

RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Term 4, Week 9

11th December, 2018

3-14 Dec	Special Swimming Scheme
17 Dec	Rewards Day, Big Banana
17 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
18 Dec	Sunset Picnic, 5pm
19 Dec	End of Term 4 for students
29 Jan 19	Staff return, no students
30 Jan	Years 1-6 begin Term 1, 2019
31 Jan	Best Start for new Kinder students
4 Feb	Kindergarten start

Congratulations Chloe!

We would like to congratulate Chloe on being one of two students across the area, to win the Raleigh-Urunga Masonic Village's annual Christmas Card Competition. Chloe's card has been published and is one of the official cards used this Christmas by the village. Chloe won a pack of her Christmas Cards and a \$50 Booktopia voucher and also won a \$100 Booktopia Voucher for the school. What a wonderful achievement, well done!



Dear Parents and Community Members,

We are into our second week of swimming and we have many very tired students. However, we have also seen some excellent improvement in swimming skills and styles over the past week. We hope that students continue to practice these valuable skills over the Summer holidays.



Raffle Winners

Thank you to all families and community members who supported our raffle. It was drawn today after swimming and the winners are:

Steven Davy - 1st prize – Sky Watcher Telescope

Harry Little - 2nd Prize – SONIQ Digital TV

Leeanne Cutler 3rd Prize - \$100 PBP voucher

All students received a gift for selling tickets.



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

Sunset Picnic

Thanks to everyone who has returned their note letting us know who will be attending the Sunset Picnic. This is a very special evening at our school and one we all look forward to each year. It is a lovely way for families, students and staff to come together to share the wonderful achievements of the year. This year Mrs Sue Brown our Director, Educational Leadership –Mid Coast Valleys will be joining us.

There are a couple of important things to remember to bring:

- Camping chairs or picnic rug to sit on
- A plate, bowl and cutlery for each person attending
- Each student in Kinder to Year 2 is to bring a dessert to share
- Each student in Year 3 to 6 is to bring a salad to share
- Serving utensils for your salad/ dessert (don't forget to label containers and utensils)
- Students are to wear full school uniform

A reminder that no alcohol is permitted and please leave your pets at home. On the evening, we ask that no one use the play equipment please.

We look forward to seeing you at school next Tuesday 18th, for a 5pm start.

End of Year Reminders

- Please remember to return all library books and home readers as soon as possible. These can be handed to one of the teachers at the pool.
- Reports will be sent home next week to avoid becoming soggy with wet towels and swimmers
- Students are asked to bring a shopping bag to school so that all of books and artwork can be carried home next week.
- Don't forget to wear your swimmers for the fun day at the Big Banana on Monday 17 and bring lunch food to share.
- This will be followed by the Year 6 Farewell with fun outdoor activities at school until 5pm and then staff, Year 5 and Year 6 will share a meal together at the Urunga Bowling Club.
- Last day of Term 4 is Wednesday 19 December.
- First day back for Years 1 to 6 is Wednesday 30 January.
- Best Start for new Kindergartens is Thursday and they will commence school on Monday 4 February, 2019.

Connecting to Country Training

Last week, Bernadette and Irene attended three days of Connecting to Country professional learning in Coffs Harbour. A range of AECG (Aboriginal Education Consultative Group) members, Elders and local Aboriginal people were involved. One of the three days training involved an excursion to culturally significant locations north of Coffs Harbour. These three days of training, now takes our staff to three members who have completed the training. We hope to have more staff trained next year.



Uniforms for 2019

Now is a great time to purchase uniforms for next year. Irene will not be in the office tomorrow, 12th December, however she will be here every other day until the end of the year. So pop in and see her or you can pay online and send a note with what items you want to order. Once the payment is confirmed, we can send home the uniforms with your child. Due to popular demand, we have decided to reorder the school dresses for the younger students. These won't arrive until next year. Keep an eye out in the newsletter for when they become available.

Package Free Lunch Winner

Congratulations to *Eliza* who is this week's package free winner.

