



# RIVERBANK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all our Riverbank families and a special warm welcome to those students and their families who are joining our school community. We hope you enjoy a long and happy association with our school. We take pride in setting high expectations of our students who are the very centre of our structured learning environment. Our Restorative Practice philosophy provides a framework for building strong relationships, effective communication, personal and social responsibility and a sense of belonging.

Education in a changing world has a vital role to play in preparing students for successful, enriched lives. At Riverbank Public School, students are challenged, yet nurtured and work both independently and in groups to solve authentic problems. Learning includes partnerships with industries in order to develop skills in students of innovation, fair testing and experimentation. Students accumulate a strong repertoire of general capabilities including literacy, numeracy, creative and critical thinking, intercultural understanding, ethical understanding, information and communication technologies as well as personal and social responsibilities.

Students, staff, parents and community members are encouraged to participate in all aspects of school life. Parents are valued as true partners in the education of their children, contributing their initiative, energy, time and expertise to the school. At Riverbank, all students have the opportunity to attain knowledge, skills, values and attitudes enabling them to be reflective, self-sufficient and self-motivated lifelong learners.

This year we have formed 74 mainstream classes and 3 support classes for students with special needs.

11 Early Stage 1 - Kindergarten

23 Stage 1 - Years 1 and 2

21 Stage 2 - Years 3 and 4

19 Stage 3 - Years 5 and 6

The first few days of a new school year are always a little hectic; as students learn new routines and parents are keen to find out what class their children are in and where they line up. I have been very impressed with how settled the students have been in their new classrooms.

**Our school times are 8.45am to 2.45pm.**

Morning supervision 8.15am to 8.45am

8.45am	Morning bell
9.45am	K-2 Recess
10.15am	Stage 2 Recess
10.45am	Stage 3 Recess
12.15pm	K-2 Lunch
12.45pm	Stage 2 Lunch
1.15pm	Stage 3 Lunch
2.45pm	Afternoon bell

Our main entry gate will be open from 8.15am to 8.45am and then from 2.45pm to 3pm. During 8.45am and 2.45pm, there is an intercom at the main entry for parents to access the school. The High School have their own gates on Wentworth Street, located near their car park. After consultation with the P&C and in line with current COVID guidelines, we are continuing with no parents on site in the morning, with students to be dropped off at our school gates. Parents are welcome on school grounds of an afternoon to collect their child.

Kindergarten parents will be welcome on site in the mornings for the first week (Monday 1 to Friday 5 February). From Monday 8 February, Year 6 students will support Kindergarten walking to their classrooms from the school gates.

We request parents leave the school grounds promptly after dropping or picking up their child.

Before and After school care have their own gates on Wentworth Street from 6.30am to 8.15am and then from 2.45pm to 6.30pm

A list with class names, teachers and a school map will be included in next week's school newsletter and will be placed on our website and school app. Our 2021 School Information Booklet is now available on our school website.

2021 school invoices will be sent out each term. The Term 1 invoice has been included in the welcome pack.

All students have a wonderful opportunity to participate in weekly Chess, Dance, Choir, Band, Music, Music tuition, Drama, ICT, Debating and PSSA sport programs. An overview of paid after school activities will be sent out on the school app next week.

I have included in the welcome pack our 2021 Term 1 Calendar, which highlights key events throughout the term. Dates may sometimes vary, and new events will be added. The calendar is available on the school's website. This year we have a parent engagement calendar which highlights key events and workshops.

Meet the Teacher information evening sessions will be held during weeks 3, 4 and week 5. These sessions will be held online. We have scheduled a classroom visit time for parents to come on site and meet their teacher in person. More information will be sent home regarding meet the teacher sessions. Individual student learning will be discussed at parent - teacher interviews in Week 9. Parents are welcome to make a time to meet with their teacher either over the phone or a meeting after school. Please email the school to request an appointment after the online information sessions.

Newsletters are published during even weeks and regular updates are sent out through our school app. Our Facebook page celebrates our weekly achievements.

