



Term 2 Week 6 - 2019

Newsletter Thursday, 6th June 2019

Iftar Thank you

What an amazing Iftar we had on Tuesday night. We would like to thank our committee who helped organise such a wonderful event! Without the generosity of these amazing parents, teachers and students our night would not have been so special.

Special thanks to Mrs Shepherd for finding our amazing sponsors who supported this event and made sure that there was no cost to our guests.

Iftar 2019 Sponsors

Mecca Travel

Woolworths Revesby

Banana George Revesby

The Party's Here Padstow

Dough Boss Revesby

Shelly and Co Hair Salon Picnic Point

Vanessa's Nail Salon Padstow

Patrick O'Reilly



A huge thank you to our wonderful families who donated food, funds and tableware for the Iftar. We are an extremely lucky community!

Mrs Cameron and Mrs Jegers



Message from the Principal

Reconciliation Week

Last week marked Reconciliation Week recognising Sorry Day on the 26th of May, The Referendum and the Mabo Decision. It is an important time in our history. Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students led a special assembly. Thank you to our wonderful guest speaker, Mr Tuton, for sharing your knowledge with us and to our community for joining us. We value this connection and partnership. Our students always learn so much from your time with us. We wish to send Auntie Carol our love and warm wishes as she would have been with us, however, she is unwell. Well done Mrs Southon and Miss Grimson for organising this event.



Reconciliation Week Art Competition

Well done to all of the Art Competition winners (Eliza, Amelie, Aisha and Celine) for producing wonderful pieces of art that were so individual. I loved the story behind the art works. Eliza's art work described the school being at the centre of the art and all of the community were gathered around the school. Amelie told us that her artwork of the people were the students in her class and that they were holding hands as that is how you make friends.

Our Community Iftar

Last Tuesday evening we came together as a community to break the fast during the month of Ramadan at our Annual Community Iftar. We did much more than just share a meal together; we further developed our cultural and religious understanding. What a special night for our community! A huge thank you to all involved in the organisation of this event with special mention to the Community Engagement Team (Mrs Cameron, Mrs Jegers, Mrs Coull, Mrs El-Ali, Mrs Prasad, Miss Gordana and Mrs Shepherd). A

special thank you to the parents that worked in partnership with the school. Thank you to the students who also contributed their understanding. It was a true community effort and so appreciated by all who attended. Thank you so much to our amazing community who we know enjoyed this occasion.

District Cross Country

Congratulations to all of our students who competed at the District Cross Country event. We were very proud of the way that you participated and that you gave your all on the running track. Thank you to Miss George and Mrs Henry for your organisation of the event and being there to share the day with the students.



Debating

Congratulations to our debating team on winning their second round debate arguing the negative "School should be 8 hour days and 4 days a week". No need to worry the Revesby team have convinced us that school hours do not need to change! Well done to our students who worked on putting quality arguments together carefully guided by Mrs Jegers. Well done to our dedicated students and our wonderful teacher.



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NSWPSSA Boys Soccer Championship Update

Congratulations Daniel on an amazing competition. You made many amazing saves and contributed to seeing your team fifth overall. An amazing result. A goal keeper's job is one of the toughest working as the last line of defence. The pressure is enormous. Well done on the resilience you demonstrated throughout the games. It was terrible weather and you soldiered on! An enormous effort by a talented sportsman. We are all incredibly proud of you.



Food Allergy Week (May 26 to June 1)

Last week as a school we all learnt more about food allergies. A person with food allergies can become very unwell if they are exposed to the particular food or foods they are allergic to. During food allergy week students will undertake learning activities designed to make them aware of food allergies and ways in which they can help prevent an allergic reaction. This includes not sharing their food with others, washing their hands after touching food and getting help if a friend becomes unwell after eating.

Stage 3 Project Based Learning

Our Stage 3 students have been involved in a wonderful project linked to their learning around astronomy where they were interacting with Dr Jane Kaczmarek from Wisconsin, USA. Students were able to connect her expertise with the learning in the room from 15,049km away. Dr Jane as an Astrophysicist at Parkes Radio Telescope Station was able to give feedback on our students light ideas. We appreciated her expertise and input. What a fabulous learning opportunity for our students. Well done to our Stage 3 teachers on providing these engaging opportunities for our students to connect their learning to real life. It was so inspiring being in the room and I can't wait to see a final product.



