

# Regentville Public School R. A. P.



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Wednesday, 22 November 2017

Last day for Awards Trading in 2017  
will be Friday 24 November.

Awards for trading need to go to:  
Mrs Garland – Kindergarten to Year 2  
Mrs Macleod-Jones - Year 3 – 6



## Dates for the Calendar

23 November	2018 Kindergarten Orientation (9.30am – 10.45am)
24 November	Last day awards trading
7 December	Very Kindy Christmas in the Grove (5.30pm – 7.30pm)
8 December	Gold/Silver Assembly
11 December	Presentation Day (Primary 9am, Infants 11.20am)
12 December	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
13 December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
14 December	K-2 Party Day
15 December	Years 3 & 4 Party Day
15 December	Years 5 & 6 Party Day
<b>Payments Due</b>	
24 November	Years 5 & 6 Party Day \$20.00
30 November	Years 3 & 4 Party Day \$25.00
7 December	K-2 Party Day \$5.00
	Voluntary School Contribution can be paid at any time \$45/\$90



# STEM EXPO

**Week 9**

**Tuesday 5 December**

**9:00-11:00am**

**8:15-9:00**

**Registration in the library**

**Coffee and morning tea**



*All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend a short presentation in the library, followed by a student expo featuring four 'real world' projects they have been working on this year!*

**Sharing our success with our community!**

## **STEM Project Classes:**

**3P Future Focused Learners**

**4A Water Warriors**

**4P Hope Heroes**

**4/5F PNG Aid Support**



**Reggie says congratulations to the following people for being our weekly winners!**



	<b>K-2</b>	<b>3-6</b>
<b>Safe</b>	Lily – 2H	Cooper 6C
<b>Respectful</b>	Hollee – 2A	Brodie – 3C
<b>Learner</b>	Benji -2H	Annabelle -2/3R
<b>Green</b>	Mia - KJ	



Stewart House bags were distributed to classrooms last week.

If you have any clean, used clothing please place in the bag and return to the school? Bags should be left outside the back of the hall. (Mr Bruce's Shed)

Stewart House is a charity we help to support and this is another way they raise money for their children's programs.

Full bags need to be back at school by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November ( Next Thursday).

If you require additional bags please ask Mrs Scott.



**Regentville Public School celebrates  
150 years in 2018  
and we're starting to plan now.**



Photo courtesy of Ron Vaughn

**Do you know any of the people in this photo?  
Please contact us if you or someone you know was  
part of this important moment in our  
school's history.**

**Do you have any other early photos you can share?  
[regentvilleps150@gmail.com](mailto:regentvilleps150@gmail.com)**



## New Cashless System is here!

Our school has introduced a great new online ordering system for **Canteen** lunch orders (recess will be included soon), called FlexiSchools. This system allows parents to place school lunch orders from home or work at any time. All payments are completed online, so **less paper bags and cash are sent via your student to school**. As well as being convenient for parents, the online orders are much faster and easier for the canteen volunteers and staff to process - so it makes everyone's life a little easier. FlexiSchools is well established and tested, operating in hundreds of schools across Australia.

## Order and pay for school lunch orders online with Flexischools online ordering...

- Parents set up a Flexischools account online and pre-load the account with funds.
- Parent can use the funds in their account to order and pay for Canteen lunch orders online
- Parents can view their orders online.

## Get Started with Flexischools...

### Set up an account for online ordering...

You can set up an account online now – it only takes a minute.

1. **Register for Flexischools** by visiting [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au). Add your student, their school and class to get started.
2. **Top-Up your account** via Visa, Mastercard, PayPal or direct deposit.

**The system is available now, with first orders being accepted for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017!**

## What does it cost?

Online Ordering Fees -	\$0.29 per order
Account Top-Up Fees -	Direct Deposit FREE
	Credit card (Visa/Mastercard) 15c + 1%
	PayPal 15c + 1%

Please note that the current paper bag system will remain available for recess and lunch orders. Online ordering is being introduced to complement the existing system, and cash will always be accepted at the canteen windows.