Late Drop off and Early Pick Up - If you are picking up your child early, you must go to the school office and sign them out before you collect your child from the classroom. If a student is late arriving to school, you must sign them in at the front office before they go to class. Students cannot sign themselves in or out of school.

The school's Kiss and Ride area is within the "No Parking" zones and are located on Wentworth Street and Riverbank Drive. You are only allowed to stop your vehicle to set down or pick up passengers and must not stop for more than 2 minutes. The driver must not be more than 3 metres from the vehicle. Highway patrol will be regularly patrolling our perimeter. Thank you for ensuring the safety of all of our students when entering and leaving the premises.

At Riverbank, we value open communication channels in our school. You are more than welcome to make an appointment to meet with me by contacting the School Administration Staff. Alternatively, I am in the playground or on front gate duty most mornings and afternoons and I always welcome feedback.

Best wishes for an exciting year ahead.

Mrs Jeanie Brown

Principal



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### **Welcome to Stage Two – 2021**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I would like to welcome all our families (both new and existing) to Riverbank Public School. Over the year, your child will be involved in varied and challenging programs which will encourage them to work to their full potential in many different activities and learning experiences. Emphasis on social skills, communication, independence and cooperation is important to achieve a happy and active learning environment. Your child's teacher is \_\_\_\_\_ in class \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **School times from 8:45am to 2:45pm**

Children are not to be at school before 8:15am. Upon arriving at school, children are to leave their bags at their designated space as set by their class teacher. Students who have siblings in the high school will be supervised in the area near the staffroom until collected at 3pm by their sibling.

#### **Meet the Teacher Night**

The Stage 2 Meet the Teacher information session is being held on Tuesday 9 February. Our evening will commence with Year 3 at 5.30pm via Zoom and Year 4 at 6.30pm via Zoom. This is a great opportunity for you to find out more about our routines and the fabulous programs we are offering our students.

#### **Labelling**

Please ensure that all items of clothing, including school bags, food containers and drink bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name. This will ensure that 'missing' items are returned to the rightful owner.

#### **Book Covers**

Thank you in advance for covering your child's books. Books will be sent home during the first couple of weeks to be covered with either clear plastic or contact. Please return your child's books to school the following day.

#### **Code of Behaviour**

The HIP (Help Increase the Peace) program offers a whole school approach to building relationships through communication, cooperation, trust building and conflict resolution.

#### **Our School Values are:**

1. We share the voice space by listening quietly.
2. We follow instructions:
  - a. in the right place
  - b. at the right time
  - c. doing the right thing
3. We use build ups by saying nice things.
4. We keep our hands, feet and objects to ourselves.
5. We own our own behaviour because we choose how we behave.



#### **Homework**

Homework will be assigned **each Friday and should be submitted the following Thursday via the Google Classroom**. The activities that are uploaded for homework are to revise the English and Mathematic skills taught in class. If you have concerns regarding homework please do not hesitate to meet with your classroom teacher. At different times during the year, small assignments will be set that link to our units of work. Students will be given a set time frame to complete these assignments. Homework will commence in Week 3.

#### **Additional Learning Needs**

If your child has an identified learning or other need, please advise the school so that a plan can be put into place. Each plan will be different, so it is important to provide us with as much information as possible so that we have a comprehensive understanding of your child's needs.

## Curriculum

**English** - Our students will be developing their reading, comprehension strategies and writing skills through modelled, guided and independent teaching and learning.

This term, students will learn about the structure and features of narrative texts and apply these techniques in their writing.

Handwriting, grammar, and phonemic awareness are all elements of English that will also be integrated into teaching and learning programs. Our students will again be participating in the Riverbank Public Speaking Competition where they will continue to develop their speaking and listening skills.

Spelling will continue to be supported through the Sound Waves program.

