CALENDAR

**Week 10**
Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thursday 2 April – 10am Easter Hat Parade; Stewart House bag collection; Last day of Term 1

**TERM 2**

**Week 1**
Monday 20 April – School Development Day
Tuesday 21 April – Students return to school
Friday 24 April – Cross Country Carnival at Paine Reserve; 2pm 3-6 Assembly (5R)

**Week 2**
Monday 27 April – ANZAC Service
Tuesday 28 April – ESPSSA Netball trials at Chifley PS
Friday 1 May – 2pm K-2 Assembly (1N); Trivia Night

**Week 3**
Monday 4 May – 6pm P & C Meeting in the Gallery Of Learning
Friday 8 May – 11.30am 3-6 Assembly (4F); Round 1 PSSA

Assistant Principal Support Unit
As you are aware we recently advertised the Assistant Principal Special Education position. Unfortunately there was not a successful applicant. We will be readvertising the position in Term 2. Ms Budd will continue to teach SU next term.

NSW Election
Don’t forget that it is voting tomorrow for the NSW Election. Come along and vote at RSPS and buy a sausage sandwich and/or cake to support the P & C’s fundraising efforts. Thanks to those people who have donated food, drinks and/or their time. It is much appreciated.

Kidsmatter Survey
As a component of the school’s Positive School Community strategic direction, Rainbow Street will be implementing Kidsmatter over the next three years.

KidsMatter Primary is a mental health and wellbeing framework for primary schools and is proven to make a positive difference to the lives of Australian children. KidsMatter Primary provides the proven methods, tools and support to help schools work with parents and carers, health services and the wider community, to nurture happy, balanced kids.

The Kidsmatter Action Team consists of Miss Sayers, Mrs Nalovski, Miss Goldspink and Mr Dodwell (parent representative). The team is in the process of collecting some baseline data and would like all parents to complete an online survey. To access the survey, go to [www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/other-resources/school-surveys/parent-survey](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/other-resources/school-surveys/parent-survey)

Select Start Parent Survey and make sure that you enter and select Rainbow Street Public School. The reporting period is 2015 Q1: Jan - Mar (choose from the dropdown list).

Parent/Teacher Interviews
A reminder that parent/teacher interviews to discuss students’ progress will be held next week. It is important that all parents meet with their child’s class teacher to discuss learning and social development.

Stewart House
Stewart House is public education’s number 1 charity. Each year 1,800 public school children in need go to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.

Children in the care of Stewart House attend a specific purpose school onsite for 8 days of their 12-day stay. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this
school. All others costs associated with the children’s stay are met from charitable donations.

Many teachers donate money each week through salary deduction and Stewart House also holds a number of fundraising initiatives.

Today, a bag has been sent home for the Stewart House clothing appeal. Please fill it with any unwanted but usable clothing and return it to school on Thursday 2 April before 10am. Please place bags on the stage in the Gallery Of Learning.

Next term, RSPS will be participating in the annual Stewart House Day (more details soon).

**Easter Celebrations**

Thank you to the ‘Library Friday’ brigade for generously giving up their time to wrap our Easter Baskets for our Easter Raffle. Raffle tickets have been sent home in bundles of ten for $4 (please see the Office for more Easter Raffle tickets). Thank you to everyone who has donated eggs and helped us to not only reach our goal of 80 baskets to raffle but to smash it - nearly 100 baskets at the time of printing! We are hoping to raise $2,000 for reading resources for the school.

Don’t forget our K-2 Easter Hat Parade begins at 10:00am on the last day of term, Thursday 2 April. We also encourage everyone to enter the Egg Decorating Competition, with all children taking part in the Easter Colouring Competition within their class. Lastly, don’t forget that Jess in the Canteen will be selling hot cross buns and tea and coffee straight after our Easter celebrations. We hope you can join us.

*Mrs Engles, Miss Hagan and Mr Svanfelds Easter Coordinators*

**From the Library…**

It has been wonderful to see students and staff using the resources of the RSPS library this term. Many of our families probably wonder what the students actually do when they come to a library lesson. All classes learn in the library once a week. This term students have been:

Kindergarten – learning how the library works, where to borrow books from and where to return their books. Each week I read a picture book to the students then they have time to ‘browse and borrow’. There is one shelf stand for the students to choose from at the moment, soon they will move on to being able to choose from a wider range of books!