If you have any questions about the online services we are introducing, please contact the Regentville P&C by email at [regentvillepandc@gmail.com](mailto:regentvillepandc@gmail.com)



Please support those in need at  
Christmas by providing something  
for the **GIVING TREE**



Donations can be placed in class  
collection boxes or directly under  
the Giving Tree in the office up until  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

**Thank you for your kind donations!**

# The Spirit of Giving

*Each year Regentville helps charities that support families facing hardship over Christmas.* We have allocated each stage ideas of items to bring for the 'Giving Tree' to ensure a variety of gifts are available.



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

The SRC will be collecting items in the classroom from now until **Friday 15th December**. Of course, you can place donations 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....



## You're invited to a family fun day in the Hawkesbury

**Come and celebrate International Day of People with Disability and Social Inclusion week.**

On 1st July 2016, the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) was introduced in Nepean Blue Mountains by Uniting and the National Disability Insurance Agency. The NDIS is the new way people with disability receive help and it means a new era of lifestyle and service choices for you and your family.

There will be an event program available on the day so you don't miss a thing. Note the date in your diary, and feel free to contact us.

**Join us on Saturday 2nd December 2017 from 10am to 4pm**

- Non-stop entertainment, food, music and fun
- An interactive expo of local businesses, organisations and service providers
- Roving magicians, face painters, fairies and entertainers
- Get your free photo with Santa from 12pm
- Donate a gift to charity at our Wishing Tree

**When:** Saturday 2nd December 2017  
10am to 4pm

**Where:** Hawkesbury Showground  
40 Racecourse Road  
Clarendon

**Contact:** Heather or Vanessa  
0429 192 467  
vbayley@uniting.org

**Register:** vbayley@uniting.org

[ndis.gov.au](http://ndis.gov.au)

LOUD Theatre Company presents

# Princesses & Princes

Songs from Frozen, Moana, The Little Mermaid, Trolls, Aladdin and more.

Come dressed as your favourite princess or prince!

**Penrith Panthers**  
**Jan 10th, 2018**  
**11am**

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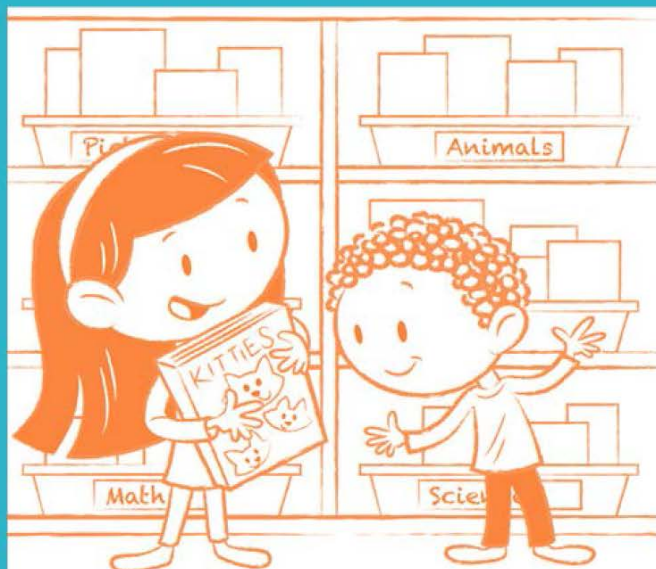
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## Free Meal and Support Services in Penrith over Christmas and New Year