Week	Phonemes/Graphemes	Week	Phonemes/ Graphemes	Week	Phonemes/Graphemes
3	b bb	6	e ea	9	f ff ph
4	a	7	d dd	10	o a
5	k c q ck x(ks) ch	8	i		

**Mathematics** - Learning will take place across three content strands: Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry and Statistics and Probability. This term, our curriculum will focus on:

Week	Concepts	Week	Concepts
3	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole number (reading and representing numbers)</li> <li>Length (measuring lengths and distances)</li> <li>•</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole number (reading and writing numbers)</li> <li>Length (measuring lengths and distances)</li> </ul>	7	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multiplication &amp; Division (mental and written strategies)</li> <li>Area (measure area using formal units)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multiplication and Division (factors)</li> <li>Area (measuring and comparing areas)</li> </ul>
4	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Addition &amp; Subtraction (mental and written strategies)</li> <li>Length (measuring lengths and distances)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Addition &amp; Subtraction (single-digit addition and subtraction)</li> <li>Length (Perimeter)</li> </ul>	8	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fractions &amp; Decimals (read and write simple fractions)</li> <li>Area (measure area using formal units)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fractions &amp; Decimals (modelling, comparing and representing fractions)</li> <li>Angles (comparing angles with informal units)</li> </ul>
5	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Addition &amp; Subtraction (mental and written strategies)</li> <li>2D Space (name and describe the features of 2D shapes)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Addition &amp; Subtraction (mental Strategies)</li> <li>2D Space (identifying and describing 2D Shapes)</li> </ul>	9	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patterns &amp; Algebra (identify and describe patterns)</li> <li>Mass (measure mass using formal units)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fractions &amp; Decimals (equivalent fractions)</li> <li>Angles (classifying angles)</li> </ul>
6	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multiplication &amp; Division (skip counting)</li> <li>2D Space (name and describe the features of 2D shapes)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multiplication &amp; Division (multiples)</li> <li>Area (measuring areas)</li> </ul>	10	<b>Year 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole Number (understanding place value)</li> <li>Volume &amp; Capacity (measure using formal units)</li> </ul> <b>Year 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patterns &amp; Algebra (number sentences)</li> <li>Data (creating surveys and recording sheets)</li> </ul>

**History** – The semester one unit is Community: Remembrance. Through inquiry and immersion, students will learn about significant events that are celebrated in Australia. Students will be encouraged to ask questions and supported in finding the answers to those questions through research-based tasks.

**PDHPE** - Students participate in primary sport every Friday morning. Physical education lessons on Tuesdays will focus on the development of game skills, fitness and fundamental movement skills. Children will be required to wear sports uniform on both days.

**Science and Technology** - During Term 1, Stage 2 students are studying the unit 'Physical World'. They will investigate and discover how heat, light and electrical energy makes things happen. Students will also be attending STEAM classes with Mrs Seward. Lessons will build on content and skills taught last year.

**Creative Arts** - During Term 1, students will be engaging in Visual Arts lessons. They will experiment with different mediums and develop skills and techniques in painting and sketching in order to create their own artworks.

#### **Assemblies**

Stage 2 Assemblies will be held on alternate Thursday at 1:15pm. Year 3 commences on Thursday 25 February (odd weeks) and Year 4 on Thursday 4 March (even weeks). Parents will be notified when their child's class will perform their assembly item and if possible are encouraged to attend. These dates are also published in the school newsletter.

#### **Allergies**

If you have any concerns with your child's allergies or other medical conditions, please contact the school office. We try to avoid all peanut products in the classroom. We thank you for your cooperation and ask that children not share food at school.

**Birthdays** are special occasions for children. If your child wishes, there are birthday buckets that can be purchased from the canteen at a cost. These will then be delivered to your child's class. Students may also wish to bring cupcakes or donuts for the class on their birthday.

#### **Dates for the diary**

**Meet the Teacher evening** Tuesday 9 February

**3-6 Swimming Carnival** Tuesday 9 February

**Book Fair** Week 8

**Harmony Day** 19 March

**Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews** Week 9

**Autism Awareness Day** Friday 2 April

**3-6 Cross Country** Tuesday 30 March

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact the school to arrange a time for a phone interview or face to face meeting.

