautiful artwork.
1N	Mason	Being a kind and considerate member of the class.
1/2R	Luca	Contributing wonderful ideas to class discussions.
2M	George	Being a helpful friend.
2S	Finlay	Representing herself and our class so well at the swimming carnival.
2/3M	Sebastian	Displaying a positive attitude in all aspects of schoolwork.

Rainbow Awards

Reminder: As the Journey Over The Rainbow chart carries over from year to year, some students were presented with their medal of merit (Rainbow Badge) at today's assembly. Congratulations to...

Year	Student
1	Zane and Oliver
2	Leila, Abby, Zara, Jesse and Finn



It was wonderful to see so many families come along to the parent information sessions in the classrooms this week. What a great way to stay informed! Your class representative will email you soon with any upcoming events and general information. If you didn't leave your email details, please give your email address to your child's teacher.

We hope to see you all again on Monday night for our Welcome BBQ from 5pm to 7pm in the playground. There are still some helpers needed to cook and serve the yummy sausages so please email sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au if you can help out for an hour. The children will be busy playing with their friends and being entertained by our fabulous TRAC staff.

If you have any suggestions of ways to improve our school, raise money or general suggestions for the P & C come along to our next meeting on Monday 2 March and join the discussion.

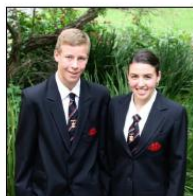
See you at school.

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



ENDEAVOUR Sports High School

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Strong academic results are evident in 2013, 2014 HSC graduates placed in University courses including: Health Science, Business & Economics, International Law, Architecture & Design, Psychology, Engineering Studies

Student Visual Art Work exhibited in Art Express, first in the state in Tourism and Hospitality Minister's Award for Excellence in student achievement.

Strong sporting achievements are evident in 2013, 2014 graduates securing sporting contracts both nationally and internationally.



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Community News

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