### Calendar

**Week 10**
- Monday 1 April - Easter Monday (Public Holiday)
- Tuesday 2 April - School Photos (classes)
- Wednesday 3 April - School Photos (groups and teams)
- Friday 5 April - Sports In Schools; PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1G)
- Saturday 6 April - Gardens Working Bee

**Week 11**
- Monday to Thursday - Parent/Teacher interviews
- Monday 8 April - 3.30pm ESPSSA Netball Trials at Chifley PS
- Thursday 11 April - 9.15am Cross Country at Paine Reserve
- Friday 12 April - Sports In Schools; PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (3C); Last day of Term 1

**Term 2**

**Week 1**
- Monday 29 April - School Development Day for Staff; No school for students
- Tuesday 30 April - School Development Day for Staff; No school for students
- Wednesday 1 May - First day of Term 2 for students

### Happy Easter

Best wishes to the school community for an enjoyable and relaxing Easter break. Enjoy the ‘long weekend’. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 2 April.

### School Photos

School Photos will be taken on Tuesday 2 April and Wednesday 3 April (next week).

Students are asked to wear their Summer uniform:
- **Girls**: Summer tunic, white socks and black shoes
- **Boys**: Blue RSPS shirt, blue shorts, white socks and black shoes

Class photos will be taken on Tuesday and groups such as band, choir, student leaders and sporting teams will be taken on Wednesday.

All photos must be pre-ordered so if you haven’t done so already, please make sure that your child/children bring their order envelope on Tuesday.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

If you have not yet booked your parent/teacher interview, please return the request slip as soon as possible. It is important that all parents meet with their child’s class teacher to discuss their child’s learning and social development.

### Term 2

Term 2 commences for students on **Wednesday 1 May**. Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 April are School Development Days. An extra day has been provided to all schools to support the implementation of the new English syllabus which will come into effect in 2014.

### Grandparents Morning

It was fabulous to see so many of our students’ loved ones visit RSPS on Tuesday morning. We had quite a few comments about how much schools had changed since the visitors had been at school!

### Rule Focus

Each week we have a school value linked to a rule that we focus on. In Week 10 our emphasis is on “I walk sensibly around the school.”

### Cross Country

Our Cross Country Carnival for students who are 8 (or turning 8 this year) and older will be held on Thursday 11 April from 9.15am in Paine Reserve. Please join us if you can.

### Gardens Working Bee

The Garden Club will be having a working bee on Saturday 6 April from 1pm-4pm. Come along and help out with planting, weeding, mulching. No expert skills needed! The old saying ‘many hands makes light work’ definitely is true on working bee day! Hope to see you there.
REMINDER – NO NUTELLA
As previously explained, we have a number of students who can have an anaphylactic reaction to nuts or nut products. These students can stop breathing and the condition is life threatening. Nutella is made from hazelnuts so please do not send Nutella sandwiches to school. Thank you for your assistance in helping to keep all of our students safe.

Minibeasts In Rainbow Street Public School!
Throughout this term the students in Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) have been learning about minibeasts through the science topic ‘What’s Alive?’ On Tuesday 12 March, the students participated in a hands-on session run by CSIRO (Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation) about minibeasts. The students and teachers enjoyed this program immensely, investigating the many different types of insects found in Australia. Students were involved in a number of activities such as defining what an insect is; insect sight and smell senses; the sounds insects make; lifecycles and metamorphosis; how insects camouflage themselves and their role in the food chain.

In demonstrations, lessons and hands-on activities, students acted out the fascinating process of metamorphosis. They examined photos of insects taken with an electron micrograph and listened to different insect melodies while making their own insect melodies with everyday tools. They tried on fly glasses to find out how flies see the world and participated in drawing insects and labelling body parts. The students got up close and personal with the Australian cockroach and a number of spiny leaf insects. Overall, the students reported that this incursion was excellent and that they learnt a lot about the fascinating world of the minibeast.

Mrs J. Counsel
Assistant Principal Stage 1

Easter Celebrations
Easter was celebrated at Rainbow Street this morning with a colourful array of Easter Hats worn by our K-2 students. Throughout the week students, in particular our Years 3-6 students, had on show in the Gallery of Learning, their creatively decorated blown eggs. Also in our old school hall were the winners of our Easter colouring-in competition (well done to Ms Mayhew, Ms Sayers, and, Ms Palmer for winning the Teacher’s Competition).

Our Kindy students treated us today to a chirpy rendition of the Chicken Dance at our Easter Parade. The Easter Bunny managed to find us and help draw out (at last count) 66 Easter baskets that were generously filled with the very kind donations of eggs supplied by lots of our families. Thank you to Jessica for supplying tea and coffee and hot cross buns which were available to purchase from the canteen. From all of us, have a safe and happy Easter break.

