RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Newsletter, Term 4, Week 8

23rd November, 2021

24 November Kids in the Kitchen

26 November All school Transition Bellingen High School

30 November Scholastic Book Club due 1 December START for Kinder 2022

7 December School Photos. Photos will be delivered next year.

8 December Kids in the Kitchen

8 December Last day Student Banking. Student Banking will not be continuing in 2022

16 December Last day for students Term 4. Students Yrs 1-6 return on 1 February

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Between now and the end of our school year we are expecting a number of planned maintenance jobs to be completed around the school. These range from repainting and relaying decking in the House (office), recarpeting the permanent classroom, putting in new kitchen cabinetry and window screens in the permanent classroom, concreting paths, replacing water pipes and a few other odd jobs. We hope to have minimal disruption to the students (and staff) while these occur.

Attendance

All students are expected to be at school unless they are unwell. We are finding an increasing number of students having days off, not for illness. Please remember that Every Day Counts in your child's education. Missing school when they are unwell is unavoidable in the current pandemic. However when they are missing school for other reasons and this can be avoided, please consider how this affects them in the classroom and with their peers. Some children find it difficult when returning from a number of days off, as they do not have the previous knowledge the class has participated in to continue with sequential tasks and this can become frustrating.

Please do not send your child to school if unwell, even with mild symptoms. Get tested for COVID-19 and follow NSW Health directions.

If your child has any COVID-19 symptoms at school they will be sent home and must not return to school unless you have either:

- isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available
- a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.

Weekly Attendance Award



Congratulations to our Weekly Attendance Award recipient who has achieved 100% attendance over the past five days. This will be calculated from Tuesday to the following Monday each week. All students achieving this will go into a draw to become the Weekly Attendance Award winner. As well as receiving a certificate for their great effort, they will also choose a small prize.

Congratulations to this week's Attendance Award winner.

Kindergarten Transition + Parent meeting

Last Wednesday our 2022 kindergarten students attended another START Transition morning. They are settling well into the classroom routines and are all keen and enthusiastic to attend. We were also able to have one double vaccinated parent, attend a short Parent Information session. This was a great opportunity for our new families to ask questions and find out more information about our school.





High School Transition

Last Friday, our Year 6 students attended the Small Schools' Transition Day at Bellingen High School. This Friday they will attend a second day for all students starting Year 7 in 2022. The following is a short joint recount of their day.

Last Friday, Jethro Emma, Tyson and I went to High School for our Year 6 orientation day. At first, when Emma and I arrived we got really lost, but then Tahani, (a Year 10 Bello Buddy), showed us to the library, the meet-up spot. Once we all got there, other schools joined us and we filled out some forms. After that we did some scavenger hunts which were basically just showing us the school and getting to know the teachers. -Isabella

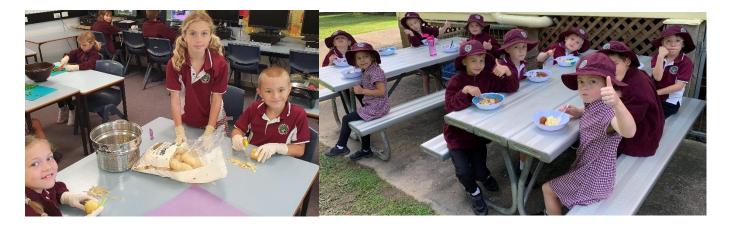
At recess we ate in the agriculture shed for half an hour and then did cooking. We made ANZAC biscuits and a berry smoothie. We then did science where we experimented sound and airwaves. I really liked the experience – Jethro

After we did cooking and science we had lunch. At lunch we drank the smoothies and ate the biscuits. I personally didn't like them but still had them. When I finished them, I went to get a sausage, a lot of people got them too. In the afternoon we did PE and everyone was competitive. - Emma

We're all really excited to go back this Friday!

KiK Wednesday

Tomorrow we will be having our third KiK for the term. We are looking forward to another successful cook and delicious meals.



School Photos

This week we have reminded those students who have previously returned photo notes. If you have not already done this and would still like to purchase a photo package please return the photo envelop or contact Mrs Jones on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Regards, Katrina Meenahan

Student Banking Frequently Asked Questions

I'm a parent. Can I still access my child's Youthsaver account

You can continue to make deposits into your child's Youthsaver Account through online transfer or at any CommBank branch.

I'm a parent. What resources do you have available to help me teach my child about money?

All our youth financial education resources for parents are available in our CommBank Youth Hub, where you can access a range of free resources including videos and worksheets.





'The sun will always shine on those who smile.'
ANONYMOUS

Ease the pressure of school costs with Saver Plus and get \$500 in matched savings to help out.

Saver Plus is a free ten month savings program that provides financial education and matches your savings up to **\$500 for educational expenses**.

To be eligible to join Saver Plus you must:

- be 18 years or over;
- be a parent or guardian of a student attending school, or be attending vocational education yourself;
- have a current Health Care card or Pensioner Concession card;
- be receiving a Centrelink benefit, allowance or payment;
- have some form of regular income from work (you or your partner) OR receive child support;
- not have completed SaverPlus before.

Who do I contact for more info, or to join?
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or click here to complete an enquiry form.