



# RIVERBANK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Learning to Live • Living to Learn

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Week 6

**2 March**

Constable Bollard Stage 2

Parent Workshop K-6 Visible Learning (Zoom)

**3 March**

Constable Bollard Stage 3

P&C AGM – 6pm

**4 March**

Year 4 Assembly

Zone Swimming Carnival

**5 March**

PSSA

Year 2 and Year 5 Assembly

Clean up Australia Day

### Week 7

**10 March**

Parent Workshop – An overview NAPLAN/Selective High School/ Opportunity Classes

**11 March**

Year 3 Assembly

Selective HS Placement Test

**12 March**

PSSA

Kindy, Year 1, Year 6 Assembly

### Week 8

**18 March**

Parent Workshop K-6 – Educational Support/EaLD (recording)

Year 4 Assembly

**19 March**

Year 2, Year 5 Assembly

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA)

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In 2021 we will be launching our new **2021-2024 School Improvement Plan**.

Our key areas of focus will be:

- student growth and attainment
- collective teacher efficacy
- collaborative relationships built on high expectations

In 2020, we engaged parents in feedback workshops, as well as staff, student and community surveys, to guide the school in a deep situational analysis to improve student performance. Student data informs our practice in five weeks cycles throughout the school year. Our focus continues to ensure every student, every teacher and every leader improves every year.

### P&C Easter Fundraiser

Please support our fabulous P&C with their upcoming Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser. An enormous thank you to Silverleaf Artisan Bakery, The Ponds for offering the opportunity to raise funds for RPS.

### Student Leadership Camp

Mrs Brown, Mr Lamont and Mrs Green thoroughly enjoyed leading our 2021 Student Leadership Team in meaningful professional learning, with the focus on developing skills, values and attitudes required for effective leadership. Sessions included: How to run the school's State and Federal Parliament, Public Speaking, qualities of a leader and team building activities. The school now looks forward to developing these skills with all Stage 3 students.

### 2021 School Fundraising

Each year Riverbank participates in a range of fundraising initiatives. The following activities are planned for this year and have been passed through our student parliaments:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Date</b>
Go Blue For Autism Day	Raise awareness of Autism	Term 1- 31 March
Year 6 Easter Egg Fundraiser	Raise funds for Year 6 gift and events	Term 1- 1 April
Box Car Rally	Raise funds and awareness of Kidney disease	Term 2 TBC
Year 6 Red Food Day	Raise funds for Year 6 gift and events	Term 2- 24 June
Jersey Day	Raise awareness of organ donation	Term 3- TBC
Footy Colours Day	Raise funds to support kids with cancer	Term 3- TBC
Colour Fun Run	Annual school fundraiser	Term 3- 17 September
Circus Berserkus	Raise funds for Year 6 gift and events	Term 3- 15 September
Crazy Sock Day	Raise awareness of Cerebral Palsy	Term 4- 6 October

### 2022 High School Applications Forms

2022 High School application forms will be sent home next Monday 8 March. All forms are due back to school by 19 March.

### Term 1 Parent workshops

Our four parent workshops being held this term will be pre-recorded and sent out to parents via our school app on the following dates:

1. What is Visible Learning and Student Learning Goals **2 March**
2. An overview of NAPLAN/Selective High School/ Opportunity Classes **10 March**
3. Educational Support for EaLD students **18 March**
4. Kindergarten Literacy and Numeracy Strategies for parents at home **31 March**

### Parent – Student - Teacher Interviews

This year we are inviting our students to attend parent teacher interviews known as Three Way Conferences. Interviews with your child's classroom teacher will be held in Week 9 (week beginning 22 March). Our booking system will be via [schoolinterviews.com.au](http://schoolinterviews.com.au). A note will be going home next Monday 8 March with specific details of how to enter your details, selecting teachers and appointment times. Bookings will open in Week 7 and will close at the end of Week 8. Interviews will be 10-15 minutes and it is especially important that parents and carers arrive on time for their interview. Unfortunately, if you are late, teachers are unable to extend the time of your interview, as it creates a flow on effect for other appointments.

## Clean Up Australia Day

Students at RPS will participate in activities linked to [Clean Up Australia](#) this Friday 5 March. We take great pride in ensuring our playground is clean on a daily basis. The students will complete sorting activities about waste, recycling and composting. Students will also discuss why it is important to keep our environment clean every day. Classes will survey their lunchboxes to see what they can recycle, what can be composted and the need for nude food. Paper recycling occurs every week at RPS and is monitored by our stage 3 students.

