

# RAINBOW RAMBLER

## RAINBOW STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL

90 RAINBOW STREET  
RANDWICK NSW 2031

PH: 9398 1986 FAX: 9399 8287

EMAIL: [rainbowst-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rainbowst-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

WEBSITE: [www.rainbowst-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.rainbowst-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

### CALENDAR

#### 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 (6D)

#### Week 7

Monday 9 March – High School EOIs issued to parents

Thursday 12 March – 9am Selective High School Test at JJ Cahill Memorial High School

Friday 13 March – Round 4 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (2S)

#### Week 8

Tuesday 17 March – Grandparents Open Morning

Wednesday 18 March – Regional Swimming Carnival at Homebush

Thursday 19 March – Year 3 Amazing Ants video conference

Friday 20 March – Best Start Reports issued; Round 5 PSSA; Harmony Day; High School EOIs due; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (5/6G)

### Zone Swimming Carnival

It was an absolute pleasure to accompany the Rainbow Street team to the ESPSSA Swimming Carnival yesterday. Six separate teachers from six different schools commented about the students' fabulous manners and behaviour. Aside from that they all did their absolute best and some 'PBs' (personal best times for those non-swimmers) were broken. As soon as we have the results from the carnival we will publish them in the Rambler.

### New High School

Last week, Adrian Piccoli, the Minister For Education announced that a new inner city high school would be built on the site of the Cleveland Street Intensive English High School to meet growing secondary enrolment demand. The Intensive English High School will be relocated to a suitable alternative location.

### School Security

Please report any incidents of trespass or suspicious activity on school grounds to the DEC School Security Unit on the 24hr security hotline 1300 880 021 or the local police station (Maroubra 9349 9299). In an emergency, call 000.

### High School 2016 Placement

On Monday 9 March, mainstream Year 6 students will be issued with their *Expression Of Interest Placement in Year 7, 2016 in a NSW government school* form. Completed forms will be due back by Friday 20 March 2015.

Review meetings for Year 6 Support Unit students will be held on Friday 13 March 2015.

Lots of high schools are currently having open days/nights for prospective enrolments. Make sure that you visit the schools to see what they can offer your child. Coming up soon:

- Randwick Girls' High School – Tuesday 3 March 2015 at 6.30pm in the MPC (Hall)
- Randwick Boys' High School – Tuesday 10 March from 5pm to 7.30pm

### AMART Community Kick Back Program



**Pass rewards back to your team**

AMART's Community Kickback program gives 5% of all member purchases back to us to spend. We have recently purchased 15 AFL balls and 4 packs of agility poles through the kickback program. We have also ordered some new t-balls for the team.

### Violin Tutorials

Violin tutorials will take place on Tuesday 3 March this week. Students should bring their violin on Tuesday please.

### Assisting In K-2 Classrooms

If you would like to assist in your child's classroom for activities such as reading groups, you will need to collect a Working with Children Check form (Appendix 5) from your child's class teacher. Complete the form and take it and your 100 points of identification to the office on either Tuesday 2 March or Wednesday 3 March 2015 between 2.30pm-3.00pm for processing.

All Kindergarten students will receive a note outlining reading group times for their class.

*Margaret Nalovski*  
Assistant Principal



### Sport News

#### Zone Team Trials

Congratulations to Andrew, Max and Becky who have been selected in the ESPSSA Zone Soccer teams. Well done!

### Summer PSSA

The PSSA summer season kicked off again last Friday with all students playing with pride and learning valuable skills.

Parents are always welcome to attend and support the school teams. Please note that all AFL games are held at the same venue each week: Heffron Park (Fitzgerald Avenue side) near the bike track. For softball and T-Ball, please note the following dates and venues:

Round 2 (27/02)	Heffron Park 1
Round 3 (06/03)	Heffron Park 1
Round 4 (13/03)	Nagle Park
Round 5 (20/03)	Heffron Park 2
Round 6 (27/03)	Chifley Public School

NOTE: Heffron Park 1 is on the corner of Fitzgerald Avenue and Bunnerong Road. Heffron Park 2 is on Fitzgerald Avenue near Des Renford Aquatic Centre.  
*Mr Davies*

### ICAS Competitions For Students In Years 3 – 6



UNSW Global  
AUSTRALIA

For over 20 years ICAS has taken place each year in schools throughout Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, the Pacific region and South Africa. ICAS provides an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in Digital Technologies, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing.

Our school will be offering the opportunity to sit these tests at school. There is a cost for each test. A note will be sent home with all Years 3-6 students during Week 6. If you would like your child to sit one or all of the tests, please complete the form that is sent home and return the note and payment to your child's classroom teacher.

For more information see the website <http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/> or contact Ms Mayhew.

### Stage 2 Video Conferences

Stage 2 students will participate in a video conference during Week 8 or 9 to support their learning in Science and Technology and Visual Arts.

One video conference will involve students and teachers conferencing with three other schools about 'Amazing Ants' - exploring the amazing world of ants, the importance of ants and their habitats and how to safely collect them. Students will conduct an investigation, collect data and collate their information.

The alternative session is 'Nature Art – Natural Expressions' which will involve students in a shared reading of the text, Tanglewood. They will explore and observe nature as described and depicted by the author and illustrator. Students will work with an artist and then create their own works of art to share with students from other schools. All students who have permission for video conferencing on their ICT Permission form will be able to participate. Any student who does not have permission will be given a note asking for parental permission to participate. This note should be returned to your child's class teacher by Friday 13 March.

*Nicole Mayhew*

Stage 2 Assistant Principal

## WANTED!

### Technology Club Members

Are you interested in developing your technology skills?

