



RUTHERFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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1st February 2016

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY

9:10am Whole School Assembly in the Quadrangle
2:30pm to 3:00pm Second Hand Uniform Stall

THURSDAY

WEDNESDAY

School Band - Band students need to be at school by 8:30am

FRIDAY

11:30am to 12:30pm Drumming with Col Hatchman

Core Values - To Create an Environment which Nurtures and Values Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best

Term 1, 2016

Week 2	Mon	1/02/2016	First day of School for Kindergarten Students - Staggered start times for the first day only
	Tue	2/02/2016	2:30pm Swimming Carnival House Meetings
	Wed	3/02/2016	Swimming Carnival notes and money must be returned by today
	Fri	5/02/2016	School Swimming Carnival
Week 3	Tue	9/02/2016	9:00am AECG Meeting - Hunter Valley Grammar School
	Fri	12/02/2016	Zone Tennis
Week 4	Wed	17/02/2016	Maitland Zone Basketball Trials at Maitland Federation Centre
	Fri	19/02/2016	Rugby League Zone Trials
Week 5	Tue	23/02/2016	Zone Swimming Carnival Hunter PSSA Cricket Trials
	Thu	25/02/2016	NRL Blitz Visit
	Fri	26/02/2016	Last day of Kindergarten finishing at 2:40pm Hunter PSSA Tennis Trials at District Park
Week 6	Mon	29/02/2016	Kindergarten now finish at 3:10pm Hunter PSSA Girls Cricket Trials at Rutherford
	Thu	3/03/2016	Hunter PSSA Swimming at Maitland
	Fri	4/03/2016	School Cross Country Carnival Hunter PSSA Basketball Trials
Week 7	Tue	8/03/2016	4:00pm Maitland AECG Meeting - Venue to be advised Hunter PSSA AFL Trials at Maitland
	Thu	10/03/2016	Selective High School Placement Test
Week 8	Fri	18/03/2016	School Athletics Carnival at Max McMahon Oval Zone Netball Trials Hunter Rugby League Trials at Raymond Terrace
Week 9	Mon	21/03/2016	Harmony Day Morning Assembly
	Thu	24/03/2016	Zone Winter Trials - Hockey
	Fri	25/03/2016	Good Friday - Public Holiday
Week 10	Mon	28/03/2016	Easter Monday - Public Holiday
	Fri	1/04/2016	Hunter PSSA Netball Trials
Week 11	Wed	6/04/2016	NSW PSSA Diving NSW PSSA Swimming - Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th April
	Fri	8/04/2016	Hunter Trials - Hockey and Soccer Last day of Term 1

Term 2, 2016

Week 1	Mon	25/04/2016	ANZAC Day - Public Holidays
	Tue	26/04/2016	First Day of Term 2

Farewell to Rutherford Public School

If I ever had to leave a school as Principal, I had always hoped it would not be in this fashion, during the holiday period and not being able to thank the students, staff and community for the wonderful memories I've had over the past four years as Principal of Rutherford Public School personally.

As of 27th January 2016, I have been offered the position of Director of Public Schools, Western Plains which is based out of Dubbo. This is a permanent appointment.

Term 1, 2016 will see Tim Beaven maintaining his position as Relieving Principal and Kerry Ferguson as Relieving Deputy Principal. The permanent Principal's position will most likely go to advertisement or be filled by transfer and commence Term 2, 2016. Director Andrew Eastcott will confirm this in due course.

When I started at the school four years ago, student numbers were 603 and currently sit at 820. This has posed its own challenges and the school will only continue to grow.

I'd like to think over the past four years, we as a school community have focused on and improved many aspects of school operation, with particular reference to the school welfare systems, improved student learning outcomes and put systems in place to up-skill teachers to ensure we provide the best possible learning opportunities for each and every student. In recent times we have also focused on assisting our parents/carers with programs such as Seasons for Growth, Triple P etc.

I have many individuals and groups to acknowledge and thank over this period as Principal.

I feel honoured to have led a school full of capable and enthusiastic students who have always been outwardly friendly and communicative. It's a lovely feeling when students greet you warmly on a daily basis and are genuinely happy to see you in any capacity.