Organisation	Hampers and Grocery Items	Christmas Meal Services	Centre Closures	Contact number
Christ Mission Possible	Hampers - Orders taken until the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of December in office or with street based services	Dinner on Thursday 14 December 5.30pm at Steamroller Park 195 Victoria St, Cambridge Park  Hampers and toys distributed	Closed from COB Friday 22 December  Street based and Centre services Re-opens on Monday 8 January	4704 8809
Penrith Community Kitchen		Lunch on Friday 22 December, 11.45am for 12pm lunch at PCYC location.  No booking required. Gifts provided to participants.	Closed only on public holidays  Re-opens on 2 January	4721 1444
Mama Lana's Community Foundation	Food hampers and food packs will be available at the meal service only upon request.	Christmas Lunch: 25 Dec, 12 noon held with Church of Christ on 156/160 Stafford St Penrith  25 December: Evening meal service as usual in Judges Place carpark	Service will run as per usual over the Christmas – New year period.	0407 909 447
Ross Hutchison Foundation	Hampers are available, contact the Ross Hutchison Foundation directly		No closure - RH Foundation will be available to provide support over this period.	4721 2620
Anglicare	To discuss and/or organise potential hampers, call Anglicare directly			8805 0900
One Voice Shower Bus			Closed 21 Dec - Reopens 8 Jan	0435 947 164
Westcare Community Services			Emergency Relief Service closed on Wed 20 Dec and re-opens on Mon 29 Jan	4731 3275



Buy a book from

 **SCHOLASTIC**

**Book Club**

to help build  
our classroom  
resources

orders are due:

**29 November 2017**



# Casual Work

School Crossing Supervisors – Work with your community  
1 x Casual position – Penrith Local Government Area (00005QJA)

An important person in a child's school life is the School Crossing Supervisor, who ensures they cross the road safely. The role requires minimal hours out of your day and gives something worthwhile back to the community.

The hours are usually 8.00am to 9.30am and/or 2.30 to 4.00pm Monday to Friday during school terms. The base rate is \$22.46 - \$26.95 per hour.

All the qualifications you need are community spirit, good communication skills, an alert and professional attitude to work and a reliable personality. The casual hours and school holidays would suit a parent or grandparent, a retiree or anyone wanting meaningful work — but not full-time.

Training for your key responsibilities of directing traffic to stop at the designated crossing and giving clear instructions to infants and primary school students to cross the road safely, will be provided. You may be required to attend a health assessment. Appointment is subject to a Working with Children Check clearance.

Roads and Maritime Services is an equal opportunity employer.

For further information on this exciting opportunity please call 1300 305 855 or go to [iworkfor.nsw.gov.au](http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications close Sunday, 26 November 2017**



Transport  
Roads & Maritime  
Services

## Kids can drown without a sound!



### Kids Can Drown Without a Sound!

Drowning is a leading cause of death for children under the age of five years. In NSW an average of 13 drowning deaths and 84 non-fatal drowning incidents occurred in children aged 0-17 years in the period 2002 to 2015. Non-fatal incidents can cause permanent damage to the child's brain, heart and lungs. Most parents think they will be able to hear if their child is drowning, but in fact it is very silent and quick.

The 'Kids Can Drown Without a Sound' campaign from Kids Health at The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network aims to raise water safety awareness and encourage families to take appropriate precautions when children are in or near water.

### To help prevent child drowning:

1. Have a compliant pool barrier that is used correctly and maintained regularly
2. Adult supervision of children (within arm's reach) in and around water is essential
3. Teach children water familiarisation and swimming skills
4. Learn CPR and remember that any attempt is better than none at all

Recent research reveals that across all ages, people of culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and newly arrived to Australia are at higher risk of drowning incidents. This is likely to be due to lack of familiarity with water activity and swimming ability in some people.

The 'Kids Can Drown without a Sound!' resources are available for download in 17 different languages from the Kids Health website: <http://kidshealth.org.au/inflatable-and-portable-pools> or printed copies for order free of charge from: <http://kidshealth.org.au/resources-order>

A free online 'CPR Training for Parents' is available to teach parents and carers the skills needed to perform basic CPR on a baby or child. It can be accessed via <http://kidshealth.org.au/cpr>