Looking forward to a great year together!

Kind regards,

Miss Ashleigh Edwards  
Assistant Principal Year 3

Mrs Jessica Beard  
Assistant Principal Year 4

Stage 2 Teachers

# OVAL

D7  
KC

D6 KM   D5 KA   D4 KB   D3 KL   D2 KME   D1 KJM

Data Room  
School  
Counsellors

G19 3L   G18 3G  
G17 3D   G16 3P

G15 3M   G14 3R   G13 Library

G12 4L   G11 4E

G10 4J  
G9 4C

## Downstairs



G8 4A  
G7 4S

D28 2J   D27 1H   D26 2L   D25 1W   D24 2W   D23 2M   D22 1J   D21 1/2D   D20 KE   D19 KN

D31 1S   D30 1D   D29 1C   D18 1T   D17 1R   D16 2G   D15 2C   D14 KS   D13 KW

D35 2K   D34 2V   D33 1A   D32 2S   GATE   D12 1M   D11 1K   D10 2A   D9 2F   D8 STEAM

Court

Hall

Staffroom &  
Admin

S2 1-4J  
S1 4-6F

G1 6R   G2 6C   G3 6A   G4 5K   G5 5E   G6 5S

<h1>OVAL</h1>	1.22 3CW	1.21 3W
	1.20 3I	1.19 3E

1.18 3K	1.17 3O	1.16 4B	1.15 4M
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**Maria Locke  
Innovation and  
Inquiry Hub**

1.14 4D
1.13 5H



1.12 5G
1.11 5V

## Upstairs

1.10 5J
1.9 5R
1.8 5D
1.7 5N

S3 4-6R
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1.1 6L	1.2 6M	1.3 6B
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1.4 6P	1.5 6D	1.6 6G
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Term One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
1	25 Jan	26 Jan Australia Day	27 January SDD	28 January SDD	29 January 1-6 Students Return	30 31 Jan
2	1 February Kindergarten Transition	2 February Kindergarten Commence	3 February	4 February	5 February	6 7 Feb
3	8 February Meet the Teacher (Zoom) Year 1 5.30 Year 2 6.30	9 February Year 3-6 Swimming Carnival Meet the Teacher (Zoom) Year 3 5.30 Year 4 6.30	10 February	11 February Classroom Visit Yrs. 1-4 2.45-3.15	12 February	13 14 Feb
4	15 February	16 February Meet the Teacher (Zoom) Year 5 5.30 Year 6 6.30	17 February Kindergarten My First Day Photos	18 February Classroom Visit Stage 3 2.45-3.15	19 February Year 6 Leaders Induction Assembly PSSA	20 21 Feb
5	22 February Meet the Teacher (Zoom) Early Stage 1 5.30 to 6.30	23 February	24 February Parliament First day scripture	25 February Year 3 Assembly	26 February PSSA Kindy Assembly Year 1 Assembly Year 6 Assembly	27 28 Feb
6	1 March	2 March Parent Workshop K-6 – Visible Learning (Zoom)	3 March P & C AGM 6pm	4 March Year 4 Assembly Zone Swimming	5 March PSSA Year 2 Assembly Year 5 Assembly	6 7 Mar
7	8 March	9 March	10 March	11 March Year 3 Assembly Selective HS Placement Test	12 March PSSA Kindy Assembly Year 1 Assembly Year 6 Assembly	13 14 Mar Welcome Picnic
8	15 March Book Fair	16 March	17 March	18 March Parent Workshop K-6 -Educational Support/EaLD (Zoom) Year 4 Assembly	19 March Year 2 Assembly Year 5 Assembly Harmony Day	20 21 Mar
9	22 March Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher/ Student Interviews	23 March Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher/ Student Interviews	24 March Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher/ Student Interviews	25 March National Young Leaders Day Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher/ Student Interviews Year 3 Assembly	26 March Kindy Assembly Year 1 Assembly Year 6 Assembly Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher/ Student Interviews	27 28 Mar
10	29 March K-2 Cross Country	30 March 3-6 Cross Country	31 March Parliament Parent workshop – Kindergarten Literacy and Numeracy (Zoom)	1 April K-2 Easter Hat Parade	2 April Good Friday	3 4 Apr
Hols	5 April Easter Monday	6 April	7 April	8 April	9 April	10 11 Apr
Hols	12 April	13 April	14 April	15 April	16 April	17 18 Apr



