TERM 2
WEEK 10
2015

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Week 1
Monday 13 July – Staff return to school (School Development Day)
Tuesday 14 July – Students return to school
Friday 17 July – 11.30am 3-6 Assembly (6D); Round 7 PSSA

Week 2
Wednesday 22 July – Opportunity Class Test; Kindergarten and SB Snugglepot and Cuddlepie excursion
Friday 24 July – Round 8 PSSA; 2pm K-2 Assembly (Support Unit)

Week 3 – Education Week
Tuesday 28 July – 8am ICAS English
Thursday 29 July – Maths Olympiad 3
Friday 29 July – 11.30am 3-6 Assembly (5/6G); Round 8 PSSA

Week 4
Monday 3 August – 6pm P & C Meeting
Tuesday 4 August – 7pm Banksia Concert (violin and recorders) at the Sydney Opera House
Friday 7 August – ESPSSA Zone Athletics Carnival at ES Marks; Jeans For Genes Day; 2pm K-2 Assembly (2S)

Happy Holidays
Who can believe it – we are half way through the year already! We would like to wish the whole school community a safe and happy holiday and look forward to all students returning on Tuesday 14 July 2015.

Reports
Semester 1 reports were sent home yesterday. The reports provide parents with a comprehensive outline of students’ achievements in each of the six key learning areas, work habits, effort, additional activities and general school life.

Teachers are available to discuss your child’s report and progress. Please contact your child’s class teacher to make an appointment time.

Your child’s reports are important documents. If you haven’t already done so, it is a good idea to purchase a folder or filebox to store them in.

School Development Day
Staff will be returning to work on Monday 13 July. On that day they will be undertaking professional learning about the new K-6 History syllabus which is to be implemented in 2016.

Staff have undertaken a lot of professional learning this term including:

- Term 2 School Development Day focused on Mathematics and Science. All SLSOs attended a course about autism and behaviour needs.
- School Planning process (Executive staff)
- Practice What You’ll Teach (one staff member)
- KidsMatter (three staff and one parent)
- CMIT (four staff)
- Classroom Observations (three staff)
- Autism (one staff member)
- EAL/D Network Meetings (EAL/D teachers)
- Performance and Development Framework (all teaching staff)
- KidsMatter Component 1 (three staff)
- CMIT (four staff)
- EAL/D Survey training (EAL/D teachers and one Executive)
- Principal Credential (one Executive staff member)
- National Coaching Conference for Educators (Principal)
- CPR Update (all staff)
- Beginning Teachers Conference (one staff member)
- Business Intelligence Training (Principal)
- KidsMatter Component 1 Parts 1 and 2 (all staff)
- Supporting Literacy and Numeracy Learning (one staff member)
- Focus On Reading (four staff)
- The Coaching Dividend (Principal)
- i On The Future (Principal)
- Implementing History (five staff)
As you can see the staff at RSPS are regularly updating their knowledge and skills.

**Car Boot Sale**

Despite the miserable day some die-hard RSPS supporters came along to the Car Boot Sale to either sample the wares or to help out with the school stalls. Thank you to everyone involved.

**Choir News**

Well done to all choir members who have been working hard learning a new repertoire of songs for this year. Our combined program with the Band is proving to be quite theatrical and exciting as we learn some Broadway Favourites! Try and watch a few movies or musicals in the holidays to help you remember the words – Cats, Sound of Music, Beauty and the Beast, and Annie. There are also some great new productions coming out like Matilda and Aladdin that would be a worthwhile and exciting experience. Have a great holiday!

*Mrs Engles*

**Band News**

Well done to all Senior and Junior Band members on their progress this semester! Everyone is sounding great! Thank you to all parents for support at home encouraging regular practice - it is evident each week. Junior Band reports were sent home this week so please review these in preparation for next term. Just a reminder that all rehearsals will be resuming in Week 1, so please remember your music and instruments. Senior Band rehearsals will be returning to Wednesday lunchtime and before school on Friday at 8:15am. Please be punctual so that we can make the most of these times. Have a great holiday and don’t forget to practice at least a few times!

*Mrs Engles*

**Reading Recovery**

Congratulations to Finn, Uliti and Taniela in 1N who have successfully completed the program and have become fantastic readers! Thank you boys for your effort at school and at home! Thank you also to the parents involved for supporting this accelerated program. What great success stories!

