# **Regentville Fublic School**



"Learn Wisely, Live Proudly"

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### 13 December 2017

# From the Principal - Mrs Maraga

Semester 2 Reports for Semester 2 2017

The semester two reports were sent home on Monday 11 December. These reports provided information about your child's progress over the last two terms. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher about the report please contact them.

### Classes 2018

Next year the students from Years 1 to 6 will commence school on Tuesday 30 January 2018. As in previous years we will place the students into temporary classes until we know exactly how many students are attending Regentville PS. Once we have determined exact numbers we will inform you and the students of their permanent class placement for 2018.

We will be welcoming many new families to our school community next year as well as farewelling our large Year 6 Group this year. I know that as always, the new parents and students will be warmly welcomed to our school by all.

### Kindergarten 2018

The first day of school for our Kindergarten students at Regentville will be Thursday 1 February 2018. It will be an exciting time for them and their families as they commence their formal education at 'big school'. The wonderful P&C will be providing their now traditional "Tea and Tissues" in the hall for all parents. All parents are invited to come along for a cuppa and a chat after their children have joined their class.

### Thank you to helpers

A school this size, with all that is happening, cannot function without the support and at times, help from parents and grandparents. Today the staff provided a morning tea as a way of saying thank you to the many helpers this year. It was lovely to share a special event with many of the people who have helped this year in many different ways. Your time and efforts is very much appreciated by all.

### We say farewell to some of our wonderful teachers

We wish **Mrs Tomasko**, **Mrs Jones and Mrs Warne** happiness as they leave our school to welcome beautiful babies into their families.

**Mrs Penellum, Miss Jacka and Mr Scott** will leave our school to take up new positions in 2018. Each of these teachers has contributed much to our school and we are very thankful for the years they have worked at our school. We wish them continued success in their new schools next year.

**Mrs Garland and Ms Simpson** will be leaving us at the end of the year as they begin their retirement. Mrs Garland and Ms Simpson are very much loved teachers at Regentville. They have touched the lives of many of our students sitting here today. They have contributed so much to educating young people in our schools. We wish them well as they pursue other interests in the years to come and thank them for their immense contributions to Regentville over the years.

### Happy holidays

The last day for students this year is Friday 15 December.



# 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 everyday.

Merry Christmas to all the students and their families.

Thank you Merry Christmas Sally Simmons







# Library News

Could all **books** borrowed by students be **returned** to the library **immediately** as a stocktake needs to be

completed during the last two weeks of term. Thank you.

**Mrs Healey** 

# **Important Reminder**

# Care Monkey Reminder

Parents if you have not already signed up your child for a Care Monkey profile, could you please do so by the beginning of next year?

This is a fantastic tool that we hope to have in full use by Term 1, 2018.

Thank you to all those parents who have already signed up.

# Please <u>support those in need</u> at Christmas by providing something for the

**GIVING TREE** 



Donations can be placed in <u>class collection</u> <u>boxes</u> or <u>directly under</u> the <u>Giving Tree</u> in the <u>office</u> 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 '<u>Giving Tree</u>' 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 <u>classroom</u> <u>collection box</u>. These items will be combined and sent to families in our local community who are in need.

The <u>SRC will be collecting items</u> 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 <u>office</u>.

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....



# 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



This is a reminder regarding students who need to re-apply for School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel in 2018

Students who hold an School Student Transport Scheme entitlement and are changing grade bands i.e. going from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7 <u>and changing school</u>, and students whose entitlement was approved under a medical condition, should have received notification by email or post informing them of the pending expiry of their entitlement. Term Buss Pass holders will have also received notification.

Students enquiring about a pending cancellation should be advised to go online to <u>https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails</u> to update their details or apply for next year's entitlement. Students changing residential address will also need to go online to update their information.

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2017 to ensure students' entitlements are updated and their current card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2017, the system will automatically cancel their card and a new one will need to be issued.

### Students who do not need to re-apply:

Students who are changing grade band and are <u>remaining at the same school and same residential</u> <u>address</u> will not receive notification and <u>do not need to reapply</u>. The system now automatically validates a student's on-going eligibility if they're at the same school and going from infants to primary or primary to secondary. Where a student meets the new eligibility the system will automatically update their entitlement and card.

Students in the Opal network applying for an SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January 2018.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their new travel pass at the commencement of the new school year in 2018. **Note**: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students should check with their operator for more information.





LOUD Theatre Company presents

Songs from Frozen Moana, The Little Mermuid, Trolls Aladdin and more. Come dressed as your favourite princess or prince!

# enrith Panthers Jan 10th, 2018

# Tix \$12@

www.loudtheatre.com.au facebook.com/loudtheatrews/ http://www.ticketebo.com.au/princessesandprinces



## Passport to school holiday fun!

Bookings are now open for our summer Holiday Club program - 'Passport to Summer'.

