

CALENDAR

Term 2

Week 1

Saturday 3 May Rainbow Stret PS Polling Station
P&C BBQ

Week 2

Monday 5 May P&C Meeting
Tuesday 6 May Winter PSSA trials
Wednesday 7 May Second Hand Uniform shop -
COLA
Friday 9 May Round 1 PSSA (Winter Competition)
Friday 9 May Mother's Day Breakfast

Week 3

Monday 12 May ESPSSA Netball trials
Tuesday 13 May ESPSSA Rugby trials
Thursday 15 May ESPSSA Touch trials
Friday 16 May ESPSSA (Zone) Cross Country
Carnival

Week 4

Monday 19 May Selective and OC Test make up day
Wednesday 21 May School Photos
Thursday 22 May School Photos
Friday 23 May Round 2 PSSA

Week 5

Monday 26 May National Sorry Day
Tuesday 27 May ESPSSA Soccer trials
Friday 30 May Round 3 PSSA

Week 6

Monday 2 June P&C Meeting 6pm
Tuesday 3 June Kindergarten 2026 Open morning
(Please note change of date for this event)
Thursday 5 June Kindy Hospital Visit
Friday 6 June Round 4 PSSA

What's Been Happening At Rainbow Street?

Welcome to the first edition of the Rainbow Rambler for Term 2. I hope you were able to enjoy some family time over the school holiday break and happy to now see the students back at school. Our teachers have started the week undertaking training about strategies to better identify and cater to the needs of

high potential and gifted learners across the academic, physical, creative and social/emotional domains. This term we will continue with an evaluation of our current programs, activities and pathways used to cater to the needs of these students and identify opportunities to strengthen and broaden our initiatives.

We also jump straight into the term with some community events starting with the 'democracy sausage' BBQ and cake stall on Saturday 3 May 2025. Rainbow Street Public School is once again a Polling Station, so come along and support the school by picking up a snack or two while you cast your vote. The BBQ will be fired up again next Friday for our annual Mother's Day Breakfast from 8am under the COLA. Tea-Towels with pictures of students faces will be available to purchase and would make wonderful gifts for family members. Money raised from this will be used to support the school. Thank you to the parent volunteers and P&C for the time you put in organising and running these events for the school.



The school has begun transitioning our student management program to School Bytes from Compass. While Compass will remain operational, we require all parents to have access to the School Bytes Parent Portal as this will be used for student management such as attendance, reports, and later in the term events and finance. Please check your email for instructions on how to access the Parent Portal and download the App. If you have any questions, please contact our friendly staff in the front office.

Looking forward to the busy term ahead, including the individual achievements and progress made by our hard-working students. It's good to be back.

ANZAC Day Service

The school stopped to remember and pay respect to our service men and women by holding an ANZAC Day service led by our school leaders. While ANZAC Day was in the school holidays this year, it is important that we commemorate this important event.



What's Been Happening In Support Unit?

In Mathematics this week, the Support Unit made ANZAC biscuits. We enjoyed measuring the ingredients and learning the history of why we have ANZAC biscuits. Look at our new MasterChefs!



Creative Arts News

Festival of Instrumental Music, Primary Proms and Festival of Choral Music

The children in our recorder, strings and choir groups have been working hard as we prepare for the festivals at the Sydney Town Hall and Sydney Opera House later this year. Please continue to encourage

lots of home practise so that we can all be the best that we can be!

The permission and payment notes have now been added in to Compass for these events. Please ensure that you look for them, sign the permission form(s) and make the payment(s) as soon as possible. They are due on 2 May 2025 for Festival of Instrumental Music and the Festival of Choral Music, and the 23 May 2025 for Primary Proms.

Thanks,
Emma Hunt
Organising Teacher



Art Class

The after school art class has commenced this term.

Students will learn art processes and techniques in a relaxed and fun environment. Enrolments

for this term are currently closed but there is still availability for the Bricks4Kids Lego program. More information can be found in the Community News section of this newsletter.



Sport News

PSSA Results

There were no PSSA games at the end of last term.

