

CALENDAR

Term 3

Week 1

Monday 21 July – School Development Day

Tuesday 22 July – Students return (Day 1 Term 3)

Friday 25 July – Round 8 PSSA

Week 2

Wednesday 30 July – Maths Olympiad

Friday 1 August – Round 9 PSSA

Week 3 – Education Week

Tuesday 5 August – Festival of Choral Music (Opera House performance)

Wednesday 6 August – ICAS Digital Technology assessment

Thursday 7 August – Kindergarten Hospital Visit

Week 4 – Science Week

Wednesday 13 August – Anxiety Project parent workshop

Wednesday 13 August- ICAS English assessment

Friday 15 August – Years 5 & 6 Author visit

Week 5 – Book Week

Monday 18 August – Years 2, 3 & 4 Author visit

Tuesday 19 August – Kindergarten & Year 1 Author visit

Wednesday 20 August – K-6 Book Character Parade
- Anxiety Project Parent Workshop

Thursday 21 August – Science ICAS

Friday 22 August – ESPSSA (Zone) Athletics Carnival

What's Been Happening At Rainbow Street?

As we reach the end of Term 2, it's time to celebrate the many achievements of our students and staff over the past weeks. This term has been filled with learning, growth, and community spirit, and we are proud of everything our school community has accomplished. We are pleased to announce that student reports are now published on the School Bytes Parent Portal. We encourage parents to take this opportunity to review their child's progress. Should you wish to discuss the report further, appointments can be made with your child's teacher.

In staffing news, the recruitment process for the Principal position is continuing. In the meantime, Mr. Stevens will continue to serve as Acting Principal, ensuring that our school remains a welcoming and productive environment for our students.

We are excited to welcome Ms Karen Leo as our new teacher librarian, who will be joining us in Term 3 following a successful merit selection process. Ms Leo brings a wealth of knowledge and passion for literature that we are confident will inspire our students.

As we prepare for the next term, we also have some staffing changes to note. Ms Dalla Vecchia will commence maternity leave in Term 3, and we are grateful to Ms Keith for stepping into her role as SDV teacher and relieving Assistant Principal for Special and Inclusive Education. We wish Ms Dalla Vecchia all the best during this exciting time.

Additionally, Ms Hughes will transition from the library to take on the role of KK teacher, bringing her expertise and enthusiasm to our youngest learners. We are also thrilled to announce that Ms Larbelesteir, our EAL/D teacher, has received a permanent appointment to Rainbow Street PS. This is wonderful news for both Ms Larbelesteir and our school community, as her dedication and skills will continue to benefit our students.

We look forward to an engaging and productive Term 3 with new opportunities for learning and a number of exciting events planned. It's going to be a busy term! Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community. Enjoy the upcoming school holiday break!



1/2T students sharing their writing with Principal.

What's Been Happening In Stage 3?

This term, Stage 3 students have been learning about renewable and non-renewable sources of energy. As part of our science unit, students have also had the opportunity to design and build their own electrical circuits, helping them understand the roles of conductors and insulators in making a circuit work effectively.



The school has organised a 'Tricky Talk' workshop in collaboration with Inter-relate for State 2 and Stage 3 parents and students. This workshop will provide age appropriate information about physical, emotional and social changes that occur during puberty and its impact on relationships. Parents will be receiving further information from the school on how they can access these workshops which will be online.

