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"Learn Wisely, Live Proudly"

From the Principal - Mrs Maraga

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Phones!

Our phones are back in working order after being out of action for several days. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

Walkathon

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the Walkathon held a few weeks ago. It was great to see so many parents who came to join in on the fun of the day. We are still collecting the sponsorship money which can be delivered to the library before school each morning. We would appreciate your help with finalising the collection of the money as soon as possible, so that we can draw the fabulous prizes before the end of the year.

Fun Fair

This Thursday the students of Stage 3 are holding their annual Fun Fair. There will be lots of things to see and do as well as plenty of nice things to eat. The money raised from this Fun Fair and the cake stalls held throughout the year, goes towards funding the Year 6 Farewell Dinner and also the Year 6 gift to the school.

School Leaders

The process of electing the student School Leaders for 2016 has begun with many Year 5 students putting their names forward two weeks ago. The Year 5 group voted to narrow the list to 6 boys and 6 girls who introduced themselves to the Year 2 to Year 6 students at a special assembly on Monday.

The vote was conducted on Monday and the successful students will be announced at the Primary Presentation Day Assembly on Monday 7 December. Good luck to all of the candidates.

Kindergarten Orientation

The 2016 Kindergarten students were at school again last week spending valuable time familiarising themselves with their soon to be new surroundings and meeting new friends. These days also give the teachers an opportunity to observe the students in preparation for their start next year.

Parents need to have booked a timeslot for Best Start testing by accessing the school interviews website. If you require more information please contact the school.

Impact Day

Last Friday, the volunteers from the Deloitte company led by parents Anthony Boros and Sheryl Wedge, worked on restoring the steps that lead to the lower grove area and clearing out the surrounding gardens. They have done a wonderful job working in extreme conditions with our GA's Brendan and Bruce and also grandparent Rob. We are hoping to get more use from this area in 2016 thanks to the hard work of the volunteers.

End of Year events

There are many big end of year events coming up over the coming weeks. Later in this newsletter you will find some information about times and dates for some of these events. As always, keep an eye on the school website and Facebook page for more information.

Dates for the Calendar	
26 Nov	Fun Fair
27 Nov	Year 6 BASH
1 Dec	Last day of Scripture for 2015
1 Dec	P&C Meeting
2 Dec	Edinglassie Visit
3 Dec	High School Orientation Day
4 Dec	Gold and Silver Assembly
7 Dec	Presentation Day
8 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Assembly
9 Dec	Helpers Morning Tea
9 Dec	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
10 Dec	Talent Quest Final
11 Dec	Reports Home
11 Dec	Last Day for Canteen in 2015
14 Dec	K-2 Party Day
15 Dec	Christmas in the Grove K-2
16 Dec	Stage 2 Party Day
16 Dec	Stage 3 Party Day
16 Dec	End Term 4
28 Jan	Students Year 1 to Year 6 return
1 Feb	Kindergarten students start

Payments Due	
12 – 25 Nov	Walkathon
7 Dec	K-2 Party Day \$5
9 Dec	Year 5 & 6 Party Day \$20
10 Dec	Year 3 & 4 Party Day \$20
	General School Contribution can be paid at anytime \$40/\$80

Lost Property

If your child has misplaced a hat, jumper, water bottle etc please feel free to pop into the sick bay where we are keeping the lost property. It will be emptied in the coming weeks by one of our lovely volunteers.

Deloitte Volunteers

Every year, the Deloitte company has an Impact Day where staff volunteer their time to work in schools and other locations. Anthony Boros, P&C Treasurer, liaised with the school over many months to coordinate the working bee which was held last Friday.

There were 10 volunteers from Deloitte plus our own hardworking Rob (grandparent) and GA's Brendan and Bruce, who worked on the hottest day of the year so far.

The aim of the job was to restore the steps leading down to the lower grove area and thin out the vegetation in the garden beds. The team was very successful completing their work before the hottest part of the day.

Their work will give us the option of using the area as an additional play area for the students in 2016. Thanks to all involved.

Star Performers

- Well done to the Deloitte volunteers who did a great job tidying up the steps and gardens in the grove area last Friday.
- Thanks to Mrs Bell for coming in on her day off to provide the catering for the volunteers.
- Congratulations to Mrs Maraga who was nominated for the John Laing Award for her work in promoting and developing leadership across schools. Mrs Maraga's work has been acknowledged by many including her peers in the Primary Principals Association of NSW.

Canteen News

I would like to thank all of my canteen volunteers for their help this year.
Without them we would not be able to open every day.
A Merry Christmas to all students and their families.

Last day of Canteen operation this year will be Friday 11 December.

Thank you
Merry Christmas
Sally Simmons

NB. The canteen will not be open on Thursday 26 November at recess while the Fun Fair is on. It will be open as normal at lunchtime.

Congratulations to the Reggie Card Winners

Safe (K-2) - Isabelle KC

Safe (3-6) - Liam 4G

Learner (K-2) - Izabella 2F

Learner (3-6) - Loghan 45K

Respectful (K-2) - Alexis 1P

Respectful (3-6) - Jacob 4G

No Litter November - Laura KG

Bus Timetable Changes

799 - leaves RPS at 3.05pm

797 - leaves RPS at 3.19pm

Effective Monday 30 November

Students who catch the 799 will leave the classroom at
2.55pm.

