

# RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 1, Week 5

23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021

24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Kids in the Kitchen
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Sporting Schools Netball
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Sporting Schools Hockey
3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Sound Bites Picnic for hearing awareness, Deafness Foundation. Gold coin donation.
4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Clean up Australia Day
5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Soccer Gala Day, Nambucca
10 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Kids in the Kitchen
10 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Sporting Schools Netball
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	P&C AGM, followed by P&C Meeting, 3.15pm at school.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

## Big Banana Day

What an amazing morning we had with Crossmaglen Public School at the Big Banana last Wednesday. We were very lucky to be able to postpone last year's Rewards Day and still have a private session at the Big Banana. This allowed us to enjoy the water park with only the two schools (no public were allowed entry) and this meant the students went on many more rides than normal. The cooler, cloudy day did not stop anyone from getting wet and having fun!



## District Swimming



Last Friday, two of our students represented our school at the District Swimming Carnival in Macksville. This was their first District carnival and we are all very proud of their effort in the pool.

## P&C Annual General Meeting

The Raleigh Parents and Citizens meet once a term. We will be holding our annual P & C AGM on Thursday afternoon the 25<sup>th</sup> March at 3.15pm in the staffroom.

Everyone is invited to attend and find out what wonderful things our school is doing. If you would like to put your hand up for an official role on the committee, please let the school know or let us know at the meeting.

Hope to see lots of new and regular faces on Thursday.

### What does coming to the P&C Meetings involve?

- Having afternoon tea with other parents and staff;
- Finding out about what is happening in your child's school;
- Having input into decisions that are made within the school;
- Fundraising which reduces educational and excursion costs to benefit your child/ren is the responsibility of **all** families.

## The latest advice regarding COVID-19

Following is a link that may be useful for you if you have any questions regarding current guidelines:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families#School4>

When students or staff are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 and are unwell, they need to stay at home and a COVID test is necessary. They can only return to school when we have received proof of a negative test result and they are symptom free.

Please remember that our school grounds are still limiting visitors and parents are only to enter the school grounds if they have a pre-arranged appointment with either their child's teacher or Irene to purchase uniforms or P&C AGM and Meeting. Any parents attending the school must sign in using the COVID QR code and also sign the Visitor Register in the front office. Thank you for your ongoing understanding.

## Soundwaves

Last week our students started a new spelling program that we are using across the Year 1 to 6 classes. Each student has been placed in a spelling group to support their current spelling abilities. The program is a systematic synthetic phonics program based on the 43 sounds that make up the English language. This means we will be working step-by-step to build students' skills to link letters to speech sounds. This will build on the Foundations they have learnt in Jolly Phonics in Kindergarten and help them to segment (stretch-out) the sounds in words to help them spell. Each week the Year 1 to 6 students will have the same sound as a focus across the whole school.

