

RAGLAN PUBLIC SCHOOL – NEWSLETTER

Excellence in learning, values and community

Week 4 Term 2

Principal
School Phone
Fax

Mrs Meryl Tremain
6337 3427
6337 3315



12th May 2015

Email: raglan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Website: <http://www.raglan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>
Address: Raglan Public School
Nelson Street, RAGLAN, NSW, 2795

Principals Report

I hope all our fantastic mums had a wonderful day last Sunday and enjoyed your special day!

Bathurst200

As part of the BX 200 celebrations, school leaders and members of the primary choir took part in the reinstatement of Macquarie's Flag Staff on the banks of the Macquarie River.



Although cold, it was a privilege to take part in the event and share a very memorable experience with a group of our students who



once again shone brightly! Bathurst Regional Council put together a wonderful celebration of a milestone in Bathurst's history. Through narrative

and re-enactment, the story of Bathurst's pre-European colonisation history and colonisation was presented, deepening our knowledge and understanding. Strong messages were also delivered by the mayor and Aboriginal Elder Dinawan Dyrribang about tolerance, understanding and working together.



At our assembly last Friday, 3/4C, 3/4W and 3/4S were presented with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of their contribution to the Bathurst200 Bicentenary Celebrations Peoplescape from Bathurst Regional Council.

On the weekend, I attended a number of events and visited some historic places. I was really impressed by the huge number of people who attended the street parade followed by the light show on Saturday night. I do encourage families to take part in the many Bathurst200 celebrations. There are 150 bicentenary events that will take place throughout the year. What a great way for our entire community to share and take part in our city's history! Congratulations to Bathurst Regional Council as they have put a lot of time and effort into preparing activities and events that are outstanding.

Class Shield

This week, we continue to encourage children to treat others as they would like to be treated. We are looking for children who keep their hands and feet to themselves, speak politely to each other and include others in activities and games.

PRINCIPALS RECOGNITION

I would like to thank students for performing with the Bathurst Schools Combined Choir at the reinstatement of Macquarie's Flag Staff on the banks of the Macquarie River last Thursday as well as school leaders for also attending the ceremony. I also thank parents for transporting their children to the event and braving the cold with them.



Working together as partners in the education of your child.

Meryl Tremain

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 4

11-13/5 Naplan

15/5 Naplan catchup
12pm School Assembly – Flag Raising BX 200
PSSA Soccer

Week 5

19/5 P&C Meeting 7pm school library
21/5 School Athletics Carnival
22/5 District Cross Country
School Assembly 12pm

NOTES SENT HOME

- Western Plain Zoo excursion K-2
- Parent Teacher Interviews
- PSSA Soccer
- School Athletics Carnival
- Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

STUDENTS LEADING THE WAY

We are proud of...

OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Sam Hanrahan, Tyson Smith and Summer Mosley are our students of the week. Sam and Tyson have both shown outstanding achievement in Mathematics

while Summer has shown great initiative in learning about the Anzacs. Well done Sam, Tyson and Summer!



OUR ASSEMBLY AND PLAYGROUND AWARD WINNERS



Layla Stark and Jack Fox are congratulated for their achievements throughout the week. Laylah is a great listener during assembly while Jack has helped keep our beautiful school clean. They both received a prize to

thank them.

OUR WINNERS OF THE CLASS SHIELD

Congratulations to 5/6J who are the winners of this week's class shield. Lillee Bullock and Lucas Gronowicz accepted the shield on behalf of 5/6J.



OUR STAGE 2 CLASSES



Our Stage 2 classes were presented with Certificates of Appreciation in recognition of their contribution to the Bathurst200 Bicentenary celebrations on behalf of Bathurst Regional Council. Along with Mrs Wade, 3/4C, 3/4S and 3/4W

created 4 wonderful Peoplescapes for the town display.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

The following children will be presented with their Striving Higher Awards at this week's assembly, Friday 15th May at 12pm:

5 Awards

Rohan Brown, Vsna Saban, Charlotte Turner, Lezaan Schwartz, Jada Jenkins, Tayah Newstead, Lara Edwards.

Congratulations to all students for their achievements.