*Mrs Engles*

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**K-2 Concert**

Roll up, roll up, have you heard the news? Our K-2 Concert is rolling into our School Hall on Wednesday 16 September (Term 3; Week 10). Watch this space as more is revealed about our big song and dance in the upcoming Ramblers. Oh, and if you haven’t already saved the date...DO SO NOW!

*Mr Svanfelds (on behalf of K-2)*

**Showcase Rehearsals Term 3**

Showcase rehearsals will continue as usual during Term 3. Rehearsal times will continue to be Tuesdays at 8.20am and Thursdays at lunchtime. Term 3 rehearsals will commence on Tuesday 14 July 2015.

*Miss Fester and Miss Hagan*

**Musica Viva – Makukuhan**

On Thursday June 18 Makukuhan performed their show *Satu, Dua, Indonesial* at Rainbow Street Public School. The musicians played a mini gamelan orchestra and we heard the kendang, bonang and rebab. Students enjoyed seeing the Jatayu dance being performed. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to hear the music of our closest neighbours, Indonesia.

*Miss McNab*

**Organiser**

**Festival Of Instrumental Music - Recorders**

On Tuesday June 23 Rainbow Street Recorder players went to a rehearsal to practise the songs that they will be playing at the Sydney Opera House this year. The day was spent practising with several other schools in the Sydney Region. The students are very excited about their concert at the Sydney Opera House in August. Well done to these students for their excellent behaviour and hard work at the rehearsal.

*Miss McNab*

**Recorder Teacher**
National Science Week
It’s not too early to start thinking about your Science displays and dioramas for this year’s National Science Week celebrations. With two weeks holidays, what better time to start planning and/or doing your Science Project based around this year’s theme of “Light up your life!”. Our National Science Week Science Fair will take place from Monday 17 August (Term 3; Week 6) so if you are looking for something to do during the holidays start experimenting now and visit [http://www.scienceweek.net.au/](http://www.scienceweek.net.au/) for more information. I look forward to seeing all of your posters, diagrams and home-made models next term. Mr Svanfelds
Science and Technology Coordinator

App Of The Week
The last App for this term is “Dreamtime”. Dreamtime is a collection of Australian Aboriginal paintings, along with the Dreaming stories as told by the artists. 64 Dreaming stories are included in this free App which is accessible from iTunes.
Mr Svanfelds
Computer Coordinator

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<td>Charlie</td>
<td>Making wonderful progress in reading.</td>
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<td>Phoebe</td>
<td>Displaying a positive attitude and having a great sense of humour.</td>
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<td>Enthusiastic participation in the computer lab.</td>
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<td>Trying hard to participate in class discussions.</td>
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<td>Anika</td>
<td>Excellent problem solving with money.</td>
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<td>Enthusiastic participation in all class activities.</td>
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<td>Pelagia</td>
<td>Her general contributions to class 2S.</td>
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<td>Charlie</td>
<td>Contributing to class discussions demonstrating an extensive general knowledge.</td>
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<td>His enthusiasm in all areas of school.</td>
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<td>Juno</td>
<td>Using his imagination to create detailed artworks.</td>
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<td>Xanthia</td>
<td>Creating a lovely snake pattern.</td>
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<td>Enthusiastic participation during maths lessons.</td>
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<td>His enthusiastic approach to computer lessons.</td>
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<td>Solly</td>
<td>Enthusiastic participation at the 3-6 Athletics Carnival.</td>
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<td>Aidan</td>
<td>Improving and impressive results in maths.</td>
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<td>Krithiga</td>
<td>Producing beautiful artworks with attention to detail.</td>
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Rainbow Awards

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<td>Abdul, Tequila, Calvino, Aaron, Rawiri, Alicia, Josephine and Charlie</td>
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Thank you to all the parents and family members who volunteered at our Car Boot Sale on Sunday and to those who braved the unpredictable weather to come along. Despite the weather and having to finish early we still raised just over $3200! This is great result for our kids. Special thanks to the P & C Executive for their time and organisation, the staff who braved the weather to help and a particular mention to Mrs Zouroudis for manning the jumping castle and directing cars in the rain!

Thank you to the staff for another great term at Rainbow Street and to the teachers for their hard work writing our children’s reports. We appreciate the extra hours it takes to do this.

We won’t be having a P & C meeting in July due to the holidays so the next one will be in August. If you are not receiving the minutes from the P & C meetings and would like to, please go to the P & C website to contact us or email us at info@rainbowstpandc.org.au

We hope you have had a fabulous Term 2 at school. Enjoy the holidays and stay safe and warm. See you in two weeks!
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