

RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 3, Week 9

15th September, 2020

16 th Sep	Sporting Schools AFL
17th Sep	P&C Zoom meeting 3.40pm
18 th Sep	Sporting Schools Basketball
25 th Sep	Last day of Term 3
12 th Oct	Staff and students return. No Pupil Free Day.
19 th Oct	School photos

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week it was lovely to have warm weather at the beginning of the week and some much-needed rain towards the end. At this time of the year the weather can be unpredictable and change throughout the day. So please remember to check the weather predictions so that your child is dressed for cooler weather if it is predicted or are not in long pants, long sleeve shirt and track suit pants if the weather is warmer. Please always check your child has packed their school jumper, so that they have it if the wind picks up.

At Raleigh we pride ourselves on our uniform and that we have everyone wearing it 99% of the time. As we move into warmer weather please make sure your child is wearing the appropriate summer uniform. Girls should be looking at wearing the check Raleigh skorts, with plain black long tights underneath if it is cooler or the check dress. Bike pants are not appropriate as pants to wear as the bottom half of the uniform. Girls are also allowed to wear plain black sports pants which are easy to buy in the larger stores in Coffs/Toormina. Boys should be wearing plain black shorts, which you can find at the larger stores or they can be purchased from the school. Plain black or nearly black shoes are our preferred footwear as they are comfortable to do daily sport in and play at break times.

Thank you to all of our families for supporting the guidelines and being understanding of the current COVID-19 guidelines in schools. Parents and Carers are reminded that students should not attend school if they have flu-like symptoms. Due to the low rates of influenza currently circulating in our community, we must take symptoms seriously. Students or staff who display flu-like symptoms should NOT be at school. They are required to show a negative COVID-19 test result, (text message is easiest) and be free of symptoms before returning to school.

Further advice for families can be found via the following link

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

Garden Renovation



Last week, the tree that has been creating a lot of unwanted mulch and shade above our veggie patch was partially removed. Jimmy has also taken down all of the veggie patch fences, netting and weeds along the fence line and this has lightened up the area and made a huge difference. He will finish removing the tree and then start to reconstruct the fence around the garden and the netting above it. We will then top up the garden beds and mulch around the raised beds. We hope to be able to do some gardening and planting next term with our students.

School Lunch Boxes



Thank you to the majority of our families who are supporting our package free and healthy lunches. The trend is that some students' package-free lunches become less as the term goes on and everyone becomes tired. Our package free lunches not only reduce waste produced each day, but also tend to be healthier. Many packaged foods contain hidden, salts, sugars, additives and fats. These things can affect students energy levels and abilities to remain focused and on task in class. The following photos are pictures of lunches from some of our students at the end of 2019.



AFL and Basketball

Our students are really enjoying doing AFL with Laura and Basketball with Denise. As you can see from the photos they are having a lot of fun learning new things!



Buddy Reading

Our buddy reading program is running fairly smoothly. With student absences, we have had to juggle buddies sometimes, but our students are adjusting well and coping with this. As we have uneven numbers of students across the grades and abilities, we do have a couple of students who are reading independently during our lessons.



STEM Resources Needed

This Friday will be our final STEM session for the term. Last week our students were designing a new sandpit area for the playground. This week they will be creating a prototype of their sandpit to present to the whole school. Every child needs to contribute to their build, so please ask your child what they should be bringing in for Friday.

Does our school have what it takes to do the Water Night Challenge?



On 22 October 2020 the challenge is for our families and staff not to use their taps and prepare to be amazed. You will never look at the tap in the same way again!

Many of us use water mindlessly and underestimate how often we reach for the taps. This is even more evident amongst our nation's youth who are significantly less water literate and significantly more likely to take tap water for granted.

Smart Approved WaterMark's consumer research titled 'Australia's Relationship with Water' indicated that as many as 55% of Australians agree they are addicted to using their taps, yet only 42% consider tap water to be precious!

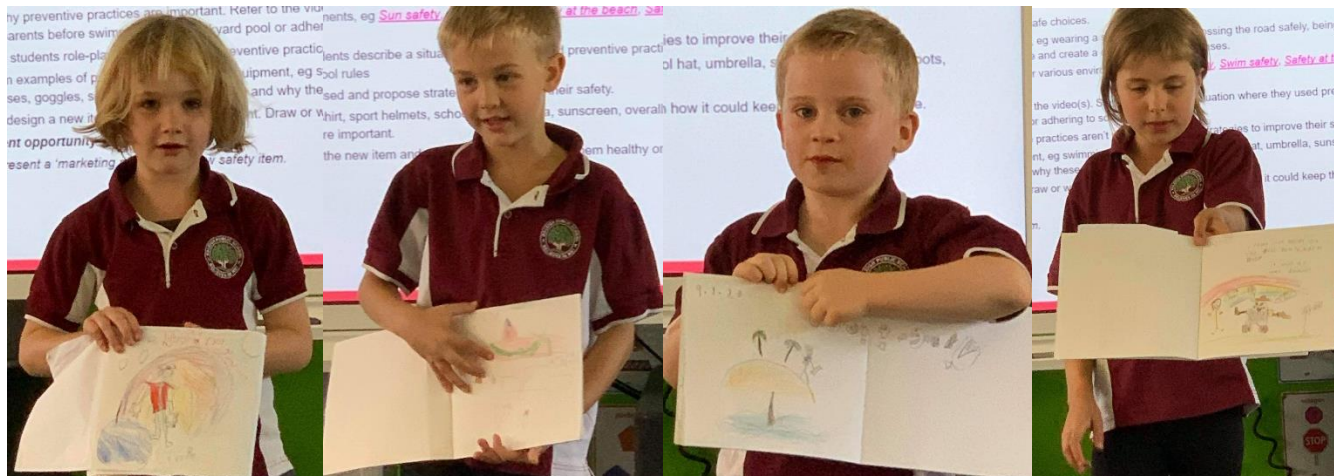
The challenge is not to use taps, showers and running water for the night, making do with one bucket of water only, from 5pm to 5am on Thursday 22nd October. *(Use of water for hand hygiene and religious reasons is exempt of course).*

