

# RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 3, Week 8

8<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

9 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Scholastic Book Club due
9 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Sporting Schools AFL
11 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Sporting Schools Basketball
25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Last day of Term 3
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Staff and students return
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	School photos

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We hope that everyone had a lovely Father's Day over the weekend. Hopefully being able to spend time with family or catching up over the phone or internet. Thank you to all of the students who purchased presents for their dad, grandparent or special person in their life. We hope that everyone enjoyed receiving their presents.

A reminder of some of the requirements for schools:

- vigilance in ensuring that staff and students do not attend school or work if they are unwell. Parents are reminded that students must not come to school if they are unwell. Even with very mild symptoms
- students absent or sent home due to cold/flu-like symptoms need to be tested
- students and staff must not return to school or work until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free
- schools must sight the negative COVID-19 result prior to allowing students and staff to return to school
- Further advice for families can be found via the following link <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

Thank you to everyone for your understanding and ensuring that our students, staff, families and community remains healthy and safe.

## Welcome

We would like to welcome Ryland and his family to Raleigh Public School. We hope you make many happy memories here. We would like to wish Ryland a very happy September Birthday.



## Thank You Mrs du Preez (Mrs D)

This week is Mrs Nicole du Preez's final full week of her teaching placement. Her final day will be next Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September. The K-2 class and Ms Driscoll have loved having Mrs du Preez join them over the past few weeks. She has been helping the K-2 students with their class work and building her teaching skills. We wish her all the very best in her continuing university studies and future teaching career.

## K-2 Science

K-2 have been exploring Push and Pull in Science. Last week the students have worked in a small group and designed a toy. This week, on Thursday, they will make their toy from recycled materials. Please talk to your child about what they might need to bring in, to help them prepare.

## Bushranger Speech for Year 3-6

Next week all of the students in the 3-6 class will be presenting a short speech on a favourite bushranger. The students have been preparing their speeches over the past four weeks. We look forward to learning some new facts about the bushrangers.

## STEM



On Friday during STEM the students put their designs for a gardening tool into practice. There were some really interesting examples of gardening tools that they made. Although some tools were more successful than others, the students were able to reflect on their product and discuss what they did well and what they could improve if they made their tool again. Well done everyone!

## PE and Sport

It is mandatory in NSW for public school students to participate in 150 minutes of physical education per week. Like many schools, we do this through our PE/Sport program and a daily physical fitness program. At Raleigh, our daily fitness program has been consisting of 5 minutes of running, at the beginning of our middle session. The aim of these sessions are to improve fitness, but also to help students come in settled to class ready for another session of learning. Last week we have decided to continue running 3 days a week and supplement this with two days of skipping or other physical fitness activity. Due to shorter PE/Sport lessons with our coaches, we will be increasing our daily fitness lessons by a couple of minutes. The majority of our students have shown increased fitness and are working towards the goals they are setting themselves to run further or improve their skipping skills.

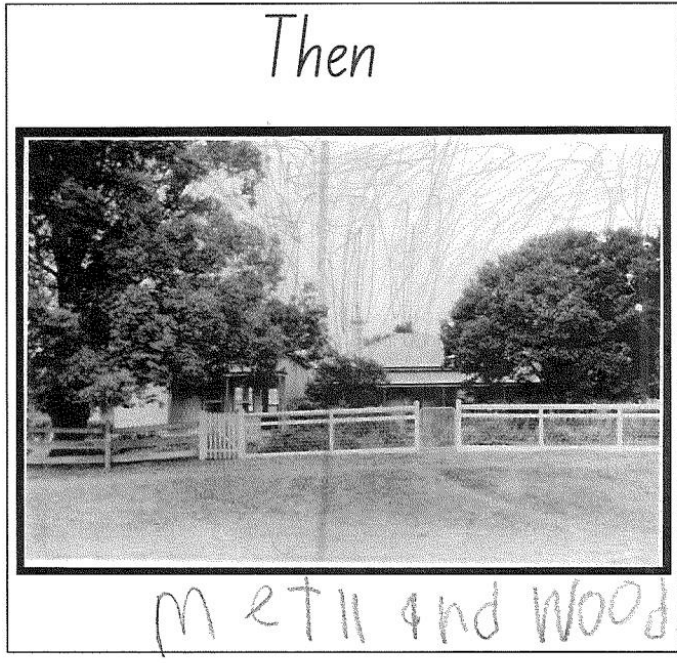
Our students have really enjoyed learning AFL skills with Laura and we can already see improvement in their skills occurring. On Friday, we started our basketball lessons with Coach Denise. The students also enjoyed participating in these lessons. We are lucky to be able to have experienced coaches come and teach specific skills for these sports due to funding from Sporting Schools Australia.