It's important that each and everyone of us, regardless of our roles, always remember that they are the reason we come to school each day and collectively continually think and dream ways to make their school experience better.

The P&C have worked tirelessly in what is sometimes a thankless role as a volunteer to provide better facilities, equipment and opportunities for our students. I appreciate each and every person who has formed a part of this body over the four years and know that not only I but your fellow community, students and staff greatly appreciate your time and effort. Without their efforts year in year out the students would not have many of the resources we currently offer. The School Council have also overseen the many policy changes that have taken place. I appreciate their time too, to ensure the systems and practices of the school change with government policy and the times.

To the office and support staff at the school, it's a term I've always used but you are the glue of the school. Without a highly effective office, basic school operations do not happen. I'd like to thank you for your professionalism and your support in ensuring we offer a positive interaction and image of our school to the community. Our support staff work seamlessly to provide the best possible support for our students. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to your roles.

My thanks to an extremely dedicated and committed teaching staff. The face of education is rapidly changing and I have appreciated those who have embraced the positive change the school has undertaken with the sole aim of improving the quality of education we provide at Rutherford Public School for each and every student.

Last but not least the wonderful executive team at the school. In a school of 820 students it goes without saying that I can't do it all myself! I heavily rely on their passion, desire, experience and enthusiasm to push one another, including myself, to ensure we are constantly looking for ways to improve every aspect of school operation. They are a very tight knit team who understand the importance of supporting one another and driving positive change within the school.

It is with genuine sadness that I leave the school but also know it is in good hands for the future due to the huge amount of support it receives from the community, the highly committed staff and terrific group of students who are its heart.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at the school and enjoyed working with some amazing people.

Farewell and I wish everyone all the best for the future!!

Sean Andrews

School Swimming Carnival

Our annual swimming carnival will be held at Maitland Pool this Friday 5 February 2016. We will be leaving school at 9:20am and returning to school by 3:00pm.

All children from Years 3 to 6 and good/club swimmers from Year 2 will be participating. There will be 25m and 50m events. Novelty events for those children who are unable to swim at all will be held regularly throughout the day.

All primary children are expected to attend the swimming carnival. If your child is unable to swim at least 25 metres unaided, it is very important that you indicate this on the permission note.

Children must bring a packed lunch, including drinks. The pool kiosk will only be available for packets of chips and lollies.

Children are to wear their swimmers to the pool under their sports uniform but **must** change out of them at the end of the day.

They must also have a hat and sunscreen. No JEWELLERY, WATCHES or MOBILE PHONES please.

The cost will be \$6.00 – this covers bus fare and entry into the pool. If you have a season ticket the cost of the bus only will be \$3.30. The \$3.30 bus fare applies, irrespective of whether students make the return bus journey.

Money will be collected by class teachers prior to the day. **Please give your child the correct money in an envelope clearly marked with their name and class.**

We would greatly appreciate any parents who may be able to help at the carnival as a judge, timekeeper or assist with the running of the novelty events.

Parent entry to the pool is \$2.20 and is payable to the pool on the day of the carnival. Please see Mrs Kate Chan on the day of the carnival for job allocation.

A separate permission note is required for every child.

Your child must report to their classroom teacher before leaving the pool.

A permission note was sent home last week, and a copy is available on the website. Please be sure to complete both sides of the permission and medical note, or your child will be unable to attend the carnival.

Please complete and return the attached permission slip and medical form, along with your child's payment by Wednesday 3rd February 2016.

The permission note has a number of tick boxes which must be completed. We need to know as soon as possible if your child will or will not be attending, can or cannot swim 25m unaided, will be catching the bus or going to the pool with parents, and if they will return to school on the bus.

Kate Chan, Coordinator

School Band Lessons

School Band Lessons will start this Wednesday 3rd February 2016. New band members will be notified of their lesson times on Wednesday morning.

