

Raymond Terrace Public School Newsletter



**Term 3 2022
August Issue**

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From the Relieving Principal

Calendar

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

WELCOME BACK FOR TERM 3!

As the new term gets underway, many of our existing COVID-smart measures continue into Term 3, please see the separate note detailing important information. These measures allow us to continue prioritising the wellbeing of students and staff while giving our learners a consistent and productive learning environment this term. The education of students via teaching and learning in classrooms remains paramount.

We welcome Ms Sarah Tait as the teacher on 4N for the rest of the year. Students are already settled and excited about the learning ahead.

Many exciting events will be taking place this term, including:

- Book Fair and Book Week
- Open classrooms for Education Week
- Aboriginal Children's Day Breakfast
- Year 6 transition activities
- Terrace Turtles

Although our Zone Athletics carnival was washed out – we wish all our athletes the best for the rescheduled carnival.

I look forward to another engaging term!

Andrew Price,
Relieving Principal

Second Hand Uniforms

Plain Shirt	\$ 1
Plain Jackets	\$ 4
Plain Jumpers	\$ 1
Logo Jackets (only small sizes)	\$15
Dresses	\$10
Sport Shirt	\$ 7
Skorts, Shorts, Long Pants	\$ 3

August

- **1 - 5:** Education Week
- **1 - 4:** Book Fair
- **4:** Aboriginal Children's Day Breakfast
- **9:** S2 Cultural Excursion
- **26:** PSSA Hunter Athletics Carnival
- **30:** HRHS CAPA Showcase

September

- **23** - Last day for Term 3

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - 26/09-7/10/2022

October

- **10** School resumes for **STAFF and STUDENTS**

2022 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DATES

- Term 1 28th - 31 January
- Term 2 26th April
- Term 3 18th July
- Term 4 20th December

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/calendars#2022> (Staff Development Days for 2022: 28-31 January, 26 April, 18 July and 20 December)



School Payments

ONLINE PAYMENTS

Log onto the school website at:

<http://raymondter-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>, click on "make a payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or Mastercard. Only the fields marked with an asterisk* are required. Please record your receipt number on the permission slip.

NO canteen orders accepted through online payment. Canteen orders are CASH ONLY!

CASH PAYMENTS

It is preferred that all cash payments are sent in an envelope with the family name clearly printed and correct money enclosed. Payments made at the office will still be enveloped and correct money is required as change is not always available. No cash is kept on the premises, therefore we don't keep a float.



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School Messages

MULTICAT SPORT

In Term 2 RTPS entered a team in the Boccia Knockout competition for students with disabilities, which was held at Cessnock on Friday, 24 June. RTPS was represented by eight students from across our multicat classes. The students played well together, developing their team building and leadership skills. We competed against a number of both primary and high schools across the region, ending the day at equal fourth. Thank you to all our participating students who upheld our school values to represent RTPS with great pride, Ms Hinchey and Mrs Lidbury were very proud to be part of this awesome team - we all had a great day full of fun and laughter. WELL DONE!!



STAGE 1 NEWS

Congratulations to all of our Stage 1 public speaking finalists! What a great display of confidence as they entertained us with their speeches. We wish our winner and runner up, Austin Lodge and Archie Smith, all the best as they represent RTPS at the inter school public speaking competition.



STAGE 3 CENTRAL WEST EXCURSION

A reminder to keep making payments throughout the term and year for the Stage 3 Central West Excursion. A detailed itinerary with more information about the excursion will be sent out in the coming weeks..

2023 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2023?

NOW IS THE TIME TO ENROL!

Our transition to school program, 'Terrace Turtles' will be beginning soon. It is important that we start the enrolment process now to allow time for us to get to



know you and your child and provide any supports or planning for a successful start to schooling in 2023.

How do you enrol?

