

'News from the Hill'

Rooty Hill Public School

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Term 4 Week 7

17th November 2015

From the Principal



Exemplary students!

Yesterday another group of boys and girls had the opportunity to join me for a 'Principal's Afternoon Tea' to receive their Gold awards. We were joined by many family members to celebrate this significant achievement.

Congratulations to:

Aurora Alejandro, Emil Balajan, James Bandal, Jerylynn Baniaga, Zane Buckland, Chloe Chai, Rylene Chaudhary, Lorenzo Copta, Emmanuel Crichton, Risha Dayal, Aron Diwa, Zachary Dunwell,

Breeanna Foster, Leon Froio, Evan Gao, Felicity Hsu, Tagimamao Koro, John Koudakpo, Letisha Lysaght, Eliza Martin, Amiracle Meng, Erika Mercado, James Moules, John-Dalai Naisali and Angelina Nikic.

Well done also to:

Amarli Ofiu, Jaykob Ofiu, Vyshnavi Panuganti, Koby Pochodyla, Vinuji Polwaththa Gallage, Denise Pulido, James Que, Olympia Ross, Nathan Salacsacan, Mary-Elle Santiago, Mulky Sanwil, Emily Seville, Sabeeka Shakeel, Sophia Story, Juan Rafael Tabernilla, Benjamin Tirados, Amosa Xavier Tuigamala, Moeisha Uele, Silas Wells and Crystelle Xuereb



Can you help please?

If you are busy tidying your cupboards in preparation for the Christmas holidays, try to find something that you could send to school for the Anglicare 'Toys & Tucker' Drive. There is a large box in the office foyer, just waiting for donations of non-perishable goods that can be given to families in need over the holiday period. There would be over 450 items if each of our families donated just one article!! Donations should be handed to your child's teacher.

Kind regards
Jackie Malecki

PSSA Cricket....

The junior and senior PSSA cricket teams have played extremely well this season.

Both teams put in their best effort at all times, notching up a number of wins as well as having some nail biting losses. Unfortunately the senior team did not advance to the semi-finals however, the junior team proudly represented RHPS against Hassall Grove in their semi-final. Sadly they lost 44-23 but played a great game. Well done to all the players.

Mr Katon
Coach



Calendar



**What's happening @
Rooty Hill PS**

Thurs 19th Nov

-Kindergarten 2016
Orientation

Tues 24th Nov

-Kindergarten 2016
Orientation

Thurs 26th Nov

-Hire a Helper

Mon 30th Nov

-School Council
Meeting

Tues 1st Dec

-Santa Photos

Wed 2nd Dec

-Parent Helper
M/Tea
-Principals M/Tea

Mon 7th Dec

-Presentation
Assembly

Mon 14 Dec

-Yr 6 Graduation
and Farewell

Wed 16th Dec

-Last day for
students

The ever-changing curriculum....

Over the past few years NSW curriculum documents have been re-written to align with the Australian Curriculum. You may have noticed a difference in the subheadings on the English and Maths sections of the school reports this year.

Pre 2015	2015
English Reading Writing Talking and Listening	English Reading and Viewing Writing and Representing Speaking and Listening
Maths Number Patterns and Algebra Data Measurement Space and Geometry	Maths Number and Algebra Measurement and Geometry Statistics and Probability

This year we have developed and taught units of work using the new NSW Science and Technology Syllabus. This syllabus has an emphasis on getting children to think scientifically about things and discover through experimentation. We have been trialling 'Science Days' to give children the opportunity to develop and test hypotheses. Year 4 children have been busy trying to build bridges whilst Year 5 children have been experimenting with how matter changes.

Next year change is continuing. History and Geography will replace the Human Society and Its Environment document. History topics explored will be:

Kindergarten: Personal and Family Histories	Years 1 and 2: Present and Past Family Life The Past in the Present
Years 3 and 4: Community and Remembrance First Contacts	Years 5 and 6: The Australian Colonies Australia as a Nation

Children will be learning about primary /secondary sources of information and developing their skills to analyse information, explore a point of view, empathise with others, research and explain.

Geography covers the following topics:

Kindergarten People Live in Places	Years 1 and 2 Features of places People and Places
Years 3 and 4 Places are Similar and Different The Earth's Environment	Years 5 and 6 Factors that Shape Places A Diverse and Connected World

Students will be learning to use a variety of geographic tools to help them find answers to the key inquiry questions posed at the beginning of each unit of work. This is an exciting time for staff and students.

Sue Law
Deputy Principal

Our School Rules

**Care For Your
School
Care For Others
Care For Yourself**

**Tuesday
is School
Banking
Day**

Jiminey Cricket Preschool & Long Day Care Centre

**Taking Enrolments
Now
Catering for 2-5 year
olds**

***Experienced
qualified staff *School
readiness program
*Nutritious meals
provided**

***Childcare benefit
*Fully accredited
centre**

***Computer learning
environment**

**Open till 6pm
9675 2129**

**110 McFarlane
Drive Minchinbury**

Lost Property...

Our lost property
clothing is located
on the veranda of
KR classroom

Focus of the Fortnight

- * Invite others to join your activities
- * Turn off the lights when leaving the classroom

Toys 'n' Tucker Appeal....

As in past years Rooty Hill Public School is again supporting the Toys'n'Tucker Christmas appeal.

Once again we are asking for Donations of non-perishable food items and toys that can be used to make up Hampers for families that would otherwise go without at Christmas time.

Donations can be handed to class teachers and students will receive a ticket to go into our prize draw.

Thank you for your generous support,

Jennifer Moon-Tume
Assistant Principal

Tee Ball Semi Finals....

The Tee Ball players had an enjoyable season. The girls won 5 of the 9 games and the boys won 1 of the 9 games. The boys played against some teams that were very big batters. The girls had a number of close games and made it into the semi-finals last week and the boys watched and supported them. The girls played well, unfortunately they lost to Hassell Grove. Congratulations to both teams for representing our school in a positive way and displaying good sportsmanship.

Mrs Fester
Tee Ball coach



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Uniform Shop Hours

**Monday,
Wednesday
Friday
8.30am – 9.30am**

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 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to work out how much fruit + veg you need.

Eating two serves of fruit and five serves of vegetables every day will help keep you and your kids healthy. But what does a serve look like?

A serve of fruit is 150 grams or:

- 1 medium fruit (apple/banana) or
- 1 ½ tablespoons dried fruit (apricots/sultanas) or
- 1 cup of chopped or canned fruit (fruit salad)

A serve of veg is 75 grams or:

- ½ cup of cooked veg or
- ½ medium potato or
- 1 cup of salad

Pack fruit and veg every day for school lunches – every bit counts towards your child's daily total – plus healthy food gives them extra strength to concentrate longer.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Western Sydney Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.

 

 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to get your whole family eating healthily.

Most families have a fussy eater in their midst: a child who won't touch anything except fast food and processed snacks. It's important for everyone to eat five serves of vegies, and two serves of fruit – every day.

If you have a fussy eater, we recommend:

- **Have patience** – react calmly if your child refuses a food
- **Avoid pressure and keep trying** – kids refuse foods an average of eight times before they will try it – keep offering healthy foods and let them accept and learn to love them in their own time!
- **Involve your kids** – in cooking, shopping growing and choosing foods
- **Be a good role model** – eat together as a family and show your kids that you are eating and enjoying healthy foods.

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Absence Note

Name: _____ Class: _____

My child was away from ___/___/___ to ___/___/___

The reason for the absence is:

Signed: _____/___/___
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