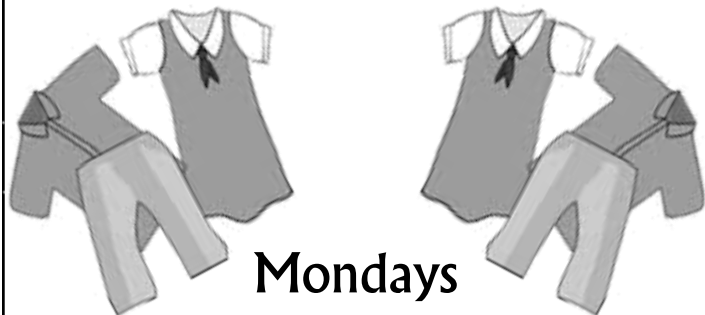
The Mutual Bank@School

School banking will commence this Thursday 4th February 2016.

Kindergarten Assemblies

Kindergarten Assemblies will begin in Week 3, on Friday 12th February 2016. At this stage, assemblies will be held at 9:15am. Parents will be notified as soon as possible should this change.

Second Hand Uniform Stall



Mondays

2:30pm to 3:00pm

P&C Shed behind the hall

Volunteers always welcome



Contributions & Levies

Voluntary Contribution

\$25 per student or \$50 per family (all students)

Equipment Levy

\$7.50 per child per term or \$30 per child per year

(for Year 1 to Year 6 children)

Kindergarten students are not required to pay the Equipment Levy as they purchase a Kindergarten Pack.



BANK@school

Rutherford Public School and The Mutual are pleased to continue Bank@school in 2016.

What is Bank@school?

Bank@school is a financial literacy program that encourages students to learn about the importance of saving.

How does it work?

There have been some changes to Bank@school this year.

A representative from The Mutual will visit Rutherford Public School each **Thursday** of the school term. The school banking will be collected and processed at the nearest branch.

Students are invited to open a Mighty Mutual Account and receive their own fun passbook to keep track of their savings. Students can update their passbook anytime by visiting a branch of The Mutual.

A deposit/receipt booklet will be given to each student participating in the Bank@school program. A deposit receipt form will need to be completed each time a deposit is made into the students Mighty Mutual Account through the Bank@school program.

The deposit/receipt form will be stamped as confirmation of receiving the funds. Each time a deposit is made a Mutual sticker will be issued for participation in the banking incentive game included in the Mighty Mutual booklet.

Mighty Mutual Account

The Mighty Mutual Account is a fun and interactive way to help kid's save. Students receive their own fun passbook to help keep track of their savings. The account is free from transaction and monthly account keeping fees and also rewards members with bonus interest for making regular deposits.

You will also receive our 2016 Mighty Mutual activity booklet which is packed with puzzles, games and information to help learn the importance of saving.

If you have any questions regarding Bank@school please call us on 1300 688 825 or simply visit one of our branches.





RUTHERFORD FOOTBALL CLUB REGISTRATIONS 2016 SEASON

All new registration will need a copy of birth certificate or passport

Tuesday 2nd February 330pm till 630pm
Saturday 6th February 1pm till 5pm
Tuesday 9th February 5pm till 8pm
Sunday 14th February 10am till 1pm

MAITLAND CITY BOWLING CLUB - ARTHUR STREET RUTHERFORD

All Fees have stayed the same as 2012 Season

Registration Fees Rutherford Football Club 2016

Under 5 to Under 7 \$70.00 Per Player
 Under 8 to Under 11 \$90.00 Per Player
 Under 12 to Under 18 \$120.00 Per Player
 Adults \$230.00 Per Player

**THIS YEAR THE CLUB IS DOING FAMILY DISCOUNT
 SECOND PLAYER \$10 DISCOUNT & THIRD PLAYER \$20 DISCOUNT
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If the Full Registration Fees & Bonds aren't paid by 1st April the club will De-register any player

A \$10 administration fee will apply for all Player Cancellations. Both the Player and Club are required to complete the NRR08 Registration Cancellation Form to be submitted to the Hunter Valley Football Office for processing.
 A Fee of \$50.00 will be charged per Player when Transferring Clubs within the Hunter Valley Football Zone. Interdistrict Age Competitions

Rutherford Football Club Weekly Match Fees

**THIS IS PAID EVERY WEEK BUT IF WE DON'T PLAY
 DUE TO WASH OUTS YOU DON'T PAY**

Approx Rounds 14 For All Every Age Group

Small Sided Games U5 to U7 \$4.00 per player per Week
 Small Sided Games U8 & U9 \$5.00 per player per Week
 Small Sided Games U10 to U11 \$6.00 per player Per Week
 Combined Association U12 to U18 \$8.00 per player Per Week
 Adult Teams \$12.00 per player

These are collected from every player Friday / Saturday / Sunday Every Game Day.