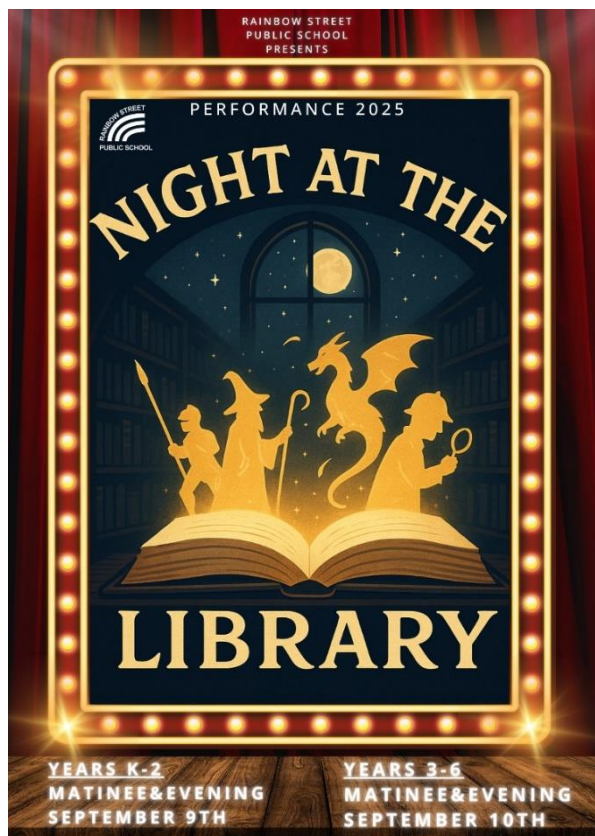
SRC – Crazy Hair Day

The wild weather on Wednesday only added to our Crazy Hair Day styles atop the heads of students and teachers. The day was a lot of fun with \$410 raised to support Stewart House. A big thank you to the students in the SRC for organizing the day.



Save The Date

All students in Rainbow Street Public School are in the process of planning and rehearsing for our performance *Night At The Library*. Classes will use this theme to create a theatrical performance incorporating music, dance and drama. K-2 and 3-6 shows are planned with matinée and evening concerts. So save the date – Tuesday 9 September (K-2) and Wednesday 10 September (3-6).



Creative Arts News

Senior Choir News

Well done to Senior Choir on their behaviour and learning at their combined schools' rehearsal for the Festival of Choral Music this week. Our students represented our school beautifully and worked really hard to improve their skills and memorisation of all 10 songs that we will be performing next term. The combined choir sounded incredible and I can't wait for our families and friends to hear them sing at the Opera House.

FoCM Ticket Sales Information Rainbow Street Public School

There are five concerts and Rainbow Street Public School is performing in the Australis concert.

Tuesday 5 August 6:30 PM at the Sydney Opera House

Tickets on sale 9 AM Tuesday 1 July 2025

Click here to buy tickets (this link will not go live until the week before tickets go on sale – before then, it will lead to a 'page not found' error message)

[Festival of Choral Music, Australis Concert | Sydney Opera House](#)

Or call Sydney Opera House box office on 1300 764 849

Please note:

- Tickets will sell out quickly so encourage families to purchase tickets early.
- There is a limit of THREE tickets per transaction.
- To save time, we would suggest creating an account on the [Home | Sydney Opera House](#) website ahead of time.
- Performing students will not need a ticket.

Police Band

In exciting news for our school, the NSW Police Band are coming to do a workshop with our Senior Band students and perform a concert for all students in Years 2-6 on Thursday 7 August 2025. The NSW Police Band have an exceptional reputation for their educational programs as well as their concerts, so this is a really exciting opportunity for our students to hear a professional concert band perform. The performance is free for our students.



Sport News PSSA

Round 5 Results

Soccer

Stripey Juniors	Win
Stripey Seniors	Draw
Bluey Juniors	Loss
Bluey Seniors	Win

Netball

Junior A	Win
Junior B	Win
Senior A	Win
Senior B	Win

Touch Football

Shout out to Base, who last week represented the Sydney Coastal and Eastern Suburbs at the Sydney East Boys Touch Tournament. From all reports, he played exceptionally well. Well done, Base!





Debating

Rainbow Street recently hosted a thrilling debate showdown as Kensington arrived ready for a fierce challenge. The competition was tight, with both sides showcasing sharp wit and well-crafted arguments. Rainbow Street's *Talk Masters* came heartbreakingly close to victory, delivering powerful points that kept the audience on edge. But it was the *Verbal Virtuosos* who ultimately clinched the win, demonstrating exceptional teamwork, analytical thinking, and eloquence under pressure. A fantastic display of talent, and both teams showed their development in the ability to craft an argument.

School Holiday Road Safety



By the pre-teen years, many children are starting to become increasingly independent wanting to do more things without their parents and/or carers around. Use the holidays as an opportunity to talk with and show your child how to be a safe pedestrian, rider and passenger. This upskilling will support them as their need for independence increases.

Talk to your children about safe places to play. Highlight the risks and challenges in different neighbourhoods and traffic environment differences when on holidays.