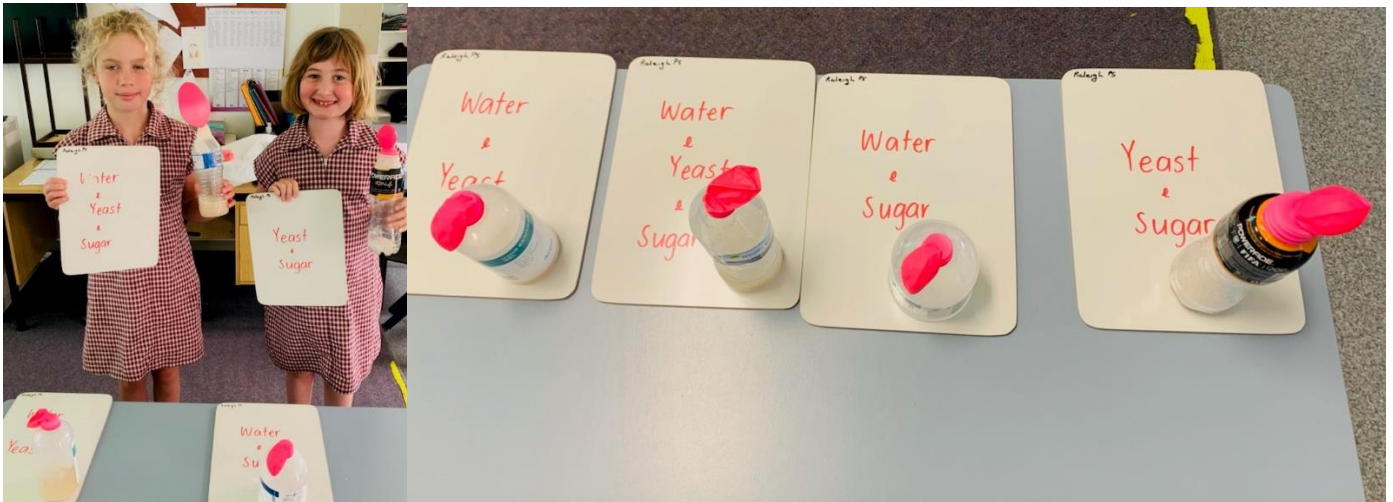
## Kids in the Kitchen

Tomorrow (Wednesday), we will be participating in our second KiK for the term. If you know your child may be a little fussy, it is always a good idea to pack a normal sandwich or wrap for lunch. Our experience is that when students prepare and cook a meal and also see their peers eating the meal, they are more willing to try new foods. Over the years we have had many children, including extremely fussy ones, surprise themselves when they try new foods and realise they actually like them.

Children will be encouraged to try the meal and if they do not want or like it, will be asked to take it home for their family to enjoy. It might be a good idea to pack an extra container for any leftovers.

## Science in 3-6

This term the 3-6 class have been learning about microorganisms. It has been very interesting so far and it has the students thinking, predicting and then checking their predictions in simple experiments. Last Thursday they were exploring yeast and what it needs to survive and flourish. There were many interesting predictions and great observations made.



## Clean Up Australia Day at Raleigh

The official day for School's Clean Up Australia Day is Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> March. As 3-6M will be at the Soccer Gala Day, we have decided to do our Clean Up Day on Thursday. The students in K-2 will clean up around our school and weather permitting the students in 3-6 will walk along the roadside towards the roundabout. They will be supervised by Mrs Meenahan and Mrs Corcoran.

Regards, Katrina Meenahan

## Sound Bites Picnic

We have registered to participate in the Sound Bites Picnic which will be held next Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March at lunchtime. This is an initiative of the Deafness Foundation designed to raise awareness of the impact of hearing loss and strategies to prevent hearing damage. Students will have their lunch together and enjoy fun activities. Each child will be given a butterfly badge and we ask that you bring in a gold coin donation to support the research work of the Deafness Foundation.

Hearing loss is life-altering. It is often preventable, so awareness in our young people is critical.

# School Community Charter

 **Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**



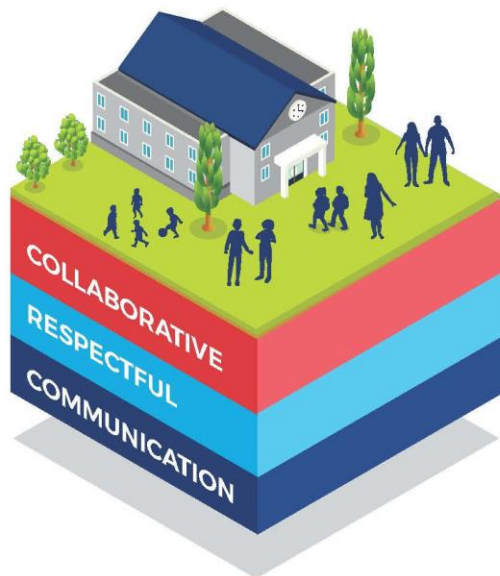
We work in partnership to promote student learning.



We treat each other with respect and fairness.



