



Education

Rutherford Public School

Weekly Newsletter

WEEK 2 TERM 3



Responsibility

At Rutherford Public School we:

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



Respect

At Rutherford Public School we:

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



Personal Best

At Rutherford Public School we:

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



School Calendar

	Day	Events:
WEEK 2 TERM 3	CLASS OF THE WEEK FOR CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS: 1G & 1H	
	25/7/2016	
	26/7/2016	9:30am - 11:00am Debating - RPS vs Bolwarra Scripture commences for Term 3
	27/7/2016	Kindergarten Excursion to The Wetlands Centre OC Placement Test - Maitland Grossman HS
	28/7/2016	U12 Pickers Gala Day at Morpeth Oval
WEEK 3 TERM 3	29/7/2016	Schools Tree Day Crazy Hair Day - Aerobics Fundraiser – Gold coin
	CLASS OF THE WEEK FOR CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS: 1R	
	1/8/2016	Education Week
	2/8/2016	Education Week - Open Classrooms/Picnic Lunch 9:00am Maitland AECG Meeting at St Josephs
	3/8/2016	8:00am Mayor's Breakfast - Mr Brown and 4 School Leaders 5:30pm Rutherford Technology High School Community of Schools Education Week Assembly
WEEK 4 TERM 3	4/8/2016	Backyard League Program Years 3 - 6
	5/8/2016	Zone Athletics at Woodberry Oval Pink Jets and Rockettes head to the National Championships on the Gold Coast

COMING UP:

Week 4

School Spelling Bee Finals - 10/8/16

P&C Meeting - 9/8/16

Week 5

Abermain Eisteddfod – Infants Choir – 15/8/16

Abermain Eisteddfod – Primary Choir – 16/8/16

Book Fair - 18/8/16

Week 6

Cake Day - 23/8/16

Olympics Day - 26/8/16

Week 7

School Photos - 31/8/16

Father's Day Breakfast - 2/9/16

Week 8

Week 9

P&C Meeting - 13/9/16

Adidas Fun Run - 15/9/16

P&C Family Photos Fundraiser - 17/9/16

Week 10

School Disco - 21/9/16

End of Term 3 - 23/9/16



Important Reminders

- ☆ Please update any change of details with school office (Phone, address, emergency contacts etc)
- ☆ Crazy Hair Day this Friday

Crazy Hair Day: Friday 29th July for the Aerobics Teams

This Friday 29th July, all students will be encouraged to come to school with a 'crazy hair' design to help raise funds to support our two aerobics teams, who will travel to the National Schoolaerobic's competition on the Gold Coast in August.

Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation as part of the day.

Thank you to all families who are able to help get behind the teams!



Education Week - Next Week

Next week is officially 'Education Week'. It is a time to celebrate all the achievements in our great system of NSW Public Schools - the largest schooling system in the Southern Hemisphere, with over 2200 schools.

We would like to extend a warm invitation to all parents who may like to visit our school on Tuesday 2nd August, 2016

Activities on Tuesday 2 August 2016

10:30am - Open Classrooms

11:20am - Picnic Lunch

12:00pm - Short Assembly and Close



...Together We Strive...

...From the Principal ...

Andrew Brown – Principal Rutherford Public School

Welcome back to Term 3

A warm welcome back to Term 3. I trust that all families enjoyed the winter holiday period and the change of routines. We welcomed a few new families to the school last week, and hope that the new students settle quickly into the school's routines and activities.



Increasing Enrolments

Our student population continues to steadily grow. Good news about our school; its warm and welcoming environment, quality programs offered and the many opportunities available to students, attracts many enquires and families seeking enrolment.

We are only able to enrol locally zoned students at the present time. As numbers increase, we will need to review our classes, and in some circumstances will need to change class structures. At this stage, we will have a new teacher appointed to the school this week, although there are no immediate plans to form a new class in the short term. I thank our hard-working staff who put the needs of their students first, to ensure continuity of learning.

Holiday Upgrades

Have you noticed our new signage? Mr Mason was busy over the holiday period installing new signage around the school to make it easier for visitors and parents to navigate around the school.