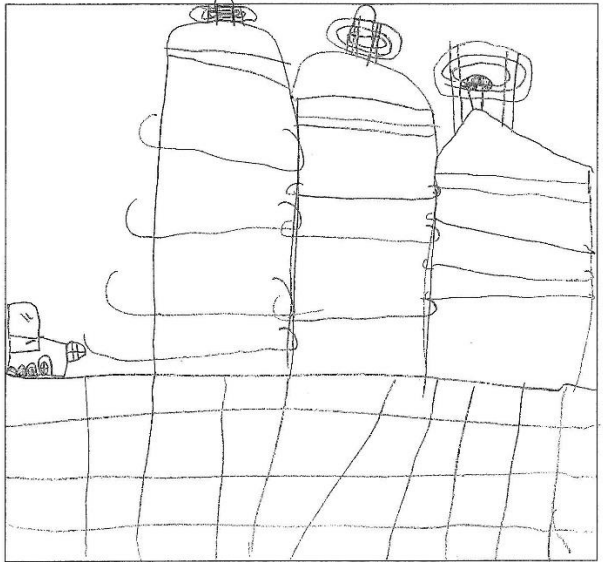
**K-2 History**

This term in History K-2 have been exploring the topic "Preserving the Past" and as part of our local history we started comparing places around us such as the school and Norco.

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 Date: 7.9.20

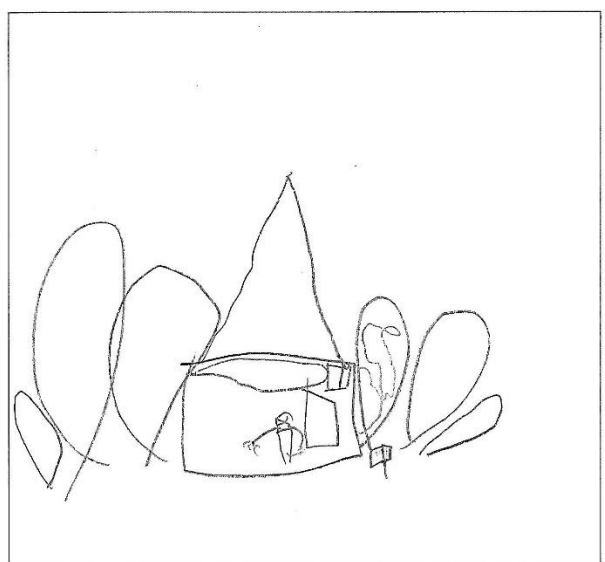


Name: Sylvie Date: 7.9.20  
Norco factory



I know... that it is a  
 industrial zone and they  
 deliver milk for people.  
 I want to know... why <sup>would</sup> they  
 want to do the job  
 of driving the trucks?  
 How old is it?  
 How old are they?

Name: Linda Date: 7.9.20  
Norco



I know... it makes milk and it is Peter  
 a gen  
 I want to know... how many people  
 work there.

## 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.



# RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL ENROL NOW FOR 2021

### 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

Congratulations to those Year 2 to 6 students who have regularly logged on and improved their multiplication skills over the past seven weeks. Congratulation Skeet, who has successfully completed all of the tasks and demonstrated knowledge of all multiplication facts to earn his license.

Congratulations to the following students who are at the top of the Leaderboard in their Year Group at the end of the seven weeks!

- Year 2 – Lincoln
- Year 3 – Caiden
- Year 4 – Oliver R
- Year 5 – Isabella
- Year 6 - Skeet

## 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](http://www.waternight.com.au).

Regards  
Katrina Meenahan

## Scholastic Book Club

Book Club is due back tomorrow, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

# TOUCH FOOTY

## REGISTRATIONS OPEN

**PLAY AT:** Coffs Harbour Touch Association

**LOCATION:** Coffs Harbour Touch Fields

**FOR MORE INFO:** [coffs-harbour.nswtouch.com.au](http://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**



**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

## 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*

Taught by experienced  
Teacher & Author  
Kathy Sheehan.  
Endorsed by  
Clinical Psychologists &  
listed on Beyond Blue.



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Our loving & fearful sides.**

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## MUMS & DADS... ARE YOU LOOKING FOR FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS?

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your voucher with us so you don't need to spend a cent!

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