We communicate in a positive and constructive manner.



**We all play a part**

## Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel safe and respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

### Unacceptable behaviour:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.

hope to see you there

# Made with Love

## MARKETS

### SUNDAY 28th FEBRUARY

9AM - 2PM

CARPARK Level ONE  
Park Beach Plaza - Coffs Harbour

[WWW.MADEWITHLOVEMARKETS.COM](http://WWW.MADEWITHLOVEMARKETS.COM)

*guitar created by singer rally studio*



## Creative Kids Play the Ukulele

Redeem your Creative Kids Voucher and give your child the gift of music

[www.ukoono.com.au/creative-kids/](http://www.ukoono.com.au/creative-kids/)

The Creative Kids Absolute Beginners online course has been designed so your child can work through each pre-recorded video lesson at his/her own pace, slowly and methodically building the basics of how to play the Ukulele.



This project is supported through the NSW Govt through Create NSW

# VALLEY BRAVES BASKETBALL

## DOMESTIC COMPETITION

MACKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
40 BOUNDARY STREET,  
MACKSVILLE NSW 2447

**TEAMS WILL BE DRAFTED ON THE DAY FOR AN ENJOYABLE AND EVENLY-MATCHED COMPETITION**

**COMPETITION DATES:**

FEBRUARY 21ST	MARCH 7TH	APRIL 18TH
MAY 23RD	JUNE 27TH	JULY 25TH

**COMPETITION FEE: \$5 PER PLAYER / PER WEEK**

**UNDER 12'S & UNDER 14'S - 10AM - 11AM**  
2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011

**UNDER 16'S & UNDER 18'S - 11AM - 1PM**  
2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007

OPEN TO ANYONE WHO WISHES TO PARTICIPATE, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN ACTIVE BRAVES REPRESENTATIVE TEAM MEMBER, HOWEVER ALL PLAYERS REQUIRE A BASKETBALL NSW REGISTRATION

**BNSW REGISTRATION:**  
[www.bellingervalleybasketball.sportingpulse.net](http://www.bellingervalleybasketball.sportingpulse.net)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
CALL SHANE 0437 883 033

85<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

*Australian Air League*  
NSW Group

## NSW GROUP IS NOW ENROLLING

Since 1934 the Australian Air League has been teaching young boys and girls nationwide all about aviation, while helping them develop important life skills like leadership, discipline, self confidence and teamwork. When you join the league you will make new friends and take part in fun and exciting activities, on the ground and in the air.

Each week you will attend your local squadron where you will learn valuable skills and take part in fun and interesting activities and classes. Some of our classes include Meteorology, Navigation, Photography and Community Service. Squadrons also attend training camps, sport and recreational days, flying experiences and ceremonial drill.

We welcome boys and girls the age of 8 years old from all different cultures and backgrounds. Parents and families are welcome to support or even join their local squadron as a volunteer. All adult members and volunteers are Working with Children Checked.

The Australian Air League is running both a fun and educational programme that is making fine citizens out of our young Australians.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE AUSTRALIAN AIR LEAGUE AND YOUR CLOSEST SQUADRON PLEASE CONTACT**

[www.airleague.com.au](http://www.airleague.com.au) Email: [info@airleague.com.au](mailto:info@airleague.com.au)  
Free Call: 1800 502 175

## New Workshop for Parents!

Join the celebrated workshop series based on  
*How to Talk So Kids Will Listen*  
& *Listen So Kids Will Talk*  
BY AWARD-WINNING AUTHORS  
ADELE FABER AND ELAINE MAZLISH

# How To Talk So Kids Will Listen™

YOU'LL LEARN HOW TO:

- Help your child develop a realistic and positive self-image
- Set limits while maintaining goodwill
- Cope with your child's negative feelings
- Express anger without hurting
- Engage your child's willing cooperation
- Resolve conflicts peacefully
- Create a family atmosphere of love and respect