Full Total of Game Fees

Under 5 to Under 7 \$56 for Season
 Under 8 to Under 9 \$70 for Season
 Under 10 & Under 11 \$84 for Season
 Under 12 to Under 18 \$112 for Season

Approx Rounds 14 For All Adults \$188 for Season

Total Rego Fees & Game Fees for the Season will be:

Small Sided Games U5 to U7 \$126.00 per player
 Small Sided Games U8 & U9 \$160 per player
 Small Sided Games U10 to U11 \$174.00 per player
 Combined Association U12 to U18 \$232.00 per player Per Week
 Adult / All age \$398.00 per player

Can Register online at myfootballclub.com.au from the 1st February
 but will still need to attend 1 of the above dates at the club

CLUB SECRETARY: 0423361736

Email: secretary@rutherfordfc.com.au

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Lochinvar Rovers Football Club

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Football is a fun Winter sport for both girls and boys.

The Lochinvar Rovers are a family friendly club and encourage kids to play football with their friends.

We have teams starting with Under 6's right through to Over 35's for girls, boys, men and women.

If you are interested in playing Football next season, registrations will take place in early February 2016

For all the most up to date details please visit our facebook page and website:

www.lochinvarfc.com.au

Everyone is welcome at the Lochinvar Rovers!



Payments to the School Office

As you can imagine, receipting money for a school of 792 children is a massive job. We would like to ask parents to please be aware of the following when sending money to school.



- **Please use a separate envelope for each child**
- **Clip lock bags make an excellent, reusable envelope**
- Payments to P&C must be separate from payments to school
- Money (notes ie \$5, \$10, \$20 etc) should be placed flat in the envelope/clip lock bag, not folded
- Our EFTPOS machine and/or accounting software is sometimes unavailable. We apologise for this inconvenience, and hope you understand it is beyond our control.
- Correct money should be placed in the envelopes

School Guidelines and Policy:

- **EFTPOS operational times are 8:00am until 12:00pm**
- No over the phone, fax or email transactions will be accepted
- No P&C transactions (hats, skorts, socks, stockings, fete, etc)
- No cash refunds or withdrawals
- Minimum transaction amount of \$10.00
- Card must be presented with signature verification




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Kindergarten Enrolments 2017

Enrolments are now open for Kindergarten 2017. We have begun the process this year to ensure parents receive all of the necessary information before our Preschool to Kindergarten program begins in Term 2, 2016 for children beginning school in 2017.

Please come to the office to register your child's details with the school at your earliest convenience. You will be given an enrolment form to complete. This must be returned to the school *with* your child's birth certificate, immunisation certificate (or blue book), and proof of address.

Enrolment forms will only be accepted at the office when accompanied by your child's birth certificate, immunisation record and proof of address.



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The Mutual Student Banking at School

The Mutual visits our school each Thursday and collects the passbooks from the locked deposit box located in the school office. Passbooks are taken to the nearest Mutual branch, updated and returned to the school office the same day.

Students are invited to open a Mighty Mutual account and receive their own passbook to help keep track of their savings. To kick start your child's savings journey, \$10 will be deposited into your child's account (maximum of \$10). The address to open an account online is:

www.themutual.com.au/rps

Canteen Roster - 2016

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Term 1, Week 2</u>
Monday	1/2	J Lintott, D Jones
Tuesday	2/2	D Forth, D Devine
Wednesday	3/2	H Barrett, D Devine, M Palmer
Thursday	4/2	D Devine, M Palmer, L Roberts
Friday	5/2	M Taylor, L McGill, L Roberts
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Term 1, Week 3</u>
Monday	8/2	J Lintott, D Jones
Tuesday	9/2	D Forth, D Devine
Wednesday	10/2	H Barrett, D Devine, M Palmer
Thursday	11/2	D Devine, M Palmer, N Beddie, L Roberts
Friday	12/2	M Taylor, L Roberts, B Moy



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