



Rand Public School

NEWSLETTER



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Week 8, Term 3

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Dates to Remember:

- Yr 3/6 Urana 13/9/11
- Yr 5/6 Howman's Gap—19th - 21st Oct

Principal's Message

Well done to our Relay team for your efforts last Friday. I am always surprised by the positive attitude our students have, even when they don't win. In many of our daily class activities and conversations, one theme students constantly reinforce is the importance of "having a go" even if you're scared you won't win or might fail. Well done girls and boys.



Thank you Cathy for transporting the team.

Tracey Southam

Notes Due in:

- Local Govt Week 3/6

Reminder

Don't forget to send in your Woolworths dockets for the Earn and Learn program.

Promotion ends 18th September.

Updated Website

Please check out our updated website. We have added:

- a P&C page
- more gallery photos
- a "useful links" page. This page contains links to a host of maths and literacy websites.

The web address is www.rand-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Uniform

At our last P&C meeting a possible change of school jumper was discussed. A sample of a new summer dress for girls and a new jumper for boys and girls is currently being passed around families. Please let us know what you think at our next P&C meeting (beginning Term 4). Thank you Shelley for sourcing these garments.

Kitchen Garden News

Students will be gardening this week. Please remember to bring your work clothes and shoes.

Welcome Josephine

Next week Josephine Biedenweg-Webster will join us for a week of work experience. We hope she will enjoy her week and learn lots about being a teacher.

Kindergarten 2012 Transition

Kindergarten orientation will be held on Tuesday 18th & 25th October and 1st & 8th November 2011 for all children who will be starting Kinder next year.

A parent information session will be held on Wednesday 21st September at 3.15pm.

If you know of anyone in our area who has a child starting school next year, please let us know and we will send them an invitation.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

A reminder the Woolworths/Safeway Earn & Learn promotion ends on 18th September. If you have any dockets at home, please send them in for processing. *We have a box at school, the registers at Corowa Safeway and the Rand Post Office.*

We have earned 1181 points to date which will allow us to receive some good resources.

In the Classroom

Mrs Rose and I are thrilled at how well students are working on their reading, writing and maths. This week students explored how yeast is activated by warm water, uses sugar as food and then produces carbon dioxide. It's the carbon dioxide that makes bread rise and give it its fluffy texture. We did an experiment in class where yeast was mixed with warm water and sugar. The reaction caused a balloon attached to the bottle to inflate before our very eyes!

P&C

This year the P&C voted to donate to the Rand Town Improvement Committee.

News Roster—Week 9

Mon—Chloe, Tues—Rory, Fri—Jack.

Student of the Week

Kali Schneider has been selected Student of the Week for improving the structure of her writing and editing her work.

I like to cook: chocolate cupcakes

How I help at home: feed the chooks and watch Billie.

What I want to be when I grow up: an Artist.

Best thing about school: we get to do Art and I like doing narratives in writing.

Bookwork Award

The students selected Adrian Ralston this week. They thought he had neat handwriting on smaller lines and for having a go.



Reminders for Reading

- Books can be children's friends and can be a pleasure to them all their lives.
- Stories can help children cope with problems and fears.
- Reading and telling stories to children are wonderful opportunities to contribute to their education.
- Make story time a special time in your child's life, every day if possible.
- Try to show your child that you enjoy reading and you think it is important. Have books around the house.
- If you don't enjoy reading, try making up stories for your child, telling stories about when you were young or using the pictures in a book to make up stories.
- Encourage grandparents to tell stories about when they were young.
- Story time builds good relationships and should not be withdrawn as a punishment.
- Stories told and stories from books can be part of a special time for you and your children that they will remember for the rest of their lives.
- A love of reading is one of the best and most lasting gifts you can give your children.

TERM CALENDAR

Date	Event
Tues 13th Sept	Local Govt Week Meeting and BBQ—Urana—Yrs 3-6
Wed 14th Sept	Linkages—Corowa High School
Fri 23rd Sept	SRC Footy Colours Day—Gold Coin Donation. Creative Catchment Project Day Year 5/6.