

RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 3, Week 5

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26th Aug Life Education Program, \$5
26th Aug Sporting Schools AFL
3rd Sep Fathers' Day Stall, gifts \$4 each

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week there have been some new guidelines introduced in schools. These become mandatory from tomorrow 19th August.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will make arrangements for students who present as unwell or have flu like symptoms to be sent home.

COVID-19 symptoms can include:



If your child is sick, keep them at home and get them tested for COVID-19.

NSW Health have requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

Students and staff with flu like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school.

We are continuing to implement ongoing personal hygiene processes inside and outside the classroom.

No Sharing of Food

As we are unable to share food at school, this unfortunately also includes bringing in cakes to share for birthdays. 😞

Local Federal Member of Cowper

Last week Mr Pat Conaghan, our local Federal Member for Cowper, dropped in quickly to meet our Student Leader and have a look at our new keyboard. We were able to purchase the keyboard with the money we successfully gained from the Commonwealth Local Schools Community Fund grant.

We cannot wait to have Mei join us again when the COVID-19 situation eases.



School Sport is Back!

Tomorrow our first sporting schools' coach will join us, since the end of Term 1. We are so excited! Each Wednesday we will be learning AFL skills with our new coach. We are hoping to start Basketball lessons on Friday very soon.

Kindergarten for 2021

If you know of anyone who might be interested in attending Raleigh in 2021, please pass on our contact details so that they may find out more.

Welcome Nicole

We are delighted to welcome Nicole du Preez to Raleigh Public School. Nicole is undertaking a teacher placement for four weeks, through Swinburne University. She will mainly be observing in K-2D. A permission note is attached. Please sign it and return it tomorrow. Thanks.

Thank You Shannon!



Shannon has very kindly donated us a new book for our school library 'The Very Super Bear' by Nick Bland. She wanted to buy the school something to say thank you for her time at Raleigh.

We have loved having Shannon at Raleigh and she has been a wonderful support in both of the classrooms. I know that our students will get enjoyment from reading this great story, thank you.

3-6 History

On the days when I am teaching the 3-6 class, we have been focussing on learning about early colonisation. We have been and will be exploring the spread of the British settlement as they moved out of Sydney, the effect this had on Aboriginal people, the Gold Rush, the impact of the railway and the telegraph. We have also been reading a novel called The Hunt for Ned Kelly. The book and the topic have created some excitement around learning things about Australia's history.

The 3-6 students have been given a homework task to research and present a speech to the class about a bushranger they find interesting. They will be presenting their speeches to the class in Week 9. It is important for them to remember to look at the task as a way of sharing what they find interesting about their bushranger. Every child in the class talks daily in front of the others and they should think of it as being very similar to this. I cannot wait to find out new and interesting facts about the bushrangers they choose.

STEM this Friday

Last Friday our buddies got together to plan their STEM project for this week. The students have designed a kite and created a list of equipment they will need to make it. Every child is expected to help out and bring in what they will need from home to make their kite, this Friday. Let's hope for a lovely sunny day with a light breeze!

Life Education Program

This will be presented in the classrooms on Wednesday, 26th August. Thank you to students who have returned their note with payment.

MangaHigh

Well done to those students who have been regularly logging on to MangaHigh and practising their multiplication facts. The more they log on and persevere the better their recall of their multiplication facts will become. These facts are needed across many areas of Maths, particularly as they move across the grades in the 3-6 class.

Congratulations to the following students who are at the top of the Leaderboard in their Year Group:

- Year 2 – Lincoln
- Year 3 – Heath
- Year 4 – Aria
- Year 5 – Isabella
- Year 6 - Skeet

3-6 Equipment

Every child in the 3-6 Class are expected to have their own equipment for class. Quite a number of the students have needed a new lead pencil (HB) and a pencil sharpener for the past fortnight. Could you please ask your child if they need one or both of these items and purchase them, thank you.

Kind regards,
Katrina Meenahan

School Library News



We have received our Scholastic order of books for the Library. This has been possible due to the reward vouchers gained when books are purchased through Scholastic Book Club. They have been accessioned and are being covered, so look out for them when next borrowing on Monday, from the library.

K-2 Art

Last Friday the K-2 class attempted to trace their shadows and silhouettes, for their art unit 'Me, Myself, I'. The cloud kept getting in their way, but they managed to get some completed.

