



Education

Rutherford Public School

Weekly Newsletter

WEEK 3 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:
CLASS OF THE WEEK FOR CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS: 1R		
WEEK 3 TERM 3	1/8/2016	Education Week
	2/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Week - Open Classrooms & Picnic Lunch 9:00am Maitland AECG Meeting at St Josephs Lochinvar ICAS English Test
	3/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00am Mayor's Breakfast - Mrs Cummings and 4 School Leaders Public Speaking School Finals 5:30pm Rutherford Technology High School Community of Schools Education Week Assembly
	4/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Backyard League Program Years 3 - 6
	5/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zone Athletics at Woodberry Oval Pink Jets and Rockettes head to the National Championships on the Gold Coast
	Day	Events:
CLASS OF THE WEEK FOR CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS: 1V		
WEEK 4 TERM 3	8/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:15pm Zone Public Speaking: Stage 3 at East Maitland Public School
	9/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00pm Zone Public Speaking: Stage 1 at Tenambit Public School 6:30pm P&C Meeting in the staffroom
	10/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:30pm Zone Public Speaking: Stage 2 at Ashtonfield Public School School Spelling Bee Finals Years 3-6
	11/8/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:30pm Zone Public Speaking: Kindergarten at Hinton
	12/8/2016	

COMING UP:

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

☆ Education Week this week

☆ Open Classes Tuesday 2/8/2016 at 10:30am



Education Week

Welcome to 'Education Week'! This week 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

Wednesday 3rd August 2016

School Public Speaking Finals

Thursday 4th August

Backyard League Program: Years 3-6

Friday 5th August

Zone Athletics Carnival at Woodberry Oval - Qualifying students

...Together We Strive...

...From the Principal ...

Andrew Brown – Principal Rutherford Public School

A sharp focus on essential literacy and numeracy skills

This term, Rutherford Public School has reorganised its timetable to ensure learning time in the classrooms is used effectively and efficiently. All classes will concentrate on key literacy and numeracy skills, and interruptions to the morning routines will be kept to a minimum. The teachers are also working hard to track every student's progress through a series of assessment tasks, which aims to ensure every child is monitored and given support in his or her learning. Where possible, Learning and Support Teachers (LAST) will work across the school in the morning period to support students in class, and team teach with class teachers.

Aboriginal Education

Last week the school held a meeting with interested parents, community members and teachers about ways to improve Aboriginal Education at Rutherford Public School. This was a very productive meeting, and we have made plans to try to maximise outcomes for students who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. Some of our improvement areas include:

- improving the personalised learning plan process
- providing more cultural awareness activities for students
- conducting excursions and learning opportunities outside of the school
- identifying community expertise and knowledge
- building links to AECG groups and Rutherford High School

Our next meeting is at 3:30pm on Tuesday 23rd August in the Community Room. All welcome!



Cyber Bullying

Last week I spoke to the primary school briefly about their 'online' behaviour. Whilst most of the popular social networking sites have clear age restrictions (Facebook Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter etc.), it is clear that some children have accounts with these sites. Parents are responsible for whether their child is allowed to access such technology and communication tools.

Exposing children to these sites too early may result in a range of problems and issues including:

- Flaming – heated exchange
- Harassing and threatening messages eg 'text wars', 'griefers'
- Denigration – sending nasty SMS, pictures or prank phone calls

- 'Slam books' (websites or negative lists)
- Impersonation using person's screen name or password eg message to hate group with personal details
- Outing or trickery – sharing private personal information, messages, pictures with others
- Posting 'set up' images/video eg 'happy slapping'
- Ostracism – Intentionally excluding others from an online group eg knocked off buddy lists
- Sexting – sharing explicit material by mobile phone.



Research indicates that students who are bullied are more likely than students who are not bullied to experience impaired social and emotional adjustment, poor academic achievement, anxiety, depression, poorer physical health, higher absenteeism, increased loneliness and low self esteem. Research also shows that students repeatedly bullying others were likely to have the same symptoms as the students experiencing the abuse. The students bullying were just as likely to have elevated levels of anxiety, to be disconnected from school and to have higher levels of depression as the students who were being bullied. (Prof Donna Cross)

Is it a school responsibility?

The Student Discipline in Government Schools Policy makes plain "the school discipline policy may apply outside of school hours and off school premises where there is a clear and close connection between the school and the conduct of students".

The Suspension and Expulsion of School Students – Procedures provides that, behaviour that may warrant suspension includes "hostile behaviour directed towards students, members of staff or other persons including verbal abuse and abuse transmitted electronically such as by email or SMS text message".

