

Rutherford Public School

TERM 2
WEEK 3
2016

Weekly Newsletter



Respect

At Rutherford Public School we:

- ✓ follow instructions
- ✓ have good manners
- ✓ encourage others



Responsibility

At Rutherford Public School we:

- ✓ are organised
- ✓ are always safe
- ✓ own our choices
- ✓ allow others to learn and play



Personal Best

At Rutherford Public School we:

- ✓ always strive to do quality work
- ✓ are learners
- ✓ always strive to do our best



School Calendar:

Week	Day	Events:
Week 3	Mon 9/5	• Rugby Union Zone Trials: King Edward Park
	Tue 10/5	• NAPLAN - Year 3 and Year 5 students • P&C Meeting 6:30pm - Staffroom
	Wed 11/5	• NAPLAN - Year 3 and Year 5 students
	Thu 12/5	• NAPLAN - Year 3 and Year 5 students
	Fri 13/5	• Zone Cross Country at Tocal • 10am PSSA Cricket vs Kurri at Booth Park • Year 5 2017 OC Applications close today

Week	Day	Events:
Week 4 - PBL Assembly Week	Mon 16/5	• Star Struck Drama rehearsal - Newcastle Basketball Stadium
	Tue 17/5	• ICAS Digital Technology Competition • AECG Meeting 9am at Maitland Grossman • Regional Boccia Knockout- School Hall • Paul Kelly Cup - Max McMahon Oval
	Wed 18/5	• Boys PSSA Soccer vs Bolwarra • 1:10pm Stage 2 PBL Assembly in hall
	Thu 19/5	• GRIP Student Leadership - Year 6 leaders • Open Knight Knockout • 1:10pm Stage 3 PBL Assembly
	Fri 20/5	• Hunter PSSA Boys/Girls Touch Trials and Cardiff • Kindergarten PBL Assembly 9:30am • Stage 1 PBL Assembly 10:45am • 12:40pm Kindy AFL Session • 1:00pm 4/5C Community Reading Program

COMING UP:

Week 5: P&C Cake Day
Week 6: Star Struck Performances
Week 7: Multicultural Public Speaking Finals
P&C Sausage Sizzle
Week 8: Zone Multicultural Public Speaking Finals
Star Struck Performances
Week 9: P&C Disco
Week 10: NAIDOC WEEK Celebrations

Important Reminders

NAPLAN WEEK THIS WEEK FOR ALL STUDENTS IN YEARS 3 and 5

YEAR 5 2017 OC Class Applications Close this Friday

AEROBIC SUCCESS!



Our two aerobic teams showed great skill over the weekend and placed first in their separate divisions! Schools from all over New South Wales met at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre to battle it out for the chance to progress to the next stage of the Schoolaerobics competition. Both teams competed with great sportsmanship and confidence. The teams will now go onto the next phase of the competition for a chance to compete at the national final on the Gold Coast. The NSW finals will be held on Saturday 18th June, back at the Sutherland venue.

Many thanks to our three coaches, Miss Ledwos, Mrs Evans and Miss Evans. A thank you to the parents who travelled all the way down to Sydney for the event and to our three major sponsors:



Together we strive.....

From the Principal

Andrew Brown – Principal Rutherford Public School

P&C AND COMMUNITY

I am looking forward to meeting the P&C members tomorrow night at 6:30pm. The P&C plays a vital role in supporting the school, the students and deciding on school directions and priorities. If Rutherford is to continue to grow and flourish, we need to have a group of interested and hard-working parents, dedicated to ensuring the school provides the very best for its students.