## Harmony Day



Riverbank PS is a diverse and supportive community with students from 56 different countries. Our diversity makes Australia a great place to live. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home, from the traditional custodians of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world. The message of Harmony Day is “Everyone Belongs”. Harmony Day aims to engage people to participate in their community, respect cultural and religious diversity and foster a sense of belonging for everyone. This year, Riverbank Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day on Monday 22 March. Students are encouraged to wear their cultural dress or orange – the Harmony Day colour.



## National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence Join the NDA

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA) is an important day to mark Australian school communities standing together against bullying and violence. On Friday 19 March 2021, RPS will help create positive change for students, staff and the school climate by continuing to highlight our strong inclusive wellbeing Restorative framework. Our School leaders will be addressing our assemblies throughout March.

## Mobile Phones

At Riverbank Public School, students may only bring mobile phones to school if there is a need for them to be able to contact their parents either before arriving at school or in the afternoon after leaving school. Upon arrival at school, the phone is to be checked in at the office if the student is in Year 3 or 4, and placed in the mobile phone boxes for Years 5 and 6, where it will be turned off and kept securely for the day. It is the student's responsibility to collect the phone at the end of the day. In the event that a student has a mobile phone at school that has not been checked in, the phone will be taken from the child and the parent/caregiver contacted.

## **Educational Support - English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EALD) Parent Workshop**

The Riverbank PS English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EALD) team will be recording an information session to be sent out via the school app on Wednesday 18 March at 9am. This is an opportunity to learn about how our Educational Support teachers provide assistance for students at RPS. Parents and caregivers will develop an understanding of how students are identified for support, and the impact EALD teachers have on student learning in meeting curriculum outcomes.

### **Our Riverbank Information Booklet link:**

**<https://riverbank-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/parent-information/parent-information-booklet.html>**

### **Change of Address**

If you have changed your phone number, address or other details over the holidays please let us know so we can contact you if/when needed. An updated student details form is included below. Please complete and return to the office if any of your details have recently changed.

### **School Invoices and payments**

Thank you for paying your Term 1 school fees. Please ensure payment is made by the end of term. This year we will not be able to take late payments for any excursions or events. Please remember to pay on time, as schools pay in advance for buses and venues prior to an event. It is important parents do not miss deadlines.

### **Online Reports**

Riverbank Public School uses Sentral (Sentral is Australia's most comprehensive cloud-based school management platform trusted by more than 3,000 schools) internally to check attendance, complete student reports and record wellbeing. In 2020 Semester 2, Riverbank started publishing student reports through the Parent Portal online as the only method to access reports. Parents who used the Parent Portal in 2020 remain set up for 2021. Information on how to access the Parent Portal will be sent out shortly to new families as well as access keys to families with additional children now at the school.

### **Absences**

If your child is absent for any reason from school, could you please ensure that a note is provided stating the date and reason for that absence. This is a legal responsibility and is closely monitored by the Department. An explanation of absence is required within 7 days. If the school has not received a note outlining a reason for the absence, a reminder letter will be sent home after 7 days. If you are taking a long term of absence, for example a holiday during the school term, you must inform the school's front office and complete a Certificate of Extended Leave – Holiday form. Any documentation such as travel details, itinerary or flight bookings are required to issue the certificate.

### **Ridges Teams**

Congratulations to the following students for being successful at the Ridges zone trials for the following sports: Jack - rugby league, Shayaan – tennis, Chris and Sahil – soccer and Jordan – basketball. Very proud of all our RPS Students who have attended recent selection trials!



## **Bike and Scooter Safety**

### **Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate**

All bicycle and scooter riders are required by law to wear an approved helmet that is securely fitted and fastened. We are observing an increased number of students now riding bikes and scooters with their helmets. Thank you to our school community for ensuring students are riding safely to and from school.

## **Keeping our students safe**

Each fortnight, in our newsletter, we publish roads traffic guidelines to educate students and parents about local council regulations. We request parents follow these rules to ensure the safety of students. On several occasions staff and parents have had damage to their cars while parked without drivers leaving their details. Please be careful.

Late Drop off and Early Pick Up - If you are picking up your child early, please go to the school office. 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.