Narelle Nies

Revesby Public School - Walkathon: Year 6

Fundraiser

On Tuesday, 11th June 2019 the whole school will be taking part in a walkathon. All children will be given a walkathon sponsor form. Sponsors may choose to donate an amount per lap or give an overall donation. The students in **Years 1-6 will have 30 minutes** to complete laps of the school grounds. **Kindergarten will have 15 minutes** to complete laps of the grass area. It would be appreciated if you could support us with this by collecting sponsorship or donations. We hope this will encourage your child/children/ward to compete in this walkathon to the best of their ability.

All money raised will go towards the Year 6 Farewell.

There will be prizes for:

- *The best fundraiser in each class*
- *The class that raises the most money*
- *The individual student who raises the most funds in the school*

Please note: The sponsor forms are to be returned to school on the day of the walkathon to enable students to track their laps.

These Sponsor Forms will be then given back to your child so that the sponsorship money and/or donations can be collected. **All sponsorship/donations (cash only) must be returned to school by Tuesday 18th June 2019.**

The prize winners will be announced at assembly on Friday 21st June.

Thank you for your valued support.

Mrs Robyn Brady

Stage 3 Supervisor

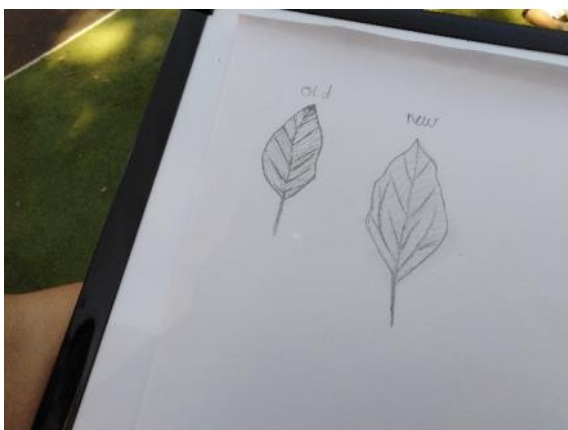
Mrs N Nies

Principal



Fun at last year's walkathon

3/4 Lilac's Art Lesson.

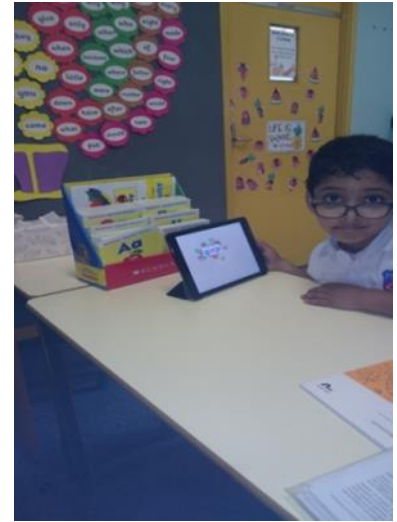
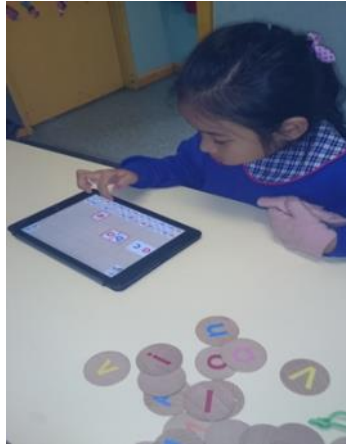


**LOTS OF GOOD
THINGS ARE
HAPPENING IN
STAGE 2**





EAL/D NEWS



English as an additional language or dialect at Revesby Public School is supported by providing intensive English language support for newly arrived students as well as ongoing support for continuing EAL/D students.

EAL/D students are learning a new language, content and skills in a variety of ways such as using board games, interactive phonics and literacy activities using ICT. They are also supported by the teacher in the classroom using modelled reading and writing activities. Some of the support given to these students is either by withdrawal from their class or in groups.



Student Voice

I like my school. I have learnt a lot of new words in English. I have learnt the names of some fruits.

Bunny Nguyen 1/2 Red

In September 2018 I came to Australia from Vietnam. My first school in Australia was Revesby Public School. In this school my friends and teachers helped me to improve my written and spoken English. I really like this school because my teachers support me in learning English in many different ways. They also provide me with opportunities in developing things that I love to do.



When I came to Australia I did not know how to speak English. Over the years my teachers helped me to read, write and speak English. I have learnt a lot at my school. I feel confident in reading and writing English now.

Wenhao Xu 5/6 Teal

COMMUNITY IFTAR REPORT



Last Tuesday I had the pleasure of attending The Revesby Public School Community Iftar. This was the second Iftar and is now a very important event on the school's calendar.