Parents and Schools have a role to play in ensuring the health and safety of children. Parents are asked to exercise diligence when allowing their child to use the internet and social media, especially if younger than the age limits imposed by the sites themselves.

There are many great online resources for parents and schools. Two great websites which maybe useful for parents are:

<https://esafety.gov.au/>

<http://www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au/>

Parking

Rutherford Public School has a designated "No Parking Zone" near the school. This is designed to leave spaces for parents wanting to drop off and pick up their child without having to get out of the car. Effectively this is a "kiss and drop" zone. Parents/carers are asked not to park in these areas, even if you do not get out of the car.

The RMS website advises that these parking zones are areas where:

"You must not stop for more than two minutes in a No Parking area. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle."

Hours of operations may apply to some signs. This means restrictions apply for those times only.

Mobility Parking Permit holders are allowed to park for up to five minutes."

We understand that it is frustrating for parents who cannot find a park right out the front of the school, but there are 815 students arriving and leaving the school at the same time! By parking a little bit further away, you will be parking legally and not stopping other parents who want to use the No Parking Zones for the intended purpose.

Heavy fines apply for those motorists failing to comply with the parking restrictions.

Disabled Parking

The school staff car park has only three (3) disabled car parks. These are for students and staff who have a permit to park in a disabled parking space. Some parents are using these parks before and after school as a drop off area. Please do not use these parks if you are not intending to leave your vehicle. Last week we had a 'near miss' because some parents are using the staff car park. The top car park gates will be locked until 3:20pm to avoid any risk to pedestrians.

New Assistant Principal

I am delighted to announce that Ms Corry Blair will join the staff next year as one of our Assistant Principals (pending appeal period). Ms Blair was successful last week through the merit selection process. I am confident Ms Blair will bring a wealth of talent and enthusiasm to the role and be a great leader in our school.

Congratulations Ms Blair!

From the Junior School...

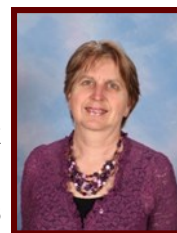
Debbie Ross – Deputy Principal, Head of Junior School

Hunter Wetlands excursion

On Wednesday, Kindergarten students and class S1 visited the Hunter Wetlands as part of their work on Living Things. The children were very excited as they boarded the three coaches. The Wetlands Environmental Education Centre is a Department of Education school located at the Hunter Wetlands Centre.

The children formed four groups and they took part in a range of activities. One group tried their luck at dip-netting for small creatures. Another group were all given binoculars as they headed out around the wetlands birdwatching. Two groups completed activities inside, including being scientists catching small creatures and looking at them under microscopes.

It was a great day and I have enjoyed reading wonderful Wetlands stories by students on Thursday and Friday. Well done everyone.



Moved address?
New email address?
Have a new mobile phone?

Hunter Wetlands Excursion



...From the Senior School...

Tim Beaven - Deputy Principal Head of Senior School

ICAS Digital Technologies

Congratulations to all students from Years 3-6 who received a certificate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Digital Technologies assessment. Across the school we had two students receive a Merit Certificate, 5 who received a Credit Certificate and 1 student that received a Distinction.

Years 5 and 6 recipients:



Learning and Support Teachers

With the start of term 3, Mr Cochrane, Mr Jackson and Mrs Clarke have been going in to every primary classroom to work alongside students during core literacy and numeracy times. This has been part of a school initiative to enhance learning opportunities provided to all students. The Learning and Support Teachers (LaSTs) will continue to work with classroom teachers and senior executive to assist all students with the key concepts of English and mathematics during the morning sessions of the day.

Class in Focus: 3C

Last week I visited 3C as they worked through their literacy and numeracy tasks. It has been great to work with so many talented students and alongside such a dedicated teacher as Miss Collins. During my visits students were hard at work on a poetry unit; completing a simile poem on the beach. The joint construction of ideas and creative sharing of similes was fantastic. I was also lucky enough to work with a small group of students during their group work on division. The students of 3C have done an amazing job so far this year and it was a pleasure to get to join them. I look forward to returning to visit 3C next week to continue to see how far they have all come in their learning!



Back Row (left to right): Beckham Robson, Tyson Barnett-Murray, Jack Kerry, Edward Horner, Samuel Cutts, Anderson Thompson, Kye Nash, Alex Cox

Front Row (left to right): Amber Higgins, Ruby Van Der Wel, Ashley Galvin, Matilda Spalding, Neha Thomas, Josie McIntosh, Ava Jankovic.

