

## Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Term 2 Week 9

24<sup>th</sup> June 2014

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| 25 Jun | End of Term Assembly, 2-3pm          |
| 27 Jun | Small Schools Soccer, Tamworth, 3-6M |
| 27 Jun | Last day of Term 2                   |
| 14 Jul | Staff Return, Pupil Free Day         |
| 15 Jul | Students commence Term 3             |
| 16 Jul | Small Schools Athletics              |
| 25 Jul | Tree Day                             |
| 29 Jul | Life Education Van, \$5              |
| 30 Jul | District Athletics                   |
| 1 Aug  | Westpac Helicopter Day               |

### School Athletics Events

Last week we completed high and long jump, shot put and discus events. Every student who participated received a place in at least one event. It was lovely to see the students encouraging and supporting each other throughout the day. Students who placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in high and long jump and shot put and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in discus will represent Raleigh School and compete at the Small Schools Athletics Carnival next term.



Dear Parents and Community Members,

### Parent - Teacher Meetings

Yesterday the parents from K-2D met with Ms Driscoll and on Thursday the parents from 3-6M will meet with Mrs Meenahan. These are a valuable way of discussing your child's learning with their teacher. I would like to thank all of the parents who have and will come, to these meetings this week. I would also like to Thank Ms Driscoll for the time and effort she has put into teaching K-2D this term.

### EnviroMentors

Last Tuesday, Louise from EnviroMentors visited our school to conduct a workshop called 'Closing the Loop'. In the workshop students found out what and how new items are made from recycled materials. Students participated in group activities and discussions. Thanks to Bellingen Shire Council for making this program possible.



### Naidoc Celebrations

Last Wednesday, Uncle Mark Flanders, the National Parks and Wildlife - Aboriginal Discovery Ranger and John McQueen, from Cascade Environmental Centre visited our school. The students and staff from Crossmaglen also joined us. We broke into two mixed groups and attended two informative and fun activities. In one activity, Uncle Mark showed us some Aboriginal artefacts and talked about traditional ways of life, hunting and gathering and how knowledge was passed on. It was a very informative session and the students enjoyed the information, traditional stories and Uncle Mark's presentation. In the other session, John discussed Aboriginal symbols and storytelling and the students created their own story using sand art. They also were shown how ochre paint was made and drew a symbol on their hands to take away with them. This was a fantastic morning and we would like to thank Uncle Mark and John for coming and sharing their knowledge with us.

*"Raleigh Public School has excellent technology programs to equip and challenge students."*

## Busways Safety Talk

Yesterday we were lucky to be visited by Ken Burnett from Busways. He came to talk with all of the students about the importance of bus safety. We discussed waiting for the bus, entering and exiting the bus and how to behave while on the bus. Please discuss these things with your child to reinforce their importance.



## Soccer Knockout

Thank you to those students who have already paid their money for our Tamworth trip. This money needs to be paid by tomorrow, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June. Students travelling with another family or adult need to pay \$35 each and all other students need to pay \$3 each for game fees.

On Friday, we will be leaving at 7am from the coast and picking up students at the map at 7.15am. Please make sure your child has recess, lunch, water and snacks packed. Money to buy a snack on the way there and back is optional. Students will need to wear warm clothing, including their Raleigh Pubic School shirt and jumper. Soccer shorts, shirt and socks will be supplied.



## K-2D Naïdoc Morning Recounts

*We had a Naidoc morning. My group did sand painting. After that we did pictures on our hands. We went outside and saw old stuff. I liked the axe bits. D'zel*

*Today at school we had a Naidoc morning. My group first did sand drawing, next I went outside. The bush telephones sounded like an engine. Kieren*

*Today at school we had a Naidoc morning. First we split into two groups with Crossmaglen students. Next my group came inside. Inside we painted with glue and put sand over it, then tipped it in the box. There was one rule about the box and paper. It was that when you put sand on your paper, it had to be over the box. After that we had a bowl with a special rock thing in it. We mixed it and if you saw any hard bits in it you had to break them. Oh, and I forgot to tell you his name was John or you could call him Mr McQueen. After that we went outside with our hats.*

*As you know I told you we went outside with our hats. We sat on the Amphi-Theatre and got taught by Uncle Mark. We learnt that Mi Mi meant mum and Ba Ba meant dad in Aboriginal. We got to see a bush phone and we got to see possum skin. It can be made into different types of material and clothes. At the very end of it, Uncle Mark asked us if we learnt anything or did we have fun. Janae*



## 100 Nights Reading

Congratulations to **Zoltan** who has read for 100 nights.