I understand that many parents are extremely time-poor these days (I am one of them!) and sometimes it's hard to find the time and energy to attend another meeting. I hope parents who attend the P&C meetings will find them productive and informative.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

I have been very pleased with the general standard of uniform across the school in my first two weeks. A reminder that our uniform policy is supported and endorsed by the P&C, and all students are expected to present to school each day in uniform. As the colder months are nearing, I would encourage all parents to get in early and ensure that jumpers are purchased and ready to wear. Any families who are experiencing difficulty with the uniform standards should make an appointment at the school office so that support can be arranged.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

This week we launch our '5 Webland Ways'. These rules complement our three school values of Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best. The '5 Webland Ways' are designed to clearly articulate what is expected in every classroom and in the playground. The 'Webland Ways' are:

I can control what I do and say

I can listen

I can follow instructions

I can raise my hand and wait

I can work quietly

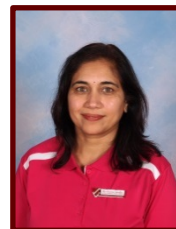
Over the coming weeks, all students will be expected to know and follow the "Webland Ways" so all classrooms can be productive and focus on learning.

Further, the 5 Webland Ways will provide consistency across the whole school. Students who are unable to follow these basic expectations will be referred to the school executive for counselling and possible consequences. Parents are asked to discuss the expectation with their child and reinforce the importance of showing respect for other's learning and safety around the school.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

Mrs Rasna Ghandi is our School Community Liaison Officer who works four days per week. Mrs Ghandi works to support the school and develop links with parents, families and community agencies. Mrs Ghandi also works directly with students and families to support school transitions, attendance and other important school activities.

Please introduce yourself to Rasna if you see her around the school, she would love to meet as many families as possible.



STAFF CHANGES

This week we welcome Mrs Jones to KD. Mrs Draffan has taken leave to prepare for the arrival of their first child. All the best Rebecca and Angus Draffan!

Mr Cook will take over the teaching responsibilities of S1 whilst Mrs Williams is on extended leave.

NEWSLETTER ONLINE AND EMAIL

This week, we will email the newsletter to all of the email addresses we have registered for our families. If you do not receive an email from the school, please complete the form below and return it to the school as soon as possible.

Beginning in Term 3, 2016, we change to our 'eNewsletter', where we will no longer send home copies of the newsletter. Distribution will be completely by email, with digital copies available for viewing through our Website, Skoolbag and Facebook page.

A limited number of paper copies of the newsletter will still be available from the school office each week.

EMAIL ADDRESS NOTIFICATION

Please return this slip to the office

Student Name _____ Class _____

Family Email Address:

Please provide individual addresses if you would prefer an email to be sent to each parent.

Parent/Carer 1 _____

Email Address _____

Parent/Carer 2 _____

Email Address _____

Parent Name _____

Parent/Carer Signature _____ Date _____

From the Junior School

Debbie Ross – Deputy Principal, Head of Junior School

YEAR 1 AND 2 - MOTHER'S DAY EVENT

Stage 1 students pampered mums last Thursday afternoon with a wonderful range of activities. Our mums were met at the school entrance by a smartly dressed group led by Mr Gillard including Mr Mason, Mr Cochrane, Mr Jackson and Mr Beaven. Ladies were given a glass of sparkling apple juice or soft drink together with a chocolate. School Leaders led the way to the Stage 1 classrooms. The students were very excited to engage the mums in hand massages, finger nail painting, craft-making and many others activities. Well done to everyone for making our mums feel very special.



MRS DRAFFAN

Today we farewell Mrs Draffan for the year as she begins her maternity leave. A big thanks to Mrs Draffan for all her great work with KD and as relieving Assistant Principal this year. Mrs Kate Jones has been working very closely with Mrs Draffan and the class is looking forward to working with Mrs Jones for the rest of the year.



KINDERGARTEN AFL

Believe it or not, Kindergarten have participated in an AFL training session. All students were learning to pass and catch with great skill. Mrs Kostalova's KA were showing their free ball following the session. Well done Kindergarten!



From the Senior School

Tim Beaven - Deputy Principal Head of Senior School

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is fast approaching. Students in Year 3 and 5 will be sitting this test during Week 3 of Term 2.

The schedule for this national assessment is:

- Tuesday 10th May
 - Language Conventions
 - Writing
- Wednesday 11th May
 - Reading
- Thursday 12th May
 - Numeracy

Good luck to all Year 3 and 5 students sitting this test this week!



PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Last week a roster was developed to allow all students K-6 the opportunity to enjoy their play times on the fixed equipment. It is a real delight to see Primary students getting to experience the wonderful equipment and resources Rutherford Public School has to offer. A sign will be displayed on the equipment every day to let students know which years are permitted to use the equipment that day. I look forward to seeing all of our students sharing in this wonderful school resource.

STAR STRUCK

Last week we had both a Drama and Dance group head down to Newcastle to practice and prepare for their upcoming Star Struck performances. It is a huge event, and a big thank you goes out to all the staff, families and students that are working together to make this an event to look forward to.

Good luck to all participants on the big day, I am sure you will continue to make us proud. A report from Mrs Thomas is on the following page.

AEROBICS

This Saturday 7th May saw our two aerobics teams compete at Sutherland in the Preliminary Finals. I would like to express our thanks to Miss Ledows, Coach of the Pink Jets, Mrs Evans, Coach of the Rock-ettes, and Whitney Evans, Junior Coach of the Rock-ettes for their hard work and dedication.

Congratulations are extended to the students in the Pink Jets and the Rock-ettes for being announced winners of their respective divisions. The students, families and coaches should all feel very proud.

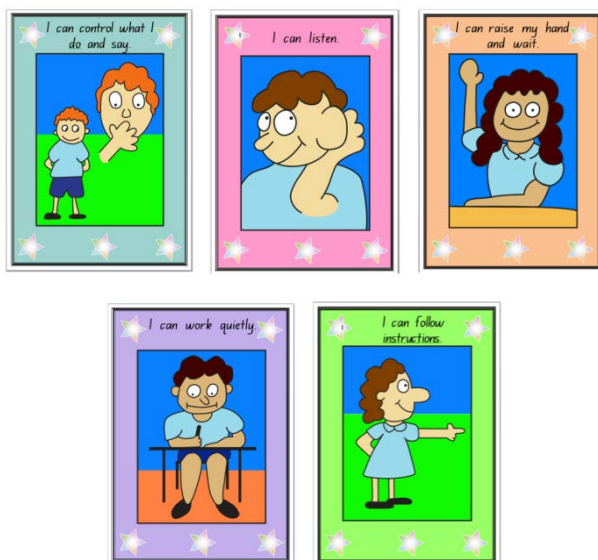
Good luck at the finals, boys and girls!

This week in PBL

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING



This week we launch our "5 Webland ways". The Webland Ways are five basic expectations which ALL students and ALL classes are expected to follow in each classroom and in our playground. Students will be discussing the 5 expectations over the coming weeks.



THIS WEEK'S PBL FOCUS IS:

I can control what I do and say

PBL ASSEMBLIES

PBL Assemblies will be held for all Stages next week (Week 4):

Stage 2	1:10pm	Wednesday	School Hall
Stage 3	1:10pm	Thursday	School Hall
Kindergarten	9:15am	Friday	School Hall
Stage 1	10:45am	Friday	School Hall

PBL TOKENS

Students can now collect 10 Webland Tokens and trade them in for a special ice block from the canteen. Students can also visit the "Win Bin" on Fridays to trade 10 Webland tokens for small rewards and prizes. This aims to encourage students to follow our three core values and 5 Webland Ways.

General School Information

TERM 4 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Each year, as students head off for the Christmas school holidays, teachers complete two full days of training. Schools have the option to cover the additional training at other times outside of school times.

We have chosen to complete this training earlier in the year to give teachers an opportunity to use new strategies and skills throughout the year.

This year, teachers will be in training at the following times:

Monday 30th May from 3:30pm to 6:30pm

Wednesday 24th August from 3:30pm to 6:30pm

Tuesday 14th June from 3:30pm to 6:30pm

Thursday 8th September from 3:30 to 6:30pm

From the Office

EFTPOS

EFTPOS remains out of action. The bank is aware of the issue and are working with us to resolve the problem as soon as possible. Thank you for your ongoing understanding.