Join in the summertime fun these school holidays; incursion days include:



### Bags and Pencil Cases With A Splash Of Colour

We're getting ready for the new school year with a splash of colour. Using vibrant colours, we'll get creative by tie-dying calico bags and pencil cases. It'll be to dye for!

At the end of the day you'll be able to take home your new bag and pencil case to use at home or school.

### Make An Erupting Volcano

We'll be building our very own volcanoes and making them erupt. At the end of the day you'll be able to take your volcano home so you can make it erupt again and again - in true volcanic fashion!

### Book into a Holiday Club program

For more information on a Holiday Club program near you and to book visit <u>www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs</u> and use the 'Holiday Fun finder' on our homepage. We hope to see you and your family at a Holiday Club program near you soon. From the Team at Camp Australia.





### Delivering the NDIS in your community



# 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.

# 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

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.

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



# 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

Penrith Salvation Army Presents



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SINGING | FACE PAINTING | SAUSAGE SIZZLE JUMPING CASTLE | PETTING ZOO

RIDES BYO RUGS AND CHAIRS

CHRISTMAS COSTUME COMPETITION (FOR KIDS AGED 4-12)

AND A VISIT FROM Santa

Penrith Salvation Army 48 Luttrell St, Glenmore Park

facebook.com Search 'Nepean/Penrith Salvation Army'

If raining, event will be held indoors

# AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES **FERM 1, 2018**



# **COLOUR & LINE ADVENTURE ART CLUB** With Na'ama Atzmon-Simon

techniques: collage, rubbings, still life, paper mosaic and use stories, oy captivating colour and luscious lines. You'll try loads of fun art Create your own great artworks in this workshop series inspired music, famous artists and superheros to inspire your art.

WHEN: Thursday 8 February - Thursday 12 April 2018, 4.15 - 5.15pm TICKETS: \$110 per person for 10 week term WHO: Students in Years 1 - 6

Limited Tickets. Book in early to secure your spot.



# YOGA @ THE LIBRARY With Suzanne Ellis

have you feeling stronger, calmer, more focused and energised. Good for your body and mind, this ten-week yoga course will BREATHE. STRETCH. CHILL.

WHEN: Tuesday 6 February - Tuesday 10 April 2018, 4 - 5pm **TICKETS:** \$80 per person for 10 week term WHO: Students in Years 5 - 12

# INTRODUCING LORINDA...

-orinda as a new member of the <sup>></sup>enrith Library's Children's Team. children's stories, art, illustrations community arts and storytelling and is excited to share her skills at the Library. Lorinda loves Lorinda comes with buckets We're pleased to introduce of experience in education,



story is always worth sharing with a friend and telling stories and folk tales from around the world. She believes a good is one of her favourite things to do.

in a child's early literacy training. Come share a story at the Lorinda's mind and now, as a storyteller herself she gets to A fond memory of little Lorinda was of her Nanna reading ead stories aloud as part of her job, a factor that is crucial Heidi aloud by her bedside. This memory was etched in ibrary with her soon.



# COMMENCING TERM 1, 2018 CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

and Toy Library sessions in 2018 are: Our first Baby Time, Story Time

# **Toy Library Baby Time**

**ST MARYS** 6 February, 10 - 12pm uesday 0.30 - 11.30am 5 February, PENRITH Monday

# PENRITH Story Time

Wednesday 7 February, 8 February, ST CLAIR 10 - 12pm 10 - 12pm Thursday 10.30 - 11.30am 0.30 - 11.30am **ST MARYS** Wednesday 6 February, 7 February, PENRITH Tuesday

# **ST CLAIR**

Thursday 8 February, 0.30 - 11.30am

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# T'S GAME ON... WITH THE SUMMER READING CLUB

Monday 4 December 2017 - Sunday 28 January 2018



# YOU READ THIS SUMMER? HOW MANY BOOKS CAN

the reading log and return your completed log to branch to collect your Summer Reading Club log and get started. Read and record ten books on any library branch for your chance to win a prize. Reading Club celebration at Penrith Library on Winners will be drawn at our Special Summer -rom Monday 4 December, visit any library

# Tuesday 13 February 2018 at 4pm.

The Summer Reading Club is open to all Library Members aged 16 years and under.

