

### CALENDAR

#### Term 1 2025

##### Week 1

Friday 31 January – Staff return to school

##### Week 2

Thursday 6 February – Students return to school and Kindergarten commence

##### Week 3

Monday 10 February – Swimming Carnival

### What's Happening At Rainbow Street?

As we look back on this year, we can take pride in all that we have accomplished together. From academic successes to sporting victories, and from musical performances to our fabulous Art Show, our students have shown exceptional talent and dedication. On every level we have continued to aspire to excellence and to be the very best that we can be.

I would like to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to our wonderful staff. Their commitment to our students and passion for education make a profound difference in students' lives and is second to none. Their sense of collective efficacy is very strong and we see it demonstrated each and every day.

To our parents and families, your involvement and support are vital to our school community. Thank you for partnering with us throughout the year and encouraging your children to strive for success. Together, we create a nurturing environment for our students to thrive.

To our Year 6 students, as you move into high school, always remember that this is just the beginning. Use what you have learnt at Rainbow Street as a stepping stone towards even greater accomplishments. Embrace every opportunity, continue to learn, grow, and make a positive impact on the world around you. And most importantly, as said last night, BE YOU!

A special thank you to the families who are leaving Rainbow Street at the end of this year. We have loved

having you as part of our school community and we value the many years of incredible support you have given Rainbow Street.

We wish all of the Rainbow Street community a safe and happy holiday time and look forward to seeing you back at Rainbow Street next year.



### Presentation Day

On Monday our annual Presentation Day assemblies were held in the Randwick Boys' High School Hall. Congratulations to all students who received an award. Our major award recipients were:

<b>Award</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
<i>Dux</i>	Helen Chang
<i>Citizenship</i>	Nandin-Erdene Baljinnyam
<i>Leadership</i>	Saskia Jolly
<i>Social Impact Award (Hon. Marjorie O'Neill, State Member for Coogee)</i>	James Clennell
<i>Kingsford Smith Community Service Award (Hon. Matt Thistlethwaite, Federal Member for Kingsford Smith)</i>	Georgina Ayliff
<i>Premier's Sporting Challenge</i>	Noah Sari
<i>UNSW Maths and Engineering Award</i>	Mingmei Zhu
<i>Sports Champions</i>	Penelope Mosey James Stacey
<i>Winning House</i>	Badu

### Student Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who were elected 2025 Student Leaders:

**School Captains** Lenita Stoikos  
Cai Evans

**Vice Captains** Gracie Horrigan  
Bryn Sullivan

**Prefects** Vy Dao Anh  
Harry Johnston  
Bailey Pitt  
Esther Teng

You are outstanding students and demonstrate strong leadership qualities.

Congratulations to James Stacey who has been awarded a prestigious Emorgo Scholarship through the Public Education Foundation. There were many high-quality applications for scholarships and winning this is a significant achievement. James will attend the Conservatorium Of Music next year which in itself is an enormous achievement. Well done James, we are very proud of you.

Congratulations also to William Newby and Saskia Jolly who were awarded Platinum Premier's Reading Challenge Awards – 7 years of completing the challenge. Wow!

**Staff News**

As you are aware Miss Sayers will be Acting Principal at Neutral Bay Public School during Term 1 of 2025. Mr Ian Stevens will be Relieving Principal at Rainbow Street Public School during this time.

At the time of printing Ms Hunter was still awaiting the birth of her baby. Ms Wheatley is also expecting her baby in the coming week.

**Year 6 Farewell**

A great time was had at the Year 6 Farewell last night.



Thank you to the Year 6 students who gave the school a portable sound system as their parting gift. The funds were raised during their Year 6 Fun Day and the sound system was chosen by the students.

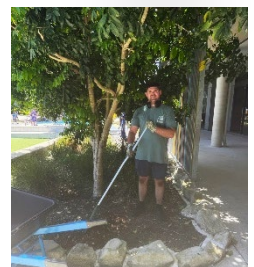
**Learner Qualities**

Keep an eye out for some fabulous new pins early next year that celebrate demonstration of our learner qualities as steps in the journey over the rainbow.



**Gardens**

Have you noticed our garden beds are looking better. Thank you Charlie, John, Fabio and Will who have been working hard over the past week to get rid of those pesky weeds!



**Library News**



**Returns**

It's not too late. Please return library books. It would be a big help if families could have a look through all the cupboards at home, under beds etc. to check for books and return them to school.

## Student of the Week

Class	Student	Awarded for...
KHS	Jewel	Being a helpful and respectful class member
KK	Mason	Improvement in reading
KS	May	Being a caring and kind friend
KW	Jasper	Engaging positively with others
1H	Barna	Collaborating during learner quality activities
1K	Avery	Using creativity when designing his own planet
1T	Hadi	Helping others during maths
1/2R	Elena	A positive attitude to her learning
2G	Jayden	Showing initiative in the learning hub
2L	Sebastian	Showing initiative and motivation in class
2M	Cami	Showing empathy and kindness to others
2/3I	Ben	Consistently being a kind student and diligent learner
3T	Isaac	Displaying kindness to his classmates
3/4V	Amelia	Demonstrating consistent effort and application to all learning tasks
4F	Atlas	Consistently applying himself to all learning tasks throughout the year
4G	Joshua	Working hard to achieve his learning goals
5C	Dante	A wonderful Welcome to Country at our Presentation Day ceremony
5/6C	Helen	Mentoring younger students in visual arts
5/6M	Hamish	Joining us in celebrating the last few days of his primary school journey
SD	Benjamin	Sharing his artworks
SL	Stella	A fantastic year
SM	Tabseer	Positive attitude to learning
SS	Sanchir	A fantastic year



Don't forget that the two upcoming P&C events...

- ☆ Ice blocks in Paine Reserve after school today. Don't worry, 3Bridges will also receive some for distribution.
- ☆ Tea and tissues on the first day of school for all of our Kindy parents.



## TEA AND TISSUES

**Paine Reserve 6 February 2025  
from 9am**

We appreciate that as exciting as it is for your little one to start school, it can also be emotional! To help calm any nerves, pop by to Paine Reserve after drop off to enjoy a drink and sweet snack with members of the P&C committee and fellow Kindy parents.

**We look forward to seeing you then!**