We have also erected signage informing all parents that they must report to the office when visiting or volunteering in the school.

The school also upgraded our key system, and carried out some minor landscaping work. We hope to continue making our school attractive to ensure school pride is evident when moving around our school.

Building Consultation Commences

I met with Andrew Eastcott (Director of Public Schools) and the Department's Asset Management Directorate last week to discuss the ongoing planning for the capital upgrade of the school. At this stage, the Department of Education plans to form a 'Project Reference Group (PRG)', to help advise on the construction needs of the school. The planning scope of works includes the construction of new classrooms and the refurbishment of some of the existing buildings (e.g. hall, canteen and administration areas). This is an exciting time for our community and for the future of our school.

The PRG team will consist of at least one (1) parent/community representative. The role of this representative is to ensure the ideas and suggestions of the parent body and community are considered, and are an integral part of the planning process. The parent representative will be elected at the next P&C meeting (9th August 2016). The parent representative will need to be available on a fortnightly basis at various times. Any parent/s who wish to be considered for the representative position on the PRG should see either myself or Rebecca McIntosh (P&C President).

Parking

Parents are again asked to consider our neighbours when parking of a morning and afternoon. One of our neighbours is continually unable to enter or leave their driveway safely, due to a small number of inconsiderate motorists. Parents are also requested not to park in the "No Parking" Zones. Thank you for your consideration.



Staff Changes

This term we welcome Mrs Jodette Clark to our RFF/STLA team. We also welcome Mrs Bernadette Gordon as our new School Counsellor, who will work Monday to Wednesday. Mrs Lauren de Vries will join the staff this week as our School Teacher Librarian, replacing Mrs Kim Beesley who will be on leave until the end of the term.

Timetable Changes

This week we have started our new, revised timetable to maximise learning time of a morning. All classes and teachers will have a sharp focus on literacy and numeracy lessons in the 130 minute morning session. Other programs (RFF, Sport etc) will take place in the middle session and a shorter afternoon session will be trialled.

Assemblies

Parents should be aware that the assemblies for each Stage group have changed. The new times are listed in the Weekly Events on page 5 of this newsletter.

Parents are most welcome to join us at the weekly assemblies.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with a Disability

We are nearing the end of the data collection phase for the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability.

We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability, supported through Individual Education Plans. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government's Privacy Policy can be found here:

<http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy>

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:

<http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

Public Speaking

All classes are currently finalising their representatives for our school Public Speaking Finals to be held over the next couple of weeks.

Students from each Stage final will go forward to represent the school at the Zone heats. Good luck to all students!

...From the Junior School...

Debbie Ross – Deputy Principal, Head of Junior School

Kindergarten Excursion This Week

Kindergarten and S1 students will visit the Wetlands Environmental Education Centre at Shortland in Newcastle this Wednesday 27th July. The Environmental Education Centre is a Department of Education school that welcomes classes from all over the Hunter Valley.

Students are very excited about the big day out and they are looking forward to the bus trip and all the experiences at the Wetlands. In class, students are learning about the basic needs of living things through their science unit. I have enjoyed reading lots of great writing by Kindergarten including great descriptions of fish.

Please ensure you have returned your child's permission note and payment.

Please ensure your child is at school on time as the buses will leave promptly at 9:20am. Children need a packed lunch, recess and a water bottle. Full school uniform is also required, including their hat. It is sure to be a great day for everyone.



LOST JUMPERS

A reminder, please make sure to label all school property especially jumpers. Every winter we have many jumpers lost by students and without clear names it makes it very difficult to return the jumper to the child.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOX IDEAS

Some ideas to make lunch box vegies fun and interesting for kids include:

Ants on a log – fill celery sticks with low-fat cream cheese or hummus, and place sultanas across the top.

Sticks 'n' dip combo – offer crunchy veggie sticks like carrot, green beans, capsicum, celery and cucumber with a small container of beetroot dip or tomato salsa.

Corny cobs – steam corn on the cob and put in the lunchbox. Alternatively, use a small container of canned corn (no added salt).

