RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 4, Week 8

1st December, 2020

2nd Dec START for Kindergarten 2021, 10am – 11.50am

3rd Dec Surf Safety

8th Dec START for Kindergarten 2021, 9.30am – 11am

10th Dec Combine End of Year Assembly and Year 6 Farewell

11th Dec Kids in the Kitchen cooking \$4.50

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you to everyone who responded by last Friday the 27th November, to RSVP for our assembly on Thursday the 10th December at 1.30pm. For 2020, this will replace our annual Sunset Picnic and will not be our usual end of year social event. We unfortunately will not have the usual choir and recorder performances at this event, as Mei has not been with us since early in Term 1. Essentially this will be a presentation of awards and the formal part of our Year 6 Farewell for Skeet. We hope that close family, will join us to celebrate the wonderful achievements and resilience of our students during 2020.

Due to the COVID guidelines set out, which allow us to hold this end of year event, we will be setting up designated areas and asking each family group to bring their own seat, these will be social distanced at 1.5m from other groups. Just like pick up and drop off at school, we ask that parents not congregate and socialise, adhere to social distancing and also sign in when arriving to the event.



To avoid lining up as much as possible when arriving and the need to sign in, we will have a number of sign-on tables available. These will be alphabetical based on the student's surnames they are a guest of and will be pre-printed with the name of those guests who have returned their RSVP. You will need to add contact details and a signature. When signing you will be agreeing to the conditions of entry onto the school grounds. We have attached these to the end of the newsletter for you to read before arriving, to make the process quicker. Please bring your own pen to sign in.

Drink Bottles

Please make sure your child has a drink bottle, filled with water packed each day. The bubblers are not in use due to COVID and is important that everyone is getting enough to drink during this hot weather. Students can fill their bottles up at the tap if their bottles are empty.

Transition at Raleigh

This Wednesday we will be holding our second Kinder 2021 and Year 2 into Year 3 transition sessions. Everyone is looking forward to another great morning. On Friday, all of the Year 6 students from all schools across the valley will be attending the Year 7 2021 transition session at Bellingen High School. This is a very exciting time for everyone.

Our final Transition morning for Kinder 2021 and the Year 2 students will be on next Tuesday 8th December. Don't forget that this will be a different time slot from 10am to 11.50am and the Kinder girls will need to bring their lunch to have with the school, before they are picked up.

Kids in the Kitchen

Today we held our first Kids in the Kitchen since the COVID guidelines were put in place. We have started off with something easy as we knew it was going to be a very hot day and we have not done any cooking since March. Well done to all of our students on your effort today. Lunch and recess were delicious! We are looking forward to cooking again on Friday 11th December.



Surf Safety

This Thursday eight of the students from the 3-6 class will be travelling to Sawtell Beach where they will participate in Ocean Awareness Safety lessons run by the Coffs Harbour Life Guards. This is a valuable program that the Raleigh students have attended now for many years. Thank you to Danielle Corcoran and Craig McMahon for transporting the students and helping with the supervision. They are looking forward to another fantastic day at the beach!

Fire Safety Workshop



Today the fire crew from Repton Rural Fire Brigade came to school to let us have a look at their truck and equipment and talk to both of the classes about fire safety. They discussed having a Fire Evacuation Plan at home, what to do if there is a fire at home and also talked about fire safety issues around the house. This included back yard fires and firepits, wood fires and using matches safely, among many other very important things. We would like to thank them for this very valuable and worthwhile session.

Final STEM for the Year

This Friday will be our final STEM session for 2020. Each child has a list of possible items that they need to bring in to help them and their buddy, create their build for this week. It is very important that both people contribute and help bring resources for their idea.

Fun with Science



Regards, Katrina Meenahan



K-2 Book Recommendation

This week's book recommendation is "1001 Cool School Yard Jokes."

Ashley said "It has funny jokes and you can read jokes about sibling rivalry and poking fun at teachers."

Library borrowing has finished for the year. Please return any library books you may have at home. Thank you.

Sporting Schools Golf



Very Expressive Dance Moves!



External Visitors to School Site form

For visitors to the school during school hours

Before external visitors are allowed on a school site, they must provide a signed copy of this form to the school principal. This form acts as evidence that the visitor is aware of, and will abide by their obligations to comply with the health advice of the day, including hygiene and distancing requirements. The visitor must provide personal contact information to the school to be used in an emergency or when performing contact tracing if required.

- Stay at home when unwell. Do not attend the school site if you are unwell.
- Practise good hygiene when on the school site.
- Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly.
 - Wash your hands or use hand sanitiser on arrival to the school and between providing support to students. Implement hand hygiene practices at regular intervals throughout your visit to the
- Maintain respiratory hygiene.
 - Cover your cough or sneeze through coughing or sneezing into your elbow or tissue, and then disposing of tissues immediately. Always wash your hands after you have coughed, sneezed or blown your nose.
- Avoid shaking hands. Adopt non-contact greetings.
- Maintain physical distance.
 - Maintain physical distance from other people while on the school site. In particular, maintain a physical distance from adults at the school and limit physical contact with students.
- Implement cleaning protocol for shared items. (where relevant)
 - Any tools or equipment that will be used by staff or students must be cleaned before use.
 - Equipment that will be shared between groups of students should be cleaned between each use.
 - Equipment that cannot be cleaned should not be shared and must be disposed of between each
 - Equipment that is exposed to any bodily fluids must not be shared and must be cleaned and disinfected between each use.
- Use personal protective equipment (PPE) (where relevant)
 - If there is a risk of exposure to bodily fluids, suitable PPE must be worn while conducting the activity or task.
- Keep our school environment clean (where relevant)
 - Schools maintain a clean working and learning environment. Working and learning spaces should be left clean and tidy. Any high touch surfaces or work spaces areas should be wiped down following use with a suitable cleaning product.
- Operate in accordance with your COVID-19 Safety Plan (where relevant)
 - All businesses and organisations delivering services and programs within our schools must have a COVID-19 Safety Plan.

Acknowledgement from visitors on health and hygiene measures at our school:

- I am well and have no signs or symptoms of flu like illness.

- I have provided my personal contact information to the school for the purposes of COVID-19 contact tracing where required.

 I have reviewed the most recent AHPPC Guidelines and NSW Health advice on COVID-19 and can confirm that I can comply with the requirements outlined (where relevant).

 I understand the current requirements and directions in place for hygiene and physical distancing within NSW as per NSW Public Health Orders.
- I confirm I have a current COVID-19 Safety Plan (where relevant).

 I confirm I have reviewed the safety and hygiene measures in place at the school and I agree to follow and implement these requirements.

Print Name	Phone and email	
Signed	Date	

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