## **School Banking**

Riverbank Public School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students. School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way to help teach your child about money. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking, earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards. School Banking day is a **Monday**. Thank you to our P&C volunteers for coordinating our school banking program.

## **Community Engagement Videos**

- Please visit the school website to view our five amazing Community Engagement Videos. <https://riverbank-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>
- Practical help for parents and carers - Our new families in particular may be interested in accessing the useful information for parents and carers provided for 2021 here: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/practical-help-for-parents-and-carers>

Have a wonderful fortnight.

**Mrs Jeanie Brown**  
**Principal**

**Congratulations to our Kindergarten Term 1 Week 5 Merit Awards recipients**

Class	Class
KA – Aradhana, Spencer	KB – Samreen, Tegh
KC – Brooklyn, Manan	KE – Vansh, Eleanor
KJM – Harvi, Viaan	KL – Mihir, Ishi
KM – Aisha, Viyana	KME – Jai, Bhavishya
KN – Taliyah, Aaditya	KS – William, Suchil
KW – Melina, Roshn	

**Congratulations to our Year 1 Term 1 Week 5 Merit Awards recipients**

Class	Class
1A – Neil, Mannat	1C – Terrell, Kimara
1D – Sienna, Aadi	1H – Shafiya, Dhvit
1J – Myra, London	1K – Virat, Pehal
1M – Oliver, Hector	1R – Maya, Sammy
1S - Upasana, Ayaan	1T – Mackenzie, Denzel
1/2D - Olivia	1W – Ayush, Chelsea

**Congratulations to our Year 3 Term 1 Week 5 Merit Awards recipients**

Class	Class
3CW – Janeet, Estella, Madhav	3E – Harman, Garry, Sienna
3D – Zuizz, Shyam, Krisha	3G – Zara, Jodh, Tanveet
3I – Girija, Jai, Aarya	3K – Kiyansh, Zain, Jia
3L - Ace, Ella, Kaiden	3M – Aarav, Sophie, Harrison
3O - Ahaan, Chenuli, Noha	3P - Sukhjot, Vivaan, Maliya
3R - Kiara, Keshav, Ishaan	3W - Milla, Tanishka, Samhith

**Congratulations to our Year 6 Term 1 Week 5 Merit Awards recipients**

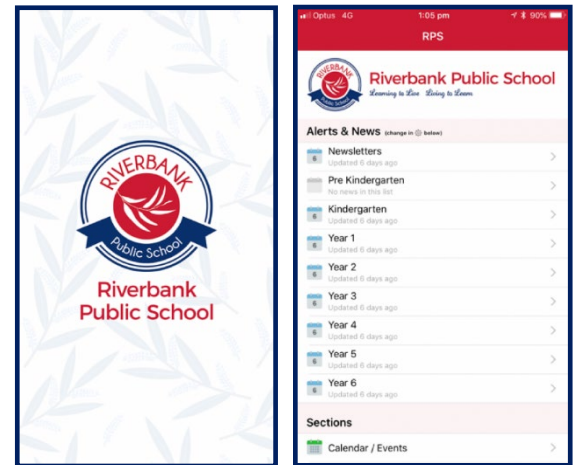
Class	Class
6A – Chase, Munahid, Risha	6B – Dhruv, Ben, Bhabani
6C – Jaidev, Sarina, Mikael	6D – Alyssandra, Matthew, Yassir
6G – Ganya, Eduardo, Arin	6L – Ishan, Rashee, Hoorain
6M – Kirilee, Nancy, Dylan	6P – Aaditya, Prisha, Christian
6R – Finn, Zaina, Pranshu	

## 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.

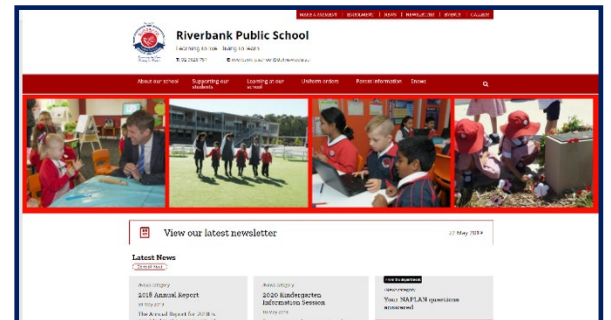
### School Enews App

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](https://twitter.com/RiverbankPublic).