Cross Country Carnival - Results

12 Years Boys	12 Years Girls
1 st Felix	1 st Melania
2 nd Sonny	2 nd Lenita
3 rd Cai	3 rd Rachel
4 th Bailey	4 th Alicia
11 Years Boys	11 Years Girls
1 st Dinuk	1 st Esther
2 nd Nirlov	2 nd Maya
3 rd Davin	3 rd Carla
4 th Joshua P	4 th Caitlyn
10 Years Boys	10 Years Girls
1 st Lachlan	1 st Ellie Mae
2 nd Hiram	2 nd Penelope
3 rd Finley	3 rd Livia
4 th Aleksa	4 th Fleur
8-9 Years Boys	8-9 Years Girls
1 st Freddie	1 st Audrey
2 nd Thomas	2 nd Arden
3 rd Billy	3 rd Ruby
4 th Oliver T	4 th Marley B

Kindergarten Enrolments 2026



It is time now to start the process of enrolling for Kindergarten 2026. Enrolling early will assist the school with planning and preparing for a successful start to the year. If you have a child who is starting school next year, please complete an online enrolment form. If you have a child already enrolled but you are currently residing out of the school catchment area, please contact the school office for information about completing the enrolment process. We would appreciate it if you could share this information with friends or family who may have children starting school next year. We have a planned Open Morning scheduled for Tuesday 3 June 2025 where more information about enrolling and starting school will be provided for families. An orientation and transition program for students will run during Term 4.

Student of the Week

Class	Student	Awarded for...
KR	Freddy	A strong start to the term
KK	Balthazar	Trying his best during mathematics
KS	Theo	Being kind and caring towards his peers
1A	Egshiglen	Showing empathy and helping her peers
1M	Georgia	Her great contributions to class discussions
1S	Marley	Showing respect and being a good role model in class
1/2H	Levi	Collaborating with others during mathematics
2H	Andrew	Being thoughtful and creative in art lessons
2W	Demira	Using different addition strategies to find equivalence
2/3C	Alex	Completing a lot of reading during the school break
3L	Angus	Writing creative sentences about a character in a text
3T	Cinay	Confidently discussing informative texts with others
3/4V	Maisie	Returning to school with such a positive attitude and actively applying herself to all learning tasks

Class	Student	Awarded for...
4E	Eadie	Positively participating in all aspects of school life and working collaboratively as library monitor
4/5I	Marley	Fantastic contributions to class discussions
5G	Rosy	Composing a wonderful informative text about the Orca
5/6C	Anna	Writing a quality script for RSTV
6M	Bora	Creative Pocket Book writing
SDV	Livia	Great representations of halves in maths
SL	Candice	Settling back in well to school routines
SB	John	Always displaying empathy towards his peers

NSW Public Schools Student Survey

In Term 2, we are offering our students in Years 3-6 the opportunity to participate in the NSW Public Schools Student Survey. The survey gives students the chance to share their thoughts and feelings about life at school, including questions about their engagement, learning experiences and wellbeing at school.

Hearing directly from our students will help us understand what's working well and where improvements can be made to our school. The survey is confidential, takes around 10 to 15 minutes to complete, and will be conducted online during school hours.

Participation is voluntary. If you prefer your child not to participate, please complete the opt-out consent form, which was emailed to families and return it to the school office. Paper copies can also be provided at the front office. Further information about the survey is available at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/npss>

School Photos



Individualised student envelopes were sent home in Term 1, week 11. If the individual student envelopes become lost or damaged, please see the office for a blank new one.

All envelopes are to be brought in on photo day which is Wednesday 21 May 2025. Each student needs to bring in their own envelope, even if payment is enclosed in a sibling's envelope.

If you would like to purchase a family photo, this can be done via the ordering code on the individualised school photo envelope and noted on the eldest child's envelope. If you wish to pay by cash, the sibling envelope must be collected from the office. Family photos must be pre-paid.

Photos for School leadership and the Year 6 photo will also take place on Wednesday 21 May 2025. All other photos for sporting teams, other leadership position such as SRC and other co-curricular activities such as music groups or Showcase, will take place on Thursday 22 May 2025. These will be available for purchase after this date.

If there are any questions, please see Ms Heynes or Ms Meshel.

Stewart House Charity Drive 2025 Reminder– 94 years caring for children

Envelopes will be sent home to families wishing to donate to Stewart House, which is a charity that provides students in NSW Public Schools much-needed physical, social and emotional wellbeing support. All program costs are met entirely from charitable donations since 1931. Each year, Stewart House supports 1,600 children.

Please make your donation online or via returning cash in the sealed envelope provided by Friday 16 May 2025 for your chance to win a \$4 000 holiday travel voucher!