PARENT ONLINE PAYMENTS

We are in the process of registering for Parent Online Payments (POP). This is the Department of Education's preferred method of accepting online payments for school-related expenses.

At this stage, we hope to begin online payments in June 2016. We will keep parents posted as to new developments as they become available.

PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

We would like to remind parents that all payments sent to the school office have your child's name, class and what the payment is for, clearly marked on the front of the envelope or clip-lock bag.

Our Students Out & About

On Thursday and Friday our Star Struck teams attended their first rehearsals. Wonderful behaviour was on display from all who attended, and the students all worked really hard for many hours to learn their routines. We are all looking forward to the next rehearsal!

Lisa Thomas, Star Struck Coordinator



4/5's COMMUNITY READING PROGRAM

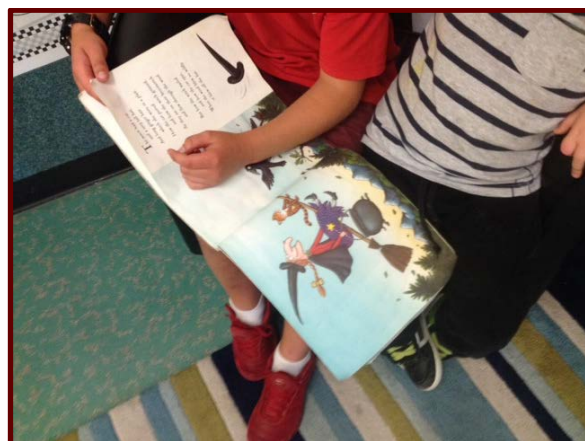
4/5C have begun a new and exciting program this term with our friendly neighbours, Maitland Baptist Church Preschool and Long Day Care. Each Friday we attend the local centre and provide the children with meaningful learning experiences around reading.

The program encourages students to build and strengthen their ability to read and understand a variety of texts. It is also deepening the students understanding of what it means to be an active contributor to society, and providing them with the life skills necessary to interact meaningfully with members of our community.

We are also assisting those future students to feel welcomed and supported at Rutherford Public School. Already we have created a strong connection with the children and continually share our love for reading.

Mr Taylor, 4/5C Classroom Teacher

Pictures of 4/5C Reading to our friends at Maitland Baptist Church Preschool and Long Day Care



Wade Cochrane, PD/H/PE Coordinator

CROSS COUNTRY

Our school community would like to say good luck to those athletes who will be competing at the Zone Cross Country being held at Tocal College this Friday 13th May.

We look forward to hearing about the team's results.

Team members are:

8/9 Years Girls

Madelyn Jones, Kayleigh Kriel, Mikaela Sadaj, +

10 Years Girls

Avah Buckley, Liana Murrell, Charlotte McDonald, Pippa Drummond

11 Years Girls

Ava Jankovic, Eddie Thomas, Amber Higgins, Maddison Hamilton

12/13 Years Girls

Sophie Devine, Destiny Mains, Kealey Murrell, Jacinta Fussell

8/9 Years Boys

Jayden Sadaj, Shyne Oxlade, Billy Crich, Nicholas Williams

10 Years Boys

Noah Wadwell, Braeden McCarthy, Tyler Hagan, Brock Brooker

11 Years Boys

Joel Graham, Jesse Borrow, Declan Brunner, Ben Evans

12/13 Years Boys

Will Gibson, Patrick Watt, Bailey Wilson, Reese Forth

BASKETBALL

Congratulations to Chris Kokkinellis who competed at the State Basketball trials last week. He played extremely well and the Hunter Region team played off for 11th out of all the teams in the State, which was an amazing result.

Chris is pictured right.



CRICKET

Good luck to the school Cricket team who will play Kurri Public School on Friday at Booth Park.

SOCCER

Good luck to the school Soccer team who will play Bolwarra Public School on Wednesday 18th May.

NETBALL

The Senior Girls Netball team had a comprehensive win against Greta Public School on Friday. Miss Amy Griffiths commented that our girls team should fare very well in this years PSSA competition.