## 25 Nights Reading

Congratulations **Kieren** who has read for 25 nights. Well done to both students.

### Pumpkin and Pasta Bake

1/4 cup (60ml) olive oil  
1 onion, finely chopped  
3 garlic cloves, finely chopped  
100g bacon chopped – vegetarian without bacon  
About 800g pumpkin, peeled, cut into 2cm cubes (to give 3 cups)  
3 cups (750ml) chicken stock  
300g macaroni  
300ml pure (thin) cream  
1 tablespoon chopped rosemary  
2 cups (140g) fresh breadcrumbs  
2 teaspoons grated lemon zest  
1 cup flat-leaf parsley leaves  
1 1/4 cups (150g) grated cheddar

#### Method

Preheat the oven to 200°C.  
Heat 1 tablespoon oil in a frying pan over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic and bacon and cook, stirring, for 2-3 minutes until the onion softens slightly. Add the pumpkin, stir to combine, then add half the chicken stock and cook for 5-6 minutes until the pumpkin begins to soften.  
Stir in pasta, cream, rosemary and remaining chicken stock. Season to taste with sea salt and freshly ground black pepper, bring to a simmer, then reduce the heat to low and cook for about 8-10 minutes until the pasta and pumpkin are tender.  
Meanwhile, place the breadcrumbs, lemon zest, flat-leaf parsley and one third of the cheese in a food processor and process until you have fine crumbs. Add the remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil and pulse to combine.  
Stir the remaining cheese into the pasta mixture, then transfer to a baking dish. Scatter with the crumbs, then bake for 15 minutes or until golden.



### Recorders for Sale

If your child is a part of the Recorder Group they will need to practice the songs that they are learning at home. If your child does not already own a recorder, they can purchase one from the office for \$15. We are looking forward to this group developing their skills and being able to perform at the end of Term 3 assembly.

### End of Term Assembly

We look forward to seeing you tomorrow at our End of Term Assembly from 2-3pm. Come and join us to celebrate our students' achievements this term and to hear our Award Winning Choir sing the songs they sang at the Eisteddfod.

### Student Banking Awards

Congratulations to Rebecca Hodgson who has gained her Bronze Certificate for student banking. Rebecca has made 10 deposits this term and is eligible to redeem one of the great prizes on offer.

Prizes include: handball, scented pencils, penguin or shark plush toy keyring, whale shark pencil case, Dollarmites money box, swimming bag, projector cup and sea streamers.

Student Banking is held on Wednesdays.



*We wish you all have a safe and happy school break. Staff will return on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July and students will return on Tuesday 15 July.*

Term 3 is already shaping up to be a busy one. Don't forget lunch orders for the Small Schools Athletics Carnival which is on the first Wednesday back, need to be in this week. Other events coming up are: Tree Day, Life Education Van, District Athletics and Westpac Helicopter Day, just to mention a few!!

## Head Lice Removal

To get rid of nits.... cover hair with coconut oil (available from the supermarket... make sure you get the one without the bits of coconut in it), comb through, then rinse with vinegar. Rinse again if need be. Kills the little blighters!! Coconut oil is fantastic for your hair.

## Snow White

Bonnie Ferguson came to Raleigh today and completed two workshops with our students. K-3 participated in an interactive performance of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. While 4-6 participated in a drama workshop utilising drama games as a means of performing. This was a fantastic opportunity and lots of fun. Students dressed in Fairy tale costumes.




Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

...to manage fussy eating

Kids can get anxious when trying a new fruit or veg, so try providing a smaller serving for the first few times.

This approach is less overwhelming and you might find that they will ask you for more.



**Did you know it may take more than 10 times before your child accepts a new food?**

Give your kids two options that you're happy with. Rather than saying "Would you like any vegetables?" offer a limited choice, for example "Would you like peas or beans?"

Stay calm + persistent in your approach! Perseverance pays off.

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