## **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.

## **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 Rules:

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

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

## **Creative and Practical Arts (CAPA)**

Sign-ups and auditions for our 2021 Creative and Performing Arts groups are now complete for Years 1-6. We are very excited that over 700 of our students have been successful in gaining a position in a CAPA group this year.

Kindergarten will begin auditions towards the end of the term ready to commence rehearsals in Term 2.

If your child has been successful in joining a CAPA group they would have received a commitment note in Week 4. Could you please return these notes to your child's class teacher as soon as possible and pay the relevant levy by 5th March.

CAPA rehearsals begun in Week 5 and all groups were excited to get started. We remind you to have your child dropped to school by 8:15 am on their allocated rehearsal day.

Our CAPA groups on offer this year include;

### **Dance**

Kinder Dance (Mrs Margiotta & Miss Moteea)

Kinder Dance (Miss Nagle & Mrs Jones)

Year 1 Dance (Miss Tyburski & Mrs Dalton)

Year 1 Dance (Miss Mobsby & Mrs Waller)

Year 2 Dance (Miss Maher & Mrs Kement)

Year 2 Dance (Miss Wade & Miss Wickens)

Year 3 Dance (Mrs Collard & Mrs Cooper)

Year 3 Dance (Miss Renshaw & Miss Ignjatovic)

Year 4 Dance (Miss Lelo)

Year 4 Dance (Miss Llyod & Miss Burman)

Year 5 Dance (Miss Sparkes & Mrs Russell)

Year 6 Dance (Miss Dennis & Miss McDonald)

Years 3-6 Bollywood (Mrs Dasi & Mrs Kaur)

Years 3-6 Dance Troupe (Miss Dennis & Miss McDonald)

Years 3-6 Boys Dance (Mr Gray & Miss Dowsing)

### **Drama**

Stage 1 Drama Group (Mrs Worrall & Miss Maher)

Stage 2 Drama Group (Mr Miranda & Miss Keogh)

Stage 3 Drama Group (Mr Vincent & Mrs Redman)

## **Music Group**

Kinder Choir (Miss McAlister)

Year 1 Choir (Miss Wu, Miss Matthews & Miss Michelutti)

Year 2 Choir (Mrs Pather & Miss Gray)

Stage 2 Choir (Mr Lawrence & Miss Molnar)

Stage 3 Choir (Mr Chan)

## **Visual Arts**

Kinder Art (Miss Saunders & Mrs Sesar)

Year 1 Art (Mrs Roberts & Miss Kim)

Year 2 Art (Mrs Khaliqi & Mrs Miklik)

Year 3 Art (Miss Renshaw & Mrs Wallis)

Year 4 Art (Miss Molnar)

Year 5 Art (Mrs Russell & Miss Sparkes)

Year 6 Art (Mr Lonsdale & Mr Currie)

Stage 2 Sewing Club (Miss Maher & Mrs Wallis)

Stage 3 Sewing Club (Mrs Jacobsen & Mrs Beazley)

## **Band**

Expression of interests forms were sent out on the app in Week 3 for students in Years 3-6 who are interested in joining the school band. We are currently reviewing expression of interests and more information will be available soon. Students will be selected based on instrumentation and ability levels.

## **Danielle Green**

**Assistant Principal / CAPA coordinator**

## **Sport Update**

### **Ridges PSSA**

We were able to play our first game of the Ridges PSSA competition last Friday. All the students were excited to compete in their first games of the year. The coaches from each sport, shared nothing but praise for the positive attitude and persistent effort that Riverbank students displayed whilst competing.

Weekly draws, results and locations can be found at: <https://ridgespsa.com.au>

### **Round 1 Results**

Cancelled due to rain

### **Round 2 Results**

NRL Tag	Juniors L 3-4	Seniors L 6-8
AFL	Juniors L 3-39	Seniors L 15-31
Cricket	Juniors W 104-105	Seniors W 99-53
T Ball / Softball	Juniors BYE	Seniors BYE

### **Paul Kelly AFL Cup**

After a passing thunderstorm, we were very lucky to have such a fine sunny day for the Paul Kelly Cup gala day. Both Riverbank female and male teams were very eager to take the field and quickly transformed into game mode. Each team played three games, where they were able to try out different positions and get more of a feel for the game of AFL. It was pleasing to see such great team spirit and support as we cheered each other on. As the day progressed, the girls team improved and should be holding their heads high after some great performances. The boys had a range of close matches with some compelling competition and fancy footwork resulting in the team making the grandfinal and coming second. It was a great day and we look forward to continue developing our AFL skills. Players of the Day: Carrington and Luke and Best and Fairest: Kyra and Jack







### **Ridges Teams**

Congratulations to the following students for being successful at the Ridges zone trials for the following sports:

Jack - rugby league, Shayaan – tennis, Chris and Sahil – soccer and Jordan – basketball.