Year 3 and 4 recipients:



Back Row (left to right): Darcy Spalding, Shatikka Eulo, Sebastian Richard, Pippa McIntosh, Nathan Hoseman

Front Row (left to right): Tristan Drummond, Ned Van Der Wel, Rajan Gandhi, Seth Harper, Kayleigh Kriel

Absent: Hannah Kerry



Pictured: Students of 3C hard at work on the Simile Poem about 'The Beach'.

... Sport News...

Mr Wade Cochrane, Sport Coordinator



PICKER'S CUP RUGBY LEAGUE

The Under 12 Boys Rugby League team had a very successful day at Morpeth Oval last week. The boys took part in the annual Picker's Cup Gala Day, and managed to make it through to the semi finals.

The team had a closely contested draw against Telarah, a great win over Beresfield and then beat Mr Brown's old school Tenambit to win their pool. The boys then took on St Paul's Rutherford in the semi finals and led for the first half of the match before going down late in the game.

Six members of the team also took place in a relay race that featured students from twelve schools, and managed to place equal second. Congratulations to all of the team on their efforts and sportsmanship on the day.

The NRL development officers in attendance made a point of seeking out Mr Cochrane to commend him on how well the team went throughout the day.

Thank you to all of the parents that helped with transport and cheering on the boys, the day would not have been possible without them.

Well done boys!



BACKYARD LEAGUE PROGRAM

For the next three Thursday's, students from Years 3 to 6 will participate in the Backyard League Program. During this time, the students will learn the skills associated with rugby league in thirty minute lessons each week. The program is free, and on completion each student will receive a free Steeden rugby league ball. Parents are asked to ensure students wear footwear that they run around in (not football boots).

BASKETBALL

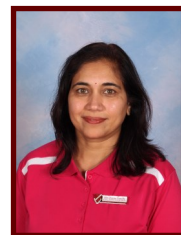
Good luck to the students participating in the PSSA Gala Day on Wednesday at Maitland Basketball Stadium.

ATHLETICS

Good luck to the 51 students that will represent our school at the Zone Athletics Carnival on Friday. The carnival will take place at Wooderry Oval, Woodberry and students will compete in eight different events.

Community Liaison Officer News

Mrs Rasna Gandhi - Community Liaison Officer



UPCOMING EVENTS

2nd September 2016 - Father's Day Breakfast

Please support our community partners who support our breakfast program



RITCHIES SUPA IGA
"Where the Community Benefits"



... Band News...

Miss Ward, Band Coordinator



BAND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Kayla Wright - for fantastic improvements each week and practising at home.

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

We are still looking for new players, especially Trumpets. The school has a range of school instruments that are available for use and would love more players.

We are also looking for a bass guitar player to join our band. If you have experience or are wanting to play bass guitar with a concert band, please see Mr Ward or Miss Ward this Wednesday.

Keep up the great work Rutherford Concert Band, and keep practising!

General School Information

LANGUAGE GROUPS

Reminder that language groups will be on every Monday at lunchtime this term for students in Years 3 to 6. We will be learning Hindi and Japanese in Mrs Carr's classroom. We hope to see you there.

YEAR 2 & CLASS S1 SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

A permission note will be sent home to all Year 2 students and Class S1 for the School Swimming Scheme.

The School Swimming Scheme is a Department of Education program that provides 10 days of intensive swimming lessons for Year 2 students who are unable to swim 25m unaided.

The cost of the 10 day program is \$79. To ensure a place in the program, please return permission notes and money to school as soon as possible.

...From the Office ...

CURRENT PAYMENTS

We are currently receiving payments from families for the following events:

- Great Aussie Bush Camp
- Infants Choir - Abermain Eisteddfod
- Primary Choir - Abermain Eisteddfod
- Year 2 School Swimming Scheme
- Adidas Fun Run
- Aerobics Chocolate Fundraising
- Year 6 Polo Shirt and Signature Items

PARENTS ONLINE PAYMENTS (POP)

POP 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 relies on mobile phone service, and our accounting software relies on uninterrupted internet service, both of which have been intermittent recently. We apologise for this inconvenience, and hope you understand it is beyond our control.

...Canteen News...

CLASS HOSTING

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

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

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 3 - 1R Hosting
Monday	1/8	D JONES
Tuesday	2/8	D FORTH
Wednesday	3/8	H BARRETT
Thursday	4/8	
Friday	5/8	
Day	Date	Term 3, Week 4 - 1V Hosting
Monday	8/8	D JONES
Tuesday	9/8	D FORTH
Wednesday	10/8	H BARRETT
Thursday	11/8	
Friday	12/8	

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General School Information

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

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

49325900

REGISTRATIONS

Rutherford Public School Office
Weblands Street Rutherford

COST

FREE!

