

# Rouse Hill Public School Newsletter

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023

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Week 2, Term 2

Calendar Dates					
Week 2					
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Selective High School Test Sport in Schools Australia commences for K-2 students P&C Meeting, 7pm				
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Ridges PSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival				
Week 3					
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall				
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Winter PSSA Round 1 K-6 Mother's Day afternoon activity				
Week 4					
Wednesday 17th May	Festival of Instrumental Music Rehearsal (violin students)				
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Winter PSSA Round 1				

## From the Principal and Deputy Principals

## Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Term 2 and welcome to all of our new students and families. I hope you all had a chance to enjoy each other's company over the break.

## **Mother's Day**

A big thank you to our P&C and parent volunteers for running the Mother's Day Stall next Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May. We look forward to mums, carers, grandmothers or other special family representatives celebrating Mother's Day by visiting classrooms and joining some special activities on the afternoon of Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, from 2:40pm. Visitors are asked to come to school no earlier than 2:35pm and to wait under the COLA until 2:40pm. For those who are unsure where the classroom is that they are visiting, we will have some of our Year 6 students available to help.

## Anzac Service

Our School Captains, Vice Captains and Prefects did a wonderful job leading our Anzac Service last term. Thank you to Mrs Mangion for her organisation. This worthy tradition helps to build our students' understanding of this solemn day of remembrance, when we reflect on service men and women past and present.

## Why is this day special to Australians?

On 25 April 1915, the Anzacs landed on the Gallipoli peninsula with the objective to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul in Turkey), the capital of the Ottoman Empire. The Anzacs met fierce resistance from the Ottoman Turkish defenders. The battle quickly became a stalemate, and the campaign dragged on for eight months.



At the end of 1915, the allied forces were evacuated. Both sides suffered heavy casualties and endured great hardships. Over 8,000 Australian soldiers were killed. News of the landing on Gallipoli and the events that followed had a profound impact on Australians at home. The 25<sup>th</sup> of April soon became the day on which Australians remember the sacrifice of those who had died in the war.

The Anzacs were courageous and although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives, the Australian and New Zealand actions during the campaign left us all a powerful legacy.

### The Athletes Foot Rouse Hill

Kyla from The Athletes foot at Rouse Hill Town Centre attended one of our assemblies last term to present a generous donation of \$105. The Athletes Foot have a school rewards program during the back-to-school period at the beginning of each year. For every pair of shoes sold to one of our students, they donate \$5 to the school. During the back-to-school period at the beginning of this year, they sold 21 pairs of school shoes to our students. If you buy new school shoes from The Athletes Foot next year, don't forget to mention Rouse Hill PS.

## **Rouse Hill IGA and Easter Hat Parade**

Thank you to Johan from Rouse Hill IGA for the very generous donation of \$752.36 through their IGA Community Chest program, which was presented to us at our Easter Hat Parade last term. Every day across the country IGA Community Chest raises funds to support local communities, charities, and worthwhile causes.

In addition to this, Rouse Hill IGA also donated Easter eggs for all of our students – we are very appreciative of their support.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Year 6 fundraising Easter Raffle – there were many tasty hampers to present to those lucky enough to have their names drawn. Congratulations to Andy from 2J and Armin 4H who won the Easter Egg Guessing Competition. It was great to have so many family members join us for our Easter Hat Parade, and we even had a visit form the Easter Bunny!

### Year 6 Cake Stall

Thank you for supporting our Year 6 Cake Stall last term on the day of our Cross Country Carnival. The Year 6 students raised \$1,162.40, which will go towards their Year 6 Farewell at the end of the year.