We wish them all the luck at the upcoming Sydney West trials.

**Jarad Lonsdale**  
**Sports Organiser**

## **RPS Medical Procedures**

### **Prescribed Medication:**

When a medical practitioner has prescribed medication that must be administered during the school day, parents/carers must:

- notify the school
- provide up to date information as required
- supply the medication and any 'consumables' necessary for its administration in a timely way
- complete the Riverbank Public School Medical Permission Note (please see the office for a copy of this note).

The administration of prescribed medication in schools is carried out by staff who volunteer and who are trained. Students must not carry medication unless there is a written agreement between the school and the student's parents/carers.

### **Individual Health Care Plans:**

An individual health care plan must be developed for:

- severe asthma, type 1 diabetes, epilepsy and anaphylaxis
- any student who is diagnosed as having a condition that may require an emergency response
- any student who requires the administration of health care procedures

**If your child has any health conditions and does not already have an existing individual health care plan, please contact the office to collect the required forms.**

If your child has an adrenaline auto injector (EpiPen) prescribed by a medical practitioner, an [Action Plan for Anaphylaxis](#) must be completed. If the school does not have a current, Action Plan for Anaphylaxis please have your child's doctor complete one immediately.

If your child has allergic reactions where no adrenaline autoinjector is prescribed by a medical practitioner, an [Action Plan For Allergic Reactions](#) must be completed. If the school does not have a current Action Plan for Allergic Reactions please have your child's doctor complete one immediately.

If your child has been prescribed by a medical practitioner as having asthma, an [Asthma Action Plan](#) is required. If the school does not have a current Asthma Action Plan please have your child's doctor complete one immediately.

# Lost Property

Our lost property tubs are located outside the staffroom and are checked daily by staff. Lost property which is labelled will be returned to students the following day.

Please ensure that all uniforms, lunchboxes and water bottles are labelled with your child's name.



## 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.

## 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)

### 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

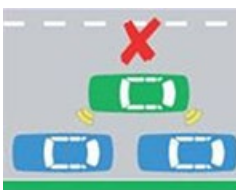


You must not stop on any footpath or nature strip, or even a driveway crossing a footpath or nature strip FOR ANY REASON.

**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.

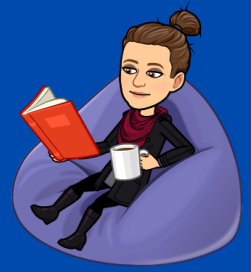
**Why is it there?** Double parking forces other cars to go around you causing traffic congestion and reduces the view of drivers and children crossing the road.

**Penalty** \$330 Demerit points (School Zone)

The school is very fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who assist in the safe pick-up of students in this area. Please follow any instruction given to you by these volunteers in order to keep the children safe.



# LIBRARY NEWS



TERM 1 WEEK 6 2021

## Borrowing 2021

Borrowing has started and is a two week cycle.

**Please ensure your child in K- 4 has a Library bag so they can borrow.**

**Weekly Borrowing - Kindy, 1-4J, 4-6F & 4-6R**

**Fornightly Borrowing - Yrs 1 - 6. Class teacher will inform your child of their borrowing day and week.**

The Library is open before and after school Thurs and Friday for students Yrs 1-6 who can't wait for their next borrowing session!

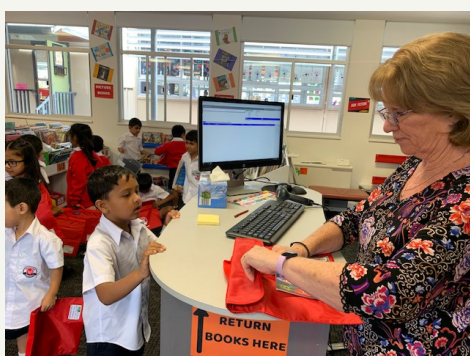
Please ensure that if they are in Yrs 1 - 4 they still need to have their Library bag to borrow before and after school.

