TERM 1
WEEK 11
2014

CALENDAR

Term 2
Week 1
Monday 28 April – School Development Day (STAFF ONLY AT SCHOOL); Opportunity class online applications open
Tuesday 29 April – Students return to school; 10.30am ANZAC Assembly
Friday 2 May – 9.15am Cross Country Carnival at Snape Park; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (3L)

Week 2
Monday 5 May – 3.30pm ESPSSA Touch football trials; 6pm P&C Meeting
Tuesday 6 May – Ceramics glazing (Year 6)
Thursday 8 May – Mother’s Day stall
Friday 9 May – Round 1 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (K/1N); Mother’s Day stall

Week 3
Tuesday 13 May – NAPLAN (Years 3 and 5)
Wednesday 14 May – NAPLAN (Years 3 and 5)
Thursday 15 May – NAPLAN (Years 3 and 5)
Friday 16 May – 11.30am 3-6 Assembly (2/3C); Round 2 PSSA; Opportunity Class applications due
Sunday 18 May – Gardens Working Bee

Happy Holidays
Doesn’t time fly! It is already the end of the first term of the 2014 school year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and commend the fabulous work of our staff in implementation of the new English syllabus. They have engaged in professional learning activities, collaboratively planned units of work and worked very hard to ensure optimum English learning for your children.

We wish everyone a fabulous break and look forward to seeing you next term.

P&C Thank You
Thank you to the P&C who last Monday voted to donate $7000 for the purchase of new Maths resources. Our Maths Committee will conduct an audit of existing resources and then utilise the funds to purchase resources to support the implementation and teaching of the new Mathematics K-10 syllabus.

The money donated by the P&C last year to purchase English books has now all been spent! We have an amazing selection of new resources to use in classrooms to support the teaching of English. Special thanks to the amazing team of book coverers who have spent many hours covering the books in contact to protect them.

Easter Hat Parade
An absolutely fabulous array of hats was on display – some people are very creative! Thank you to all K-2 families who got involved in the spirit of the parade.

This year there were 71 raffle prizes to be won and the raffle raised $1735! Congratulations to everyone who won a prize.

Thank you to Mr Svanfelds, Ms Hagan, Mrs Engles and Ms Dixon for all of their work to organise the raffle and the parade.

Opportunity Class Placement
Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is opportunity class placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for opportunity class placement will be made on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 23 July 2014.

If you would like to apply for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2015 on behalf of your child, you need to do so soon.
Most applicants are expected to apply on the internet and submit their application online. They will need to have an email address (not the student’s email address), access to the internet and a printer. Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from Monday 28 April 2014 at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. Online applications close on Friday 16 May 2014.

If parents do not have internet access, commercially printed application forms will be available on request from the school (we will notify you when these arrive). They must be completed and returned to the school by Friday 16 May 2014.

Date For The Diary - School Photos
School photos have been scheduled for Wednesday 29 and Thursday 30 October 2014 (Term 4).

Term 2 School Development Day
Monday 28 April 2014 is a School Development Day. RSPS will be hosting staff from Daceyville and Gardeners Road schools for a day of learning about the new Maths syllabus.

Students return to school on Tuesday 29 April 2014.

Easter Wrap and Winners
Thank you, thank you, thank you, to all who contributed in some way to make the 2014 Easter Hat Parade one of the biggest and best we’ve experienced. Whether it is to those who stayed up late to make Easter Hats, those who glued on colourful sequins for the Egg Decorating, those who donated towards the Easter Raffle, or the people who helped sell raffle tickets on the morning, we say, “Thank you!” We aimed for seventy baskets this year and we beat it by one and last year’s total of sixty-six by five. Through the generosity of our entire school community, we raised $1735.50 through the Raffle which will go towards the purchasing of Home Readers that are in-line with our new English Syllabus.

A couple of special thanks finally to Diana (Hayden and Noah’s Mum) for her help on Wednesday morning writing names on raffle tickets, to Ms Goldspink and her wonderful SRC team for selling raffle tickets before school, to Melinda, Orla, and, Jenny in the Office for their efforts, and last but not least, to the Easter Bunny for his appearance at the parade. Happy Easter!

Congratulations to the following students who placed in our Easter Egg Decorating Competition. The judges wanted us to make special mention of how hard it was to judge the 3 – 6 Character category as all entries were terrific. Well done everyone!

**Traditional**

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<td>2nd Jihoon</td>
<td>2nd Tricia</td>
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<td>3rd Vasilii</td>
<td>3rd Annabelle and Lily</td>
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**Character**

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<td>3rd Ava</td>
<td>3rd Charlie</td>
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**Highly Commended**

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<td>Sian</td>
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<td>Matthew</td>
<td>Megan</td>
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Ms Engles, Ms Dixon, Ms Hagan and Mr Svanfelds
Easter Coordinators

ANZAC Day
Our ANZAC Day Service will be held the first day students return for Term 2, Tuesday 29 April. Some of our student leaders, Amelia, Milo, Zoe and Solh, have been busy practising for the ceremony which will commence at 10:30am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend the event.