Grilled or oven-baked vegetable chunks or wedges – serve with yoghurt dip.

Veggie muffins – try pumpkin and zucchini, carrot and sultana, cheese and corn, pumpkin, date and sweet potato, zucchini and poppy seed. Visit the Better Health Channel recipe page for more ideas.

Veggie slice – mix grated vegetables (such as zucchini) with chopped onion, cheese, flour and eggs and bake in a moderate oven until golden brown.

Snap pack – fill a snaplock bag with sugar snap peas and cherry or Roma tomatoes.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

This year, we will be holding Grandparents Day on Friday 4th November 2016. Further information will be provided as the date approaches.

...Band News...

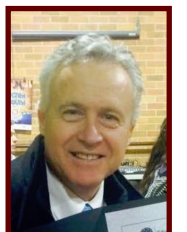
Miss Ward - Band Coordinator

Term 3 welcomes Mr Ward from Allan Ward Music to our school as our new band director. We say goodbye and a big thank you to Mrs Bowmen as she moves to take on another band within the company. Mr Ward has plenty of experience teaching concert bands in the Newcastle/Maitland area and is looking forward to working with Rutherford School Band and meeting all the staff and families of our school.

Our band day will remain on a Wednesday and begin at 8:30am for band practice, and students will be given their times for their small group lessons later that day.

We are looking for new members to join our fantastic band. If you are hoping to join, please see Mr Ward each Wednesday or Miss Ward for a note and some information.

Looking forward to a musical term!



...From the Senior School...

Tim Beaven - Deputy Principal Head of Senior School

OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT TEST

Good luck to the Year 4 students who will sit the OC Class Placement tests on Wednesday 27th July 2016. Students had to apply to sit the test in Term 2, 2016. All students should have received a letter advising them of their test day and venue.

Our local test venue is:

**Maitland Grossmann High School
Cumberland & Dixon Sts
EAST MAITLAND NSW 2323**



Test information for parents and students

1. Who must sit the Opportunity Class Placement Test?

Students whose parents have applied for them to be placed in a Year 5 opportunity class in 2017 must take the Opportunity Class Placement Test unless they have a satisfactory explanation, e.g. illness.

2. What tests do the students do?

There will be two test papers, each containing a mixture of reading, mathematics and general ability (thinking skills) questions. The tests will consist of multiple-choice questions with answers recorded on computer-marked answer sheets. Each paper will be 30 minutes in length and will contain 35 questions.

3. When will the test be held?

The test will be held on **Wednesday 27 July 2016 at 9:00 am.**

4. What is the test timetable?

The following is a sample timetable for the test. Parents should drop students off at the test centre by 9:00 am and return at 11:15 am to pick them up.

ACTIVITY	START	FINISH
Candidates arrive by	9.00 am	
Candidates assemble in school groups	9.00 am	9.20 am
Administration and practice	9.20 am	9.50 am
Part 1 (30 minutes)	9.50 am	10.20 am
Short break	10.20 am	10.30 am
Part 2 (30 minutes)	10.30 am	11.00 am
Candidates dismissed		11.15 am

5. How do students get to the test centre?

Parents must arrange transport to and from the test centre. Parents must be ready to collect students from the test centre by 11:15 am, the approximate dismissal time.

Parents must not park or wait on school premises unless authorised by the Unit as part of a special test provision prior to

the test. If the test finishes early and parents have not yet arrived to collect their children, students may return to the test room under supervision until 11.15 am. Students are not to be left waiting after the test.

To minimise disruption during the test all students should go to the toilet before leaving home.

6. What should the students wear to the test?

Students should wear school uniform, including a warm jumper. Before the test, the students will be assembled in primary school groups outside the test centre. The wearing of the school uniform helps the supervisors running the test to organise the students more easily.

7. What must the students bring to the test?

Students SHOULD bring:

Two black pens – the best ones to use are biro-type pens where the ink does not bleed through the page.

Test authority letter or email from the High Performing Students Unit with their C16 number.