The Iftar was a wonderful illustration of partnerships in this school community where students, parents, volunteers and teachers have once again organised a successful community event. The sentiments of togetherness and understanding were expressed in the address of Principal Narelle Nies, who highlighted the importance of the word "Together" meaning both to gather and to be in partnership.



An Iftar takes place at sunset during the 30 days of Ramadan in the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. This is the most blessed month of the year and is a time of reflection, prayer and renewal of faith all whilst achieving greater discipline, purification and compassion for those in the greater community. Between sunrise and sunset followers of Islam abstain from food and drink to complete one of the five pillars of Islam.

Sheikh Ahmed Abdo, emphasised that hosting an Iftar for the community was extremely important as an event that brings people together. "If you invite people to your house you're getting into the spirit of Ramadan, if you get invited to other people's houses you accept an invitation" Sheikh Abdo said. Revesby Public School is a family getting into the spirit of Ramadan and certainly taking on the importance messages of this time.



There were many highlights of the night including parent Sheikh Ahmed Abdo beginning the official proceedings with a meaningful talk following the theme of the night about togetherness, compassion and how we are all one people. Former school captain Noah and current students Maha and Aminah read from the Quran in both traditional Arabic and English translations and any students made traditional Kaaba and lanterns while guests viewed a film produced by the students about what Ramadan means to them.



As the sun set the beautifully decorated school hall with filled with families who broke the fast and shared a meal under the umbrella of cultural understanding and togetherness. While enjoying the meal, prepared by the Iftar Committee volunteers, families took time out from their busy lives to connect as a community.

The night was completed with the students, families and staff cutting a beautiful Ramadan Mubarak cake, such a significant way to demonstrate the partnerships of the community that is Revesby Public School.



Ethan Jegers, Guest Reporter



Woolworths Earn And Learn Stickers

Earn and Learn is back! Please send tokens to school. We have been so appreciative of your support of this program over the past years. Collecting these tokens has provided us with thousands of dollars worth of Robotics Equipment!



Term 2 Week 4-5 CLASS AWARDS

K Blue	Amelia D	Fantastic effort in learning her sight words	Hasham K	Wonderful effort in his artwork
K Pink	Navya T	Excellent improvement in her writing vocabulary	Isaiah V	Making progress in learning letter sounds
K Yellow	Louis N	Fantastic effort with his sight words	Jana S	Great understanding of the relationship between addition and subtraction
1/2 Aqua	Hannah J	Presenting an excellent speech	Sophie T	Confidently presenting her class speech
1/2 Navy	Aiza M	Showing a wonderful improvement in her fluency when reading	Jo-AI I	Using her sound knowledge when writing
1/2 Red	Angela P	Always showing positive behaviour in the classroom	Yehia A	Using strategies to read unknown words
1/2 Violet	Nahoen R	Fantastic effort at doing an impromptu speech	Kosi L	Excellent effort using eye contact and speaking voice
3/4 Emerald	Isabelle P	Great effort in reading groups this week	Kulraj B	Participating more in class discussions
3/4 Green	Ayah S	Good observational skills in Visual literacy with critical	Saad J	Working well independently on your spelling activities
3/4 Lilac	Tony P	Improvement in reading	Zaynab C	Always focussing and completing set tasks
5/6 Lime	Caitlin P	Positive behaviour towards teachers and students	Ahmad E	Working hard to improve on his maths
5/6 Ruby	Aaminah H	Presenting our school to our mentor confidently	Celine K	Thinking creatively in our Dark Sky project
5/6 Teal	Khan D	Excellent understanding of maths concepts	Daniel P	Excellent collaboration during group work
K/6 Purple	Saanvi T	Demonstrating perseverance in all aspects of her learning		
K/6 Sienna	Anthony G	Fantastic effort in writing groups		

What's happening at RPS

- Tuesday 11th June - Walkathon
- Monday 17th June - UNSW Writing Test Paper
- Tuesday 18th June - UNSW Spelling Test Paper
- Monday 24th June - Aboriginal Celebration Afternoon Tea
- Wednesday 26th June - Stage 2 Excursion to Kurnell
- Thursday 27th June - Reports going home today
- Wednesday 3rd July - NAIDOC Performance
- Thursday 4th July - BBC Filming all day
- Friday 5th July - Last Day Term 2

**2nd Hand Uniform
Shop**
Wednesday 19th June
2:30-3:30pm