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2021	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
Term 1	• K-2 Parent Helpers working in classrooms										
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kindergarten Transition</li> <li>Kindergarten Commences</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Years 2-6 Swimming Carnival</li> <li>Meet the Teacher Evenings (S1-S2)</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leaders Induction Assembly</li> <li>Meet the Teacher Evenings (S3)</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet the Teacher Evening (ES1)</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Workshop – Visible Learning</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selective High School Placement Test</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book Fair</li> <li>Welcome Picnic</li> <li>Harmony Day</li> <li>Parent Workshop K-6 - Educational Support/EaLD</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K-2 Easter Hat Parade</li> <li>K-2 Cross Country</li> <li>3-6 Cross Country</li> <li>Parent workshop – Kindergarten Literacy and Numeracy</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	
Term 2	• K-2 Parent Helpers working in classrooms										
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ANZAC Day Ceremony</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Workshop – Stage 1 Literacy and Numeracy</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Workshop – Stage 2/3 Literacy and Numeracy</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Interviews</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grade parent zoom meetings – data informed practice.</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Workshop – Visible Learning</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multicultural Public Speaking Finals</li> <li>3-6 Athletics Carnival</li> <li>Parent Workshop K-6 -Educational Support/EaLD</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kindergarten information session 2022</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visible Learning Open Classrooms – student goal sharing</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NAIDOC Week Ceremony/Assembly</li> <li>Reports Home</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates</li> </ul>	
Term 3	• K-2 Parent Helpers working in classrooms										
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stage 2 Parent Cyber Talk</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Education Week –Open Classrooms</li> <li>Education week – STEAM Expo</li> <li>Education Week – CAPA performances (Castle Towers)</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kindergarten Bedtime Stories</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Interrelate</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website.</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hills Performing Arts Festival - TBC</li> <li>Book Week</li> <li>Parent Workshop K-6 -Educational Support/EaLD</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K-2 Athletics Carnival</li> <li>CAPA Concert</li> <li>Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visible Learning Open Classrooms – student goal sharing</li> <li>Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tell Them From Me Parent Survey</li> <li>Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	



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<b>Term 4</b>	• K-2 Parent Helpers working in classrooms									
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tell Them From Me Parent Survey</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diwali Night – Festival of Lights - CAPA Performances (High School)</li> <li>• Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grandparents Day</li> <li>• BYOD Parent/Student Information Session</li> <li>• Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>• Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>• Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remembrance Day Ceremony (11th Nov)</li> <li>• Schools Spectacular</li> <li>• Grade Parent Zoom Meetings – Data Informed Practice.</li> <li>• Year 2, 4 and 5 Assemblies</li> <li>• Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 3 Assembly</li> <li>• Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 Assemblies</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 6 Dinner/Formal</li> <li>• Parent Volunteers afternoon tea</li> <li>• Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kindergarten Concert</li> <li>• Year 6 Dinner Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stage 1 Christmas Concert</li> <li>• Excellence Assemblies</li> <li>• Reports Home</li> <li>• Newsletter put on app/website</li> <li>• Facebook – grade updates and event updates.</li> </ul>

**KEY:**

Events = Orange

Parent Information = Blue

Student Learning = Green

Assemblies = Purple

Communication = Red



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## Welcome to Riverbank Public School

**School Hours:** 8.45am – 2.45pm

**Newsletter:** Published fortnightly and uploaded to our school website on Wednesdays

**Canteen:** Please use Cashless to order lunch for your child-go to [www.cashless.school](http://www.cashless.school) and register or download the mobile app **Cashless**

