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Term 4 2019 Important Calendar Dates

Term 3 Week 10			
Wednesday 25 September	6pm 2020 Space Camp Info Session Years 4 & 5 only		
Friday 27 September	COLOUR FUN RUN - last day of term (No Assemblies)		
Term 4 Week 1			
Monday 14 October	STUDENTS RETURN		
Friday 18 October	Summer PSSA		
	11.30am ES1 Assembly: KTK		
	1.45pm Stage 1 Assembly: 1R		
Term 4 Week 2			
Wednesday 23 October	P & C Halloween Disco: Kindergarten, Year 3 & Year 4		
Thursday 24 October	P & C Halloween Disco: Years 1, 2, 5 & 6		
Friday 25 October	PSSA		
	12.15pm Stage 3 Assembly: 5R		
	1.45pm Stage 2 Assembly: 3B		
Term 4 Week 3	Scholastic Book Fair Library		
Tuesday 29 October	Grandparents Afternoon 1.45pm		
Friday 1 November	PSSA		
	11.30am ES1 Assembly: KR		
	1.45pm Stage 1 Assembly: 1D		
Term 4 Week 4	Scholastic Book Fair Library		
Thursday 7 November	2020 Kindy Transition		
Friday 8 November	PSSA		
	12.15pm Stage 3 Assembly: 6M		
	1.45pm Stage 2 Assembly: 3W		
Term 4 Week 5			
Thursday 14 November	2020 Kindy Transition		
Friday 15 November	PSSA		

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

What an incredible Term 3! We have enjoyed NAIDOC activities, Debating, Spelling Bees (now that was a buzz!), Athletics Carnivals, Author Visits, Hills Public Speaking competitions, Kindy Bedtime stories, Book Character dress ups, Education Week, Mini STEAM Expo, Open Classrooms, Science experiments, Year 4 ZooSnooz, Year 5 Canberra Excursion, Hills Performing Arts and Castle Towers CAPA Performances, Premier's Reading and Sporting Challenges, Circus Berserkus, Geography excursions and quality education being delivered by our extraordinary teachers. As this is the last newsletter for the term, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful staff at Riverbank Public School. Their selfless devotion to the students at RPS is demonstrated in all that they do, both inside and outside of the classroom. Wishing all the families an enjoyable and relaxing break. Students return Monday 14 October. Finally, I would like to congratulate Mr Chan on his permanent appointment to Riverbank PS through a recent merit selection process.

School Crossing Supervisor and Additional Crossing

Rory was very excited to welcome our new crossing supervisor. These holidays a second crossing will be installed near 18 Wentworth Street. Once completed, the school will apply for another supervisor. The criteria for this has recently changed and we are very hopeful the application will be approved. Obtaining approval for a crossing supervisor has taken 5 years and we would like to thank the P & C for their ongoing persistence and determination.



Hills Public Speaking Grand Final

On Monday 16 September, Riverbank hosted the Hills Public Speaking Grand Final. Students from five local schools competed with all students delivering inspiring speeches. The impromptu topics made for some interesting listening. Madhav, Mahi, Rishi and Zayna all spoke well and received valuable feedback from the adjudicators. Congratulations to Anita and Hoorain who both won their division and will now progress to the regional finals.

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Remembrance Day Service

Remembrance Day is a day of special significance for all Australians, commemorating the loss of Australian lives in all wars, conflicts and peace operations. Our ceremony will commence at 10.45am on Monday 11 November.

P & C Halloween Disco – Save the date

Wednesday 23 October

> 5.00 − 5.50pm: Kindergarten

6.00 – 6.50pm: Year 3
 7.00 – 7.50pm: Year 4

Thursday 24 October

5.00 – 5.50pm: Year 1
 6.00 – 6.50pm: Year 2

> 7.00 – 7.50pm: Years 5 & 6

Entry is \$5.00 at the door and includes a bag of chips and a drink.

New Building update

Our build is certainly taking shape and we are happily counting down the days for the completion of our new innovative learning hubs. The extension to our covered outdoor learning area (COLA) and a new shade structure over our silver seating and astro turf will commence this Saturday. The construction of the shade structure will take 12 weeks, with the area being well secured. I thank you for your patience during the course of these works.

Grandparents Afternoon

NSW Grandparents Day celebrates the contributions grandparents make to their families and communities. This year NSW Grandparents Day will be celebrated on Sunday 27 October. Riverbank Public School warmly invites our grandparents to join us on Tuesday 29 October between 1.45pm - 2:45pm for an afternoon of fun in our classrooms. We understand that some of our students may not have a grandparent able to attend; therefore, they are more than welcome to invite a special person such as an aunt, uncle or family friend to come along. An invitation will be sent home.