## **Early Arrivals**

We have quite a large number of children arriving at school before morning supervision begins at 9:00am. Our OOSH has access to our playground prior to 9:25am and their educators have been having some trouble with children who are arriving early to school but are not enrolled in OOSH playing with the OOSH groups. Please do not send your children to school before 9:00am when playground supervision commences. If you need to drop your child to school before 9:00am, please book them into OOSH. Their contact details are:

Guardian Childcare & Education Rouse Hill OOSH

Phone: 0409 626 734 Email: <u>rousehilloosh@guardian.edu.au</u> Website: guardian.edu.au







## **Opportunity Class Placement for 2024**

Applications for entry into Year 5 opportunity classes (OC) in 2024 opened on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March and close Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.

## What are opportunity classes?

Opportunity classes cater for high potential and intellectually gifted students. They help students learn by:

- grouping them with other gifted students
- using specialised teaching methods so students can learn concepts in more detail and more quickly
- supporting their wellbeing needs.

Opportunity classes are unzoned so you can apply no matter where you live. There are 76 primary schools with opportunity classes in NSW each year: 45 schools are located in metropolitan Sydney, 30 schools are located in rural or regional centres, and a virtual class, Aurora College, for rural and remote students is available in 618 authorised host schools.

Students successfully placed attend the opportunity class full time in Years 5 and 6 at the relevant public school. In the majority of cases, students who have accepted a place in an opportunity class will leave their current school to attend the school with the opportunity class.

### Should you apply?

If your child learns with greater ease and speed than their classmates, they may benefit from placement in an opportunity class. High potential and gifted children need to be challenged so they remain engaged with their education. Discuss the opportunity with your child and look through the information online together. If you would like to discuss whether you think you should apply, please contact your child's teacher.

## Ready to apply?

Apply online at <a href="mailto:education.nsw.gov.au/oc">education.nsw.gov.au/oc</a>

## **School Zone Parking Rules and Penalties**

Hills Council is receiving a number of complaints about parents parking in the streets around the school with vehicles parking too close to intersections, in No Stopping Zones, at bus stops and over driveways. Please park legally and safely around the school at all times. Council's Compliance Officers will be providing parking enforcement over coming weeks. Please see the current 'School Zone Parking Rules and Penalties' information at the end of this newsletter.

### Rob Jarvis, Rebecca Wallace and Jess Pintado

## Lego Club

Many students in Years 3-6 are enjoying Lego Club, which takes place every Friday at lunchtime in the 3F classroom. If you have any Lego at home that you no longer need, any donations would be gratefully received.









Amie Foscholo – Lego Club Coordinator

## **Backflips** Against Bullying

At the end of last term, all students in K-6 were wonderful audience members for the Backflips Against Bullying performance. Students were engaged as they witnessed the performers complete a variety of acrobatic stunts, all the while delivering important messages around bullying including making friends, practical resilience tools and reflection. The program aims to develop skills to create a positive social landscape within our school. This show supported our values at RHPS of being Respectful, Responsible and Resilient. We hope that your child enjoyed the exciting performance.





Gemma Simmons – Organiser



## PBL Awards – Respectful Responsible Resilient

Early Stage 1 Award Winners

















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## Class News

Every few days we're sharing some class news with you via our Facebook page, as well as our newsletter. This fortnight it's KG, 1B, 3F and 4/5N's turn.

## KG

Students in KG have had a wonderful start to Term 2! They have been working hard in mathematics, learning all about 2D shapes. The students have been learning about the properties of common shapes. It has been wonderful teaching KG how to sort, describe and name various 2D shapes. The students had fun completing an activity where they created a picture of a house using common shapes. During the holidays I missed seeing their gorgeous smiling faces and I'm looking forward to a fantastic Term 2 of learning and fun.





Mrs Goodere

## 1B

1B have made a fantastic start to Term 2, welcoming a new class member and excitedly catching up with old friends. This week has seen students engage in mathematics activities to revise number bonds and develop their knowledge of place value. 1B are keen communicators and enjoyed recounting their holidays through discussion, drawing and writing. Time was spent in the school's Yarning Circle, with students working together to develop an Acknowledgement of Country for display in the classroom window. The students also completed a number of art projects, including an exploration of some techniques seen in Aboriginal artworks. Well done 1B on a wonderful week of learning. It's sure to be a great term ahead!