Stage 1 students are read a picture book each week as well. Some of the books have included the *Fearless* series, *Whale In The Bath* and *Lost And Found*. Students learn how to locate the books they would like to borrow and how to put books back where they belong. They also ‘browse and borrow’ each week.

Stage 2 students have been learning about the many series of books we have such as *The Last Thirteen*, *How To Train Your Dragon*, *EI12 Girl Hero*, *Spirit Animals* and *Eric Vale*. They have also begun creating their own creative version of *A 13-Storey Treehouse* based on the book series with some fantastic results. Students learn to discuss books they have read and understand the information on a book’s spine label.

Stage 3 students are learning about researching, in particular note taking skills, searching for the correct information, using multiple sources of information to inform project work and accessing a variety of online resources about Antarctica to support their learning in class. They have also been learning to use *Scootle*, an online resource including learning objects, photographs, video and audio clips about Antarctica.

Usually time would be spent learning how to use Library Enquiry, the system that allows students to look up the books we hold and to see whether they are in the library or have been borrowed. As we will be moving to a new library management system, *Oliver*, early next term, we are waiting to learn about this (shortly after Ms Mayhew has learnt how it works!). It will be very exciting to use the system and the many more features it will offer students and staff.
in NSW DEC schools. Stay tuned for more information about ‘Oliver’.

All Year 3-6 students have been shown how to log their books for the Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC). So far five students have already completed the challenge with many more well on the way – congratulations! K-2 students complete the challenge with their class teacher and myself.

Our library also has 8 computers and 24 laptops available for student and staff to use. 3-6 students may use them at lunchtimes for research, school projects and to log their PRC books. The library is also open at lunchtime for students to play chess, boardgames and read. Feel free to come and visit our library!

Nicole Mayhew
Teacher Librarian

Easter Reading
Get a head start with the Premier’s Reading Challenge and read over Easter. What’s your child reading right now? Find out more: https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

April School Holidays
Have you got the April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having. Find out more: http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/

School Calendar
What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW. Find out more: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView

Website Of The Week
Unfortunately this week’s website, Cookie, doesn’t provide delicious cookies you can eat but it does provide a variety of online educational games and activities for kids. Found at: http://www.cookie.com/, the site features games, stories, videos and worksheets.

Mr Svanfelds
Computer Coordinator

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### K-2 Student of the Week

#### Week 8

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<td>KD</td>
<td>Behafarid</td>
<td>Fantastic effort in class.</td>
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<td>KH</td>
<td>Lawrence</td>
<td>Great participation during sport.</td>
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<td>KR</td>
<td>Joshua</td>
<td>Excellent effort logging on and off the computer.</td>
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<td>1M</td>
<td>Misha</td>
<td>Achievement in reading.</td>
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<td>1N</td>
<td>Ryley</td>
<td>Always displaying an enthusiastic approach to learning.</td>
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<td>1/2R</td>
<td>Eva</td>
<td>Increased confidence in mathematics.</td>
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<td>2M</td>
<td>Emilie</td>
<td>Always putting maximum effort into her work.</td>
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<td>2S</td>
<td>Kayden</td>
<td>Beautiful artwork.</td>
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<td>2/3M</td>
<td>Samantha</td>
<td>Demonstrating tolerant and inclusive behaviour on Harmony Day and every day.</td>
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<td>Matthew</td>
<td>Excellent participation in reading group discussions.</td>
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<td>KH</td>
<td>Olive</td>
<td>Learning her sounds and being an enthusiastic reader.</td>
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<td>KR</td>
<td>Ruby</td>
<td>An outstanding effort in reading and writing.</td>
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<td>1M</td>
<td>Caleb</td>
<td>Neat work in handwriting.</td>
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<td>1N</td>
<td>Grace</td>
<td>Always participating in class discussions.</td>
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<td>1/2R</td>
<td>Hope</td>
<td>Wonderful effort in mathematics.</td>
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<td>2M</td>
<td>Agnel</td>
<td>Making generous donations to our school.</td>
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<td>2S</td>
<td>Piper</td>
<td>Her all-round-general contributions to the happenings of 2S.</td>
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<td>2/3M</td>
<td>Fred</td>
<td>Demonstrating initiative and persistence when problem solving in maths lessons.</td>
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### Rainbow Awards

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<td>Adam</td>
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Library Friday last week was fabulous with a large number of parents enjoying a coffee and a chat whilst wrapping 80 Easter baskets and stamping and stapling raffle tickets. Thanks to the staff for having them so organised for us ready to wrap. I hope you have all bought your raffle tickets! More tickets are available from the office.