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Annual School Colour Fun Run Fundraiser Friday 27 September

This Friday is our Colour Fun Run! Students must return the permission form to participate. On the day, students can wear mufti clothes suitable for running.



For protection during the colour run, students need to wear:

- a plain white shirt or an old shirt. Whilst the powder is washable, we recommend that they don't wear their best clothes
- sunglasses
- a bandana over their mouth

Students are to bring a spare change of mufti clothes to wear home. They will not be able to participate in the colour run if they have not brought a spare change of mufti clothes.

Event Times

Early Stage 1: 9:00am – 9:40am Stage 1: 9:45am – 10:25am Stage 2: 11:30am – 12:30pm Stage 3: 1:45pm – 2:45pm

We have set a fundraising target of \$20,000 and need everyone to participate if we are going to smash our goal! The easiest way to help your child raise money is through online fundraising, where students raise an average of \$120. To start fundraising online, create a student profile page at schoolfundraising.com.au and share your online fundraising link. All cash donations can be handed in to the office. Money should be clearly labelled with your child's name and class. All cash donations are due back no later than Friday 18 October.

Anyone who raises at least \$10 will earn a prize. In addition, the more money you raise, the better the prizes! Therefore, work hard and you might be able to earn yourself a karaoke machine, Xbox One or even a hover board! Students can create a profile online at schoolfundraising.com.au

2 DAYS TO GO

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STARTING KINDERGARTEN or New to RIVERBANK IN 2020

We are now accepting enrolments for 2020. If you know of any future students who have not yet enrolled, it would assist our organisation greatly if you could please prompt them to enrol. Being able to accurately predict student numbers ahead of time enables recruitment and procurement processes to be more streamlined and effective. When students enrol late, we are less prepared. Please contact the office staff if you have not yet completed an enrolment application or if you require assistance.

For families wishing to check their local intake area, please follow the link below to the NSW Public School Finder and enter your address. https://education.nsw.gov.au/school-finder

School Shades

In a partnership with School Shades Australia, the P&C is launching an eye care initiative to protect the eyes of all our children. Australia has the highest rate of UV related eye diseases in the world! Summer is coming around soon and unfortunately hats don't protect eyes from the dangers of UV. Flyers will be sent home for you to order a pair of Navy or Red sunglasses, which come with their own case (which hooks onto the side of schoolbags), microfiber cloth and panel to write student names on. Only \$15! We will have "Size me up" day this Friday 27 September on the basketball court. Sunglasses can be worn as part of the summer uniform and sporting events.



Let's protect the eye health of our children together as a community.

https://www.schoolshades.com.au/

Extra-curricular Photos

All sport and extracurricular group photographs taken will be available online for viewing and purchasing from Friday 27 September. To view prices and pay online please go to The School Photographer website www.theschoolphotographer.com.au and use the code **19S1064RPSG.**

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2021 Year 7 Selective High School Applications

Selective High Schools cater for high achieving, academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Applications for Selective High School placement are considered on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 12 March 2020. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 Selective High School entry in 2021, you need to apply online using a valid email address (not the student's email address). Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from mid-October 2019, go to: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7

The application link opens on 8 October 2019 and closes on 11 November 2019 at 10pm. You must apply before the closing date. There are no paper application forms.

Starting Kindergarten in 2020

Kindergarten transition program dates held in Term 4.

Thursday 7 November	Parent and Student session	
9.15am -10.45am		
Thursday 14 November	Student session only	
9.15am -10.15am	(Uniforms on sale)	
Thursday 21 November	Student session only	
9.15am -10.15am	(Uniforms on sale)	

Students return to school on Monday 14 October in summer uniform

(NO Staff Development Day)

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Year 2 Swim School

Riverbank Public School has been successful in applying for the 'School Swimming and Water Safety Program'. This is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The program is conducted over ten days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes. Instruction will take place at Riverstone Pool commencing Term 4 Week 7, Monday 25 November and finish in Week 8, Friday 6 December. The program is provided free by the Department of Education and has been successfully running for over 50 years. The cost of \$70 covers the daily transport to and from the venue as well as pool entry. There are only 120 available places for Riverbank students in Year 2. An expression of interest note has been sent home to all Year 2 students.

K-2 Athletics Carnival

On Wednesday 11 September, K-2 thoroughly enjoyed their Athletics Carnival at Peel Reserve. It was a glorious Spring day. Students were very enthusiastic to cheer for their house, led by our Year 6 House Leaders. They participated in sprint races in their year groups and Sport in Schools provided the equipment for novelty events including connect four relay, potato sacks, speed chutes, turbo javelins and much more. Rory the Rhino also came for a special visit. Students displayed tremendous sportsmanship and enthusiasm when participating in various activities. We would like to thank the teachers, parent volunteers and Sport in Schools for all their efforts on the day. This year's winning house was:







1st - York 2nd - Piddington 3rd - Boyce 4th – Tomah

Have a wonderful holiday.