Apply online – go to our school website <https://raymondter-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>. If you are an Australian or New Zealand citizen or permanent resident you are eligible to complete the online enrolment application. You will then need to finalise the application at the school. If you are not eligible, or prefer not to enrol online,

use the application to enrol form (PDF) from school website (same link as above) Please complete the form in English. If needed, a translated application to enrol is also available. For more information, visit primary school enrolment. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/enrolment/primary-school-enrolment>

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

The **2022 School Contribution fee** for has been set at \$50.00, this fee has been kept the same as 2021. This fee helps with costs associated within the classroom including books, computers, paints, software, stationery, and resources. This fee is a voluntary contribution, per family, per year. Payments can be made at the school office or online at any time.



CHANGE OF DETAILS

In the event that you have changed address, phone numbers etc, could you please ensure that the school is notified as soon as possible. It is important that we have on file updated information in the event of emergency.

OPAL CARD

All students travelling on buses must have an opal card. It is a condition of the School Student Transport Scheme that in return for FREE or subsidised travel Opal Cards must be tapped on and tapped off every bus journey. Data provided by tap on and tap off is used to determine the level of service to our school.

To apply for a school Opal card please visit

<https://www.opal.com.au/ordercard/?execution=e1s2>

****Child/ Youth Card** – order if your child is aged 4-15years old NSW/ACT or full time school student aged 16 years or older.

Homework Club

Homework Club

@ your library

Are you a Primary School student needing help with Homework?

Raymond Terrace Library is the place to be!

Enjoy a quiet place to do your homework, an afternoon snack, and have some FUN!

Volunteers will be on hand to assist with your homework needs

Where: Raymond Terrace Library Courtyard

When: Every Tuesday commencing Tuesday 26 July - 20 September 3:00-4:15pm

Bookings are essential. Contact Raymond Terrace Library on 4988 0111 to make a booking.

Don't forget to bring your homework and any other supplies you need! (pencil case, books, etc)



You Can Do It: **Resilience Confidence Organisation Persistence Getting Along Quality Work**

Community News from Mrs Lidbury

We hope that all our students and families had a wonderful break over the holidays and kept safe and dry with all the rain and flooding around the area. Hope you are all looking forward to yet another busy term here at RTPS.

Our Community Garden has been coming along nicely and with the new surface area of gravel donated by **HANSON QUARRIES** holding up nicely with all this rain making it more accessible despite the weather. Our parsley bed is growing quickly and starting to really take off, finally, as we help supply the parsley to the team at **Terrace Meats** for their displays. With the rest of the garden beds cleaned out some of our classes will be taking them on in Term 3 as class projects, this will see some action happening and watch this space to see what they grow. We would never knock back any donations of seedlings of vegies or plants for our garden if anyone has any that they need to thin out.



Second-hand uniforms can be purchased at this stage through the front office (cash only). Please leave your name and contact number with your order and I will fill it as soon as possible (pending sizes) and get back to you. The second-hand uniform shop is still something we are in the process of working on, working out which way is best for families to utilise it, either online with the Spriggy schools app or through the front office (and maybe sometime face to face) so any feedback would be greatly appreciated.

I can be contacted at anytime on 49872083 on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday if you need anything, and please remember, if your having trouble with the canteen's ordering system on the Spriggy schools app, please let me know and I'll be happy to help.

Library News from Mrs Wales

Thank you everyone who was able to participate in our Book Week celebrations at Raymond Terrace Public School today. It was great to see so many students in creative costumes! Congratulations to our randomly selected prize winners, I hope you enjoy your Book Fair purchases! Tomorrow (Thursday) is the last day of the Book Fair. Please ensure that you send in any forms relating to online payments by 3.00pm Thursday, or we will not be able to collect your items. Thank you for your support in this great fundraiser.



Scholastic Book Club Issue 5 went home last week – a reminder that all orders need to be placed by 1pm this Friday 5th August. Books will then be delivered to the school and sent to classrooms for students to bring home, unless you have requested a 'gift' order.

