

RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 3, Week 7

1st September, 2020

2nd Sep Sporting Schools AFL
3rd Sep Fathers' Day Stall Thursday, gifts \$4 each
9th Sep Scholastic Book Club due
9th Sep Sporting Schools AFL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

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>

Life Education Visit

Last Wednesday, Lee and Healthy Harold joined us at Raleigh to conduct our biennial Life Education Program. It was a little bit different this year without the Life Education Van, with our lessons being run in the classrooms. The students from both classes really enjoyed their lesson and were able to discuss what they had learnt with their class afterwards. The K-2 students learnt about body workings, peer pressure and coping strategies, safety and decision making. The 3-6 class learnt more about being Cyber-Wise through relevant scenarios.



STEM Resources Needed

Last Friday our buddies got together and worked on their plan to make a weeding tool. As a part of the planning each child looked at what resources they would need to try to find and bring in from home. These items are needed for this Friday in our STEM lesson. So please start bringing them in!

Our Kitchen Garden

Last Wednesday afternoon I attended an online Zoom meeting after school. This meeting was part of the Live Life Well@ School Initiative to create a network of schools to discuss our Kitchen Garden programs. We were able to share ideas, look at a study done by Newcastle University on kitchen gardens and look at ways we can continue our program in the current COVID climate.

As everyone is aware Jimmy has built our chicken's a new Chook House, which they are very happy in and love! Jimmy has now started to pull down the fence and netting around our current Veggie Patch. We will then be replacing the fence and netting, topping up the garden beds and replanting. We hope we will be able to use the vegetables in KIK, sometime in Term 4.

Father's Day Stall

This year we will be holding our Annual Father's Day Stall, however it will be a little bit different to previous years. Students can bring in \$4 to purchase a gift for Dad, Grandad, Pop or even for Mum, if she is your special person at home. Students are able to purchase more than one gift, but will not be able to choose their second or subsequent gifts until everyone chooses their first. All money MUST be at school by Thursday 3rd September, we will not be accepting late money. It is preferred that this money is paid online via POP to reduce the handling of coins.



At the stall, the gifts will be placed on display for students to look at and choose, using extra hygiene procedures by staff. Students will not be touching gifts when they are choosing. The child will then take their gift and place it in their bag, to take home and store safely for Father's Day on Sunday 6th September.

Native Bees



Over the past few months our bee activity has slowed down due to the colder weather. Each month we observe our bees and record some data. On Friday, the weather warmed up to 22 degrees and we saw a lot of activity from our hives. We are hoping with the increasing warm weather we will see further activity and our hives will begin to gain weight again.

K-2 Local Excursion

K-2 are planning on a short walk next week around Raleigh to look at our local history. Ms Driscoll will send an email and by replying to this your child will have permission.

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 can find out more.



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Why choose Raleigh Public School?

At Raleigh Public School we are committed to providing and sustaining, quality education within a nurturing and safe environment. Our school inspires and promotes individuals to reach their highest potential in an inclusive and supportive environment, to create future, community-focused global citizens.

'Raleigh Believes in Me'

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WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER

- Small class sizes with higher student to teacher ratios
- A team of highly skilled and caring teachers
- Beautiful leafy school grounds with large covered play equipment and covered outdoor learning area
- Whole school cooking once a fortnight
- Choir and recorder ensemble with Mei Wei Lim
- Chickens, veggie garden, orchard, native stingless bees and the Big Tree
- Strong relationships with other small schools to build friendships for High School
- Work with our buddy and in small groups
- Incursions and excursions linked to our educational programs
- A big family feel!

OUR TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Children starting Kindergarten in 2021 would normally attend START (School Transition Readiness Training) sessions in Term 3 and Term 4. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 situation all transition programs have been put on hold. We will keep families updated in Term 4.



MangaHigh

There is one week left for our Year 2 to 6 students to log on and achieve all the multiplication facts to earn their license. The younger students are not expected to do this, however students in Years 4 to 6 need to be aiming for this. 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 – Oliver R
- Year 5 – Isabella
- Year 6 - Skeet

Regards

Katrina Meenahan

Scholastic Book Club

Brochures have been handed out and are due back by Wednesday 9th September. Orders may be placed via LOOP (please send in your order form so that I can process it this end). Alternatively you may like to pay via the school website and send in the order form to be processed.

September Birthdays



We would like to wish *Jamie, Indi, Sophia* and *Wyatt* a very happy birthday in September. Hope you have fun.

Unfortunately students are unable to bring in cakes to share with their class at this time.



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

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SParky & Shady

Helping kids understand themselves so they can live happy, loving and fulfilling lives.

Sept/Oct Two Day Holiday Workshops

- ★ 6-9 year olds Mon 28th & Tues 29th Sept
- ★ 9-12 year olds Thurs 1st & Fri 2nd October

Norm Jordan Pavilion, Coffs Harbour Showground.
Parents attend with kids. 9am - 3.30pm both days.
\$330 for one child and parent. Current health guidelines will be followed.

- ★ Or do the entire program online as a family
\$120 for one month's access.

"I highly recommend 'Sparky and Shady' to all parents looking for strategies to build resilience in their children." *Dr Nicola Holmes*

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