

# RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



## Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Term 1 Week 8

17<sup>th</sup> March 2015

19-20 Mar Leadership Day, Brisbane  
20 Mar Year 7 Expression of Interest due  
23 Mar Asthma Training, 3.30pm  
25-26 Mar NSW PSSA Swimming, Sydney  
26 Mar Fruit & Veg Sense Workshop, FREE  
28 Mar Cake Stall, NSW State Election  
1 Apr Assembly, 9.30am  
2 Apr KiK, K-2D  
2 Apr Rewards Day  
2 Apr Last Day Term 1  
20 Apr Staff Return, SDD  
21 Apr Students Return  
23 Apr ANZAC Talk with Kevin & Moira Franklin  
24 Apr Fun Run/Cross Country  
4 May P&C AGM, 3.15pm

### Help Needed

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, Raleigh Public School is an official Polling Booth for the NSW State Election. Our P&C is holding a cake stall during the day. We are asking for the help of our school community to bake goods for the stall. These can be dropped at school either Friday or Saturday morning. They need to be packaged ready to sell with a label listing the ingredients. Thank you in advance!

The P&C are also asking for volunteers to help man the stall. Please complete the tear off slip to indicate whether you can or cannot assist on the day. An hour of your day helps to spread the workload for all our families, so thank you.

Dear Parents and Community Members

### Planning Meeting

Last Friday, I travelled to Orama Public School to attend a meeting of the Bellinger Valley Small Schools Network. I was able to work with the Principals of Orama, Repton and Crossmaglen Public Schools and Mr Graeme Ross, the Principal School Leadership Officer. We worked together on the next stage of our 2015-2017 School Plan. The Raleigh Plan is really beginning to take shape and it was great to be able to discuss our progress and gain input from our P&C meeting yesterday. Katrina



### Congratulations Jacob and Wade!

Last week Jacob and Wade participated in the District Soccer Trials. Both boys were successful in making the District team. Today they are at the MNC trials in Coffs Harbour and we know they will represent our school well and make our school proud.

### Leadership Conference

This Thursday and Friday, our four Student Leaders will be travelling with the Bellinger-Dorrigo Learning Community to Brisbane to attend the annual Halogen Leadership Conference. We can't wait till they return to hear about their experiences and the things they learnt.

### End of Term Assembly

This term we will be holding our End of Term Assembly on Wednesday April 1<sup>st</sup>. The assembly will start at 9.30am and go for approximately 45 minutes. Our Whole School Choir will perform, the Recorder Group will do their first performance and we will share our School Song. Our students will also receive merit awards for the great things they have been doing during Term 1. We hope to see as many of our parents, family and friends attend as possible. We look forward to seeing you then.

*"Raleigh Public School is a welcoming and friendly school with strong and valued community links."*

### Rewards Day

At the end of each term we hold a special event to reward the good behaviour of our students. This Term we will hold this day on the last day of term, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. This is a KiK day and we will cook something to take with us for afternoon tea.

Our day will be a Picnic Day at the Urunga Foreshore. Weather permitting, we will travel to the foreshore at about 11.30am. Spending the day walking to the river mouth along the board walk, playing games on the foreshore and having fun together. We are asking children to bring lunch that can be shared amongst us all. We will take eskys to keep the food cold. As we are only small we are asking parents to help transport us there and back and we hope they will also stay to share the fun! More information will follow soon.



### Fruit and Vegie Workshop

Last year the Fruit and Vegie Workshop was extremely successful. This is a great opportunity to get together with other parents to discuss ideas and suggestion that may help your child/children eat more fruit and vegies. This is a free workshop and you receive a recipe book for attending. The workshop is on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am to 11am. If you would like to attend please complete the tear off slip or contact Irene in the office.

### Year 7 Expression of Interest

Last week the Year 6 students received information about High School for next year. On the back of the booklet, the Expression of Interest Form needs to be filled out and returned to school by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**.

### Harmony Day

Today our students and staff dressed in orange for our Raleigh Public Harmony Day activities. We came together as a whole school and worked within our Peer Support Groups to make our own individual kites. We will keep our kites at school and fly them on Thursday afternoon during sport. Great effort Raleigh!



### Major Excursion

Every second year our senior students attend a major excursion. This year we have decided to combine with Orama Public School and go to Sydney. The excursion will involve Years 4, 5 and 6 and will support the work that we are doing in class on the First Fleet and Early Settlement. We would like to thank the P&C for their support in helping to subsidise the excursion. We will also be conducting a fundraiser where all the money raised will help make the excursion cheaper for the senior students. An expression of Interest letter will be coming out in the next few days.

### Excursion Fundraiser

Each year we have participated in a Fun Run Fundraiser that is sponsored by Adidas or Golden Circle. This year with the help of our Amart Sports Community funds we will be running our own Fun Run with all of the profits going towards the Major Excursion. We hope all families will support this fundraiser, because even though your child may not be attending the Major Excursion this year in the future they may and this is a great way to help make this excursion more affordable. Sponsorship forms will be sent home before the end of next week. They can be kept over the holidays to get sponsors from family or friends. Our Fun Run/Cross Country will be run on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

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### Asthma Training

Next Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, we will be holding an Asthma training afternoon at Raleigh Public. We have a number of schools from across the valley joining us. This is a valuable update on the latest ways that schools can assist with asthma control and prevention.