**Uniforms:** Please go to the school website [riverbank-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](http://riverbank-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) and choose Uniform Orders and click on the link provided

**Sport:**

Kindergarten:	Tuesday & Thursday
Years 1 & 2:	Monday & Thursday
Years 3 & 4:	Tuesday & Friday
Years 5 & 6:	Wednesday & Friday

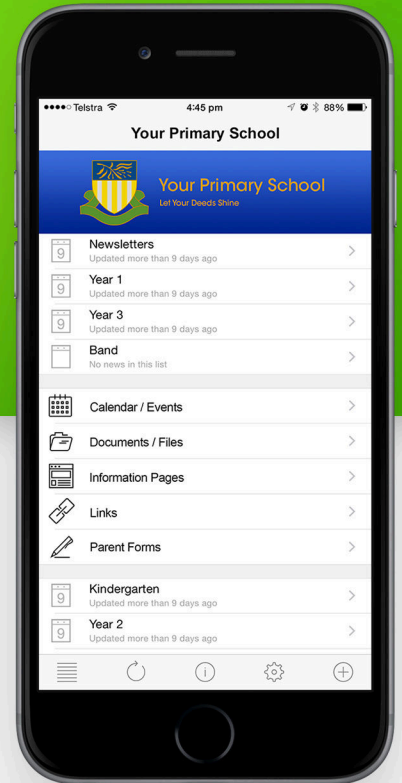
**School App:** Download our school app. **AND** subscribe for email updates - please turn over for instructions

**Principal:** Mrs Jeanie Brown



# SchoolEnews

Schools send free alerts and notes, newsletters, notices, events, news and more to parents.



*School Enews delivers news directly to parents and students!*

## How to install your School App

### iPhone and iPad Users

- 1) Press App Store icon on your device
- 2) Press Search and type in your school name
- 3) Press "Get", the app will download
- 4) Press "Open" and accept "push alerts"

### Android Users

- 1) Press Play Store icon on your device
- 2) Press magnifying glass and type in your school name
- 3) Press "Install", the app will download
- 4) Press "Open"

### Configure Push Alerts

- 1) Press "Settings / Cog" icon
- 2) Turn off the lists you don't want

### Other Smartphones and Tablets

Visit <http://app.schoolenews.com> for more apps



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- 1) Visit your school website
- 2) Click "School Enews" or "Newsletters & Notes" top heading (might differ slightly)
- 3) Under the "Subscribe" heading, tick on appropriate lists
- 4) Enter in your name and email address.
- 5) Click Subscribe (IMPORTANT: An email will be sent to your email address, you MUST click the "Activate Now" inside this email that is sent to you)



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# 2021 CANTEEN MENU

## Hot Food

Chicken Nuggets	4 for	\$3.20
	6 for	\$4.20
Corn on the Cob		\$1.20
Hot Cheese Roll		\$3.00
Hot Dog w/ Sauce		\$3.50
Sausage Roll		\$3.60
Spinach & Ricotta Roll		\$3.80
Hot Chicken Roll		\$4.00
Traveller Pie		\$4.20
Pizza Wrap		\$4.20

## Burgers

Chicken Burger	\$4.60
Lettuce & Mayo	
Beef/Salad Burger	\$4.60
Lettuce, Tomato & BBQ Sauce	
Veggie Burger	\$4.80
Lettuce & Mayo	
Chicken/Cheese Burger	\$5.00
Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo	
Cheese Burger	\$5.00
Meat, Cheese & BBQ Sauce	

Gluten Free and Halal menus are available online (see details below)

## Pasta & Rice

Macaroni & Cheese	\$4.60
Butter Chicken & Rice	\$4.60
Pasta Bolognese	\$4.60
Beef Lasagne	\$4.60
Vegetable Lasagne	\$4.60

## Hot Wraps

Chicken Tender w/ Lettuce & Mayo	\$5.00
Toasted Ham/Cheese	\$5.00
Chicken Caesar	\$5.00