Election Day is this Saturday, 28 March, and our school is a polling place. Thanks for the donations given so far. The more donations we get the more money we raise. The P&C will run a BBQ and cake stall on the day to feed the hungry voters. Please bring any baked goods on Friday afternoon in a sealed, labelled container or on the day. **We still need volunteers to help on the day between 7:30am and 4pm. If you can help out for an hour or two please email me on sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au**

Our prize collecting for Trivia Night on Friday 1 May has begun with **$500 in Star Cash from Caltex Randwick**! Start organising your table with a maximum of 8. If you would like to help by donating prizes to promote your business, contacting businesses to collect prizes or helping set up, please contact Sally Notaras on sally.notaras@optusnet.com.au. There are letters in the office for you to give to local businesses when you ask for a donation. If you would like one emailed to you let me know. Thanks in advance!

_Sal Notaras_
_P & C President_

**DID YOU KNOW** - the P & C website can be translated into 65 languages!
Take a look: [www.rainbowstpandc.org.au](http://www.rainbowstpandc.org.au)

**Randwick Boys’ High School News**

*Off To Europe*

Next week, we will farewell a group of students attending our International Study tour to Europe, where the students will explore the historical features of Italy and Greece. This is a marvellous experience for these young men, bringing History to life!

The International Study Tour has been a feature of Randwick Boys’ High School for many years and just goes to show that you can have all the trimmings with a good Public School Education.

_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.

**Local foster carers needed**

*Family and Community Services* are seeking people in the local area to provide short term and crisis foster care for children and young people 0-18 years that are unable to live with their own families.

*Individuals, couples and families from varied backgrounds and cultural groups are required. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.*

*All carers receive training, ongoing support and financial assistance. If you are interested in making a difference and helping children reach their full potential, please call 9765 5000 or email fosteringwithfac@fac.org.au*

_Do you want to make a difference in the life of a child?_
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• Tennis
• Soccer
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• And more
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April Dates:
• Week 1: April 7-10
• Week 2: April 13-17

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info@maccabitennis.com
www.maccabitennis.com

LATHAM PARK
SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP
1st week 6 – 10.04, 2nd week 13 – 17.04
9:30am – 3:30pm
age 4 - 15 years must not more than 10 kids per court with the qualified coach
1 Tennis coaching of all standards
2 Come and Play or Fees
3 Other Activities
4 Supervised at all times
5 Free BBQ on last day
6 Singles and doubles tournaments
7 Camp cost $100 for the week or $50 per day
8 $100 for the week or $50 per day for half of the day
9 10% Family Discount available for the 2nd child (if booked for whole week)
10 Before and after care available for working Mums from 8.30 a.m. – 3.30 p.m.

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Ph/Fax: 02 9344 3550
E-mail: tennis@lathamparktennis.com

Please fill in the enrolment form and fax or send it to: 3 Henning Ave, South Coogee, NSW 2034
Lessons will commence on Monday, the 26th of April 2015
All forms must be in prior to Friday, the 17th of April 2015.

Please tick below:
( ) PRIVATE LESSON $450 ( ) SMALL GROUPS (3 kids) $170
( ) SEMI PRIVATE $240 ( ) GROUPS (4 kids) $140
10 duration of the program: 4 weeks (8 lessons)
11 $20.00 extra will be charged to register with Tennis NSW (insurance)

LESSONS WILL RUN AS FOLLOWS:
Monday – Friday 3.30 - 4.15, 4.15 - 5.00, 5.00 - 5.45, 5.45 - 6.30
12 Lessons are subject to availability
* Group lessons also available on Saturday and Sunday

www.dunbarrovers.com or www.facebook.com/dunbarcubs and email it back to gerry@cf.net.au.

Autumn Camp: 7th-17th April

Age
Children between 5 - 12 years will be divided into age appropriate groups.
5 - 7 years
8 - 10 years
11 - 12 years

Location
Randwick Town NSW
Located in the Auditorium
Level 2, Building B1
Cnr Darley Rd & King St
Randwick 2031

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