

Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

August 2017	
Friday 11 th	Combined School Sport
Thurs 17 th /Fri 18 th	Principal's Conference
Monday 21 st	Combined School Sport
Friday 25 th	Bernie O'Connor Carnival – Yerong Creek Last day Premiers Reading Challenge
September	
Friday 1 st	New School Plan Parent Meeting
Mon 11 th – Wed 13 th	NAPLAN Readiness Test
Monday 11 th	School Photo's
Tuesday 19 th	Earn & Learn Finishes
Thursday 21 st	CWA Learning Presentation



Photo by James Wiltshire – Border Mail

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Thank you to those families who have been collecting the Earn and Learn stickers. Stickers can be earned by shopping at Woolworths up until Tuesday 19th September, or while stock lasts.

You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at the Lavington Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn



SCHOOL PLANNING 2018-2020

We are currently preparing to develop a new three year school plan in consultation with our school community. The school plan provides the school with the opportunity to lead educational innovation for the improved delivery of quality teaching, learning and leadership outcomes.

The first process will involve our staff, together with our community, to evaluate our current assessment of our school in reference to learning, teaching and leading as well as providing ideas for future directions.

We would like to invite parents and carers to an information session to engage in discussion and put forward ideas with a focus on developing a shared vision for improving student learning. Our students will also be given an opportunity to share their ideas and thoughts at school and through their home learning activities.

Please save the date for the Friday 1st of September. A note will be sent home in the coming weeks to give a specific time and place of the meeting.

This is an important opportunity for all of our school community members (parents, students and staff) to engage in the development of our new school plan as we strive for excellence in the provision of high quality educational opportunities for our students at Rand Public School.

NAPLAN Online

To prepare for the move to online NAPLAN testing, NSW schools will participate in an online practice run, known as the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test. Our school will be participating in the NAPLAN Online Readiness Test in Week 9 this term.

This will give our Year 3 and 5 students an opportunity to experience the online environment and the different question types that can be used in online testing. It is not a test of skills and knowledge.

An information sheet will be sent home this week to give parents and carers more detailed information about the NAPLAN Online Test. If you have any queries or concerns about the NAPLAN Online Test, please don't hesitate to have a chat with Mrs Sayasenh.

Combined School Sport – 21st August

The combined small schools sport which was to be held on Friday 11th of August has been postponed. ***The new date is Monday 21st August.*** Students will depart Rand at 12:00 pm.

Football/Netball Carnival

A big thank you to our P&C and the Rand community for another successful Football/Netball Carnival. Our students benefit greatly from the work you all put in each year. Fortunately the weather held out for most of the day so the children could enjoy a day full of sport and activity.

Thank you also to all of the wonderful people who organise teams, bring their children to Rand and support our carnival.

Kindergarten 2018 Enrolments

We are now taking names and contact details for Kindergarten enrolment for 2018. Our transition program will be held in Term 4 and further information will be sent to families to notify them of dates. A kindergarten enrolment package will be sent home later in the term and will also be available at the school office.

Wiggle and Giggle

Our students joined in with Roz from Inter Reach and her Wiggle and Giggle session recently. Our students participated in some singing and games based activities.

Class News

Last Thursday afternoon we had an open classroom for Education Week. The theme 'I Learn, We Learn' underpinned this year's celebration of public education and provided an opportunity to highlight the great learning that happens at our school. Students from K-6 shared their learning with parents and families.

Students sang a song in Wiradjuri language and the primary class performed a poetry recital. Our visitors then joined in with some Maths games. They also learnt a few things about coding from our primary students and got to see the K-2 students, showcasing their typing skills!

Below are some photos of our busy Education Week activities.

Class Learning Awards

Chloe – For writing great sentences about her family.

Jazmine – For her insightful and clever thinking in class.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge ends on the Friday 25th August. Well done to those students who have already completed the challenge! Some students were busy during the holidays by reading lots of books!



Students in K-2 need to reach 30 books and 3-6 students need to read 20 books off the reading list by the end of the challenge. We have plenty of quality books in our school library that students can access and borrow. Here is a link for parents and students:
<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Relieving GA

We would like to thank Matt for acting as General Assistant in Mr Muller's absence over the past four weeks. Matt ensured our school grounds looked great for our carnival on Sunday and kept everything in tip top shape. Thank you Matt.

NSW Sporting Challenge Encouragement Awards

Congratulations Isabelle, Jazmine, Flynn, Alex, Chloe C and Emily on receiving a Sporting Challenge Encouragement Award.



Wiggle and Giggle

Open Day