<p align="center">Information for the end of year events</p>

Event	Date/Time	Information
Gold and Silver Assemblies	Fri 4 Dec Infants 11.20am to 12.15pm Primary 2pm to 3pm	Seats are limited.
Primary Presentation Day Assembly	Mon 7 Dec 9am to 11am	Seats are limited. The school band will perform outside the hall between the two assemblies
Infants Presentation Day Assembly	Mon 7 Dec 11.20am to 1pm	Seats are limited.
Year 6 Graduation Assembly	Tues 8 Dec 9am to 11am	Seats are limited. Tissues may be required
Helpers Morning Tea	Wed 9 Dec 11am to 11.30am	In the Library
Year 6 Farewell Dinner	Wed 9 Dec 5.30pm to 9.30pm	Hall entry at 5.45pm. Families welcome at 9.20pm for special performance
Talent Quest Final	Thu 10 Dec 9.30am to 11am 11.30am to 1pm	Parents welcome. Finalists will be notified of which session they are performing in.

The Spirit of Giving

Each year Regentville helps various charities that support families facing hardship over Christmas. This year for our “**Giving Tree**” we have allocated each stage something special to bring to ensure a variety of items are available. You are more than welcome to purchase items not suggested. The list is only a guide.



If you choose to support this worthwhile cause you can bring in one item, or as many items as you like, to place in your classroom collection box. These items will be combined and will go to families in our local community who are in need.

The SRC will be collecting items in the classroom. Donations can begin coming in this week. From December 1st to 16th, you are welcome to place gifts directly under the “**Giving Tree**” which can be found in the office.

We thank you in advance for your generosity.

The SRC

Here are some ideas

Kindergarten and Teachers - Please bring special gifts

Examples for kids include pencils, crayons, paper, colouring books, stickers, skipping ropes, books, bubbles, bubble bath, small toys

Examples for adults include hand creams, scented candles, books, vouchers.....

Year 1 and 2 - Please bring food items (*non-perishable*)

Examples include canned food, coffee, tea, pasta, long life milk, spreads (jam, vegemite etc.), pasta, sauces, cake mixes, oil, Christmas food items....

Year 3 and 4 - Please bring toiletry items / household items

Examples include toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant, sunscreen, garbage bags, washing up detergent, gloves, bug repellent, soap on tap.....

Year 5 and 6 Please bring food items (*non-perishable*)

Examples include canned food, coffee, tea, pasta, long life milk, spreads (jam, vegemite etc.), pasta, sauces, cake mixes, oil, Christmas food items....



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WORKSHOPS & COURSES FOR PARENTS EDUCATORS CARERS

UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOUR

2 HOURS

This two hour workshop assists parents, educators and carers in looking at the underlying messages of behaviour. The workshop content is delivered in an interactive environment which has a focus on the 'person first' approach, assisting participants to understand behaviour.

This workshop will look at behaviour interventions and patterns, building strong connections with families and children, and discover solutions through reflective practice.

The United Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), Early Childhood Code of Ethics, and National Quality Standard (NQS) are key components of this workshop.

PATHWAYS FOR REFERRALS

2 HOURS

This workshop is delivered in a counselling based method of sharing experiences and working through the barriers to achieve positive outcomes for families, children and early childhood educators.

Each participant will receive a local service directory for either North, South, East or West Sydney. The workshop content will give participants knowledge on the referral process, giving confidence and empowerment to the educators to break through barriers of communication with families.

The United Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), Early Childhood Code of Ethics, and National Quality Standard (NQS) are key components of this workshop.

TRIPLE P SEMINARS

3 x 2 HOUR BLOCKS

The Power of Positive Parenting is an evidence based, parenting program that focuses on building positive relationships between children and their parents.

Series of 3 Seminars

- The Power of Positive Parenting
- Raising Confident, Competent Children
- Raising Resilient Children

MUNCH & MOVE

2 HOURS

This is a Childrens Services NSW Govt. Initiative delivered in a fun and interactive workshop. The content focuses on health and nutrition. Each participant will receive a CD, lanyard, posters and workshop booklet for your service.

The Early Years Learning Framework and National Quality Standard are key components of this workshop.

AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER

2 HOURS

This two hour workshop is for educators, parents and carers. This workshop defines ASD and its components.

Delivered with a focus on a 'person first' approach, which assists participants in understanding behaviour. The workshop is interactive and works on building positive connections with families, children and educators.

The United Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), Early Childhood Code of Ethics, and National Quality Standard (NQS) are key components of this workshop.

1-2-3 MAGIC AND EMOTION COACHING

3 x 2 HOUR BLOCKS or 1 FULL DAY

This program aims to teach parents how to deal with their children's difficult behaviour by using an easy-to-learn and easy-to-use signalling system to manage children's difficult behaviour.

The signalling system requires the parent to use less talk and less emotion, which in turn encourages the development of children's ability to manage their emotional reactions to parental boundaries (or emotional competency).

For more workshops, information & bookings

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