Winter Uniform



Winter is here! Please ensure your child is wearing our winter school uniform. Our winter uniform is a dark blue jumper/jacket; dark blue long pants; light blue shirt or sports shirt; light blue or navy skivvy; dark blue beanie; dark blue scarf and black shoes. Coloured jumpers, jackets, pants or beanies are not part of our school uniform. Please label all jumpers, jackets, hats, beanies, scarves with your child's name so items can be returned to owner.



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P&C and Canteen News

P&C President: Jenny Sarginson
P&C Treasurer: Sean O'Brien
Vice P&C President: Kylee Flanagan
Vice P&C President: Rachael O'Brien
P&C Secretary: Chad Lavis
Next P&C Meeting: 9 August @ 6.30pm

Thank you to Raymond Terrace Lions Club for the generous \$500.00 donation. Also, thank you to all RTPS staff and families for your support last term with fundraising and the canteen and to Kate Washington, MP, for attending our last meeting. We plan on inviting more guests to the P&C meetings that may be of interest to you, stay tuned for more information. Our volunteer morning tea was a lot of fun. Thanks again to all our volunteers.

We are going to kick off this term with a pie drive, yum! Orders and money were due back **Wednesday 3.08** and orders can be collected on **Wednesday 17.08.22**.

We are excited to be starting Term 3 with Some delicious new menu items - Blueberry pikelets, Pizza scrolls and Impossible Muffins! We will also have a new hot lunch special available each Thursday and Friday this term. See the full list of specials on our Facebook Page- P&C- Raymond Terrace Public School.



Our full canteen menu is available to view and purchase on the Spriggy Schools App. The Canteen will remain online and all orders must be placed through the Spriggy Schools App. Order cutoff is 9am daily.

If you need help ordering please call the School and ask to speak to the Canteen. Our CLO Ms Lidbury is also happy to meet with you and assist with setting up the Spriggy App and placing orders.



Save the dates:

Week 3 Education Week. The canteen will be offering a special menu item for the parent morning tea. The item will need to be ordered in advance through Spriggy. Details will be announced soon!

'Eat Fresh and Win' campaign will commence in Week 3- Monday 1st August 2022 and end on Friday 16th September 2022. Students who purchase a Fruit or Veg item from the canteen will have the chance to win a Rubik's cube! More info to come.

Good for Kids Good for Life



Screen time and physical play

Movement and play are important for kids development



Choose small screen games and Apps that reduce kids sitting time and encourage physical activity.

- Choose videos, games or Apps that get your kids moving e.g. dancing, sports, yoga. Join in using the App or game with your kids
- Plan a walk using a digital map. Take photos of interesting things along the way
- Video your kids learning a new skill e.g. hopping, a new skateboard trick. Replay the video to track their progress over time
- Be a role model! Show your kids how to track their physical activity. Talk about how being active is fun & feels great! Show them how far you walked or swam last week!

Source: Screen time & physical activity: kids/Raising Children Network. <https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age/behaviour/technology/screen-time/healthy-screen-use/screen-time-physical-activity>



HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<https://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au>

Developed by Hunter New England LHD



RAYMOND TERRACE PUBLIC SCHOOL

RESPECT * FRIENDLY TALK * DO AS YOU ARE ASKED *
 IN THE RIGHT PLACE * HANDS OFF *

EVERY DAY COUNTS

attendance is the basis of all learning

1 DAY PER
FORTNIGHT
IS 20 DAYS
PER YEAR

THIS IS 260 DAYS
OF SCHOOL MISSED
FROM KINDY TO Y12
THE EQUIVALENT
OF

1.25
SCHOOL
YEARS

1 HOUR
PER DAY
IS 40 DAYS
PER YEAR

THIS IS 520 DAYS
OF SCHOOL MISSED
FROM KINDY TO Y12
THE EQUIVALENT
OF

2.5
SCHOOL
YEARS

1 DAY PER
WEEK
IS 40 DAYS
PER YEAR

THIS IS 520 DAYS
OF SCHOOL MISSED
FROM KINDY TO Y12
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3 DAYS PER
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IS 120 DAYS
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8
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Please give your child every chance to succeed

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