You will need to be prepared to:

- Be at school by 8:30am every Wednesday mornings
- Have good IT skills and the desire to challenge yourself and learn new skills
- Be a responsible member for our school community in Year 4, 5, or 6.

In order to apply, see Ms Fester for an application form. Applications close 3pm Friday 6 March 2015.

## Website Of The Week

Don't let the name worry you, but this week's website is *The Problem Site*. The site contains free online games, including two player games and solitaire games. Other games include vocabulary and word games. Play them at:

<http://www.theproblemsite.com/games.asp..>

Mr Svanfelds

Computer Coordinator

## K-2 Student of the Week

### Week 4

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
KD	Kennedy	Always demonstrating excellent listening skills.
KH	Aidan	Using his best manners in class.
KR	Sara	Being an excellent listener.
1M	Isaac	Wonderful neat work.
1N	Uliti	Settling in well to his new school.
1/2R	Matilda	Using great strategies to solve mathematical problems.
2M	Haarits	Being a hardworking and sensible member of 2M.
2S	Rawiri	Having his brain 'switched on' and for handing in his homework.
2/3M	Charlie	Having an enthusiastic attitude in computer lessons and demonstrating initiative.

### Week 5

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
KD	Jeffrey	Being a kind and helpful student.
KH	Joshua	Great effort in all his school work.
KR	Samuel	Being kind and helpful to his friends.
1M	Sophie	Fabulous listening.
1N	Thomy	Fantastic effort in reading.
1/2R	Jacob	Writing an amazing description of termite mounds.
2M	Zara	Being a fantastic friend.
2S	Jonathon	A positive and controlled start to the year.
2/3M	Mark	An excellent oral presentation about his favourite book.
SB	Dylan	Developing confidence in using the interactive whiteboard.

## Rainbow Awards

Year	Student
2	Olivia, Markos, Ben and Liam



We have made it through the first half of term 1! I hope it has been a great start to the year of schooling for you and your children.

Our next meeting is on Monday 2 March, from 6pm-8pm in the Gallery of Learning (near the front office). Come along and hear about our upcoming events and learn about what your children will be doing in Science with our Connect Time topic - The New Science Syllabus presented Ms Reid (Relieving Assistant Principal). TRAC (The Rainbow Activity Centre) provides **free** childcare for children over the age of 3 years during the meeting. Please contact Tanya by 27/2/14 on [tracrandwick@gmail.com](mailto:tracrandwick@gmail.com) to make a booking.

A NSW state election will be held on Saturday 28 March 2015 and our school is a polling place. The P & C will run a BBQ and cake stall on the day to feed the hungry voters. We are well known locally for our fabulous cake stall which draws voters to our school. This is a great fundraiser for the P & C. If you are able to help with the BBQ or cake stall please let us know.

We have a date for our first social event for the year. Book your babysitter, tell your friends and come along to our super fun and easy Trivia Night on Friday 1 May 2015! Start organising your table with a maximum of eight people. If you would like to help with the organising, donating prizes to promote your business, contacting businesses to collect prizes, helping set up or helping on the night, please contact Sally Notaras on [sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au](mailto:sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au) Thanks in advance!

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)



## Randwick Boys' High School News

### *Gifted and Talented Program 2016*

I know it is still early in the year, but the GATS coordinator has already received a lot of information about the school's gifted and talented students' program for 2016. As a result, some key dates have been posted on our website earlier than usual. The testing date has not yet been advertised as we are awaiting confirmation from our independent assessment company. In 2016, we will operate our academically selected Gifted and Talented Class in Years 7, 8 and 9.

Applications will open on May 25 2015 and close on June 30 2015. An information evening will be held on May 26 2015.

Our program has a number of attractive features including:

- The entry "gatekeeper" is the test conducted by an independent assessor.
- All students who are selected from the test results are interviewed and present a portfolio of work at the interview.
- We spend considerable effort looking at the dynamic of the class; we do not want to create a "hothouse", but we do want to create an engaging and highly stimulating academic learning environment.
- The class is capped at 20 students in all classes for Years 7-8 and in core classes for Years 9 and 10.

If you are interested in the program, please consult the school website:

[www.randwickb-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.randwickb-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Questions may be directed to the GATS Coordinator, Head Teacher, Teaching and Learning, Ms Anna Edwards on 9399-3122 or by email to

[randwickb-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:randwickb-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Wayne Duncombe

Principal

### 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.*

Well established Children art school since 1993

# Clement Art School

email: [clementartschool@hotmail.com](mailto:clementartschool@hotmail.com)



Tel: 0414435388

➔ [www.clementart.com.au](http://www.clementart.com.au)

Epping, Hornsby, Chatswood, Burwood, Hurstville, Eastwood, Parramatta, Killara, Central, Castle Hill



# HOOPS

## IN MAROUBRA

SATURDAYS	SUNDAYS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LEARN TO PLAY SESSIONS FOR BOYS &amp; GIRLS (6-12 YEARS)</li><li>• U10'S &amp; U12'S LEAGUES</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LEARN TO PLAY SESSIONS FOR BOYS &amp; GIRLS (6-10 YEARS)</li><li>• U12'S &amp; U14'S LEAGUES</li></ul>

FREE OPEN DAY*	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• COME TRY OUT OUR PROGRAM &amp; MEET THE COACHES</li><li>• SATURDAY MARCH 21ST</li></ul> <p>(*Please register for the open day)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LEARN NEW SKILLS IN A FUN &amp; SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT</li><li>• 1-3 DAY CAMPS AVAILABLE</li></ul>

*easts basketball league*

**EASTS BASKETBALL LEAGUE**  
[info@eastsbl.com.au](mailto:info@eastsbl.com.au)  
[www.eastsbl.com.au](http://www.eastsbl.com.au)  
02 8957 6767