TIME: 6pm Wednesdays 24th Feb  
DATE: 6 week course → STARTS: 24th Feb  
LOCATION: Youth Hub Bellingen  
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: 0418988893

## URUNGA PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB



# EP<sub>physie</sub>

epphysie.com



### Class Times:

5-6YRS: 4:15-4:45  
7-8YRS: 4:30-5:15  
9-12YRS: 5:15-6:00  
13-16YRS: 6:00-6:45  
LADIES: 7:00-8:00

\*Depending on class numbers, times may change slightly in coming weeks\*

**CLASSES: START MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2021**

**LOCATION: SENIOR CITIZEN HALL,  
BOWRA STREET, URUNGA  
(BEHIND FISH AND CHIP SHOP)**

Contact:

Nikki: 0413 038 860

Sue: 0421 934 525

PIC•COLLAGE



Bellingen Football Club is open for registrations for the 2021 season. All years Kindy to Year 12, Opens/all-age, and over 35s.

Teams fill up fast and training will begin in early March.

If you are intending to register now is the time!

Register at <https://www.playfootball.com/register>

For more info see Bellingen Football Club on Facebook (@bellingencf) or webpage [bellingencf.com.au](http://bellingencf.com.au)

Active kids vouchers accepted (enter as a voucher code on the sign up payment page).



## Enter Now!

2021 Harmony Day  
Poster and Song Writing Competitions

Theme:  
'Harmony - Everyone Belongs'

### Poster and Song Writing Competitions

Prizes will be awarded in two categories:  
- Secondary (Year 7 - Year 12); and  
- Primary (K - Year 6)

#### Poster Competition Prizes

In each category the following prizes are awarded:  
- State Winner \$500  
- Regional Winner \$150  
- State Winner's School \$500

#### Song Writing Competition Prizes

In each category the following prizes are awarded:  
- First Prize \$300  
- Second Prize \$150

#### Closing Date

2 April 2021

#### Entry Forms and Competition Rules

Are available at:  
[www.movingforwardtogether.org.au](http://www.movingforwardtogether.org.au)

#### Prize Giving Function

Will be held at the NSW Parliament House  
(Date to be advised pending Covid-19)

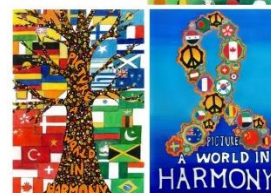
#### Certificate of Participation

Every entrant will receive a Certificate of Participation

#### More information from:

Web: [www.movingforwardtogether.org.au](http://www.movingforwardtogether.org.au)

Email: [poster@movingforwardtogether.org.au](mailto:poster@movingforwardtogether.org.au)  
[song@movingforwardtogether.org.au](mailto:song@movingforwardtogether.org.au)



Winning posters from 2020

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS

## SunSmart App

Check your local sun protection times each day via the [SunSmart App](#). When UV levels are 3 or above, SLIP on sun smart clothing, SLOP on SPF 30 or higher sunscreen, SLAP on a sun smart hat, SEEK shade, and SLIDE on sunglasses. The correct sun protection behaviours reduce risk of skin cancer.

## Bellinghen Netball

Registration and Clinics Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

Juniors 5-8 yrs, intermediate 8-12 yrs.

For more information email [bellingenetball@gmail.com](mailto:bellingenetball@gmail.com) or visit

Bellinghen Netball Club Facebook page.

## Small Schools Swimming Carnival



## Paper Free Newsletters

A reminder that our newsletter will be going paper free from Term 3, to reduce our carbon footprint on the environment. Newsletters will be emailed to families. If you would like to start from next week, please fill out the tear off slip on page 7. Thank you for the great response we have received so far.

Newsletter Tear Off slip -----

### We are going paper free!

Commencing next week, I would like to go paper free for the newsletter.

I would like a paper copy of the newsletter until Term 3.

My best email address to use is: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

In today's measures it takes approximately twenty full grown **trees to produce** one tonne of virgin printer **paper** but only 25% of each **tree** is used to **produce** the **paper** product.