

'News from the Hill'

Rooty Hill Public School

Quality Education in a vibrant, caring school

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Term 2 Week 6

31st May 2016

Synergy Junior and Senior Dance Group....

On Tuesday night many dancers from the Junior and Senior Dance Groups were busy in the kitchen baking for our annual cake stall. By 11:30 Wednesday, many students and most of the staff had rather full bellies. They had eaten nearly all of the delicious cakes, toffees and slices that were donated. A few came back at lunch for a second helping of the baked goods and within minutes they were all gone. The cake stall was a smashing success with \$764.80 raised. This money will go towards the purchasing and making of this year's dance costumes.



Mrs Sandra Russell
Junior Dance Teacher

3/4F and 3N New Adventures!

Last Tuesday, students from 3/4F and 3N attended an excursion to Penrith Lakes as part of their Science unit. The day was split into two learning activities. In the morning students learnt about the history of Penrith Lakes. The students then went on a scavenger hunt to learn about animals that are native to the local area. Following on from this, students did a bird sighting activity to look at the local bird life. In the afternoon, students learnt about some trees that are along the lakes and what types of insects live in those trees. Students then had the opportunity to go dip-netting, where they caught insects that are living in the lake. Afterwards, students had a close-up look at the insects they caught from the lake under a microscope. Below are a few comments from students about the excursion;

I liked learning about the birds and about what they eat. I also really enjoyed the Great Yowie Hunt. **Abiaz 3/4F** I learnt that the Olympic Games were held at Penrith Lakes in the year 2000. I also liked learning some interesting facts about snakes in the local area.

Shrastha 3N

I liked the dip-netting because I got to catch different water insects. It was really hard but it was really fun too. **Michael 3N**

All students were on their best behaviour and represented our school with pride.

Scott Fitzgerald & Samantha Smith
Year 3 Teachers



Calendar

**Synergy
Dance
Festival
Week 8**

What's happening @ Rooty Hill PS

Mon 13th June

-Public Holiday

Tue 14th June

-Synergy Dance Festival
Matinee performance

Wed 15th June

-Synergy Dance Festival
Evening performance

Thur 16th June

-Olympathon

Thu 23rd June

-Athletics Carnival

Tue 28th June

-Year 2 to Riverside
Theatre

Wed 29th June

-Visual Arts Day

Thurs 30th June

-PULSE

Friday 1st July

-Last day of Term 2

Sat 2nd July

-General Election

Tuesday 19th July

-1st day Term 3 for
Students

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- * Invite others to join your activities
- * Look after classroom resources

Sorry Day....

On the 26th of May, the prefects, Indigenous students and SRC members attended the flag raising ceremony for Sorry Day. Leah Murphy and Tetalu Refalo from kindergarten helped the prefects raise the Aboriginal Flag in respect to the Indigenous students of the school. We must always remember that Sorry Day is the day dedicated to all of the Aboriginal citizens of the country.

Chontal and Jamee Lee 6H



A Great Win!....

On Wednesday 25th of May, we hosted a debate against Bidwill Public School as part of the RA Pickles Shield District Competition. Our team had to argue the affirmative case for the topic "Television does more harm than good". Sabeeka, Jamee Lee, Sanobar and Amanda represented our school on this occasion and worked hard to organise points and deliver convincing speeches. This hard work allowed us to secure our second win for the year! Bidwill Public School had put in a lot of tremendous effort and had some fantastic rebuttals. We would like to thank Miss Lam and all members of the debating team for their 'behind the scenes' support as well as 6H, 6R, 6K and 4R for being a great attentive audience and Miss Bishop for holding the debate in the school library. We are looking forward to our next debate!

The Debating Team



Young Writer's Award Afternoon....

What a fabulous afternoon at Rooty Hill High School, celebrating amazing achievements by the students from our school, along with Eastern Creek, Minchinbury and Rooty Hill HS at the 'Young Writer's Competition' awards. This competition is held annually as one of the activities shared by our "Learning Neighbourhood" of schools. Edric Certeza as our overall school winner, was magnificent reading out his work titled 'Olympics', to a large audience. This year the author who came to present the awards was James Knight. James has written many non-fiction books spanning history, travel, cricket and human interest biographies. He is an ambassador for the international charity, 'Room to Read'. One piece of advice that James gave us was the best thing parents can do is talk to their children about the child's interests. Thank you to the parents who brought their children to this event and to the staff who came along to support the children from our school.

Leanne Kiely



Penrith Lakes Excursion....

On 23rd of May, 4R & 4S went to Penrith Lakes. We drove for 25 minutes on a bus. When we got there, there were two instructors waiting for us. They split us into two groups and we did lots of activities. The activities were bird watching, dip netting, searching for Yowies, an insect hunt, a leaf hunt and microscoping insects while we were dip netting. We had lots of fun and we wished we could go back there again.

By Juan and Ken 4R



Our School Rules

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

Goshin Kan Karate & Self Defence

Rooty Hill Public School

Monday &
Wednesday
6.30pm Children
7.30pm Adults
Learn to protect
yourself.
Develop Confidence,
Human values,
Disciplines and Self
Control.

Mobile –
0405 000 366
Head teacher
Kanchi Deena Naidu
6th Graduate of the
Japan Karate College
in the world.

Rooty Hill RSL Youth Netball

11 year old Players
Required
If you are turning 11
or 10 years old in 2016
Training is at Mittaggar
Reserve,
Hassall Grove
5-6.30pm Thursdays
Contact Sue Maude
0438 264 337

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