Clear plastic water bottle – with no writing on it except for the brand name (to be stored under the seat to avoid spills).

...Sport...

Wade Cochrane, PD/H/PE Coordinator

Pickers Cups

Good luck to the Under 12s Rugby League Team Gala day this Thursday at Morpeth Oval. Notes were sent home last term. Thank you to parents who are assisting with transport.



Zone Athletics

51 students have qualified for the Zone Athletics carnival to be held at Woodberry Oval on Friday 5th August. Notes will be sent home this week to students. Parents are responsible for transport to and from the venue. Parents are asked to return the permission note by Thursday 28th July, 2016.

UPCOMING DATES

28/07/2016 Picker's Cup League for u/12's at Morpeth Oval

5/08/2016 Zone Athletics at Woodbury Oval

Mrs Rasna Gandhi - Community Liaison Officer

THE DRAGON'S NEST

'The Dragon's Nest' Breakfast Club, has been running smoothly since its inception last term, with the help of our Year 6 volunteers and staff members.

Students have the opportunity to purchase milk, cereal and toast with various spreads for just 10 cents a serve.

We have been extremely lucky to have a number of local businesses supporting our brekkie club.

A huge thank you to Bakers Delight Rutherford, Ritchies Supa IGA Rutherford, and ALDI Rutherford, for their generous donations that have allowed us to keep the costs to students so low. It is fantastic to see our students having a good breakfast before school begins.



WIN

We are sure by now, you would have heard about the 'Win Bin' from your children. It is fast becoming 'THE place' to visit on Fridays at lunchtime!

Students collect 10 Webland Tokens for following our three core values and five Webland Ways. They can trade 10 tokens for a prize from the Win Bin, which is set up near the office. Students can choose from putties, yo-yos, puzzles, bubbles, cars, handballs, slime, dolls, pens and many other cool prizes.

BIN

ATTENDANCE - MISSING SCHOOL MATTERS!

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting regular attendance of students. We would like to remind parents that all absences need to be explained via a letter to teacher, SMS response to the notification you receive, or directly to the class teacher.

Absences not explained within seven (7) days are marked as unexplained and cannot be adjusted.

The Department of Education requires schools to contact parents by the second day of an unexplained absence.

We would like to thank parents for understanding the importance of regular attendance at school, and ensuring your children come to school each day.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2nd September 2016 - Father's Day Breakfast

ONLINE PAYMENTS

Online payments can now be made to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting [\\$ Make a payment](#).

EFTPOS

Below is a reminder of the guidelines for paying by EFTPOS:

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

Our EFTPOS machine and accounting software is sometimes unavailable. We apologise for this inconvenience, and hope you understand it is beyond our control.

HAVE YOUR DETAILS CHANGED?

All parents are asked to keep the office informed of any changes to family contact details to ensure we can contact families in times of emergency. Please drop into the office if you have changed your phone number, address or emergency contact details.

Alternatively parents can phone or email the school their updated information. Thank you for keeping our students safe!



Weekly Events:

Assemblies: NEW TIMES!			
Stage 3	2:30 pm	Tuesday	School Hall
Stage 2	2:30 pm	Wednesday	School Hall
Stage 1	2:30 pm	Thursday	School Hall
Kindergarten	2:30 pm	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

P-K Program
Thursday 9:00am to 11:00am Session 1
Thursday 12:45pm to 2:45pm Session 2

... This week in PBL ...

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

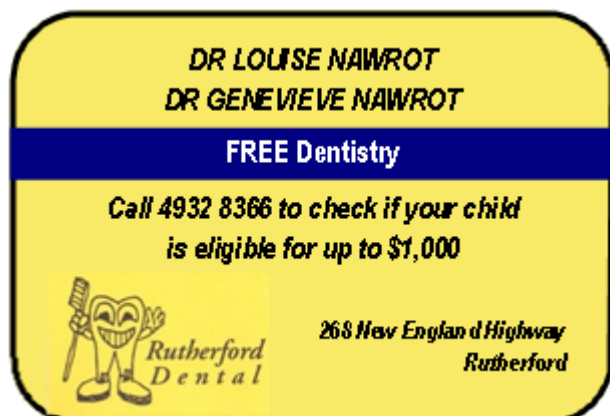


THIS WEEK'S PBL FOCUS IS:

I can follow the Webland Ways

PBL TOKENS

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



... Canteen News...