Mr Loxton and Mr Svanfelds
Coordinators

PSW Uniform Shop
Please be advised that PSW Kingsford will be closed on the following dates:

- Good Friday – 18 April 2014
- Easter Saturday – 19 April 2014
- Easter Sunday – 20 April 2014
- Easter Monday – 21 April 2014
- Anzac Day – 25 April 2014

**Sports News**

Cross Country

Our Cross Country Carnival for students who are 8 years old (or turning 8 this year) and older will be held on Friday 2 May 2014 from 9.15am in Paine Reserve. Please join us if you can.

Touch Football Trials
The ESPSSA Touch Football trials will be held on Monday 5 May (Term 2) at Chifley Public School.
Players need to be of a high ability and skill level, have played competitive touch football and have full knowledge of the rules. As schools need to send names of students to the convenor before the trial, please see Mrs McMahon if you child is interested in trialling.

School Holiday Kids And Family Camps
It’s not too late to book your child into a NSW Sport and Recreation holiday camp. There are also family camps available year-round, for an active, family-friendly (and pocket-friendly) getaway. Find out more: http://bit.ly/1hWxTra

Managing Screen-Time
Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen-time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. Commonsense Media has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screen-time limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them. Read the article here: http://bit.ly/1pBIfmk

Books To Boost Brains
Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It’s also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (it works for adults too!). If your child hasn’t found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier’s Reading Challenge list? Here are some suggestions for all ages, including young adult: http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0

Kik, Vine, Instagram – Are They Safe?
It’s no contest – kids discover and understand new social media long before we adults do. If your child is thinking about creating a new social media account – or complains that “everyone else is doing it”, you can get the facts at a glance from School A to Z’s technology glossary. You’ll also find information about age restrictions and things to watch out for: http://bit.ly/188OerY

Website Of The Week
This week’s website is Fun Brain. This site contains games based on maths and reading. Users can also view and interact with books and comics, including Diary of a Wimpy Kid. To read these, to create silly stories as you fill in the blanks of a comic strip template and to play games like Sudoku, go to: http://www.funbrain.com/

Science Poetry Competition

K-2 Student of the Week
Week 10

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<td>Ryley</td>
<td>Excellent writing.</td>
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<td>KE</td>
<td>Finn</td>
<td>Improved behaviour in class.</td>
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<td>KR</td>
<td>Maggie</td>
<td>Excellent contributions to class discussions.</td>
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<td>K/1N</td>
<td>Oliver</td>
<td>Fantastic effort in maths.</td>
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<td>1D</td>
<td>Abdul</td>
<td>Excellent effort in performing our assembly song.</td>
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<td>1F</td>
<td>Alannah</td>
<td>Trying hard when writing.</td>
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<td>1/2M</td>
<td>Abbie</td>
<td>Being kind and helpful student in class and on the playground.</td>
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<td>2C</td>
<td>James</td>
<td>Excellent reading – reaching level 30! Well done.</td>
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<td>2M</td>
<td>Angelina</td>
<td>Always trying to do the right thing.</td>
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<td>2/3C</td>
<td>Jonathan</td>
<td>Great contributions to class discussions.</td>
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<td>SB</td>
<td>Paul</td>
<td>Participating in group activities.</td>
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<td>Mason</td>
<td>Learning all of his sight words.</td>
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<td>KE</td>
<td>Aliyah</td>
<td>Working well with others.</td>
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<td>KR</td>
<td>Jason</td>
<td>Terrific work in maths groups.</td>
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<td>Ayaan</td>
<td>A great effort in reading.</td>
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<td>AJ</td>
<td>Consistent effort in all his work!</td>
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<td>1F</td>
<td>Tequila</td>
<td>Great work in maths!</td>
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<td>1/2M</td>
<td>Thomas</td>
<td>Enthusiastically participating in SRC activities.</td>
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Rainbow Awards

This week's recipients are:

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<td>Thuriya and Milla</td>
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Rainbow Street Public School P&C would like to publicly thank the following businesses for their donations for our recent trivia night:

- Seventh Heaven Foods Randwick
- Just Cuts Randwick
- Real Living Magazine Sydney
- Australian Museum Sydney
- Castlereagh Club Sydney
- AMF Bowling Randwick
- Flower Power Mascot Maroubra
- Kidstuff Randwick
- Kurtosh The Spot
- Complete Body Care Randwick
- Laugh & Learn Randwick
- EB Games Eastgardens
- Hair Fantasy Kingsford
- Noodle Junction Maroubra

- Cake Solutions Rosebery
- John Paros – McGrath Real Estate
- Taronga Zoo
- Caltex Randwick
- Ardino Salon Paddington
- South Juniors
- East Courts Tennis Club Kingsford
- CPR Kids
- Kidoodle Clovelly
- Nijimi
- Barzura Coogee
- Powerhouse Museum
- Mr Soccer
- Laz’s Poolside Cafe UNSW
- Massage By The Sea Clovelly
- Mitre 10 Kingsford
- Steve’s Cool Booze Kingsford
- Des Renford Aquatic Centre
- Bop Til You Drop
- The Living Room Coogee
- Sydney Aquatic Centre Homebush

Their contribution and support helped us to raise over $3000 for the school.

Community News

Disclaimer: Rainbow Street Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events which may be of interest. RS PS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organization of these events.

HOLIDAY CAMPS
Tennis & Multisports

NEW

Multisports daily:
- Tennis
- Soccer
- T-ball
- Basketball
- And more

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- Sandwiches
- Fruit

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