

CALENDAR

Week 9

Monday 20 March – 2.15pm NAPLAN Information Session (NOTE date change); ESPSSA Zone Touch Football Trials

Tuesday 21 March – Harmony Day

Thursday 23 March – ESPSSA Basketball Trials

Friday 24 March – Round 5 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1R)

Week 10

3A Parent Teacher Interviews

Thursday 30 March – Stewart House Clothing Appeal collection

Friday 31 March – Round 6 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (4S)

Week 11

Parent Teacher Interviews

Monday 3 April – ESPSSA Softball trials; 6pm P & C Meeting (Gallery)

Tuesday 4 April – 12.40pm Open Strings Rehearsal (Hall)

Wednesday 5 April – 8.30am Information Booth; Easter Hat Parade and raffle draw

Friday 7 April – Round 7 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1K)

Grandparents Day

It was fabulous to see so many of our grandparents and other special loved ones join our classroom activities last Tuesday morning. Once again we had visitors from far and wide and they were all put to work with reading, writing and maths activities, and design challenges to name a few experiences.



Major Capital Works Update

Have you noticed – construction of the deck has begun. Support structures for the roof have also been put in place. Let's hope the rain eases so that excavation for paths etc. can be undertaken.



Tell Them From Me

This term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 20 March 2017 and 24 March 2017. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Monday 20 March 2017. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Letters regarding dates and times for parent/teacher interviews were sent home last week. If you haven't yet returned the note, please do so as soon as possible so that you don't miss out on your requested time.

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 provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All others 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.

Next week, a bag will be sent home for the Stewart House clothing appeal. Please fill it with any unwanted but usable clothing and return it to school **on Thursday 30 March before 9.15am**. Please place bags in the corner in the Gallery Of Learning.

Harmony Day



Harmony Day is this Tuesday, 21 March (Week 9), and all students are encouraged to wear orange coloured clothing. The day promotes the message of "everyone belongs" and aims to encourage people to show cultural respect for everyone. To learn more visit <http://www.harmony.gov.au/>

Ms Diacogiorgis and Mr Svanfelds
Harmony Day Organisers

Easter Celebrations

Easter holidays are fast approaching and so too are our Easter celebrations. The generosity and support of our families continues to amaze us whether it be donating eggs for our Easter baskets to be raffled, buying raffle tickets, to even stamping and stapling raffle tickets that Sally and her wonderful Library Friday volunteers



did this morning. It's not too late to donate and/or buy tickets and don't forget to start on those Easter Hats for K-2 students and egg decorating for all students. Lastly, make sure Wednesday 5 April (Week 11) is marked on your calendar so that you can be part of the morning.

Ms Wheatley, Ms Smith, Mrs Engles and Mr Svanfelds
Easter Committee

Souths' Anti-Bullying Program

I am happy to announce that representatives from the South Sydney Rabbitohs NRL Club will be delivering a 40 minute anti-bullying presentation to our Years 3 to 6 students on Tuesday 6 June (Term 2; Week 7). More information about the topic will follow in coming Ramblers next term.

Mr Svanfelds
Coordinator



Clean Up Australia Day

Due to the terrible weather that we experienced on Friday 3 March, Clean Up Australia Day activities were postponed. On Monday 6 March the students in 2C put on their gloves, grabbed their rubbish bags and eagerly cleaned up our playground. Thank you everybody who participated in this event.

Mrs Counsel



3-6 Student of the Week

Week 7

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
3A	Finn	Completing his work to the best of his ability.
3M	Kevin	Great effort in persuasive writing.
4E	Magnus	Writing a funny narrative about Sam and Dave.
4S	Himay	Excellent contributions to class discussions.
4/5G	Zarif	Demonstrating his maturity and dedication by prioritising tasks.

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
5P	Aidan	Attention to detail in the creation of his fraction artwork.
5/6R	Karan	Consistent effort in all subject areas.
6N	Jaydan	Displaying a conscientious attitude towards school and always trying his best.
SC	Emma	Consistent effort and outstanding improvement in writing sentences.

Week 8

Class	Student	Awarded for.....
3A	Emily	Approaching her work with a mature attitude.
3M	Mason	Being an enthusiastic mathematician.
4E	Alicia	Her interesting response to 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes.
4S	Calvino	Amazing effort in reading this week.
4/5G	Angelina	Successful construction during our S.T.E.M lesson.
5P	Rahaf	Effectively using research skills for our history topic 'Australia as a Nation'.
5/6R	Lily	Outstanding imaginative writing skills.
6N	Maylyn	Excellent work in maths.
SB	Cody	Moving quickly through the spelling levels.
SC	Skevos	His enthusiasm during collaborative writing activities.

Rainbow Awards

Year	Student
4	Magnus
5	Emilia and Tio



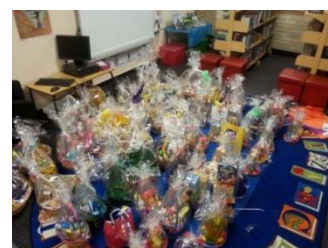
Do you or a family member work for Telstra? There is a Telstra Kids Fun grant of \$1 200 opening on 17

March 2017 available for employees to apply for to purchase resources for our school. If you can help out with this please let me know at sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au or contact us through the P & C website.

Are you an inspiring chef or love to bake? Have you donated a dish at one of our multicultural days? The P & C are looking to create a Rainbow Street cook book and would love to include your recipes. If you are interested in helping to create this cook book please let us know. Thanks to Julie and Linh who are already doing some research.

Our next P & C Meeting is on Monday 3 April 2017 in the Gallery of Learning from 6pm. If you wish to take advantage of the free childcare at TRAC (children over the age of 3), please contact Tanya at tracrاندwick@gmail.com by Friday 31 March 2017. Our Connect Time will be presentations from the Principals of Randwick Boys' and Randwick Girls' High schools. It is never too early to start hearing about what high schools can offer for your child's future education.

Thanks to those parents who have sent a donation towards the Easter baskets to school already. If you don't wish to send chocolate there are lots of fun Easter art and craft activities that you can buy and donate instead. At our Library Fridays we will be filling and wrapping these baskets with goodies for you to win at the Easter Hat Parade. We would love your help, even if you can only spare half an hour. Many hands make light work! Take a look at our past efforts!



Have a great weekend,
Sal Notaras
P & C President

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.



AUTUMN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Tennis & multi-sports for kids aged 5-14

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WEEK 1 10 - 13 April

WEEK 2 18 - 21 April

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