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Respect

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Responsibility

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...P&C Fundraising Event...

SHOPPING EVENT

SATURDAY
12th November
2016



IKEA

And

BIRKENHEAD POINT

RAFFLES
ON THE
BUS

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



Rutherford Public School P&C
Fundraising event

All proceeds go towards the purchase of new playground equipment.
Hit the road with us for a day filled with shopping, fun and friends!!!!

Light refreshments at
Hawkesbury River
LUNCH at your
own cost

...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...

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Official Registration Days for the 2016/2017 Softball Season

Sunday 7th August 11am til 1pm
-Rutherford Marketplace, Rutherford

Sunday 21st August 11am til 1pm
-Come N Try day @ McKeachies Sportsground, Aberglasslyn

Tuesday 23rd August 6pm -7pm
-McDonalds Greenhills

Sunday 4th September 11am-1pm
-Masters Rutherford

Sunday 25th September 11am – 1pm
Come N Try day @ McKeachies Sportsground, Aberglasslyn

Games are played at Stevenson Park, Mayfield West
Training is held at McKeachies Sportsground, Aberglasslyn

For more information please contact Shareese on 0407 883 622
Email us at Maitlandmeteors@gmail.com
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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. Psycho (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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A unique insight into the world of Autism, tailored for GPs, Specialists,
Nurses, Principals, Teachers, SLCOs, Parents, Carers & Community members.

When: Tuesday 13th September 2016
Time: 6:00pm - 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.

info@striveforautism.org.au www.striveforautism.org.au

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Newcastle

Tuesday August 23

Hunter Medical Research Institute, 7-9pm.

\$15 – payment required to reserve your seat, limit 150 people

For more information email customisednutrition@outlook.com; to book go to www.sticktickets.com.au/40768



Sue Dengate

Fed Up with Children's Behaviour

Former teacher and psychology graduate, author of the famous *Fed Up* series, Australian of the Year finalist in 2009, Sue Dengate became interested in food intolerance after recognising the effect of foods on her own children. In the past 25 years, Sue has spoken to tens of thousands of parents in Australia, the USA and the UK. Further information on Sue's work at www.fedup.com.au.

'Wow!!! Hearing Sue speak was probably the most enlightening experience I have had this year, if not this decade'

'You touched our lives in an incredible way'




'You gave us the chance to see what a beautiful little boy we have been blessed with'

'We would still be living with an unhappy, difficult child'

This talk includes ...

- Arguments, oppositional defiance, tantrums,
- Bedwetting, sneaky poos, sticky poos
- Asthma, itchy skin rashes, migraine
- Difficulty falling asleep, frequent night waking
- Depression, unexplained tiredness, difficulty concentrating
- Hidden and new food additives, what's wrong with fruit

"It was the most fascinating two hours I have spent in a long time..." - Bubs about Town

Sue's *Fed Up*, *Failsafe Cookbook* and DVD *Fed Up with Children's Behaviour* will be available at the talk at discounted prices
CASH, CHEQUE, CREDIT, DEBIT CARDS

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Project Name: Respect, Protect, Connect: Worms Conservation Lands Rehabilitation Stage 1
Project Description: This project will be undertaken on the Worms Conservation Lands, located at Stockton Blight, 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 fore-dune 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 Worms 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/greenarmy
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 **NORTHERN NSW FOOTBALL**

HNE Carer Education & Support Program – Hunter in Partnership with Kaleidoscope Transition Care

Invites Parents & Carers to A Transition Forum

Who's it for:

Parents & Carers of young people aged 14 years or older who have a chronic health condition and will need ongoing assistance and support to manage their health care in adulthood.

What is Health Transition?

Transition refers to the period of time when a young person and their carers prepare for and move to adult health services because of age. Early preparation and planning is especially important for young people who have a complex physical and/or intellectual impairment.

Topics:

Parents Perspective	Seanne Lavender
Health Transition	Dr Julie Adamson, Youth Health Team – Kaleidoscope Angie Myles, Transition Coordinator – ACI Kaleidoscope
Education Post School Options	Kay Dean, National Disability Coordination Officer
Legal/Guardianship Issues	Turnbull Hill Lawyers

Details:

Venue: Wallsend Diggers, 5 Tyrrell Street, Wallsend
Time: 9.30am – 1.30pm (Registration from 9.00pm)
Cost: Free - includes Morning Tea
When: Thursday 27 October 2016
RSVP: Thursday 20 October 2016

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Education

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.



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.
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