Mrs Jeanie Brown Principal

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Parent Communication

We use a variety of platforms to communicate information about upcoming events and highlight the great things that happen at Riverbank Public School.

School Enews App

Important notifications are posted and emailed on the School Enews App. School Enews is a free app available for all mobile devices. Just download the app from the App Store or Play Store by searching for Riverbank Public School. Please ensure that push notifications alerts are turned on so that you can receive information as soon as it is distributed.

School Website

Our school website is updated frequently. Some notes such as the Canteen Price List, Uniform Shop and our newsletter are all available online. Our school website is https://riverbank-p.schools.nsw.gov.au





Facebook

Riverbank Public School has its own Facebook page where we celebrate student's achievements. Parents are unable to post any news items, but can comment on reports and photos. The page is designed to keep the community up to date regarding all the wonderful things that happen at Riverbank Public School.



Twitter

In addition to Facebook, Riverbank Public School use Twitter to share events as they happen throughout the school. You can follow us on Twitter @RiverbankPublic.



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Restorative Practices

Restorative Practices form the relational basis for Quality Teaching and Learning at Riverbank Public School. Our Restorative Practice Framework, because of its explicit nature, offers a common language and practice capable of fostering healthy relationships.

Student achievement is enhanced through Restorative values being embedded as a way of being and learning together. Our approach fosters individual responsibility and helps develop empathy. Inappropriate behaviour or choices and mistakes can be viewed as an opportunity for insight, learning and development in both the academic and social domains.

The explicit framework is inextricably linked to the Quality Teaching Framework and includes the following sets of questions to be asked by children, teachers and parents.

When Things Go Wrong.....When Someone Has Been Hurt

- What happened?
- What were you thinking of at the time?
- What have you thought about since?
- Who has been affected by what you have done? In what way?
- What do you think you may do to make things right?
- What did you think when you realised what happened?
- What impact has this incident had on you and others?
- What has been the hardest thing for you?
- What do you think needs to happen to make things right?

The process is empowering as it takes students from the past to the present and gives them hope for the future. It empowers them to make things right and heal any harm that has been done.

A restorative classroom setting is one that values dialogue through an inclusive approach where everyone expects to be heard and through this participatory process, students develop the capacity to learn that emotions are an important and legitimate expression of healthy dialogue. This process helps students to deal with conflict, tensions and difference in respectful ways that engender trust and foster healthy relationships.

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School Motto

The school's motto, 'Learning to Live, Living to Learn', reinforces a broad and enriching curriculum, which not only focuses on the development of literacy and numeracy skills but also on the social and emotional wellbeing of the students whilst respecting a culturally diverse community.

Riverbank Public School Code of Behaviour

- We share the voice space by listening actively to others and expressing ourselves confidently.
- We follow instructions by being in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing.
- We use build-ups by saying encouraging, affirming things to others.
- We keep our hands, feet and objects to ourselves so that everyone is safe.
- We own our own behaviour because we choose how we behave.

Our Help Increase the Peace (HIP) Keys – School Values:

Our school values will incorporate the 'Help Increase the Peace Keys' to promote a harmonious, nurturing and challenging living and learning environment.

The HIP program offers a whole school approach to building relationships through communication, co-operation, trust building and conflict resolution.

YELLOW KEY Care for Others

GREEN KEY Think Before Reacting

BLUE KEY Respect Yourself

RED KEY Work Together for a Non Violent Way

BLACK KEY Expect the Best



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Congratulations to our Term 3 Week 9 Kindergarten Merit Awards recipients

Class	Class
KA – Leila, Rafael	KR – Rana, Taleen
KG – Hailie, Arihaan	KT – Myra, Ricknaaz
KI – Isaac, Anna	KTK – Jordan, Emilia
KL – Lucas, Levi	KTM – Anna, Evren
KM – Ishaan, Rajeev	

Congratulations to our Term 3 Week 9 Stage 1 Merit Awards recipients

Class	Class		
1A – Ritvik	1T – Mina, Julia		
1D – Estelle, Isa	1W – Hareem, Yohaan		
1F – Anya	2B – Aarush, Lucas		
1HC – Siddharth, Aagam	2F – Avria, Shreya		
1L – William, Kaicee	2H – Aysel, Drisha		
1MD – Kiyansh, Maliya	2M – Rithik, Isaiah		
1M – Madeleine, Veeraj	2S – Amaira, Jahrome		
1R – Ahaan, Ishaan	2W – Zahra, Rohan		
1S – Perry, Dhrish	2C – Rohail, Shreya, Vanshika		

