## RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



## **Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment**

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Term 3, Week 4 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2019

14 Aug Sporting Schools Hockey

15 Aug Kids in the Kitchen

22 Aug Cricket Gala

23 Aug26 AugSTART Program for Kindies 2020

29 Aug Kids in the Kitchen

29 Aug Father's Day Stall, gifts \$4 each

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Wow! What an amazing week we had celebrating public education, at Raleigh. I was so proud to be the principal at Raleigh Public, as our students, staff and families all showed how much they value what we do at Raleigh by participating, sharing and being a part of the activities we did last week. The best thing was, we all had a great time being a part of all of these activities! This is a recap of our week:

On Monday, the teachers completed another lesson observation in the 3-6 room, where we watch each other's lessons, to ensure consistency of language and teaching across all teachers and classes. Yesterday, we went to K-2 to watch one of their maths lessons being taught.

On Tuesday, we started our small, focus Writing groups. The students have been broken into small needs based groups, where each group is working on very similar skills and development. The groups consist of four students and one teacher or facilitator and last about an hour and a half each Tuesday morning. Each group is working on the skills that their students need and we hope this smaller group focus will help students develop and extend their skills in writing.



On Wednesday, after completing our weekly health lesson, we boarded the bus for Bellingen High School and preparation for Education on Show. Here we had a practice of our songs on stage and then walked to Connell Park for some lunch and a play. We then returned to the high school where we joined all of the other performers for a practice of the finale song 'This is Me'.

After a short break in the afternoon, we came back for the real thing. Our whole school choir did an amazing performance and made Mei, Ms Driscoll, Mr Sherwood and me so very proud! Their effort in the finale was beautiful, they all sang with enthusiasm, a huge smile and were certainly not intimidated, by the huge choir group or the large crowd. After the performance many parents and teachers from other schools came up and spoke about how well they performed.

I would like to thank the parents and family members who supported this great evening, by coming along to watch. There was a variety of performances and it really was a wonderful evening to be a part of. A huge thank you to Ms Driscoll and Mr Sherwood who helped supervise the students all day, and then gave up their afternoon and evening to help out as well.



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

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That brings us to Thursday... another hugely successful day! The students spent most of the day creating and building the toys they designed and then problem solving any issues that arose. Ms Driscoll, Amanda and myself, helped with this process by supporting their ideas coming to reality, using hot glue guns, tools and advice.

Thank you to the mums who came along to see the presentations of the final products and a test of the toys. Our students from Kinder to Year 6, did a great job speaking in front of the group and demonstrating their toy. Well done everyone! Friday ended our week off with Jeans for Genes Day and our regular school program of Science, Maths, Literacy and PE. Thank you everyone for making 2019 Education Week such a success!

## Regards, Katrina





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## Jeans for Genes

Another successful fundraiser at Raleigh! The students and staff looked fantastic in their jeans, raising money for the Children's Medical Research Institute. Thank you to our school community, we raised \$94 for this great cause.



## Living in Education Day

Today Mrs Sue Brown, our Director, Educational Leadership, Mid Coast Valleys joined us for the morning, to spend some time in our classrooms and see firsthand how we do things at Raleigh. Mrs Brown joined us for reading groups and then rotated around our newly formed Literacy groups. It was great to have her join us and for our students to be able to share some of the things we are doing in our classrooms.





## Northern Tour Visit

Thank you to the Sydney Conservatorium's Northern Music Tour who visited Raleigh Public yesterday afternoon. The wind quintet of flute oboe, clarinet, bassoon and horn were beautiful to listen to. What a special performance our students were able to be a part of!



## Kids in the Kitchen

Don't forget that this Thursday is Kids in the Kitchen. We all can't wait to taste our latest cooking!

## August Birthdays

We would like to wish *Lincoln* and *Ashley* a very happy birthday. We hope you have lots of fun.

## Sílver Banking Award

Congratulations to *Tyson* who has gained his Silver Banking Award for making 20 deposits this year. Regular banking is a great habit to develop.

## Package Free Lunch Winner

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



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## Creative Scholarships

A week of learning & fun in the creative & performing arts!



Bellingen 13-17 January 2020

#### Camp Creative 2020

Thirty full scholarships are available for kids & teens aged 5 – 18, living in the Coffs City, Nambucca and Bellingen Shires.

They'll get five full days of creativity across a range of course options including music, visual art, singing, drama, dance, craft and more!

#### How to apply

Ask your school for an application form or download www.campcreative.com.au/apply/scholarships

Applications close 5.00 pm, Friday 23 August 2019.

For more info phone 02 6655 9326 or info@campcreative. com.au













# ARE YOU A BASKETBALL

BRANSON CENTRE
5.30pm - 6.30pm
REGISTRATION & COMMENCEMENT
MONDAY 5th AUGUST

We are encouraging any child born 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 that is naturally athletic, enthusiastic and willing to learn to come along and try it out, basketball ability is not an essential.

After Warriors program graduation the respective Braves teams may be eligible for entry into our odd age program and own regional basketball carnival scheduled here in Coffs Harbour on the weekend of 7 & 8 December

Utilising the excellent courts at Bishop Druitt College, the Warriors will be kitted-out in sponsored training singlet-tops and come under the skillful care of state qualified junior basketball coaches all with essential current working with children certification.

COST: \$80 - 8 Week Program

Online Registration: www.bellingervalleybasketballsportingpulse..net

> Bellinger Valley Basketball Association / Member of Basketball New South Wales P O Box 4500, Coffs Harbour Jetty, NSW, 2450 PH: 0437 883 033









