**CALENDAR**

**Week 6**
- Monday 3 March - 3.30pm ESPSSA Rugby League trials at Chifley PS; 6pm P&C Meeting in the Gallery Of Learning
- Friday 7 March - Round 3 PSSA; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (3/4A)

**Week 7**
- Monday 10 March - High School Expression Of Interest (EOI) forms distributed to Year 6 students
- Tuesday 11 March - StEPS vision testing (Kindergarten students)
- Thursday 13 March - Selective High School Test
- Friday 14 March - Round 4 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (1/2M)

**Week 8**
- Tuesday 18 March – Grandparents’ Morning
- Wednesday 19 March – Regional Swimming Carnival
- Friday 21 March – Round 5 PSSA; Best Start reports distributed to Kindergarten families; Harmony Day; Year 6 High School EOIs due; 2pm 3-6 assembly (5/6G)

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**Selective High School 2015 Test**

Students sitting for the Selective High School 2015 Test should have received a letter in the mail providing information about the upcoming test. If you have not received your letter from the Department Of Education containing the details, please see Ms Mayhew or Miss Sayers. Please note that the test centre for our school has changed this year. It is now Randwick Boys’ High School.

**High School 2015 Expression Of Interest Forms**

Very shortly all Year 6 students will receive a form to express interest in attending a Government High School in 2015. Parents are required to complete the form and return it to school. To help you with your decision, a number of high schools are having ‘Open Nights’. Where possible these are advertised in our newsletter. Both Randwick Girls’ and Randwick Boys’ are having events on Tuesday 11 March 2014. If you are thinking about the possibility of your child attending one of these schools, please go along and see what they have to offer.

**Safety Concern - Bike and Scooters**

For the safety of all students, please ensure that bikes and scooters are not ridden in our playground.

**Harmony Day**

Harmony Day is on Friday 21 March (Week 8) and this year’s theme is *Everyone Belongs*. Rainbow Street Public School will be recognising the diverse backgrounds that enrich Australia and our school and encourage all students to wear as much orange coloured clothing as they can on the day. Jessica will be selling a range of orange foods in the canteen at recess as we celebrate the traditional owners of the land and those who have come from many countries around the world. For information about Harmony Day 2014, please visit: [http://www.harmony.gov.au/](http://www.harmony.gov.au/).

Ms Diacogiorgis, Ms Munk, Ms Hargrave and Mr Svanfelds

*Harmony Day Organising Committee*

**Homework And Multi-Tasking**

Somewhere along the line we seemed to have absorbed the idea that teenagers can multi-task perfectly because they’re digital natives. Can kids really do their homework and multi-task?


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**When Lunch Comes Home Again – Uneaten**

Almost 9 out of 10 Australian parents say children’s resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it’s a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.

Help With English
Does your child need help with spelling or writing? Here are some resources that may help.

Maths
Struggling to remember everything you learnt in maths? If you need a refresher course, here are some tips and tools to help you to help your child.

Sports News
ESPSSA Zone Trials
Congratulations to Max, Andrew S, Becky, Ruby and Victoria who were selected for the ESPSSA Soccer teams.

Trials for zone representative teams continue this week:
• Monday 3 March – Rugby League at 3.30pm at Chifley PS.

Names must be submitted to the convenors prior to the trials. Please contact Mr McMahon prior to the trial if your child is interested in trialling.

Website Of The Week
This week’s website is Learning Games For Kids. These online learning games and songs for kids help build skills in maths, language, science, HSI, and typing practice. To play these educational games, visit: http://www.learninggamesforkids.com/

Mr Svanfelds
Computer Coordinator

K-2 Student of the Week
Week 4

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<td>Amelia</td>
<td>Working with others.</td>
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<td>KR</td>
<td>Allegra</td>
<td>Always taking great care and trying hard with her written work.</td>
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<td>Ryan</td>
<td>Displaying an enthusiastic attitude towards learning.</td>
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<td>Laelia</td>
<td>Excellent effort in all class activities.</td>
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<td>Samantha</td>
<td>For being a caring friend and a helpful class member.</td>
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<td>Joel</td>
<td>Wonderful work during writing.</td>
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<td>Max</td>
<td>Great effort in reading groups.</td>
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<td>Jesse</td>
<td>Enthusiastic participation in class discussions.</td>
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<td>George</td>
<td>Wonderful and detailed journal writing.</td>
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<td>Mattias</td>
<td>Always trying his best.</td>
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<td>2C</td>
<td>Daniel</td>
<td>Always working hard in class.</td>
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<td>2M</td>
<td>Daisy</td>
<td>Extra effort when completing written tasks.</td>
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<td>2/3C</td>
<td>James</td>
<td>Always trying his best.</td>
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<td>SH</td>
<td>Samson</td>
<td>Being an independent worker.</td>
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Rainbow Awards
This week’s recipients are:

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<td>Mia, Vasili, Calvino, Valerie, Samantha, Fatima and Solly</td>
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SAVE THE DATE!
Join us at the Rainbow Street Trivia Night
Friday 28 March 7-11pm in the hall
Doors open 6:45pm
Tickets just $20 each (8 per table)
Payment is cash in an envelope to the office
Come and join the fun and raise some money for our school.
Our next meeting is on Monday 3 March from 6pm to 8pm in the Gallery of Learning (near the front office). We will be discussing our fundraising priorities and targets for 2014. Last year we raised over $21,000 to purchase literacy materials for the school. Our Connect Time topic is “Homework – What? Why? How?” presented Ms Jacque Counsel. TRAC (The Rainbow Activity Centre – the Out of Hours Care provider) provides free childcare for children over 3 during the meeting. Please contact Tanya by 28/2/14 on tracwork@iprimus.com.au to make a booking.