NEW CANTEEN ASSISTANT

Congratulations to Mrs Di Botfield, who was successful in securing the Canteen Assistant position in our canteen at the end of Term 2, 2016.

Di will work alongside Kim to provide a great range of healthy and nutritious meal options at the canteen. Thank you to all of the applicants who applied for the position.



CLASS HOSTING

This week's class hosting for the canteen is 1G and 1H. We look forward to seeing any available parents volunteering in the canteen this week.

Next week, the class hosting the canteen will be 1R.

Please be sure to let the canteen know if you are able to spare some time in the canteen.

CANTEEN WINTER MENU

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

CANTEEN ROSTER		
Day	Date	Term 3, Week 2 – 1G & 1H Hosting
Monday	25/7	D JONES
Tuesday	26/7	D FORTH
Wednesday	27/7	H BARRETT
Thursday	28/7	
Friday	29/7	
Day	Date	Term 3, Week 3 - 1R Hosting
Monday	1/8	D JONES
Tuesday	2/8	D FORTH
Wednesday	3/8	H BARRETT
Thursday	4/8	
Friday	5/8	

...P&C Family Photography Fundraiser...

Leighsa from Leighsa Cox Photography has generously donated her time to take family photographs for our Term 3 Fundraiser.

Photos will be taken at Walka Water Works from 9:00am to 5:00pm on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th September.

The session fee is \$25, which Leighsa has kindly donated to the Rutherford Public School P&C for Fundraising. Each session runs for 20 minutes and includes an 8x12 inch enlargement. Extra images are available to purchase.

To secure a timeslot, we ask you to first pay your \$25 to the P&C, either as cash to the office or online using Flexischools (NOT POP). Once you have paid your session fee, give Leighsa a call on 0421 034 805 to choose a timeslot. Spots are limited so get in early to avoid disappointment!

In the event of inclement weather, photos will be taken at Leighsa's studio in Lorn.

It is the perfect time to update your photo wall or for Christmas presents for the grandparents! Leighsa specialises in fun, natural and creative photography and her work can be viewed at:

www.leighsacoxphotographer.com.au

Photo Fundraiser

Mini Sessions

20 min photo session +
8x12 inch enlargement

LEIGHSA COX
photographer



\$25

All Session fees
go to Rutherford
Public School P&C

Extra images available to purchase
Viewing session in studio-Belmore Road Lorn

17th & 18th September

Maitland- 9am till 5pm

Bookings & Info 0421034805
hi@leighsacoxphotographer.com.au

...Dragon's Nest Donations...

Sarah Fenton from Mobile Travel Agents, will kindly donate 10% of her profits to our Dragon's Nest Breakfast Club for all holidays booked through this ad. Just mention our school, and once you are safely away on your holiday, our school will receive the donation.




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Stepping Stones Triple P



Does your child have a disability?

Is this you? Most of the time, you know you are doing a good job with parenting. But there are times when things get a little tricky. Like when your toddler won't eat her dinner. Or your six year old won't share his toys. If only someone could give you some ideas to make those times easier! If this sounds like you, then a Stepping Stones Triple P seminar may be right for you.

As part of the Stepping Stones Triple P Project, **Family InSight and Raymond Terrace Public School** invites all parents of children with a disability aged 2 to 12 to attend the following **FREE** parenting seminar series:

Seminar 1: Positive Parenting for Children with a Disability
Thursday 11th August 2016, 10.00am - 12.00pm.

Seminar 2: Helping your Child reach their Potential
Thursday 18th August 2016, 10.00am - 12.00pm.

Seminar 3: Changing Problem Behaviour into Positive Behaviour
Thursday 25th August 2016, 10.00am - 12.00pm.