### P&C Meeting

We were very happy to welcome new faces to our P&C Meeting yesterday. It was great to exchange ideas and discuss the wonderful things happening at Raleigh while enjoying a cuppa and Katrina's home baking. We will be holding the Annual General Meeting on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> May where all positions will be declared vacant. Hope you will be able to attend.

### Healthy Active Kids

Attached to this newsletter you will find a card with healthy lunch box tips. There is also a sheet of stickers for you to collect from Mrs Jones. These can be used to decorate your lunch box.

### Stewart House Keyrings

The Stewart House keyring torch is fun and practical. The keyring features the new Stewart House logo and a real working LED miniature torch. On sale from the front office for \$3.



### Star of the week

#### Congratulations D'zel

These are some of the wonderful things his class mates had to say about him.

*He is funny.* Gloria

*He helps me.* Kieren

*He helps look after the tadpoles.* Ms Driscoll



### Working With Children Check

It is now necessary for parent volunteers to complete a Working with Children Check and provide a 100 point check. This is necessary for parents transporting students as well as helping at carnivals and in the classroom. A copy has been attached to this newsletter. Please complete the form and bring in your documents for photocopying. Thank you.

### Bellingin Show

The Bellingin Show is sneaking up on us again and will be held this year on Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup>. Entries and program can be found on line at [www.bellinginshow.com.au](http://www.bellinginshow.com.au)

*"The superior man is modest in his speech, but exceeds in his actions."* Confucius

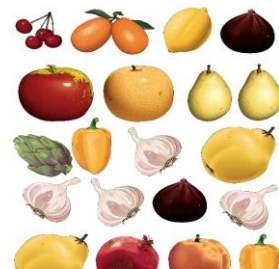
### Free Fruit & Vege Sense Workshop

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am until 11am.

☐ I would love to come to this free workshop.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number or email: \_\_\_\_\_



### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March Cake Stall - NSW State Election

I am able to assist on the stall from ☐ 9am – 10.30am ☐ 10.30am – 12pm ☐ 12pm – 1.30pm

☐ my preferred time \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ I am unable to help on the day but will provide \_\_\_\_\_  
Cakes/slices/jams/produce/plants etc.

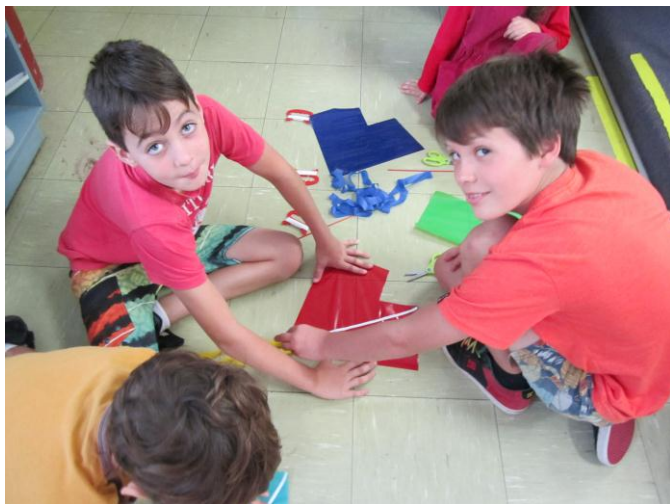
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### New Sandpit

Thank you to our very talented GA, Amanda who has built a fantastic sandpit with cover. It was very well received by all our students. What a load of fun!



### Harmony Day



**Student Banking tomorrow.**



### Enrichment, Education, Excitement - Become a Volunteer Host Family!

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in July 2015. Our students from Canada, Denmark, Ecuador, Italy, Belgium, the USA, and France are looking forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family soon.

#### Hosting Is Fun! Find Out more!

Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family. **Sylvia Kelly**, Manager – Inbound Exchange Programs. Phone: 1300 884 733, Email: [info@wep.org.au](mailto:info@wep.org.au)  
Online: <http://www.wep.org.au>

### Urunga Hockey Club

Come and play junior hockey  
Boys and Girls aged 5-16 years welcome  
Where: All games are at the Hockey Complex, Stadium Drive, Coffs Harbour  
When: Saturday mornings  
Equipment: **Free stick pack to new registered junior players.** Online registrations being taken now  
Further information contact: 0457271071 or email: [rhonda.smith\\_20@yahoo.com.au](mailto:rhonda.smith_20@yahoo.com.au)

### Bellingen Netball Association

It has been developed to provide children from 5-10 years with the best possible learning and playing experience. Years 5-7 learn netball related fundamental motor skills with fun music, dance and games. Years 8-10 play modified netball games with a focus on fun and teamwork. Contact Sandra 0431 106 661 or email [Sandra.hulbert21@gmail.com](mailto:Sandra.hulbert21@gmail.com)