# THE MORE YOU READ, THE MORE CHANCES YOU HAVE TO WIN **AWESOME PRIZES!**

For more information contact the childrensteamlibrany@penrith.city Children's Team on 4732 7890 or



# Help children learn and love to read ZIPTALES

free for Library Members so all you need to get started is a library card. Find Ziptales online at: eResource on the Penrith City Library website. more, to help make reading fun! Ziptales is voiceovers, animations, games, quizzes and Ziptales offers 500+ interactive stories with Ziptales is a fun and fantastic new, online

# ziptales.com/subs/penrith/

Also, visit Penrith Library this summer and try out the Ziptales children's booth on display in the children's area till the end of January 2018. Fell us how it goes! Look inside for fun holiday activities!

penrithcity.nsw.gov.au

	FAMILY SHOWS NELLA'S WINGS With Sydney Puppet Theatre With Sydney Puppet Theatre Nella doesn't speak but her drawings guide us into her imagination where flying creatures live in the snow, the desert, the sea and garden. With the audience's help Nella finds a way to fly! WHO: For the whole family WHO: For the whole family WHO: For the vhole family WHEN: Wednesday 10 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am TiCKETS: \$5 per person (children under 2 free)	WORKSHOPS ICED CHOCOLATE CLAY SCULPTURES With Katherine Kennedy from Blue Mountains Creative Arts Centre Shape your own clay sculpture - a yummy iced chocolate drink in a fancy cafe cup. Looks so tasty you'll want to drink it! WHO: 6 - 11 year olds WHEN: Monday 8 January 2018, 10 - 11.30am TICKETS: \$20 per child
	MAGIC SHOW With Joel Howlett You're invited into JD's World of Magic, with a live magic rabbit, buckets of audience participation and more fun than you could wave a wand at! Great for all the family! WHO: For the whole family WHEN: Wednesday 17 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am TICKETS: \$5 per person (children under 2 free)	IMAGINE IT, CREATE IT, WEAR IT With Christine Butterfield from Chrysanthemum Creations Create magic with leather and fabric! Let your imagination run wild and design a unique accessory to wear on your clothes, your wrist, in your hair or around your neck. The possibilities are endless! WHO: 8 - 12 year olds WHEN: Tuesday 9 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am TICKETS: \$20 per child
Non SALE ONDAY MBER 2018 re at Penrith kings are ook early to poinment as quickly. No pased.	<b>TEEN WORKSHOP</b> With Gul Mehndi With Gul Mehndi You'll learn how to use traditional body art decorating techniques and create your own unique henna designs starting with simple henna patterns and step-by-step instruction.	TRASH PERCUSSION With Ian Watson from Fun Day Out A whole lot of loud fun! Work together and create an original piece of music with this exciting, vibrant, all inclusive style of percussion where anything and everything is a musical instrument. WHO: 6 - 10 year olds WHEN: Tuesday 16 January 2018, 10 - 10.50 am TICKETS: \$15 per child
vs - every adult ver 2 year old ase a ticket. - accompanying d for free. All are supervised anal facilitators ack helps us plan ts - email the ildren's team at <b>amilbrary</b> ity	WHEN: Monday 15 January 2018, 10.30am - 12.30pm TICKETS: \$25 per person TICKETS: \$25 per person With lan Watson/Fun Day Out A whole lot of loud fun! Work together and create an original piece of music with this exciting, vibrant, all-inclusive style of percussion where anything and everything is a musical instrument. WHO: 11 - 16 year olds WHEN: Tuesday 16 January 2018, 11 - 11.50am TICKETS: \$15 per person	HULA HOOP DANCING With Caitlyn from Spin Joy Join Spin Joy for fun, dizzy hula hoop dancing and the coolest tricks around! Hula Hoop dance is great fun and captivates the attention of boys and girls of all ages. You'll be in fits of giggles as you master the basics and learn something new. WHO: 6 - 13 year olds WHEN: Thursday 18 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am TICKETS: \$15 per child



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# TICKETS ON SALE FROM MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2018

All events are at Penrith Library. Bookings are essential. Book early to avoid disappoinment as tickets sell quickly. No refunds or exchanges for tickets purchased. Family shows - every adult

Family shows - every adult and child over 2 year old must purchase a ticket. Workshops - accompanying adults attend for free. All workshops are supervised by professional facilitators and staff.

Your feedback helps us plan future events - email the Library's Children's team at **childrensteamilbrary** @penrith.city



**1.** Read as many books as you can, either on your own or with a family member.

**2.** Each time you finish a book, write the TITLE in the books above.

**3.** Return your completed form to the Library.

**4.** Reading Logs must be filled in with all your details and 10 book titles to go in the prize draw. Borrowing receipts are not accepted as entries.

You can enter as many times as you like!

Entries are open to Penrith City Library members 16 years and under. Every entry goes into the draw to win an exciting prize! Competition starts Monday 4 December 2017 and closes on Sunday 28 January 2018. For more information visit: penrithcity.nsw.gov.au