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Congratulations to our Term 3 Week 8 Stage 2 Merit Awards recipients

Class	Class
3B – Shafi, Madeline, Dehara	3E – Trisha, Priscilla, Ali
3I – Holly, Krisha, Dhanushma	3J – Deakin, Sahasra, Jovita
3KR – Ashmann, Inshall, Riya	3M – Prisha, Joshua, Faizan
3W – Hrishan, Aarit, Irtiza	3/4C – Vivaan, Kayra, Naren
4B – Abeer, Shalomi, Ansh	4C – Jack, Sanjog, Mayan
4D – Mylee, Jasmeet, Acsah	4J – Shaila, Anna, Koby
4L – Christopher, Kareena	4N – Emma, Ben, Hoorain

Congratulations to our Term 3 Week 8 Stage 3 Merit Awards recipients

Class	Class
5B – Rhea, Lachlan, Ish	6B – Chaahat, Oscar, Dhairya
5C – David, Baljot, Vivaan	6L – Riley, Ramyak, Alisha
5E – Max, Anvesha, Nishmitha	6M – Aanya, Debarun
5G – Riley, Angelina, Surkhab	6R – Bailey, Soham, Deeya
5M – Seth, Shivangi, Farah	6V – Samarpal, Taruni, Ashleigh
5R – Nisha, Ezekiel, Sahaj Deep	

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Sport Houses

There are Four Sports Houses that reflect the wonderful view the school has of the Blue Mountains.



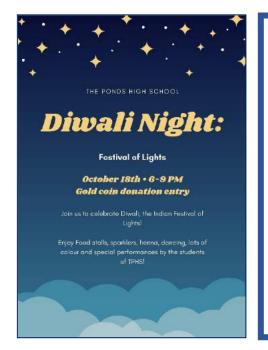
Team Name	Named After	Famous For	Team Colour
PIDDINGTON	Mount Piddington	One of the highest peaks and is very famous for rock climbing.	BLUE (for the abundance of Eucalypts that give the mountains their blue colour)
ТОМАН	Mount Tomah	Is very famous not only for its height but the Botanical Gardens.	GREEN (for the gardens)
BOYCE	Mount Boyce	Is almost the highest point in the mountains and is famous for a major Bureau of Meteorology station.	RED (for the flowering red natives: Waratah, Lambertia or Mountain Devil and Red Grevillia)
YORK	Mount York	Is very famous because it is where Blaxland, Lawson and Wentworth first saw the western plains.	YELLOW (for the viewing of the western plains by the explorers)

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Creative and Practical Arts (CAPA)

CAPA at Diwali Night!



We are pleased to announce that our school's <u>Bollywood Dance</u> group and <u>Boys' Dance</u> group have been chosen to perform at this year's Diwali Night Festival, to be held in The Ponds High School.

The scheduled performance night is **Friday 18 October 2019 (Term 4 Week 1)** and the festival will run from 6pm – 9pm.

Diwali is the festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world - symbolising new beginnings, the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness.

Family and friends are invited to a fun night out.

Enjoy - food stalls, sparklers, henna, dancing and wonderful student performances.

Operation Art

A great holiday activity for the whole family and it's FREE!

Operation Art is an exhibition of over 800 artworks created by students for children in hospital.

Riverbank is thrilled to have artworks from <u>four</u> of our students on display!

Congratulations to

Tamina Milly Mereana Anushka

We invite our Riverbank community to this FREE event, at the **Armory Gallery** - Jamieson Street, Sydney Olympic Park Saturday 14 September to Sunday 16 November 2019, 10am - 4pm.



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Art Club

Our 'Art Clubs' are never short of enthusiastic students. This week we feature some colourful ceramic pieces from our Stage 3 group, led by Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Lambert.







Stage 2 Recorder Program

Stage 2 students (Year 3 and 4) will recommence recorder lessons starting <u>Term 4</u>. School holidays are an excellent time for children to get their recorders out and prepare for next term by playing known songs or creating new ones! <u>New students to Riverbank can purchase a recorder from the school office for only **\$10**.</u>



The Yamaha YRS-24B series recorder is designed to provide a perfect start to anyone's musical education. This recorder is easy to play and has a clear soft tone. It is ideal for school use and offers an ideal amount of air resistance for easy control. Though other plastic recorders may have a similar appearance, Yamaha recorders are superior instruments.

If you have a recorder but are unsure of its suitability - have your child bring it in and Mrs Rozanc will let your child know if it will do for the program. Thank you for supporting your child in their music education.

