

'News from the Hill'

Rooty Hill Public School

Quality Education in a vibrant, caring school

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Term 3 Week 8

5th September 2017

SASS National Recognition Week

Across Australia this week schools will be acknowledging the great work done by School Administration and Support Staff (SAS Staff). At Rooty Hill we have a wonderful SAS team, who make up the 'engine room' of our school. They ensure the smooth running of our school and are important contributors to its success and your children's education.

If you see any of them around the school this week, make sure you give them a special smile and 'Thank You' for the work they do!

Each of them has a specialist role, but without exception, they all contribute to the corporate life of the school 'above and beyond the call of duty'!

Who are our SAS Staff?

School Administrative Manager Fiona Wassell heads up the Office team. She has overall leadership of the operation of the School Office, with special responsibility for financial management. Working closely with her as our front office personnel (School Administrative Officers) are Joanne Ryan, Sue Bebbington and Jackie Jones.

Cindy Davis is our General Assistant, with the daunting task of keeping our entire premises in working order and shipshape!



Michele Power, Luisa Gordon, Angela Fleming, Rachael Berry, Kelly Bradshaw, Gerard Azie, Claire Walker and Jodie Piggott are our School Learning Support Officers. They are employed to work with a number of students with diagnosed disabilities, providing academic, physical and social support.



Calendar

Parent Teacher
Interviews
Coming up

What's happening @ Rooty Hill PS

Wed 6th Sept
- Yr 6 to University

Fri 8th Sept
-WSW Clinic
-Oral Reading
Competition

Monday 18th Sept
-Parent/Teacher
Interviews 3-6

Tuesday 19th Sept
-Parent/Teacher
Interviews K-2
-P&C Meeting 2pm

Friday 22nd Sept
-Last Day Term 3

Mon 9th Oct
-All Students Return

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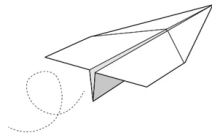
A great team

Last night members of our School Council met once again to discuss school policy and to provide advice on the development of strategic directions for our school. Two new members have joined the team as your parent representatives – Sevgi Tekin and Nalini Ramwani. We look forward to working with them. I would like to thank Michael Hedgman and Monika Vave, both stepping down from their representative roles, for their work and commitment to supporting our school.

Last call for Kindergarten!

If you are hoping to secure a place for your child in Kindergarten next year, it is important that you lodge an enrolment application with us **as a matter of urgency**. If your child was born between **August 1st 2012** and **July 31st 2013**, they are eligible to begin school after the Christmas holidays. Application to enrol forms are available from the Office, or call the Office and we will send forms home with your older children.

Kind regards,
Jackie Malecki



Paper Aeroplane Challenge....

This week as part of our Peer Support Group activities, students across the grades constructed and flew paper aeroplanes. This activity was originally planned to help us acknowledge Science Week, but unfortunately that was the Wednesday we had very blustery winds, so we

had to postpone our challenge day. Students enjoyed working with their

Support Group to make and launch a variety of planes. It was amazing to see how far and how high some of the paper aeroplanes flew.

Ms Roberts

Fathers Day Stall....

Our Father's Day Stall last Wednesday was a great success! Thank you so much to everyone who donated, wrapped gifts, ran the stall, and bought gifts! Together we raised \$2150 for our school. We hope all the dads/grandads/carers had a wonderful Father's Day. Please come along to our P & C Meeting on Tuesday 19th of September at 2pm. Find out what is happening at the school and share any ideas on where fundraising funds should be spent.

P & C Fundraising Committee



Our School Rules

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Little Learners....



Our Little Learners has begun for another year. This program is for children attending Kindergarten at Rooty Hill Public School in 2018. In Little Learners we do structured activities based on fine and gross motor skills as well as school readiness skills. We always have music, stories, craft, crunch and sip and outdoor activities. The children are experiencing what it is like to be in Kindergarten at Rooty Hill!



Mrs Sharon Fester
Kindergarten teacher

A Semi-finals win for the RHPS Debaters....

On Monday the 28th of August, Favour, Sabeeka, Eljohn and Demi represented the debating team against Eastern Creek Public School to participate in the semi-finals round of the competition. Rooty Hill argued the negative case against the topic "Fruit is better than vegetables". We had a successful win and everyone enjoyed it! The debate was very close and the adjudicator said that both teams did an exceptional job. Moving forward, we plan on making sure that we are well-prepared by working on strengthening our rebuttals. We are very proud of the efforts put in and cannot wait for our Pool finals debate. We are determined to win! On behalf of the debating team.



Demi and Sabeeka

Cancer Council NSW Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to help fussy eaters.

Fussy eating is very common and often very stressful for the whole family. While there is no magic solution, perseverance, involvement, presentation and disguise are four effective strategies that can help address this behaviour.

Other tips include:

- Offer new foods at times when children are hungry.
- Encourage kids to try new foods but do not force them to eat. "Parents provide, children decide" is a good rule of thumb to use.
- Let kids help out with food preparation.
- Be a good role model.
- Praise your child for trying new foods: sometimes kids refuse foods to get attention.
- Add "hidden" vegies to recipes such as spaghetti bolognese, soups, casseroles and home-made burgers.
- Cook vegies lightly and use a variety of types so they have different flavours and colours.
- It will take several attempts (10 – 15 times) so do not give up after the first time.

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.

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The simplest way

...to pack a lunch box.

With the kids back to school for Term 3, here are a few tips to make packing and eating lunches easy for you and your child.

- Allocate a drawer or area of the kitchen where lunch boxes and containers are kept, so you can streamline packing.
- If you get food coming home uneaten, ask your child why, as there might be a simple reason, like it's getting soggy in the lunch box, it takes too long to eat or you are packing a little too much for them.
- Remember to include a fork or spoon when needed.
- Prevent soggy sandwiches – pack fillings such as tomato and cucumber slices separately to be added to bread at lunch time, or pat slices dry with paper towel at home before adding to a sandwich.
- For small appetites or younger children, packing smaller serves can help, like cutting sandwiches into quarters and chopping up fruit.
- Open tinned food like corn, baked beans and tuna at home and send in the lunchbox in a plastic container. Tins can be hard to open at school and are sharp on little fingers.

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Rooty Hill Public School P and C

Uniform Price List (As of 27th January 2015)

The P and C Uniform shop is located in the school hall and is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday between 8.30am – 9.30am

Girls Uniform

ITEM	SIZES AVAILABLE	PRICE
DRESS	4 – 16	\$35.00
RED SHORTS	4 – 16	\$16.00
WHITE POLO	4 – 16	\$20.00
WHITE LONG SLEEVE POLO	4 – 16	\$20.00
GREY BOOTLEG TRACK PANTS	6 – 16	\$16.00
SLOPPY JOE	4 – 16	\$25.00
JACKET	4 – 16	\$35.00

Boys Uniform

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Accessories

ITEM	PRICE
SCHOOL HATS (BROAD BRIM AND CAP)	\$10.00
LIBRARY BAG	\$7.00

Larger sizes are available for special orders upon request.

Year six Polo Shirts and SloppyJoos may be ordered at the beginning of the year and are organised by the year six teachers.

Order Form

If you are unable to purchase during our hours of business, you can order items using this form. In an envelope, enclose the order form with a **cash** payment for the full purchase price to the school office. Orders will be processed by the uniform ladies, then distributed to your child.

Cash only. Sorry **NO** cheques or EFTPOS available.

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

<u>Item</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Price</u>

Total money enclosed \$ _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Phone: _____