P&C NEWS

Canteen Roster:

15/5 Jules Alexander, Sharon Adam, Pam West
18/5 Jen Furner, Angela Melchers
22/5 **CLOSED due to ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**
25/5 Jo Curran, Gil Priest
29/5 Katrina Tobin, Linda Turcsanyi

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The athletics carnival is being held on Thursday, 21st May. To make our carnival a success and to run smoothly we **NEED** parent helpers. If you are able to assist please tick the box on the permission note or see Miss Bower. We need your help PLEASE!

DEBATING

On Friday, 8th May, Raglan Public School hosted the Central West student debating training day. Students from Eglinton Public School, Bathurst Public School and Raglan Public School participated in the day. Six students from years 5 and 6 learnt the skills of debating in a fun and practical way. It was unfortunate that the netball playoff was on the same day which limited the number of students who could attend. The students learnt valuable skills in speaking and debating which will assist them in the debating competition.



Healthy Ears

Last Friday, 8th May, our kindergarten classes were involved in a Healthy Ears lesson "If it's hard to hear, it's hard to learn". Staff from 'Bathurst District Itinerants Support Teachers Hearing' came and visited our kindergarten classes and informed them about the importance of blowing their noses properly to keep their ears healthy. Staff used many different props to illustrate the connection between our nose and our ears and how blowing our nose can help our hearing.

If you would like more information on glue ear or hearing assessments please contact Bathurst Hospital on 6330 5677 or George Street Medical Practice on 6332 5355. Hearing assessments are available at no extra cost at these Centres. Attached to the newsletter is some more information for parents.



HEALTHY EARS

If it's hard to hear
it's hard to learn.

Information For Parents
Department of Education and Communities
Bathurst District Itinerant Support Teachers Hearing

☎ 6332 3423

Good Ear Care

- Healthy foods and regular exercise are important for general good health

- Clean ears with soft washcloths not cotton buds or matchsticks

- Do not smoke in cars or inside homes

- Teach a child to blow his/her nose instead of sniffing

- Take the full amount of all medicines prescribed by your doctor

- Attend follow-up visits to doctor, specialist or nurse audiometrist

Hearing Assessments At No Cost Are Available At The Following Centres:

Bathurst Hospital

Cate Horsburgh
Nurse Audiometrist
Phone: 6330 5677

George Street Medical Practice

115 George St Bathurst
Alana Benson
Nurse Audiometrist
Phone: 6332 5355

Lithgow Hospital

Mary Wright
Nurse Audiometrist
Phone: 6350 2300

HEALTHY EARS

If it's hard to hear
it's hard to learn.

Information For Parents
Department of Education and Communities
Bathurst District Itinerant Support Teachers Hearing

☎ 6332 3423

Otitis Media or Glue Ear

What is Otitis Media?
Otitis Media is sometimes called 'Glue Ear'

When there is fluid in the middle ear it is referred to as Otitis Media with effusion. There is no pain or fever. Children don't usually complain about it. However, your child's hearing may be affected.

Acute Otitis Media is a soreness, inflammation and/or infection inside the ear. It can be very painful. Pus may be seen coming out of the child's ear if the eardrum ruptures.

What Can Contribute To Otitis Media?

- Common colds/infections
- Exposure to cigarette smoke
- Hay fever
- Allergies to some foods
- Breathing through the mouth instead of the nose

Does Your Child...

- Have frequent colds?
- Have hay fever or allergies?
- Not know how to blow his/her nose?
- Watch faces when spoken to?
- Need the TV volume turned up?
- Have poor or delayed speech?
- Not hear when called or when there is background noise?
- Say 'pardon' or 'what' constantly?
- Have sore ears?
- Have a discharge from his/her ears?
- Have difficulty at school?

If so... he/she may have OTITIS MEDIA

How Will It Affect My Child?

Hearing

Children with Otitis Media may have mild to moderate hearing loss. Hearing may fluctuate from day to day. Some children may have Otitis Media for months. This may affect your child's learning at school.

Language Development

Speech may be affected if sounds are muffled especially in the early years of development.

Behaviour

Children's behaviour may change due to frustration caused by the inability to hear. They may lose confidence because they haven't heard.