We believe that if we all discover just how often we reach for our taps and how subconsciously we do it – you, your family, friends and others just like you, will have a whole new perspective on how you use and save water now and in future.

We are encouraging all of our families to register at www.waternight.com.au.

K-2 Health

Last week K-2 came up with some inventions in Health that would help them to stay safe at the pool, beach or out on the farm. They drew and wrote about their inventions and then presented them to the class. Some of their inventions included new hats with fans, a robot which makes sunscreen, permanent sunscreen and a new automatic life jacket.



K-2 Science

In Science, the K-2 students made a toy to show how the forces of push and pull affect objects.

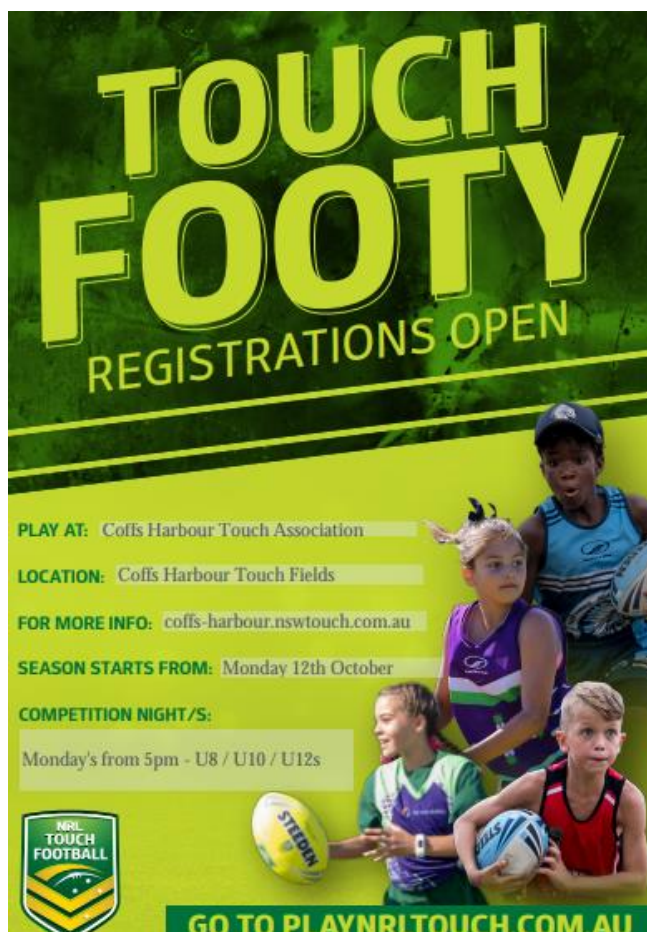


3-6 Music

This week in their music lesson the 3-6 class broke into groups and created their own ostinato pattern. This meant they had to create a rhythm with body percussion.



Regards, Katrina Meenahan



TOUCH FOOTY
REGISTRATIONS OPEN


PLAY AT: Coffs Harbour Touch Association

LOCATION: Coffs Harbour Touch Fields

FOR MORE INFO: coffs-harbour.nswtouch.com.au

SEASON STARTS FROM: Monday 12th October

COMPETITION NIGHT/S:
Monday's from 5pm - U8 / U10 / U12s

 **GO TO PLAYNRLTOUCH.COM.AU**



 **UPSIDEDOWN**
Fitness 

STARTING WEDNESDAY OCT 14TH

KIDS CIRQUEFIT CLASS.
GAMES, MOVEMENT DRILLS,
JUGGLING, HOOPING AND YOGA
AGES 7+
3.45-4.45
\$100 PER TERM

**CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHERS
ACCEPTED**

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!

Adult Hoop Class
Beginner hooping for ages 16+
5.00- 6.00 pm
**\$12.50 PER CLASS OR \$100 FOR
TERM**

@Mylestom Hall.
Phone Lara on
0428 952 868



Let's Play Cricket!

Bellingen Cricket Club and Junior Cricket Club

are inviting players (male and female) from 8 years to Seniors to come and play cricket in our U/10, U/12, U/14 and Senior teams for the upcoming 2020/21 season.

Online registrations are being taken at www.playcricket.com.au

Training for Under 10s and 12s

will commence this Tuesday the 15th September

For more information please contact

Simon Degenhard – 0429 008 850

COME AND JOIN US AT

URUNGA NIPPERS

Nippers is a great way for children aged 5 to 13 to make friends, be active and enjoy the beach in a safe environment.

Register online at

<https://sls.com.au/join/>

All new nippers must provide a copy of their birth certificate to urungasurfclub@gmail.com

Visit our website

www.urungasurfclub.com.au for more info or call Lou on 0437 170 738

18th October: Proficiency Swim (U8-U14's) - Jetty Beach 9am

25th October: First Day of Nippers at Hungry Head