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Music Tuition

At Riverbank Public School, we employ the services of **Primary Music Institute (PMI)** to deliver high quality music tuition to our students. PMI have developed a continually innovative curriculum – incorporating technology, modern music and structured learning plans. They offer exceptional parent support through an online parent portal and phone/email support team who ensure all information is available for parents.

Lessons on Offer

Keyboard

Vocal

Drums

More information can be found at https://www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au

Parents in NSW can now use their \$100 Creative Kids voucher with PMI each year! The NSW Government is helping kids get creative with the new Creative Kids program. Parents, guardians and carers can apply for a voucher with a value of up to \$100 per calendar year for each student aged 4.5 to 18 years old enrolled in school.

RPS Sport Update

Softball is a fun and exciting game that involves many different skills such as striking, throwing, catching and running. Joining a softball team will mean that you get to play a game on the weekend and generally have a practice session during the week. It's a great game to learn new skills, play with your friends or make new ones. Both girls and boys welcome.

Register NOW

Contact: Hills Hawks Softball Club

Website: http://websites.sportstg.com/club_info.cgi?client=1-10852-167789-0-0

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Skill in focus ... Two-hand strike



How to:

- 1. The dominant hand grips the bat above the non-dominant hand.
- 2. The non-preferred side of the body faces the bowler with the feet parallel.
- **3.** Hips and shoulders rotate during the swing of the bat.
- **4.** Transfer the body weight to the front foot.
- 5. Swing the bat and hit the ball.

Ridges Summer PSSA

The first round of Summer PSSA commenced on Friday 13 September. All students were eager to go and showed enthusiasm during the morning training session.

If your child is playing in a Summer PSSA team, please ensure payment has been made and permission note, medical form and code of conduct / jersey contracts have been returned. Students will not be able to train or board the bus without a signed permission note and payment. Summer PSSA will continue on the first Friday of Term 4.

Round 7 Results 13.9.19

 NRL Tag:
 Jnrs L 9-11
 Snrs L 0-40

 Cricket:
 Jnrs W 136-49
 Snrs W 124-54

AFL: Jnrs BYE Snrs BYE
T-Ball/Softball: Jnrs L 9-17 Snrs L 5-7

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Round 11 Results 20.9.19

No PSSA due to rain

Winter PSSA Jerseys

Students who participated in a winter PSSA sport are required to return their washed jersey before the end of Term 3 to the coach who was in charge of the sport they played.

2019 Ridges 1500m event

Seven Riverbank students competed in the Ridges 1500m at Cornucopia Reserve, Glenwood on Wednesday 11 September. These students were selected to compete based on their finishing places in the 800m race held during Riverbank's Athletics carnival.

Congratulations to Lachlan and Zainab who finished 3rd and 4th in their 1500m age races and are now reserves for the Sydney West Athletics carnival in October.

NSW Premiers Sporting Challenge

The Premier's Sporting Challenge will wrap up this Friday. This challenge has successfully inspired students to take part in daily physical activity and monitor their own progress each week.

Students will receive certificates in Term 4 that show their level of physical activity throughout Term 3.

Jarad Lonsdale Sports Organiser

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Dropping Off and Picking Up students

A 'Kiss and Ride Zone' or 'Drop-off and Pick-up' area utilises existing 'No Parking' zones around schools. In these areas, drivers may stop to drop off or pick up children, however **No Parking** rules apply:

- Maximum stop time is 2 minutes
- Driver must remain in or within 3 metres of the vehicle
- Vehicle must not be left unattended.

Additional safety tips for school zones:

- Always drop-off or pick-up your child from the designated area, following the school's procedures
- Make sure children use the footpath-side door when getting in and out of a car
- Make sure the hand brake is applied when the vehicle is stationary
- Never double park
- Never park across a pedestrian crossing
- Never undertake a U-turn in close proximity to the school.

Safety Tips for Students:

- Stay buckled up until the vehicle has stopped in the 'Drop-off and Pick-up' area
- Make sure your school bag and other items are in a safe position, e.g. on the floor
- Be ready to get out of the car with your belongings when the car has stopped and you have unbuckled your seatbelt
- Always get in and out of the backseat of the vehicle through the safety door the rear footpath-side door.

General parking rules

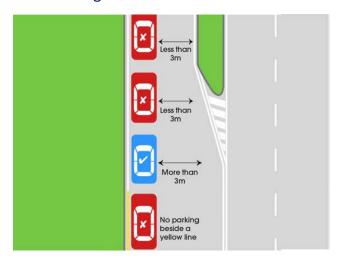
You must not stop your vehicle (that is, bring it to a stop and either stay with the vehicle or leave it parked) in the following circumstances:

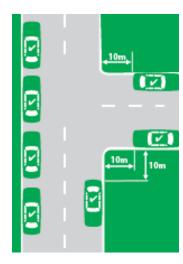
- Double parked (that is in the road alongside a car that is parked)
- On or across a driveway or footpath
- On footpaths and nature strips
- In a safety zone or within 10 metres before or after a safety zone
- Within an intersection

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- Within 1 metre of another vehicle parked in front or behind
- Within 10 metres of an intersecting road at an intersection without traffic
- Within 3 metres of any double centre lines
- On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian
 Crossing





No Stopping

What does it mean? You cannot stop in this area FOR ANY REASON (including queuing or waiting for space).