### OVERDUE BOOKS FROM 2020

Please do not hesitate to contact me if your child receives an overdue slip and you are certain the book has been returned. If you have lost the book, please send cash to the Library in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Thank you!

[jennifer.l.kennedy@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jennifer.l.kennedy@det.nsw.edu.au)

## KINDY BORROWING FOR THE FIRST TIME!



# 2021 LIBRARY PREFECTS

***Congratulations to the 12 students who were successful in applying for Library Prefect. 85 students applied for the role which reinforces how valued reading and the Library is at RPS!***

**Patricia 6A**

**Nishka 6B**

**Sarina L 6C**

**Akshiita 6D**

**Zaina 6R**

**Advikaa 6M**

**Dylan 6M**

**Naisha 6P**

**Kian 6L**

**Shalomi 6G**

**Ria 6G**

**Talha 6G**



Congrats!



Thanks for buying  
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# AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AT RIVERBANK

## TERM 1, 2021

The following activities are run by outside providers after school:

### **Monday**

Lego Robotics – Rooms D9 and D10

<https://nwsydney.young-engineers.com.au/enrolment/>

### **Tuesday**

Electronics – Room D18

<https://nwsydney.young-engineers.com.au/enrolment/>

Sports Program - [www.sportsfoundationaustralia.com.au](http://www.sportsfoundationaustralia.com.au) or [sportsfoundationaustralia@gmail.com](mailto:sportsfoundationaustralia@gmail.com) 0433669334 Collected from Riverbank with activity run at The Ponds High School

Primary Music Institute - [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au) 1300 362 824 – G10

### **Wednesday**

Primary Music Institute - [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au) 1300 362 824 – G10

### **Thursday**

Chess – Rooms D19 and D20

Enrol at: <https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/> Phone: 97451170

Mandarin – Rooms G7 and G8 <https://www.sydneychinese.org.au/2021enrolform/>

Primary Music Institute - [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au) 1300 362 824 – G10

### **Friday**

Robotics – Rooms D11 and D12

<https://nwsydney.young-engineers.com.au/enrolment/>

Sports Program - [www.sportsfoundationaustralia.com.au](http://www.sportsfoundationaustralia.com.au) or [sportsfoundationaustralia@gmail.com](mailto:sportsfoundationaustralia@gmail.com) 0433669334 Collected from Riverbank with activity run at The Ponds High School

# Riverbank Public School

## CHANGE OF DETAILS



### Eldest child's details:

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Change of address must be accompanied by proof of address such as a electricity/gas bill, lease agreement etc. (Drivers Licence is not an acceptable proof of address)**

**Mother's Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_ (W ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Father's Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_ (W ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contact:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Silverleaf Artisan Bakery The Ponds is offering the opportunity to purchase delicious Hot Cross Buns and raise money for Riverbank Public School.

Each 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns is \$6, and Silverleaf will give a percentage of the sale of each pack to the P&C to assist Riverbank Public School.

Simply fill in your details in the online order form and select how many 6 packs of Hot Cross Buns you would like to order:

**Online order form:** <http://bit.ly/hcb2021>

Orders must be received by **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021**.

For all enquiries, please contact Carolyn Mitchell at [vpriverbankpandc@gmail.com](mailto:vpriverbankpandc@gmail.com)

**Please Note:** Due to the high numbers in the School, the Hot Cross Bun pick up will be at Silverleaf Artisan Bakery The Ponds and your day of pick up is based on your child's surname:

A – K      Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021

L – Z      Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Thank you for supporting our school in such a delicious way.





# Part-Time Work

1x Permanent part time position – Quakers Hill East Public School- 9171

## Help protect our vibrant school communities

### Become a School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
  - Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

School crossings require 20 hours of supervising per fortnight. Shifts for Quakers Hill East Public School fall between 8:15am to 9:15am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm

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- ✓ Good communication skills
  - ✓ Community spirit
  - ✓ Positive energy

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- Students cast in musical productions such as the critically acclaimed "Billy Elliot"
- Current student as finalist in tv's reality series "Dance Boss"
- Students working overseas as performers for International Ballet Companies & Disney productions



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- ✓ Fairy Ballet Classes
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