We have a date for our first fundraising event for the year. Mark your diary, book your babysitter, tell your friends and polish your thinking caps for our super fun and ultra quizzical Trivia Night on Friday 28 March! We are looking for people to help. If you would like to help by donating prizes to promote your business, contacting businesses to donate prizes, helping set up or helping on the night, please contact Sally Notaras on p.notaras@optusnet.com.au. Thanks in advance!

See you at school!
Belinda Simmonds
P & C President

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Take a look: www.rainbowstpandc.org.au

Randwick Boys’ High School News
Randwick Boys’ High School Open Night – March 11
Randwick Boys’ High School will host its annual Open night on Tuesday March 11 from 5.00 – 7.00pm. Open Nights are a great way to get an insight into the way a school operates. Parents expect the Principal to speak highly of his or her school and, as the Principal of Randwick Boys’ High School, I am very proud of the school’s achievements.

Open Night gives you a chance to speak with students, parents and teachers about the school and its culture. Come along and see how our young men are being guided to success, hear about our curriculum and extra-curricular activities, be welcomed by a traditional Pacific Island haka, see some of the technology available in the school, and be thrilled by exciting experiments and our artistic achievements.

The Randwick Boys’ High School website contains information about Open Night, including a program of events for the evening.
Wayne Duncombe
Principal

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Randwick Boys’ High School
Guiding young men to success

OPEN NIGHT
Tuesday 11th March, 5 - 7pm
Come and speak to our student leaders and hear about our outstanding educational, cultural, sporting & civic programs. We’ll have:
- BBQ and light refreshments
- Displays in English, History, Maths, Social Science, Visual Arts, Design and
  Open High School
- Science experiments
- Food Technology demonstrations
- Drama and Music performances
- Our technology rooms, workshops and Library will be open

Randwick Boys’ High School is a co-operative, caring school with a tradition of academic, sporting and creative achievement.
For a copy of the Open Night Program please visit our web site or contact the school.

For further information contact:
The Principal: Wayne Duncombe
Tel: (02) 9359 3128  Fax: (02) 9359 6566
Our Avoca and Randwick Streets, Randwick:
www.randwick.h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Email: randwick.h.schools@det.nsw.edu.au
RGHS OPEN NIGHT
In the Multi Purpose Centre
Tuesday 11th March
6.30pm to 8pm

- Group tour of whole school
- Meet with staff from all faculties
- Meet and chat with current students
- Individual faculty information sessions
- Academic and co-curricular information

FOR THE ATTENTION OF PARENTS OF YEAR 6 ARTS
DROPPING A SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR YEAR 7? 20 FACTORS TO CONSIDER.
FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE BELOW.

Where can you find out . . . . . . .

For the attention of parents of Year 6 Arts.
Dropping a secondary school for Year 7? 20 factors to consider.
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SUPPORT GROUP
PARENTS and CARERS

GAIN SUPPORT FROM OTHERS

Commencing Monday, February 3 2014
Join the group at any time....

Monday 10.00 am – 12.30 pm
Mirrabooka Village Community Hall, 1409 Anzac Parade, Little Bay
Plenty of parking and bus stop outside the door

The aim of the group is for parents/carer’s to meet weekly to share the delights and challenges of raising children, to gain support and to reduce feelings of isolation. Facilitators provide practical tips and advice on parenting. The group also participates in creative activities such as quilt making, scrapbooking, learning to sew..... It is a warm, friendly group and new members are always welcome.

Morning tea and resources are provided.

Please contact Kathy Taylor or Lee Sheehan on 9314 9694
or email kathy@benoci.org.au or lee@benoci.org.au
Places are limited so your early interest is essential

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Diversity

24th February 2014

Dear Resident

Re: Rainbow Street Traffic Islands – Rainbow Street, corner of Botany Street, Kingsford

As part of its commitment to improving facilities and services for residents, Randwick City Council will be commencing construction of pedestrian refuge islands on Rainbow Street, between the 3rd and 7th of March 2014.

Construction is due to be completed within three weeks of commencement (weather pending).

As a result, some driveways may be inaccessible for part of the above period. Residents in affected driveways may be advised to relocate any vehicles and park in an alternative location during the above mentioned dates. Your co-operation would be greatly appreciated during this time.

Temporary detours and traffic calming devices will be implemented during construction for the safety of the community and contractors.

It is advised that throughout the course of the works, noise, vibration and dust controls will be used to mitigate any adverse impacts on the surrounding community.

We apologise for any inconvenience that may be caused throughout the duration of the project.

Should you have any further questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9399 9744.

Yours sincerely

Patrick Belle
Project Manager
Infrastructure Services
Randwick City Council