CALENDAR

**Week 4**
Monday 18 February - 3.30pm ESPSSA Basketball trials at Chifley PS
Tuesday 19 February - Sports In Schools ‘catch up’ session (in lieu of Good Friday)
Wednesday 20 February - Years 3-6 visiting ABC On The Road; 3.30pm ESPSSA Girls Soccer trials
Thursday 21 February - 3.30pm ESPSSA Tennis trials at Mutch Park
Friday 22 February - Sports In Schools; PSSA commences; 2pm Primary Assembly (5/6D)

**Week 5**
Monday 25 February - 3.30pm ESPSSA AFL trials at Chifley PS; 5pm P&C Welcome BBQ
Tuesday 26 February - Zone Swimming Carnival at Botany Pool
Wednesday 27 February - 3.30pm ESPSSA Boys Soccer trials
Friday 1 March - Sports In Schools; PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (2C)

**Week 6**
Monday 4 March - 3.30pm ESPSSA Rugby League trials at Chifley PS; 6pm P&C Meeting in the Gallery Of Learning
Friday 8 March - Sports In Schools; PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (4/5A)

**Parent Information Evening**
It was great to see so many parents at the Parent Information Evening held last Monday night. If you were unable to attend, please see your child’s class teacher for a copy of the handouts.

**Assemblies**
As you are aware we have weekly assemblies alternating between Years K-2 and Years 3-6. This term all assemblies are at 2pm in the Hall. Each week a class hosts the assembly. Parents are most welcome every week but you might like to note the list below of when your child’s class is hosting the assembly and mark that date in your diary.

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If your child’s class is not listed this term, their assembly will be next term.

**Anaphylaxis**
The Department of Education and Communities has recently announced that all government schools will receive a general use adrenaline autoinjector (an EpiPen) for their first aid kit.

This does not replace the need for parents to continue to provide the school with an adrenaline autoinjector and ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis signed and dated by their doctor when their child has been diagnosed with anaphylaxis. Instead the general use adrenaline autoinjector is intended to be used if:

- An undiagnosed student has an anaphylactic reaction at school
- There is a misfire of the adrenaline autoinjector that has been prescribed for a student
- A student requires further adrenaline autoinjector to be administered after his or her own autoinjector has been administered.

Please contact the school if you would like further information in relation to this matter.

**P&C Welcome BBQ**
There will be a welcome BBQ on Monday 25 February at 5pm. All welcome. Come along and meet the other parents. Put the date in your diary!
High School 2014
Is your child going to high school next year? Shortly, parents of students currently in Year 6 will receive an enrolment Expression Of Interest form and will be required to indicate which high school their son/daughter would like to attend. It's a big decision! Keep an eye out for the High School Open Day/night (we publish them in this bulletin) so that you can visit the high schools, get a ‘feel’ for the school and learn about the programs they offer e.g. Randwick Boys HS has an Open Night on Tuesday 12 March.

Staff And Support Unit Carpark
A reminder to our school community that the gate beside the Support Unit classrooms in the car park is not to be used. This gate is only for the students in the Support Unit who are being picked up by transport taxis or their parents and carers who hold a disabled parking permit. It is not to be used by anyone else, as the car park is not a safe way to enter and exit our school. Please use the gate by Paine Reserve or one of the other two gates on Rainbow Street. Thank you for your cooperation in this safety matter.

Jargon Buster
Wondering why your kids talk about playing under the school COLA? Baffled at parent-teacher discussions about KLA’s? This list of common abbreviations or terms will help you to become familiar with the world inside school.

Avoiding Injuries
Have you ever wondered if your child may be suffering physically from using a computer for schoolwork? Or if carrying their school bag may be causing them pain?

Maths Questions
Are you in search of an educational game to sharpen your child’s maths skills and recall? Maths Monkey’s Quest features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. It’s aimed at children from Years 3 to 8. http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/maths-monkey-s-quest

Helping Your Child With Homework
How do you help your child while allowing them to develop independence? Teachers talk about how parents can help kids take responsibility for their homework and avoid Thursday night meltdowns. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/helping-your-primary-school-child-with-homework

From The Library
Helping In The Library
Thank you to the parents and carers who have contacted me to come along and help in the library. If you would like to help re-shelve books and/or cover our new books, please come along Monday or Tuesday mornings 9.00am-9.45am or Thursday afternoons 2.30pm-3.00pm. There are no classes in the library at this time. You are welcome to come every week or just whenever suits you, no need to commit to every week. I look forward to seeing you in the library.

A big thank you to the fairy or fairies who popped into the library on Wednesday afternoon and re-shelved the books. It is much appreciated! I returned to the library to find it all done, thanks so much.

Information Skills And Library lessons
Every class has a library lesson and information skills each week. Your child will need to bring a suitable library bag to borrow (K-4). Lessons for each class are as follows:

Monday: KE, 5/6M, 5/6M, 3C and 1/2D
Tuesday: KN, KR, KD, 1G and 4/5A
Wednesday: 1M, 1MP, SH, SM and SD
Thursday: 2M, 3L, SB, 4Mc and 2C

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to all our students who completed the challenge in 2012. We had four students receive their Gold Award for four years of completion: Henry L, Rebecca C, Lachlan C and Jaida. Well done.

