



# RUTHERFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Education

29th February 2016

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### MONDAY

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

### THURSDAY

1:10pm Stage 3 Assembly  
2:10pm Drumming with Col Hatchman - Subject to numbers

### WEDNESDAY

8:30am School Band students to meet at the Computer Room each week  
1:10pm Stage 2 Assembly  
3:15pm to 4:30pm Homework Centre - KA Classroom

### FRIDAY

9:15am Kindergarten Assembly  
10:45am Stage 1 Assembly

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

### Term 1, 2016

<b>Week 6</b>	Mon	29/02/2016	This week our canteen is hosted by class 6C <b>Kindergarten now finish at 3:10pm</b> Hunter PSSA Girls Cricket Trials at Rutherford
	Tue	1/03/2016	3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program
	Thu	3/03/2016	Hunter PSSA Swimming at Maitland 4:00pm to 6:00pm Parent Teacher Meet and Greet in the Library for Kindergarten and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
	Fri	4/03/2016	School Cross Country Carnival Hunter PSSA Basketball Trials School's Clean Up Australia Day 2:20pm WHS Drill - Lockdown – If you are in the school at this time you are required to participate
<b>Week 7</b>	Tue	8/03/2016	Hunter PSSA AFL Trials at Maitland 3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program 4:00pm Maitland AECG Meeting - Woodberry Learning Centre
	Wed	9/03/2016	Kindergarten to Year 2 Green Day Lunch - Canteen 6:00pm Regional GATS Parent Information Night
	Thu	10/03/2016	Year 3 to Year 6 Green Day Lunch - Canteen Selective High School Placement Test
	Fri	11/03/2016	Cake Day
<b>Week 8</b>	Tue	15/03/2016	3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program 3:30pm Multicultural Committee Meeting in Library
	Thu	17/03/2016	<b>2:15pm Ready for Rutherford P-K Information Session for Parents in the hall</b>
	Fri	18/03/2016	School Athletics Carnival at Max McMahon Oval 9:45am to 11:00am Kindergarten and S1 Athletics Fun Morning Zone Netball Trials Hunter Rugby League Trials at Raymond Terrace P&C Easter Raffle tickets, money and donated Easter eggs must be received at school by today P&C Disco
<b>Week 9</b>	Mon	21/03/2016	P&C Easter Raffle Drawn at Morning Assembly today
	Tue	22/03/2016	Easter Scripture Assembly 3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program
	Thu	24/03/2016	9:30am Kindergarten Easter Assembly in the Hall Zone Winter Trials - Hockey and Soccer
	Fri	25/03/2016	Good Friday - Public Holiday
<b>Week 10</b>	Mon	28/03/2016	Easter Monday - Public Holiday
	Tue	29/03/2016	3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program
	Fri	1/04/2016	Harmony Day Morning Assembly Hunter PSSA Netball Trials
<b>Week 11</b>	Wed	6/04/2016	NSW PSSA Diving NSW PSSA Swimming - Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th April 9:30am to 2:30pm Aerobics Training Day at Telarah Bowling Club - Rockettes and Pink Jets
	Fri	8/04/2016	Hunter Trials - Hockey and Soccer Last day of Term 1

### Drop & Go

As we enter the halfway point of the term, I would like to thank all parents that assist us to establish morning play times as a drop and go time.

During this time children are encouraged to place all bags outside the room before saying goodbye to their parents and beginning to play.

The teacher on duty is present if there are any problems, but a quick goodbye makes for a smoother transition into the classroom once the bell goes.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Tim Beaven, Relieving Principal**

### Hogs For The Homeless

On Friday last week, Rutherford Public School had the honour of hosting the only Maitland destination in the annual Hogs For The Homeless charity ride. Around 20 Harley Davidson's arrived in the morning and students were treated to a quick chat about the charity and then getting the chance to interact, ask questions of and get some autographs with NSW Rugby League Legends.

Brad Fittler, Steve Roach, Tim Brasher, Josh Perry and Ian Schubert and a host of others were in attendance to spread the good word about the work that Father Chris Riley's Youth of the Streets charity does. This was on the back of the NRL's highly successful Blitz program that ran in the morning, where children got the chance to learn about the importance of sport, healthy eating and being a good friend.

Students brought a gold coin donation on the day and the school managed to raise a considerable amount of money which the charity was overjoyed with. Thank you to all of the families who donated.

### Canteen "Class Hosting" Competition

The P&C and the school classrooms are teaming up in 2016 with classes taking turns "Class Hosting" for canteen. Starting last week, each class has been allocated one week throughout the year, with all dates provided in advance.

Each term, the classes rostered for that term will receive a roster. This term, classes 6G, 6C, 5/6T, 5/6L, 5/6J, S1 and 5S are on the roster. When you receive your roster, this is what we would like you to do:

- Step 1 Parents – find your child's class on the Term 1 Roster attached to this letter, and make a note of this in your diary.
- Step 2 Choose a day or two that you are available to help in the canteen during that week. For each day you volunteer, you will be placed in a prize draw, to be drawn at the end of each term.
- Step 3 If you would like to find a friend to work with you, the more helpers we have the better!
- Step 4 Complete the form and return it to the canteen as soon as possible

We hope to have lots of participation from our classes and their families. To encourage a little friendly competition, the class that

has the most volunteers at the end of each term, will receive a special treat.

Our whole school hopes to benefit from this new class hosting system, with parents given another opportunity to get to know one another, help their school, encourage class teamwork that will bring home and school together, and to give families a better understanding of our canteen and what it has to offer.