Ms Engles, Ms Hagan, Mr Svanfelds.
(Easter Coordinators)

Woolworths Earn And Learn
Woolworths Earn and Learn commences on Monday 8 April. The collection box has arrived and is in the Gallery Of Learning.

Sport News
Eastern Suburbs PSSA (our local district) representative team trials continue next week. Trials will be held for:
- Netball on Monday 8 April at Chifley PS at 3.30pm

If you are interested in your child attending the 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 of the week comes from the official website of the Nobel Prize. If you’ve been looking for the top ten most visited educational games, look no further than: http://www.nobelpize.org/educational/. These games and simulations, based on Nobel Prize-awarded achievements, will teach and inspire you while you’re having fun.

This week’s Parents’/Carers’ Website of the Week comes from second time contributor Priscilla (Frankie 2C, and, Ruby 5/6D). Go Play brings together in one convenient location a wide range of affordable and free children’s activities and entertainment ideas. To access visit: http://goplay.nsw.gov.au/. Go Play iPhone app is a school holiday calendar featuring art, culture, sport and recreational activities for kids of all ages. It brings together in one convenient location a wide range of affordable and free NSW Government school holiday activities and ideas. Get the app at: https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/id430798979?mt=8.

Thanks Priscilla for your second contribution and a reminder that if any other parent and/or carer has a
website that they would like to share and recommend then email the URL to Darren.Svanfelds@det.nsw.edu.au.

Darren Svanfelds
Computer Coordinator

Back Field Update
After the Easter break, some new grass will be laid in the bare patches of the back field. We need your assistance in keeping students off the grass whilst the new grass takes hold. We will start in the barest patches and gradually fill the rest. Once that is done the focus will move to the bare patch between the two long garden beds (eastern side of the school). We are also investigating grants we may be eligible to apply for so that we can install some irrigation.

Randwick Boys HS News
Year 7 Adviser For 2014 Announced
Randwick Boys’ High School is proud to announce that Ms Anna Edwards has been appointed Year 7 Adviser for 2014. Ms Edwards was awarded the position after a process of merit selection and we were extremely pleased to have so many teachers who wanted to take on this important role for 2014.

Of particular interest to parents will be the knowledge that Ms Edwards is also coordinating the introduction of our Gifted and Talented Stream in 2014.

Ms Edwards is a Science teacher and has a background in the corporate world. She is extremely capable and dedicated and very popular with her students.

Academically Gifted Stream Information Goes Live
Randwick Boys’ High School has released an information package regarding our Gifted and Talented Stream. Interested parents can read about the program and download information by visiting the school’s website: www.randwickb-h.schoo...ns.wa.edu.au.

Applications for the stream will be released on 6 May 2013 and an information night will be held for parents on 7 May 2013 in the school library.

Wayne Duncombe
Principal

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 organization of these events.
KIDS RUNNING TRAINING GROUPS

Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon running groups in Sydney. (Meet by McKay Oval, Grand Drive in Centennial Park)

- Working on running technique, drills, speed and endurance. Sessions include stretching, body strength work and games. Great prizes!
- Cost is $10 per session or $50 a month (up to 12 sessions) with an experienced full-time coach who trains beginners through to Olympians, plus experienced assistant coaches.
- Operates for 12 months of the year, both during school terms and holidays.

www.sweatsydney.com.au
0412 206 821

School Holiday Camps

April School Holiday Camps

Moore Park and Matraville

Our Sports Fun Holiday Camps are for children aged 3 – 8 years old. The Camps are multi-sport camps, with between 3 and 5 sports taught each day. The Camps run at the following times:

8.30-3.00pm (full day) - $60.00 per child per day – 10% discount for 3 or more days, groups of 5 or more & siblings.
9.30 – 1.00 (half day) - $50.00 per child per day – 10% discount for 3 or more days, groups of 5 or more & siblings.

Moore Park Tennis:
Mon 15th, Wed 17th & Fri 19th April
Mon 22nd, Wed 24th & Fri 26th April

Matraville Sports Centre:
Tues 16th, Thurs 18th & Fri 19th April
Tues 23rd, Thurs 25th & Fri 26th April

To book please contact Dan on 0422 138 324 or email esu@sportsfun.com.au for more details.

Also weekly sports classes for 2.5 to 7 year olds run at both venues, including Saturday mornings at Matraville, and in Alexandria on Thursdays mornings from 2013.

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