In week 8, Term 1, 3F investigated 3D objects. During this lesson students focused on the names, how many edges, vertices, faces and the difference between a prism and a pyramid. Then with the use of Blu-Tak and toothpicks students collaboratively constructed their own 3D objects.



### Mrs Foscholo

### 4/5N

4/5N students have been working hard and showing great enthusiasm for their learning. In maths, they've been exploring complex concepts such as fractions and decimals. They've been investigating appropriate methods to collect data and construct, interpret and evaluate data displays. In English, they've been delving into persuasive and imaginative genres of literature and honing their writing skills. Our geography unit on Australia's neighbours and global connections is well underway, and the students are enjoying learning about Australia and its neighbouring countries and the connections we have with them. Personal development and health lessons are supporting the students to demonstrate kindness, respect and responsibility, and I am proud of the growth of their self-management skills to respond to their own and others' actions in these areas.





Mr Neorcsik



## AFTER-SCHOOL MANDARIN CLASSES AT ROUSE HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

After-school Mandarin classes have been Rouse Hill Public School for 5 years! Having been a community language school for the past 20 years, we at Hua Xia make learning Mandarin easy and fun for both native and non-native speaking students!

Time	e Mondays (3.30pm - 5.00pm), Starting on 1 May in term2	
Classes Two Classes (Native + Non-native speakers) on Mone		
Class Fees	\$145 for 8 sessions in Term 2 2023	
Class Location:	Will be same classrooms	
Payment Method: A/C Name: Hua Xia Chinese Culture School BSB: 112-879, A/C No. 438456361 Reference on Receipt: Student's name and RHPS		

If you are interested, please fill out our <u>enrolment form</u> if you are a **new student**, or confirm your attendance via our <u>'Contact Us' form</u> if you are an **existing student**.

## CONTACT US

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Bin Lin



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# SCHOOL ZONE PARKING RULES AND PENALTIES

#### COUNCIL'S COMPLIANCE OFFICERS ENFORCE PARKING SIGNS AT YOUR SCHOOL.

When it comes to the safety of vulnerable road users like school children, drivers found breaking the law will be met with zero tolerance. When an offence is detected, you will be fined.



#### NO STOPPING

You must not STOP at any time. Stopping includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running.

#### SCHOOL ZONE

Penalty from \$352 and 2 demerit points



#### NO PARKING

You can stop only to drop off or pick up passengers or goods and you must not stop for more than 2 minutes and The driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. Stopping includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running.

SCHOOL ZONE Penalty from \$196 and 2 demerit points



#### **BUS ZONES**

You must not stop your vehicle in a Bus Zone unless you are driving a public bus. Stopping includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running.

#### SCHOOL ZONE

Penalty from \$352 and 2 demerit points



#### DRIVEWAYS

You must not park your car over or block access to a driveway. You can stop in a driveway to drop off or pick up passengers BUT only for less than 2 minutes AND the driver must stay with the car.

SCHOOL ZONE Penalty from \$352 and 2 demerit points

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# THERE ARE NOW INCREASED PENALTIES AND DEMERIT POINTS ASSOCIATED WITH ALL OFFENCES IN SCHOOL ZONES.

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BUS ZONE You must not stop your vehic are driving a public bus.	cle in the indicated zone unless you	\$3	enalty from 52 and 2 emerit points		
Double parking			\$352 & 2 demerit points		
Stop on path or nature strip			\$352 & 2 demerit points		
Stop on / near marked pedestrian/children's crossing			\$469 & 2 demerit points		
Approach children's crossing too quickly to stop safely			demerit points		
Illegal U turns			demerit points		
Stop across driveway			demerit points		
Drive using a hand held mobile phone \$			demerit points		
Parallel park close to (within 3 metres) double centre line \$			demerit points		

FINES CURRENT AS OF DECEMBER 2021 For a complete list of school zones offences visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au

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