## Sandwiches, Rolls & Wraps

All sandwiches made on wholemeal bread

Upgrade to Roll or Wrap	\$0.50
Vegemite or Jam	\$2.00
Tomato or Cheese	\$2.50
Tuna or Egg	\$3.20
Ham, Chicken or Salmon	\$3.60
Salad Sandwich	\$3.50
Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Beetroot & Carrot	
Salad w/ Cheese	\$4.00
Salad w/ Tuna or Ham	\$4.20
Salad w/ Chicken or Salmon	\$4.50
Extras (including Toasting)	\$0.60
Cheese, Avocado, Sprouts	

## Sushi

Available Tues, Wed, & Thurs

Chicken & Cucumber	\$3.60
Tuna & Cucumber	\$3.60
Chicken Teriyaki	\$3.60
Veggie Sushi	\$3.60

## Salads

Garden Salad	\$4.20
Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Beetroot & Carrot	
w/ Ham or Tuna	\$4.80
w/ Salmon or Chicken	\$5.00
Chicken Caesar Salad	\$5.50
Greek Salad	\$5.50
Extras	\$0.60
Cheese, Avocado, Sprouts, Egg or Capsicum	

## Drinks

Bottled Water 600ml	\$2.00
Plain Milk 300ml	\$2.00
Juice Popper	\$2.20
Flavoured Milk 300ml (3 Flavours)	\$2.50
Juice Bomb Sparkling Juice	\$2.60
Up 'n' Go	\$2.70

## Cold Treats

Frozen Lite Cordial Cup	\$0.50
Quelch Fruit Stick	\$1.00
Frozen Juice Cup	\$1.30
Snap Stix Ice Block	\$1.30
Icy Mony	\$1.30
Moosie Pouch	\$1.30
Juicee Tube	\$1.50
Ice Cream Cup	\$2.00
Slushy Cup	\$2.00

All cold treats are to be collected from the canteen by returning brown lunch bag

## Snacks

Pizza Muffin (Recess Only)	\$1.00
Garlic Bread (Recess Only)	\$2.50
Party Pies (Recess Only)	2 for \$2.80
Cup of Noodles (Recess Only)	\$3.30
Laughing Cow Cheese	\$1.00
Carrot Sticks	\$1.00
Piece of Fruit	\$1.00
Boiled Egg	\$1.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Custard Cup	\$1.00
Fruit Salad	Small \$2.50 Large \$4.00
Dip Snack Box	\$3.00
Banana Bread Slice	\$2.50
Red Rock / Grainwaves	\$1.60

Classroom Catering is fully compliant with the NSW Healthy School Canteen food & drink benchmarks



Classroom Catering supports a focus on everyday healthy food & drink options

Lunch order cut off is 9am

For a more detailed menu and to order online, please visit [cashless.school](http://cashless.school)



Bento Box \$5.00

Chicken Breast Slice, 1/2 Sandwich, Mini Muffins, Sliced Fruit, Popcorn



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29 January 2021

## 2021 SCHOOL INVOICE

Dear Parents/Carers

**Please find details below for the 2021 Annual School Invoice.**

- Your Statement of Account will be emailed to your family email address – just click on the link provided to make payment, this takes you directly to the Parent Online Payment
- Parent Online Payment (POP) is accessible from the Riverbank website ([www.riverbank-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.riverbank-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)) Click on the *Make a Payment* tab on the blue bar at the top of the screen and follow instruction – THIS IS OUR PREFERRED PAYMENT OPTION
- Cash (please use Riverbank payment envelope)
- Camp, PSSA and CAPA fees have been added to your child's invoice if applicable and are due as indicated on their note

**Please return:**

- Payment slip to the office
- Signed permission/medical notes to your child's teacher



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**PAYMENT SLIP (Please return)**

I have made an online payment. My receipt number is: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash payment made at the office

**CHILD'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLASS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AMOUNT PAID:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