Why is it there? Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children/pedestrians.

Penalty \$330 + 2 Demerit Points (School Zone)

No Parking

What does it mean? You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. If no spaces are available, you cannot queue on the road way or in any other zones while waiting for a space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere, only returning when there is space to pull up. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle at all times.

Why is it there? To provide a safe place for children/pedestrian set down and pick up. Penalty \$183 + 2 Demerit points (School Zone)





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Bus Zone

What does it mean? You must not stop or park in a bus zone for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there? To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.

Penalty \$330 + 2 Demerit Points (School Zone)

Pedestrian Crossings



You must not stop within 20 metres before a pedestrian crossing or 10 metres after a crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.

Why is it there? To ensure that children can be clearly seen by vehicles approaching the crossing. **Penalty** \$439 + 2 Demerit Points (School Zone)

Footpaths, Driveways and Nature Strips

You must not stop on any footpath or nature strip, or even a driveway crossing a footpath or nature strip FOR ANY REASON.

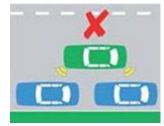
Why is it there? You could easily run over a child or force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.

Penalty \$183 + 2 Demerit points (School Zone)



Double Parking

You must not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.

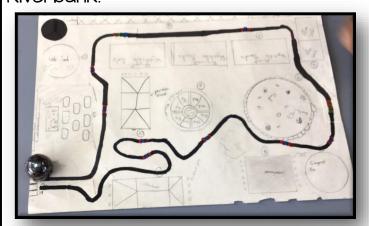


Term						SAT/SUN
Four	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAI/SUN
Week 1	14 October Students Return	15 October Stage 3 Rugby League	16 October	17 October	18 October Assembly Kindy & Stage 1 PSSA	19 20 Oct
2	21 October	22 October Stage 3 Rugby League	23 October P & C Disco	24 October Debating P & C Disco	25 October Assembly Stage 2 & 3 PSSA	26 27 Oct
3	28 October SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR Life Education Van arrives	29 October Grandparents Day Stage 3 Rugby League	30 October	31 October School Spectacular Rehearsal	1 November Assembly Kindy & Stage 1 PSSA	2 3 Nov
4	4 November	5 November Basketball Clinic	6 November Basketball Clinic	7 November 2020 Kindergarten Transition Music Count Us In	8 November Assembly Stage 2 PSSA	9 10 Nov
5	11 November Stage 2 Excursion Remembrance Day Assembly	12 November Leadership Day School Spectacular Rehearsal	13 November Parliament Stage 2 Excursion	14 November 2020 Kindergarten Transition Stage 2 Excursion	15 November Assembly Kindy & Stage 1 PSSA	16 17 Nov
6	18 November	19 November Interrelate Evening Session	20 November School Spectacular Rehearsal	21 November 2020 Kindergarten Transition School Spectacular Rehearsal	22 November Assembly Stage 2 & 3 Life Education Van departs PSSA School Spectacular	23 24 Nov
7	25 November	26 November CAPA Night	27 November	28 November	29 November	30 Nov 1 Dec
8	2 December	3 December Year 7 2020 High School Orientation Day	4 December Scripture Assembly Volunteers Afternoon Tea	5 December Year 6 Dinner	6 December	7 8 Dec
9	9 December Reports Home	10 December Kindy Excellence Assembly & Concert	11 December Excellence Assembly Years 1-6	12 December 5 Year Celebration of Learning Day K-2	13 December 5 Year Celebration of Learning 3-6	14 15 Dec
10	16 December Stage 1 Christmas Concert	17 December	18 December Year 6 Assembly Last day for Students	19 December SDD	20 December SDD	21 22 Dec
	23 December	24 December	25 December	26 December	27 December	

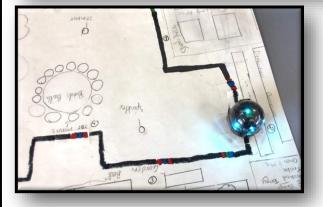
STEAM news

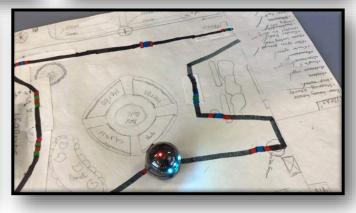
Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Maths

This term, stage 2 have been working hard to design a sustainable, edible garden and outdoor learning area. They completed their designs by navigating an Ozobot robot around their gardens, stopping at each part, allowing the students to explain each feature. They all did such a fantastic job! We might have some budding garden designers at Riverbank!