Where: Raymond Terrace Public School Hall, Swan Street, Raymond Terrace

RSVP: As these programs are being funded as part of a research project please contact the research team to register your interest.
Phone: 02 9114 4060
Email: ths.steppingstones@sydney.edu.au

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...Community News...

SEMINAR

Autism - Developing the Individual

featuring

Jeanette Purkis
An adult with Asperger Syndrome & atypical Schizophrenia, Author & an Ambassador for a number of Autism organisations

Rachael Harris
Psychotherapist
Specialising in Asperger's Syndrome & High Functioning Autism

Dr Lee Sturgeon
Consultant Senior Clinical & Development Psychologist
D. Psyc(Clinical), M.A.P.S., M.C.C.P.s
Lee has worked with clients with Autism Spectrum Disorder and development disorders for over 22 years


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When: Tuesday 13th September 2016
Time: 8:00pm - 9:00pm
Venue: Cessnock Performing Arts Centre
198 Vincent Street, Cessnock
Cost: \$20.00
Tickets By: 198 Vincent Street, Cessnock 02 4990 7134
Box office www.cessnockperformingartscentre.com.au
Entertainment: Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools Choir
For further information: Contact Maxine Baird - President on 0419 913 033

Autism - Developing the Individual will contribute 2 hours of QTC Registered PD addressing 6.2.2 from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

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Project Name
Respect, Protect, Connect: Worimi Conservation Lands Rehabilitation Stage 1

Project Description
This project will be undertaken on the Worimi Conservation Lands, located at Stockton Bight, Port Stephens. The Lands form an important coastal link within a network of protected areas and human-induced impacts are causing fragmentation of native vegetation in the foredune system, wetland swales and hind-dune vegetation, limiting pathways for dispersion of flora and fauna, including threatened species. The project will improve the condition, extent and connectivity of native vegetation through on-ground works, including dune stabilisation, management of 4WD access, weed control, and re-vegetation. Recruitment strategies will target Worimi youth and other Indigenous Australians

To Apply
Contact CVA for more information on 4961 2358 / newcastle@cva.org.au

More Information
www.environment.gov.au/green-army
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply



LOCAL PEOPLE. LOCAL PROJECTS

...P&C Fundraising Event...

SHOPPING EVENT

**SATURDAY
12th November
2016**



IKEA

And

BIRKENHEAD POINT

BUS Departs 7am - Returns Approx. 7pm
TICKETS \$50 each *Only 48 seats available*
\$20 non-refundable deposit is payable to reserve your seat
Balance to be paid by 30th October
Bookings contact SHARYN 0407 451 202

Shopping at **IKEA** till 12.30pm then onto **BIRKENHEAD POINT**

More **SHOPPING**

Depart 4.30pm for home

Light refreshments at Hawkesbury River **LUNCH** at your own cost

Rutherford Public School P&C
Fundraising event

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AIA Vitality MiniRoos Kick-Off for Girls is an introductory football program for girls aged 5-11 starting October 2016.

Visit the website to find a location nearest you.

www.northernnswfootball.com.au/miniroosforgirls







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Do you love to sing?
Are you in primary school?

Represent your school in the Regional Primary School Choir

Hunter Trebles

Hunter Trebles is the junior choir of the Hunter Singers organisation, celebrating 27 years of music making. Young singers in Hunter Trebles participate in weekly rehearsals at Merewether High School, learning songs and singing technique, music theory, playing games and having fun making music. The Hunter Trebles is conducted by music teacher and Star Struck choir director, Charissa Ferguson.

Hunter Trebles perform in concert with the Hunter Singers once a term, plus additional performances at the Sydney Opera House Festival of Choral Music, Star Struck, and King Edward Park Carols by Candlelight. Membership is open by audition for students in years 3-6 at government primary schools. Hunter Trebles rehearse on Tuesday afternoons at Merewether High School between 5.00pm and 6.30pm. Membership costs are subsidised by the Department of Education and fees are \$90 per term, with a uniform cost of \$90, which includes three performance t-shirts, and performance pants.