The canteen is open from 8:45am to 2:10pm, 5 days per week. Serving time for lunch is 11:20am to 12:00pm and afternoon tea is 1:40pm to 2:00pm. Any time you can offer is very much appreciated.

**Thank you, P&C Canteen Committee &  
Tim Beaven, Relieving Principal**

### PSSA Cricket

Today our cricket team played against Branxton Public School at McKeachies Run Sports Field. The team displayed excellent sportsmanship and great teamwork.

It was a close game, and fortunately Rutherford won and will make it through to the next round.

A huge thank you to the parents that came today to support the team.



**Kate Jones, Organising Teacher**

### Meet & Greet - Kindergarten & Years 3 to 6

Parent Teacher Information Sessions will run with a new format this year.

Parents of Kindergarten, Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students are invited to attend a Meet & Greet session at Rutherford Public School on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 (Week 6), from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

This year Early Stage One (Kindergarten, Stage 2 and Stage 3 are running our Meet & Greet sessions together in the Library.

This is a great time to meet your child's teacher, meet other families and visit Stage Stalls to understand and discuss the learning that your child will be doing this year.

We look forward to seeing you there.

### P&C Annual General Meeting

P&C AGM will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016. All positions will be up for grabs. All welcome 6:30pm in the staff room.

# Kindergarten

## Athletic Hour!

Dear parents/caregivers,

This year Kindergarten and S1 will be holding an Athletics Fun Morning to enable our students to participate in gross motor activities. This day has been designed to promote physical activity, friendship, fun and sportsmanship.



**When:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March (Week 8).

**Time:** Starting at approximately 9:45am (after our weekly Kindergarten assembly) and running for approximately one hour. After this session, students will return to their normal school routine.

**Where:** Rutherford Public School oval.

**Organisation:** Students will need to wear their full sports uniform, including comfortable shoes. Please ensure your child has a water bottle, school hat and has applied sunscreen on the day.

In the lead up to the day, students will be learning some of the necessary skills in their Physical Education and Sport lessons. This will assist them in acquiring the skills necessary to participate in all events.

Parents are welcome to attend. We ask that parents in attendance assist the classroom teachers by encouraging their child to participate in all activities and to be an active member of the class. We may also require parents to assist the class teacher on the day and will ask if help is needed. Parents will stay with their child's class and rotate with the class, as they move to each new activity.

The running race will be the **only** event in which place awards will be given, as the aim of the day is to encourage sportsmanship and participation. All students will receive a participation award and house points will be given by the teachers on the day.

Students will participate in the following events:

- Running Races
- Shot Put (with bean bags)
- Parachute games
- Hoola hoops
- Fruit Salad
- Rob the Nest

## You are invited!

### Kindergarten Easter Assembly 2016

**Date:** Thursday 24th March

**Time:** 9:30am

**Venue:** Rutherford Public School Hall

Come along and join in the fun of Easter. Kindergarten students will be presenting songs, poems and dances for your entertainment.

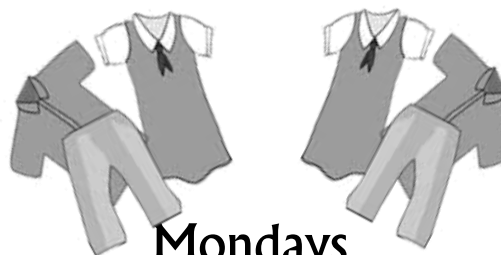
After the assembly, we invite you to join us in our classrooms to participate in an Easter craft activity.

Hope to see you there!

Kindergarten Teachers



## Rutherford Public School Second Hand Uniform Stall



**Mondays**

**2:30pm to 3:00pm**

**P&C Shed behind the hall  
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Join us on the river for a night of fun and entertainment to help raise funds for Newcastle kids living with cancer and their families.



**SATURDAY 5 MARCH 2016**

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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.



## Rutherford Public School Ready for Rutherford

### INFORMATION SESSION

**Thursday 17th March at 2:15 in the school hall**  
A transition /orientation program supporting children before they start school



**Must be eligible to enrol to participate**

<p><b>Activities Include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School readiness</li> <li>• Literacy and Numeracy activities</li> <li>• Gross/fine motor skills</li> <li>• Social/emotional development</li> <li>• Craft</li> <li>• Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)</li> </ul>	<p><b>WHEN</b> Commencing 28th April, 2016</p> <p><b>WHERE</b> P-K room, Rutherford Public School</p> <p><b>TIME</b> Session 1: 9AM-11AM Session 2: 12:45PM-2:45PM</p>
<p><b>Enquiries/ Registration</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">☎ 49325900</p> <p>✉ <a href="mailto:rutherford-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au">rutherford-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</a></p>	<p><b>COST</b> <b>FREE!</b></p>

### Payments to the School Office

As you can imagine, receipting money for a school of 803 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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## Contributions & Levies

*Payments accepted as of Week 5*

### *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.*



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[www.themutual.com.au/rps](http://www.themutual.com.au/rps)

<u>Canteen Roster - 2016</u>		
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Term 1, Week 6</u>
Monday	29/2	J Lintott
Tuesday	1/3	D Forth, S Cochrane
Wednesday	2/3	S Cochrane
Thursday	3/3	S Cochrane, S Whitbread
Friday	4/3	M Taylor, L McGill, S Whitbread
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Term 1, Week 7</u>
Monday	7/3	J Lintott, D Jones, C Brown, M Zwirk
Tuesday	8/3	D Forth
Wednesday	9/3	H Barrett, S Cochrane, N Vassallo, H Galvin
Thursday	10/3	S Cochrane, S Whitbread
Friday	11/3	M Taylor, B Moy, S Whitbread



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