We will begin the challenge again next week. K-2 students will read the books with their class teacher and myself. Year 3-6 students will be shown how to register their books in library lessons.
For more information see: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html for a list of the books in the challenge.
Nicole Mayhew
Teacher Librarian
nicole.mayhew@det.nsw.edu.au

Sydney Region Create East
Student Workshops And Performances April 8-10 2013
About The Program & Important Dates
Sydney Region schools are invited to nominate students to take part in Create East’s 2013 production, “JUNKYARD GARDEN”. This regional initiative is a three-day workshop, culminating in an integrated, high quality performance. We invite students from Years 4, 5 and 6 who are gifted and talented in Band, Choir, Dance, Drama, Visual Arts & Film Production.

Cost For Student Participants:
Student fees are $150 per student for the three days, including workshops and performances.

Program Details:
• Workshops Monday 8 April & Tuesday 9 April 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
• Continuing Wednesday 10 April 10:00 am – 9:00 pm approx. including 2 shows.
The workshops and performances are held at the Seymour Theatre Centre, corner Cleveland St and City Rd Chippendale. Some Art workshops are at Glebe Public School, Derwent St Glebe.

Audition Details
All students applying for the Create East program are required to attend a live audition. 2013 will be our first year of having a live Art audition. All Create East 2013 auditions take place on FRIDAY 15 MARCH. Following the audition, applications will be considered and schools will be informed of the results. Further information is available at http://www.sydneyregionarts.nsw.edu.au/create-productions/create-east/create-east-2012

If you would like to nominate your child, please contact Ms Mayhew by Friday 22 February 2013 by email to nicole.mayhew@det.nsw.edu.au

Sport News
Eastern Suburbs PSSA (our local district) representative team trials continue this week. Trials will be held for:
• Basketball on Monday 18 Feb at Chifley PS
• Girls Soccer on Wednesday 20 Feb at Chifley PS

• Tennis on Thursday 21 Feb at Mutch Park
If you are interested in your child attending a trial, please see Mr Davies as schools are required to submit names of students prior to the trial.

Website Of The Week
This week’s website
School Readiness by ABC Kid
(ABCKid.com.au) is a site where you can find fun learning activities that are matched to Key Learning Areas (KLAs) based on New South Wales syllabus documents. It is aimed mainly at children aged two to six years old, you can access the fun games at: http://www.abckid.com.au/

Sadly, we don’t have a Parent Website of the Week this Rambler. Don’t forget if you do have a recommended website, email the URL to Darren.Svanfelds@det.nsw.edu.au.
Mr Svanfelds
Computer Coordinator

K-2 Student of the Week

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<td>Leila</td>
<td>being a very helpful class member.</td>
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<td>KE</td>
<td>Lucas</td>
<td>wonderful improvement in cutting.</td>
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<td>KN</td>
<td>Abby</td>
<td>a great effort in writing.</td>
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<td>KR</td>
<td>Magnus</td>
<td>taking great care with his written work and doing excellent finger spaces.</td>
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<td>Edward</td>
<td>an outstanding start to Year 1.</td>
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<td>1M</td>
<td>Jack</td>
<td>a great news presentation on spiders.</td>
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<td>1MP</td>
<td>Matteo</td>
<td>always demonstrating beautiful manners and being a helpful member of IMP.</td>
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<td>1/2D</td>
<td>Viet</td>
<td>writing a wonderful recount about the book 'The Magic Finger'.</td>
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<td>2M</td>
<td>Lochy</td>
<td>following instructions carefully.</td>
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<td>SB</td>
<td>Esen</td>
<td>an excellent start to the year.</td>
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**Rainbow Street Canteen**

Don’t forget you can now order lunches online! The menu and instructions for online ordering are available on the school’s website [www.rainbowst-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.rainbowst-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) (Our School, Facilities, Canteen) or see Jess for a copy.

**Randwick Boys HS News**

*Randwick Boys’ High School Open Night*

On Tuesday, March 12, Randwick Boys’ High School will host its annual Open Night between 5.00pm and 7.00pm.

Parents face a challenging time determining which school will be the right “fit” for their child. It can be an expensive decision, but public schools offer a real alternative for parents. Why not come along and see what Randwick Boys’ High School offers you in terms of education for your son?

Consider these features of Randwick Boys’ High School:

- A modern multimedia centre;
- Excellent academic achievement for students of all levels of ability;
- Opportunities for performance at a professional standard;
- Opportunities for international and interstate travel;
- Sporting excellence;
- A Gifted and Talented selective stream in 2014 (Year 7);
- Outstanding, compassionate well-being programs;
- A multicultural campus that is a true snapshot of Australia.

You are welcome to meet teachers and students and discuss options for your son on March 12.
Dulwich High School of Visual Arts & Design

OPEN EVENING
WEDNESDAY February 27, 2013
from 6 to 7pm.
No bookings necessary

Visual Arts And Design
Specialist Stream
Application For 2014

Dulwich High School of Visual Arts & Design provides opportunities for students to pursue excellence within the disciplines of Visual Arts and Design, whilst studying the core curriculum prescribed by the Board of Studies, for the attainment of School Certificate and Higher School Certificate. Students enrolled at the school will be involved in the main stream courses or the visual arts and design stream.

Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design
1-9 Seaview Street
Dulwich Hill 2203

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Community News

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