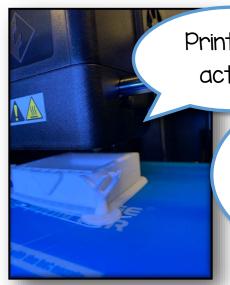


The students then moved on to using 3D software to design a small plant pot in which to plant a seed to grow seedlings, which will later be transplanted to a larger pot when grown. Their designs are fantastic!









Printer in action!

It doesn't always go to plan! But each mistake is a new lesson to learn!

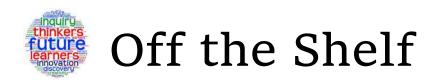


Stage I have been working on their design thinking skills by empathising with characters in stories and people in their real worlds—e.g. at school. They are identifying problems and needs, and they solve the problem by creating/designing a solution. They brainstorm and draw/explain their ideas and then create prototypes of their designs. Stage I have been busy designing 3D models of their designs related to a story. Some of the designs have been printed on our 3D printers!





IT Coordinator/STEAM teacher, Jodi Seward



LIBRARY NEWSLETTER T3W10/2019

WHAT'S NEWS

We are at the end of another fantastic term in the Library! What a huge term we've had celebrating reading! From our incredible Book Week to Reading Hour, Riverbank students have had every opportunity to engage with quality literature, meet authors and to continue to develop their love of reading!

Next term we look forward to a Literacy-Language linked program, supporting the United Nations Year of Indigenous Languages. We cannot wait to immerse ourselves in the language of the traditional owners of this area, the Darug people.

"Languages play a crucial role in our daily lives. They are not only our first medium for communication, education and social integration, but are also at the heart of each person's unique identity, cultural history and memory. The ongoing loss of indigenous languages is particularly devastating, as the complex knowledges and cultures they foster are increasingly being recognized as strategic resources for good governance, peacebuilding, reconciliation, and sustainable development. More importantly, such losses have huge negative impacts indigenous peoples' most basic human rights." United Nations.

If you would like to read more, click on the links below:

https://www.un.org/development/desa/dspd/2019/01/2019-international-year-of-indigenous-languages/

https://www.arts.gov.au/what-we-do/indigenous-arts-and-languages/2019-international-year-indigenous-languages



OVERDUES

We have made a vast improvement in returning books on time, however, there are still a number of students who have books outstanding from last term and in some cases last year. Your child has received a reminder note and some long term overdue notes will be posted home. Many hours go into the purchasing, processing and covering of books and we appreciate their prompt return so all students can have the opportunity to enjoy our fantastic book collection.



Off the Shelf

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER T3W10/2019

TOP BOOKS BORROWED FROM TERM 3

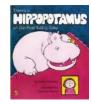
What are the most borrowed books from Term 3?? Great to see Kindy book choice has been heavily influenced by what students are learning in class and Stage 3 influenced by author visits! Did you read any of these books with your child this term?

KINDY

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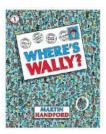
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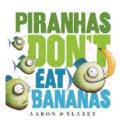
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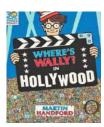
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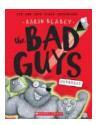
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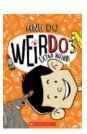
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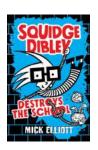
STAGE THREE

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Equal 2nd





Library Team Ms Kennedy, Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Wolff.

GRANDPARENTS DAY!

















TUESDAY
29th
OCTOBER

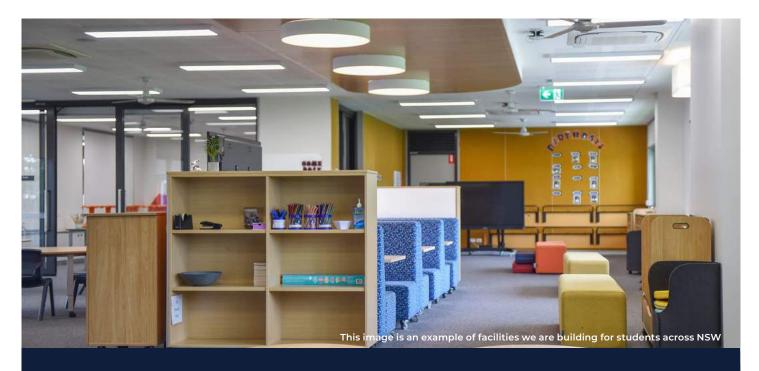
VISIT
CLASSROOMS
AND THE
LIBRARY BOOK
FAIR!
1.45-2.45





Riverbank Library
28th Oct - 1st Nov

NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure



Riverbank Public School

Project update

September 2019

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over the next four years to deliver 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Riverbank Public School