TOUCH FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Destiny Mains and Lillie Packham who successfully made the Maitland Zone Touch Football team.

Competition was fierce, however the organising teachers said the girls were outstanding.

CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to all of the students running on Friday at the Maitland Zone Cross Country Carnival.

RUGBY UNION

Congratulations to Patrick Watt, Brayden Lucas and Will Gibson who trialled for places in the Maitland Zone Rugby Union team today at King Edward Park East Maitland.

All three were successful in gaining a place on the team. Great effort boys!

UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS IN MAY:

- 9th May Maitland Zone Rugby Union trials (King Edward Park, East Maitland)
- 13th May Zone Cross Country (Tocal)
- 17th May Paul Kelly Cup AFL (Max McMahon Oval)
- 19th May Knights Knock-out u/12's Rugby League (Venue to be confirmed)
- 25th May PSSA Rugby League gala day (Somerset Park, Thornton)

Good luck to all competitors. Do yourself, your family and your school proud!

Weekly Events:

Assemblies:			
Whole School	9:30am	Monday	Quadrangle
Stage 2	1:10pm	Wednesday	School Hall
Stage 3	1:10pm	Thursday	School Hall
Kindergarten	9:15am	Friday	School Hall
Stage 1	10:45am	Friday	School Hall
Second Hand Uniform Stall			
Monday 2:30pm to 3:00pm P&C Shed behind the hall			
School Band			
Wednesday 8:30am Computer Room			
Homework Centre			
Wednesday 3:15pm - 4:30pm KA Classroom			
P-K Program			
Thursday 9:00am to 11:00am Session 1			
Thursday 12:45pm to 2:45pm Session 2			

Parents and Citizens News

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C Meeting will be held tomorrow Tuesday 10th May 2016, beginning at 6:30pm in the staffroom.
All parents and friends are welcome to join us.

From the Canteen

CLASS HOSTING

This week's class hosting for the canteen is 4/5C. We look forward to seeing any available parents from 4/5C volunteering in the canteen this week.
Next week's class will be KA. Please be sure to let the canteen know if you are able to spare some time in the canteen.

NEW WINTER MENU

The new Winter menu has begun. Please note the changes, which include some price rises, and pie day is now Monday.
Be sure to use the new Canteen Price List, which can be accessed at the link below, to ensure your child is not disappointed.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE CURRENT CANTEEN PRICE LIST](#)

VOLUNTEERS

We are still in need of more volunteers in the canteen.
If you are available to work in the canteen, even if only for a few hours, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please call Kim or Mel in the Canteen on 4932 5900.

CANTEEN ROSTER		
Day	Date	Term 2, Week 3
Monday	9/5	J LINTOTT, D JONES
Tuesday	10/5	D FORTH
Wednesday	11/5	H BARRETT
Thursday	12/5	
Friday	13/5	T BARTLETT
Day	Date	Term 2, Week 4
Monday	16/5	J LINTOTT, D JONES
Tuesday	17/5	D FORTH
Wednesday	18/5	H BARRETT
Thursday	19/5	L MORTIMER
Friday	20/5	M TAYLOR



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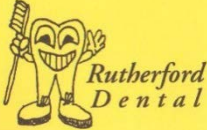
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Community News



Maitland Horse Sports Day

Hosted by: Iona Public School

Friday 19th August 2016

at
Maitland Polocrosse Grounds, Anambah Rd Rutherford
(1km off New England Highway)
Commencing: 8.00am Gear Check by Team Manager,
8.30am start

All forms will be available on the school website soon

www.iona-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Entry Fee: \$30 per rider * (See conditions of entry) – limited to 180 riders
** Fee increase due to NSW Ambulance Paramedics will be in attendance**

Riding Events: Riding Classes Sporting Events TBA
Hacking Classes
Pleasure Hack

ENTRIES CLOSE Friday 5th August 2016

All Enquiries	Fiona Lawrence Email: f.lawrence5@bigpond.com Phone: 02 4930 1415 (school hours) Mobile: 0448 300 023
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