## 2021 Annual Student Invoice

	YEAR	COST	DESCRIPTION		
<i>Voluntary School Contribution</i>	K-6	\$50	\$100 per family		
<i>Classroom Consumables</i>	K-6	\$65	Comprises student workbooks and class items that children will be working from during the year		
<i>Home Reader Levy</i>	K-4	\$15			
<i>STEAM Levy</i>	K-6	\$20			
<i>Soundwaves Textbook</i>	K-6	\$21	Spelling program plus online access		
<i>Year 1 Word Book</i>	1	\$8			
<i>School Magazine</i>	3-6	\$10	Student will receive 10 magazines during the year		
<b>ANNUAL STUDENT INVOICE TOTAL</b>	<b>K</b> <b>\$171</b>	<b>Yr1</b> <b>\$179</b>	<b>Yr2</b> <b>\$171</b>	<b>Yr3 &amp; Yr4</b> <b>\$181</b>	<b>Yr5 &amp; Yr6</b> <b>\$166</b>

The 2021 Annual Student Invoice covers the above items for the whole year. You will be invoiced at the end of each term for the following Term's incursions/excursions, camps and sport carnivals.

It would be appreciated if you could pay the above fees as soon as possible.

Please note, ONLY online payments made before 6.00pm are received at school the next day.



## Homework for Parents

Student's Name and Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

To complement our circle time activities and restorative values, please complete the following worksheet.



1. How does your child interact with other children or with siblings?

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2. My child's favourite interests or activities are:

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3. My child's favourite part of school is:

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4. I believe my child's strengths and weaknesses are:

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5. My child participates in the following activities outside of school:

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6. I would like my child to achieve the following this year at school:

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7. My child's attitude towards school is:

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Is there anything else that you feel would be beneficial for me to know about your child?

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this information sheet on your child. Can you please return it to your classroom teacher by Tuesday 2 February.



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## **Permission to Walk to Peel Reserve**

Dear Parents/Carers,

At times throughout the year we organise learning opportunities and experiences that are outside the boundaries of the classroom and school site. In particular, we will be utilising Peel Reserve (Greenview Parade, The Ponds) at various times as an area for sporting events, PSSA training and other activities.

These activities are at no cost to parents but require permission to walk to Peel Reserve and the use of its facilities.

In the case of illness, injuries or special circumstances, your child will be transported to and from Peel Reserve in a staff member's car.

Please note that this permission will remain in place for the 2021 school year. If at any time you wish to amend this, please contact the school.

Mrs J Brown

Principal



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## **Permission to Walk to Peel Reserve**

Please return by Friday 5 February 2021

I give permission for my child to walk to Peel Reserve and use its facilities under the direct supervision of a teacher. In the event of illness or injury, I give permission for medical assistance to be sought.

Your child will be transported to and from Peel Reserve in a staff member's car in the event of illness, injuries or special circumstances.

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Carer Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021

### **2021 Swimming Carnival - Competitors Only – Expression of Interest**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Riverbank Public School Swimming Carnival will go ahead on **Tuesday 9th February 2021**, regardless of weather. *This is a competitive event and will be attended by **competing students only** from Years 3-6 and Year 2 students turning 8 next year **who can confidently swim 50 metres without stopping.***

Date	<b>Tuesday 9th February 2021 – leaving school at <u>8:45am</u></b>
Venue	<b>Riverstone Swimming Centre</b> – Market Street, Riverstone. Water depth ranges from 1.8m near the starting blocks to 1.2m at the shallow end.
Transport	All competing students are required to travel by bus from school to the carnival. Buses will leave from the school <b>at 8.45am and will return before 2.45pm.</b>
Supervision	Primary staff will attend. Two certified lifesavers from the centre will be on duty in addition to supervising teachers.
Uniform	Students wear full sports uniform, with a shirt in their house colour if they choose. Students are encouraged to wear their swimming costume under their uniform or they can change at the pool.

**Please see Mr Cain or Mrs Brown for a permission note to attend the Riverbank Public School Swimming Carnival. Your child must be able to confidently swim 50 metres without stopping and is for competing students only.**

Mr Jarad Lonsdale  
Sports Coordinator

Mrs Jeanie Brown  
Principal