A project is underway to upgrade Riverbank Public School to accommodate the growing student population in the area. The project will deliver 15 new flexible teaching spaces, a covered outdoor learning area (COLA), additional student amenities, shade structures and an extension of administration and staff facilities

Progress summary

Work is progressing well, with the new COLA, extensions to the administration building and all structural works on the new building completed. A new carpark for staff is close to completion, and work is underway on the new sunshade.

New pedestrian crossing

Work will soon start on the new pedestrian crossing closer to the temporary entrance – near 18 Wentworth Street.

Next steps

During the September/October school holidays, work will continue on the new sunshade and the roof will be installed on the walkway which extends from the new COLA to the administration building.

Work is also continuing on the new building, including installation of all services, in readiness for work to start on the internal fit-out.

Keeping you informed

School Infrastructure NSW will continue to keep the school community updated as the project progresses.

You can also get in touch with us via the contact details provided.

For more information contact:

School Infrastructure NSW

Email: school in frastructure@det.nsw.edu.au

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www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au





HALLOWEEN P&CDISCO



\$5 ENTRY- PAY AT THE DOOR INCLUDES CHIPS & DRINK

RIVERBANK STUDENTS ONLY - DROP OFF AND PICK UP AT THE SCHOOL HALL

Wednesday 23rd October

5.00 - 5.50pm: Kindergarten

6.00 - 6.50pm: Year 3

7.00 - 7.50pm: Year 4

Thursday 24th October

5.00 - 5.50pm: Year 1

6.00 - 6.50pm: Year 2

7.00 - 7.50pm: Year 5 & 6

Dance the night away! Prizes for the best dressed on the night!



School Shades



Riverbank is a Sun Safe School.

To protect the eye-health of our students, School Shades sunglasses are now available in 4 sizes, colour matched to our school uniform and labelled with our school name.

School Shades sunglasses are approved to the highest Australian UV standards and have shatterproof, poly-carbonate lenses.

Each set of tough, built-for-kids pair of sunglasses includes:

- an easy-to-use ID panel
- a microfiber cloth
- a matching case with bag clip.

Sunglasses are \$15 per pair and may be pre-ordered through the P&C using this order form.

1 ORDER FORM PER STUDENT PLEASE / "SIZE ME UP DAY" AVAILABLE TO TRY SIZES FRI 20TH AND 27TH SEPT

Name			Class	
Size (Please circle)	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE	XL
Colour (Please circle)	RED	NA	VY BLUE	
Payment details	\$15 - Credit Card or Cash			
Name on Credit Card				
Credit Card Number				
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Before and After School Care Have your say

The NSW Government is committed to increasing the provision of before and after school care.

Have your say at

https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc

Online feedback closes December 2019





LIGHTS COMPETITION

Entries open 23 Sept - 18 Oct Cash prizes to be won!





For more information visit blacktown.nsw.gov.au/diwalilights









Enrol NOW for Vocal and Drum Kit Lessons at Riverbank PS

- Primary Music Institute offer vocal and drum kit music lessons right here on school campus!
- Lessons are held once per week during term with lessons typically after school hours
- The existing keyboard music program also continues
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results including for reading, maths, coordination, IQ
 abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!
- Pair lessons (max 2 students) \$24.95
- To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website or call the HQ team
- Please ENROL TODAY via PMI's website as there are limited spaces
- Parents are responsible for student supervision outside of school hours (not the school)

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Riverbank Public School

Sports & Extracurricular Groups

All sport and extracurricular group photographs taken will be available online for viewing & purchasing from

Friday 27th September, 2019

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TO VIEW PRICES AND PAY ONLINE
PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE AND USE THE
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Join Us in Celebrating

Hambledon Public School P&C proudly presents

Hambledon's 25th Birthday Bonanza

Roll up, roll up for fun and excitement for the whole family, and help raise funds for our school playground upgrade. Enjoy:

- Carnival Rides
- Games and Prizes
- Stalls & Food
- And a big screen movie from sunset

Come and join in the amazing celebrations!

For sponsorship packages and stall enquiries email Karthik Aravamudhan on 0432656825.

Visit www.hambledonpsevents.com



Sat 19 Oct 2019 From 2pm

Hambledon Public School Oval 35 Bali Drive, Quakers Hill

SAVE THE DATE!