Hunter Trebles is holding an information session and audition afternoon on Tuesday, August 2 from 4.30pm-5.00pm at Merewether High School Learning Centre. Parents and students are invited to join us for a brief introduction and overview of the ensemble, and then young singers will participate in a singing workshop, with musical games and informal singing assessment in a friendly environment.

Visit the Hunter Singers website at www.huntersingers.com or facebook page www.facebook.com/huntersingers for more information.

Hunter Trebles Information Session and Singing Workshop
Tuesday August 2, 4.30pm-5.00pm
Merewether High School Learning Centre (entry from Pokolbin Street, Broadmeadow).

Please register your interest by emailing admin@huntersingers.com, by messaging Charissa Ferguson on 0407 010 741, or by contacting Annie Devine on 0400 322 081.

Free workshop for parents & carers of young people on the autism spectrum!

Newcastle - 2 & 3 August

Register your place:

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Good for Kids good for life

TV-FREE TUESDAY

You might have heard about 'meat free Monday', how about introducing TV-free Tuesday into your week?

A whole day with no screen time will provide encouragement for your kids to think 'outside the box' for activity ideas!

Some ideas include:

- Backyard play
- Indoor or outdoor treasure hunt
- Science experiments
- Charades
- Writing and practicing a performance to showcase Tuesday evening
- Hula hoop competition
- A family game of Twister



Allow space for your kids to come up with their own ideas. TV-free Tuesday can quickly turn into a favourite family tradition!



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Ready for Rutherford P-K Transition Program

Must be eligible to enrol at Rutherford Public School in 2017 to participate



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- School Readiness
- Literacy & Numeracy activities
- Gross/Fine Motor Skills
- Social & Emotional Development
- Craft
- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

NEW REGISTRATIONS

The next intake:
Thursday 25th August
(Term 3 Week 6)
Register your child now to ensure they don't miss out!

WHERE

Community Room
Rutherford Public School

WHEN

Thursdays
Session 1 9:00am to 11:00am
Session 2 12:45pm to 2:45pm

ENQUIRIES

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REGISTRATIONS

Rutherford Public School Office
Weblands Street Rutherford

COST
FREE!



Ready for Rutherford Newsletter



P to K so far...

Wow, it's hard to believe that it is term 3 already. Staff have noticed so much growth and development from all the students and we can't wait to continue our learning this term.

The end of term 2 marked a special time at our school as we celebrate NAIDOC week. To mark this special occasion Miss O'Donnell was invited to visit the students and teach them a song in the Barkandji language (the River people from Western NSW - Miss O'Donnell's nation).



Over the last five weeks of term 2 our students started to develop a love for author Aaron Blabey ('Piranhas don't eat bananas' being a clear favourite in the classroom).

Our soon to be kindergarten students have continued to develop their gross motor skills (hula hoops was a popular, yet tricky skill that many tried hard to master).

Our friends from the high school (students studying 'Child Studies') will continue to join us and help out in all aspects of the Ready for Rutherford program. The students love having extra helpers in the room and it is great to see that the high school students are learning valuable skills that will support them in their future learning.



This term students will begin to focus on numbers, sounds and names. We will look at recognising our name, tracing our name and stamping our name. Students will continue to study some exciting stories and will learn to recite poems and songs.

The Ready for Rutherford team is looking forward to another exciting term!

Important Dates!

All students
return to Ready
for Rutherford
on Thursday
21st July 2016



Ready for Rutherford Newsletter



Parent pick up and drop off!

To help create a smooth transition into kindergarten, a quick kiss and goodbye at the door will help promote independence in your child. Also, please remember to be prompt when dropping your child off and picking up.



Student Feedback Sheet

Due to the number of students at Ready for Rutherford, feedback sheets will be given out during Week 1 this term.

Please don't hesitate to contact the office and make an appointment with the Ready for Rutherford teachers if you have any concerns.



Please return your profile sheets!

A number of student profiles from the morning and afternoon session are still outstanding. Please return these profiles as soon as possible as this information helps the teachers at Ready for Rutherford to better understand each child's individual needs.

Extra sheets are available from the Ready for Rutherford teachers.

