

### CALENDAR

#### **Week 10**

Monday 28 March – Easter Monday Public Holiday (no school)

Wednesday 30 March – Year 6 Support Unit High School Placement Review Meetings

Friday 1 April – Round 6 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1/2P); P & C Trivia Night

#### **Week 11**

*Parent Teacher Interviews*

Monday 4 April – Stewart House bags collected; 6pm P & C Meeting (Gallery)

Friday 8 April – Round 7 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (3/4P); Last day of Term 1

#### **Term 2**

##### **Week 1**

Monday 25 April – ANZAC Day

Tuesday 26 April – School Development Day (staff only)

Wednesday 27 April – Students return to school; ANZAC service

Friday 29 April – Cross Country; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1R)

##### **Week 2**

Monday 2 May – ESPSSA Netball trials; 6pm P & C Meeting

Thursday 5 May – School Photos

Friday 6 May – School Photos

### **Happy Easter**

A fabulous array of hats was on display at our annual K-2 Easter Hat Parade. We also had a great performance of the 'chicken dance' by Kindergarten, presentation of prizes for the egg decorating competition and the drawing of the Easter Raffle. Thanks to everyone involved whether it be through donations, making hats, wrapping raffle prizes, or presenting or coordinating the celebrations.

Congratulations to all raffle winners. Mr Svanfelds will let us know the final amount raised for K-2 Home Readers in next week's newsletter.



Happy Easter, we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday (29 March 2016).

### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Have you returned your note yet? If not, please do so ASAP. It is important that all parents meet with their child's teacher to discuss learning and social development.

### **Trivia Night**

Got your team and tickets for the social event of year? The P & C's Trivia Night will be on next Friday night. It is usually a fun event so make sure you come along.

### **Stewart House**

Stewart House is public education's number 1 charity. Each year 1,800 public school children in need go to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.



Children in the care of Stewart House attend a specific purpose school onsite for 8 days of their 12-day stay. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All other costs associated with the children's stay are met from charitable donations.

Many teachers donate money each week through salary deduction and Stewart House also holds a number of fundraising initiatives.

Today, a bag has been sent home for the Stewart House clothing appeal. Please fill it with any unwanted but usable clothing and return it to school on Monday 4 April before 10am. Please place bags in the corner in the Gallery Of Learning.

Next term, RSPS will be participating in the annual Stewart House Day (more details soon).



### From the Library...

#### *Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)*

It is wonderful to see so many Year 3-6 students choosing books from the Premier's Reading Challenge each week in the library. To record their 20 books students need to log on to the PRC website through the student portal. The challenge must be completed by 19 August 2016. Students in Years 3-6 must read 20 books, with at least 15 being from the PRC list. All K-2 students will be read the books at school and have their books logged by Ms Mayhew.



Below are some ways you can assist your child to complete the challenge in 2016. Visit the new Premier's Reading Challenge Support website. It allows you to search for information about the PRC and also contact the PRC team.

- Set reminders for Challenge opening and closing dates in your and your child's calendar.
- Find out your child's logon details. For public schools, students' logon will be the same one they use to access computers and the internet at school. Assist your child to borrow books from the school or local library. Listen to your child read and talk about the story/characters/ information. Read to or with your child if she/he is participating in the K-2 Challenge.
- Help your child to add books to her/his Student Reading Record **regularly**. Log on and go to: Student Reading Records > enter books

by ID or Title or Author. To enter a Personal Choice book, select the 'Add a Choice Book' tab > enter part of the title or author > select 'Search'. If your book appears as an option, select 'Add'. If it does not appear, scroll down to the 'Still can't find a book?' section > enter the full title and author > select 'Add'.

If you need any help please contact Ms Mayhew.

#### *What has been happening in library lessons this term?*

**Kindergarten** – Kindergarten students have been learning how to borrow and return books to our library. They have read some fantastic books such as 'Octopuppy' and 'Mutt Dog!'

**Stage 1** – Recently published books have been the focus for Year 1 and 2 this term. Favourite books so far have been 'Underneath A Cow' and 'Bring A Duck'. Students have been learning to use the features of *Oliver Library* to locate books in our library.

**Stage 2** – The book 'Olive of Groves' has been an interesting introduction to the world of boarding school for these students. The main character Olive gets up to all sorts of adventures while she pretends to be an acrobat so she can attend the school. Students have also been learning to log their own Premier's Reading Challenge books.

**Stage 3** – Students have been using the laptops and print resources to develop their research skills, use of the Internet and comparing sources of information. Some Stage 3 students have been booking the iPads to use with their class to share their learning – well done Massimo and Eliza!



Please ensure all K-2 students return their library books in Week 11. Years 3-6 students may borrow during the holidays.

*Ms Mayhew*  
*Teacher Librarian*

### Easter Wrap (Part One)

There were 71 entries (16 3-6 Traditional; 23 3-6 Character; 13 K-2 Traditional; and, 19 K-2 Character) in this year's Easter Egg Decorating Competition. Well done to these winners.