Consider independent activities your child might do in the holiday period and how you can help to make it safer. For example:

Chalk drawings - can be lots of fun but ensure your child is not working across driveways or shared paths where they are at risk of not being seen by a driver or

cyclist. Always have an adult or friend standing upright when drawing so they can easily be seen.

Playing with balls - talk with your child and their friends about stopping to look for vehicles/riders before chasing runaway balls. Encourage one of them to be a spotter to keep an eye out for vehicles/riders and to pause the play, get everyone to stand in a safe spot until it's OK to resume play. Check road safety risks of installed basketball or netball hoops such as not being seen by drivers entering or exiting driveway entrances, blind spots from street bends or corners and so on.

Changes in traffic - talk to your child that quiet roads don't mean they are always safe roads, they must be alert to vehicles/riders. eg cul-de-sacs.

Riding and walking to the shops or friend's house or having sleepovers - discuss how to be a safe and responsible pedestrian/rider/passenger. Highlight the potential places of risk when playing or travelling. Talk about what to do if they're feeling unsafe or there's an emergency.



Things to share with your children when they're out and about:

- they always tell you/an adult when and where they are going
- if feeling unsafe, tell someone and move to somewhere safer
- avoid playing near driveways and carparks as drivers may not see them
- check their bike's brakes, bell, reflectors and tyres are all working before going for a ride
- correctly wear a helmet when riding any device
- remove their headphones when near traffic so they can hear approaching vehicles
- stop, look, listen, think before they cross the road, and not just follow their friends
- wear bright clothing so drivers can see them, especially when it's twilight.

For more information, visit

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and->



From Protector to Coach: Supporting Children Through Anxiety

Anxiety among children and young people is becoming increasingly common. Nearly one in three Australians aged 16 to 24 experience some form of anxiety and often, the signs begin much earlier. Many students in primary school show signs that can be easily overlooked or misunderstood.

You may have noticed some of these behaviours:

- Avoiding sport, group work or speaking in front of the class
- Frequent visits to sick bay or ongoing health complaints
- Reluctance or refusal to attend school

While it's important to support students with compassion and understanding, research shows that too much accommodation can unintentionally reinforce anxious behaviours. Avoiding discomfort may actually increase anxiety over time.

As a school, we are committed to supporting student wellbeing in a way that fosters resilience and long-term confidence. Next term, we will be offering Parent Anxiety Coaching Workshops. These workshops will provide practical, evidence-based strategies to help parents support their children through anxiety, without lowering expectations or increasing pressure on families or teachers.

The Anxiety Project: Anxiety Coaching Workshops
Workshops will run on the following days next term at 12:30 pm to 2:55 pm on the 1st floor of our school library:

- Wednesday 30 July 2025
- Wednesday 13 August 2025
- Wednesday 20 August 2025

We ask that parents commit to attending all three workshops. To register, scan the provided URL code or use the link provided below.



Registration closes on 25 July 2025.
For any inquiries, feel free to reach out to Mr Irons.

Student of the Week

Class	Student	Awarded for...
KR	Sophia	Trying her best during literacy sessions
KK	Mikael	Trying his best to contribute and engage in class discussions
KS	Azzan	Working collaboratively during group work
1A	Avira	Confidently presenting a science project in front of a year 2 class
1M	Emmanuel	Writing an excellent poem about clouds
1S	Luca	Trying his best in our writing lessons
1/2H	Eve	Great work using robots in geography to map a journey
2H	Luke	Excellent flexible thinking during our maths lesson on addition
2W	Rebecca	Creating a detailed model of the classroom
2/3C	Millie	Getting to work straight away and focusing on all tasks
3L	Gitu	Showing confidence during writing lessons by sharing her ideas
3T	Leo	Displaying motivation when planning his writing
3/4V	Avanthika	Being a responsible and helpful classroom member
4E	Anya	Engaged in classroom discussions, inspiring her classmates with her creative thinking
4/5I	Joanna	Bringing a positive and cheerful energy to the classroom
5G	Dinuk	Respectful and responsible learner
5/6C	Penelope	Showing engagement and effort during every lesson
6M	Kseniia	Creating a humorous character during drama
SDV	Coby	Being a great role model to his peers
SL	Tabseer	Enthusiastic attitude to learning tasks