Thank you for your generous support
Meritta Dalla-Vecchia
Assistant Principal Special and Inclusive Education



Welcome back! We hope you have had a wonderful break and are ready for an action packed term. Kicking off this new term, is our 'Democracy sausage' BBQ and cake sale this Saturday 3rd May. The federal election is taking place and Rainbow Street Public School is going to be a Polling Station so pop along for a sausage sizzle or delicious baked treat on sale from 8am onwards. Thank you so much to all the kind people who have volunteered to help out for a few hours on the day or have baked a cake. We really appreciate it!

Our wonderful tea towels have arrived! All the fantastic artwork created by your children looks brilliant and thank you to all those who have already purchased one. If this relates to you, you will be able to collect them this Saturday at the polling station, or next Friday. If you haven't managed to get your hands on one yet, there is still plenty of time! Either visit the website (www.rainbowstpandc.org.au), use the square option (<https://rainbow-street-public-school-pc-association.square.site/>), or purchase one in person on Saturday, next Wednesday at our Mother's Day stall/ second hand uniform sale or at the Mother's Day breakfast BBQ. They are truly lovely and would make a great Mother's Day gift.



We will be holding our next P & C meeting on Monday 5th May in the Kindy room at 6pm and we would love you to join us. We will be discussing all the events that we plan in the upcoming weeks, as well as getting up to date with things happening at school. We welcome

new ideas and thoughts with no commitment required.

Following the P&C meeting, we have our monthly 2nd hand uniform on Wednesday 7th May from 8.30am-9am under the COLA. Grab yourself a winter bargain as things are starting to get colder- there is plenty of winter uniform, so grab yourself a deal with everything for just \$5 each! At the same time, we will also be hosting our annual Mother's Day pop up stall with gold coin gifts for your little ones to buy in time for Mother's Day on 11th May. Items start at \$1 and go up to \$3 (see below). Stock is limited so make sure you don't miss out. (The tea towels will also be available to purchase starting from \$15 each.)



Later that week, we will be showing our loved ones appreciation by running our annual Mother's Day BBQ under the COLA from 8am-9am on Friday 9th May. The usual bacon, eggs and sausages will be on offer alongside various baked goods and juices. Further information is to come next week.

Links To Purchase RSPS Tea Towels:

<https://rainbow-street-public-school-pc-association.square.site/>

OR

<https://www.rainbowstpandc.org.au/>

Phew! I think that covered everything and as you can tell its going to be a busy couple of weeks in terms of P&C events so make sure you keep an eye on the whatsapp groups for any updates!

Have a great weekend and happy voting!

Warm regards,
Amelie

Vice President, Parents, and Citizens Association
<https://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 these events.



RAINBOW ST PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PRESENTS

DEMOCRACY BBQ & BAKE SALE



**RAINBOW ST
PUBLIC SCHOOL**
90 Rainbow St
Randwick NSW

3 MAY 2025

www.rainbowstpandc.org.au



please help by donating to our

Democracy Bake Sale

Rainbow St PS P&C
Election Day

Saturday 3 May from 8am

All donations of homemade baked goodies are welcome. All proceeds will go to the school playground fund. Drop off at 8am on 3 May or at 3pm on Friday 2 May (after school) near COLA. Please add a note with list of ingredients.

Register your commitment for planning purposes to the QR code.
If you have any questions please email info@rainbowstpandc.org.au.



See you there!

COOGEE LANTERNS



CELEBRATE THE WINTER SOLSTICE LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOPS AND PARADE

Join us to learn how to make a paper and bamboo lantern, then light and display your lantern at sunset, as we gather for a parade at Coogee Beach on the evening of the Winter Solstice.



for more info and TICKETS visit
coogee lanterns.com.au

Presented as part of Randwick City Council's Town Hall Takeover 2025



Workshops:
6/7/8 June 2025
13/14/15 June 2025
Location: Randwick Town Hall

ENGAGING AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOPS Term Two



Kids learn best through activities that engage their *curiosity* and *creativity*.
BRICKS 4 KIDZ® After School Programs build on the universal popularity of LEGO® Bricks to deliver a high quality of educational play. Each hour-long workshop is a fun, enriching experience for your child!

IMAGINE - CREATE - INSPIRE

- * Fri 9 May - Fri 27 June (inclusive)
- * Classes held at Rainbow Street Public School
- * 8 sessions, \$190
- * 3.00pm - 4.15pm

Come and join in all the fun of our
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