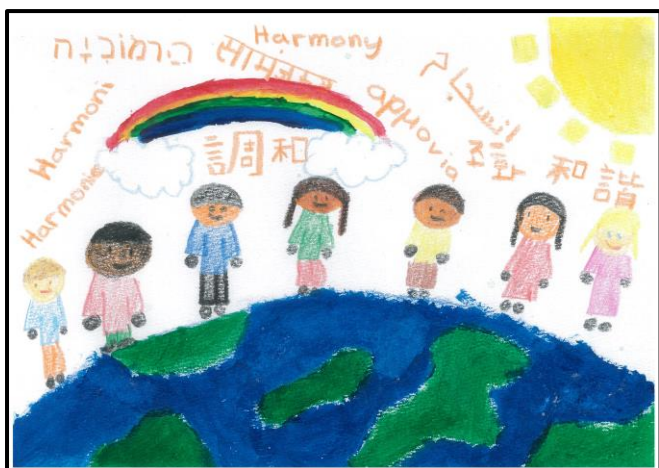
3-6 Traditional	3-6 Character	K-2 Traditional	K-2 Character
1 <sup>st</sup> Abena	1 <sup>st</sup> Illeana	1 <sup>st</sup> Bruno	1 <sup>st</sup> Joel
2 <sup>nd</sup> Lily W	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sienna	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tegan	2 <sup>nd</sup> Ryan A
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thea	3 <sup>rd</sup> Alannah	3 <sup>rd</sup> Amelie	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dylan
4 <sup>th</sup> Peia	4 <sup>th</sup> Eliza	4 <sup>th</sup> Sara E	4 <sup>th</sup> Jude
3-6 Highly Commended: Zara; Isobel.		K-2 Highly Commended: Orlando; Griff.	

Thank you to everyone who entered, the quality of all made the judging extremely difficult this year! Easter Wrap Part 2 (next week) will include how much money was raised in our Easter Raffle and how many baskets were won at our Easter Hat Parade that was held today.

*Ms Palmer, Ms Hagan and Mr Svanfelds*  
Easter Committee

### Harmony Day Success

Well boys and girls our goal was to have at least 80% of you in orange coloured clothes on Monday and that's exactly what happened with 343 students out of the 429 students present on the day (80%) showing their support for Harmony Day. Thank you to Jihoon for his excellent Harmony Day Poster highlighting the day's theme that "everyone belongs" at Rainbow Street Public School.



*Ms Diacogiorgis and Mr Svanfelds*  
Harmony Day Coordinators



What an Easter Eggstravaganza! Congratulations to all of the lucky winners in today's raffle. A huge thanks to the parents who helped to wrap all of those fabulous baskets during Library Friday.



Trivia Night is Friday 1 April from 7-11pm in the school hall, \$20 each (cash only). Make sure you drop your name into the office ASAP if you are coming so we can organise enough tables for the night. Payment is preferred at the school office but will also be accepted on the night at the door.

Our next P & C meeting is Monday 4 April 2016 in the Gallery of Learning 6-8pm. TRAC (The Rainbow Activity Centre – the Out of Hours Care provider) provides free childcare for children over the age of 3 during the meeting. You do not have to be a regular user of TRAC to book for P & C meetings. Please contact Tanya by 1 April 2016 on [tracrandwick@gmail.com](mailto:tracrandwick@gmail.com) to make a booking.

Enjoy your Easter long weekend. See you back at school on Tuesday 29 March for just 9 more days before the school holidays.

*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)



## 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 events.*



**April: 11th - 15th 2016**  
Monday to Friday

**Koolkidzz**  
Activity day camp

A world of Art, Music, Movement, Cooking, Sport & Social drama games

**Autumn Camp: April: 11th - 15th 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  
• PO BOX 155 Rose Bay 2029

**Short Day - \$68**  
( 9:00am - 5:00pm )  
**Long Day - \$75**  
( 8:30am - 5:00pm )

**APPROVED PROVIDER FOR GOVERNMENT REBATES**

**APPROVED PROVIDER CCB CCR**

Dance Cooking Drama Sport Art

Program & Booking online  
[www.koolkidzz.com.au](http://www.koolkidzz.com.au)



# APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

## Tennis & multi-sports for kids aged 5-14

**\$265 per week or \$60 per day**

**Camp Day 9am - 3pm**

- tennis & court games
- wet weather activities

**Places are limited...  
Enrol online today!**

**WEEK 1 11 - 15 April**  
**WEEK 2 18 - 22 April**

**T: (02) 9663 2882**  
**A: 1 Court Ave, Kingsford NSW 2032**  
**E: eastcourtstennis@gmail.com**  
**W: eastcourtstennis.com.au**

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TENNIS CLUB KINGSFORD



# « JUNIOR BASKETBALL EASTERN SUBURBS

**LEARN TO PLAY PROGRAMS**

We specialize in teaching kids the correct techniques and fundamentals of Basketball. Our Learn to Play program is aimed at kids 5-12 years with little or no Basketball experience who want to learn/improve their game, get fit and have FUN!

**EMAIL US FOR A FREE TRIAL**

**JUNIOR BASKETBALL COMPETITIONS**

Join our Junior competitions played out of Maroubra, Bondi, Rose Bay & Sydney Uni

- Fri night / Saturday & Sunday divisions
- Experienced referees and staff to provide the best game day experience
- All skill levels welcome

**REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TODAY**

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS**

Every School holidays, Easts Basketball run multi day camps for both beginners and experienced players. These coming April School Holidays we will be running across 3 different locations in the East & City. Camps run from:

**MON 11 APRIL - FRIDAY 22 APRIL**

**JUNIOR ACADEMY TRAINING**

This program is aimed at kids with 2+ years Basketball experience. Our Academy focuses on improving skills through structured drills and game simulations. A great way to improve your Basketball IQ, learn team movement and get fit.

**REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TODAY**

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