Class	Student	Awarded for...
SB	Edward	Excellent effort in phonics lessons

Initiative	Caolan, Juana, Aleksa (4E), Ana (3T)
Motivation	Melania, Isabella (5/6C)
Perseverance	Hannah S, Ella, Isaac (4E),
Collaboration	Marley B, Owen, Isaac (2/3C)
Confidence	Sofia, Aria, Reigne (5/6C), Jimmy (3L)
Critical and Creative Thinking	Marley (2/3C) Cami, Bailey (5/6C), Caolan (4E)
Empathy	Haider, Alicia, Carla (5/6C)



Zing Activ

Zing Activ is returning to Rainbow Street Public School! Throughout Term 3, students will participate in a 10-week dance program, which aligns to the NSW Syllabus and is led by highly skilled and experienced Movement Specialists.

Through learning different dances, the program that allows children to develop physical coordination, perform fundamental movement skills, engage in creative self-expression, boost personal confidence in their ability, all whilst developing an appreciation for the arts.

Keep an eye out for photos in the Rambler to see our progress.



Year 6 Farewell – Save the date

- Correction -

We can confirm that the Year 6 Farewell will be held on **Thursday 18 December 2025** at the *Juniors at the Junction*. More information will be passed onto families closer to the date.



P&C Rambler Update – Term 2 Week 9



Tickets are now on sale for our next big fundraiser! This year, we will be holding a 'Christmas in July' themed Trivia night (but in August!) on Friday 1st August from 7pm in the school hall run by the brilliant 'Inquisition Magician.' Tickets are \$35 each which includes BYO and one nibble platter for each table (of approximately 8 players.) Additional snacks and soft drinks will also be available to buy on the night. Tickets can be bought through this link or through the QR code on the promotional posters you will see around the school shortly.

<https://square.link/u/v8roxHKt>

Along with the trivia competition, there will be other prizes available on the night including one for the best/worst Christmas jumper and most decorated table, as well as for the winning quiz teams. If you or someone you know, might consider donating a prize for our fundraising event, please reach out and let us know as it would be greatly appreciated!



Numbers are limited, so whether you are already part of a regular quiz team, fancy a night out with friends or

just want to come along to meet other members of the school community whilst testing your general knowledge, grab your ticket now! Everyone is welcome and it is sure to be a great night!

This Wednesday, we made the decision to postpone our 2nd hand uniform sale due to the weather. As such, we have decided to run it again on the first week back of Term 3 on the 23rd July at 8.30am on the COLA. If you need something desperately, please reach out and we can hopefully arrange getting it to you.



As with all the events we run, we could not do it without the help of our wonderful school community and we rely on your kind donations. If you have any old uniform you no longer need, we would love to take it off your hands and give it a new home. These donations can be handed to the office anytime.

BOOK WEEK FUNDRAISER



In week 5 of Term 3, it is the much anticipated Book week. There will be a selection of wonderful authors and illustrators set to come to Rainbow Street to talk to your lovely children. Alongside this and the amazing annual book parade, we will be holding a second hand book stall that week to help children develop the love of reading, with books starting at \$1. So if you happen to have any old books that you no longer are reading and sorting out over the holidays, please keep them aside and donate them next term. We will let you know when and where to bring them. Many thanks in advance.

Thank you so much for your support this term, we really do have a fantastic school community and we can't wait for the next few events coming soon.

Have a brilliant holiday.

Warm regards,

Amelie

Vice President, Parents, and Citizens Association

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

Volunteers
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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.

RSPS P&C Presents
Trivia Night

**Christmas in July
(in August!) theme**

Proceeds will go directly to Rainbow St Public School fundraising initiatives!

Aug. 1st 7PM

Rainbow St Public School Hall
\$35 per ticket

More details to come!
Get a table, or buy a ticket! Join in on the fun! More details on how to purchase tickets will be in the Rambler and on What's App shortly!

ENGAGING AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOPS



Term Three

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Wed 16 July 9.30am - 11.30am and/or 12.00pm - 2.00pm

Only 12 spots available for each class. Classes will run with a minimum of 6 attendees \$69/class. If both AM and PM classes are booked in one day, no need to pick up the child in between classes.