



# Bulletin

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

### CONGRATULATIONS

Each year, our students have the opportunity to try out for a number of representative sports. This has been particularly exciting this year, given that it couldn't go ahead last year. Congratulations to Drew Murray who has been selected for Riverina Hockey.

### EASTER HAT PARADE/RAFFLE

Today we held our Easter Hat Parade. K-2 students did a wonderful job of organising their Easter hats and took great delight in modelling them during our parade. The songs and dances were wonderful. It was particularly nice to finally be able to have our K-2 parents here to enjoy the event, albeit following COVID guidelines.

We were thrilled to also have our Concert Band performing under the direction of Kara Williams. They have been practising hard this term and performed their repertoire beautifully. Well done to all these students. It was also great to see some of our band parents able to attend. Thankyou to Mrs Gooden, Mr Livio and Mrs Mott for their organisation.

Of course, one of the highlights was our P&C Easter Raffle draw. Families have very generously sent in a large number of Easter eggs, which were put together in a wide variety of combinations. There were quite a few prizes and it is always a wonderful highlight for Term 1. Thankyou to Mrs Makeham and the other parents who assisted in putting these prizes together.

### SCHOOL/LIFE BALANCE

As we have reached the end of term, our students and staff have worked hard to achieve a settled start to the year, especially after last year. It is essential that students arrive at school on time, engage in a productive day of learning and return home to a supportive and balanced home life.

Here are some ideas to help parents help their children:

- Remember that children are resilient and the vast majority will come through any small setbacks with flying colours
- Be aware that different children in the same family will react in different ways to being in school
- The staff are capable and committed – don't hesitate to ask for their support and guidance when you need it
- Without asking leading questions, create a calm and supportive home environment where your child can

feel safe and able to express their emotions and concerns

Australian Parenting and education expert, Kathy Walker has the following tips:

- Keep the TV and computer out of the bedroom
- Stick to routine
- Tell your children you love them every day
- Avoid rushing them through their childhood
- Remember the Kindergarten students in particular, are still little children and don't have to be mini geniuses just because they have started school
- Cut them some slack when they are tired
- Read to them or listen to them read every night
- Sit with them around the evening meal so you model conversation, without the TV on
- Relax and enjoy them

Getting to know the teachers and other parents at our school is a great way to build a network of contacts, who can support us when we come up against the challenges of parenting. Consider becoming a part of the life of the school through joining the P&C, helping out in your child's classroom or volunteering in the canteen. The COVID guidelines now allow for these things to happen and your contribution will be much appreciated.

### ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Day falls early next term. We will have our captains placing a wreath on the cenotaph however our students are unable to join the ANZAC Day March this year. Our school will hold a formal assembly on Friday 23rd April at 12.15pm.

### OPPORTUNITY CLASS 2022 APPLICATIONS

Online applications for Year 4 students seeking Year 5 Opportunity Class placement in 2022 open on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Applications must be submitted online by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Please note that no late applications will be accepted. Information booklets are available at the front office. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you back next term.

**Kerry Barker**  
Principal

# OUTSTANDING STUDENT



Eva P  
of  
Kangaroo  
for  
Being a caring and  
thoughtful  
member of Kangaroo.

# AWARDS - TERM 1 WEEK 10

CLASS	Merit	HOW 2 Learn
Koala	Minko J Sissy B	Maddox T Sandali R
Kangaroo		
Emu	Archie J Phinnegan S	Ameerah H Rayden B
Goanna	Magnus L Terrence S	Eli F Mahira H
Platypus	Sanulya H Hugo B	Evelyn Orr Sophie T
Wombat	Anna B Jett W	Moziyah K
Acacia	Arlen L Lachlan B	Julian J Abby A
Banksia	Emma D Airlee O	Jett B Jayda H
Hakea	Emmett B Alex B	Paige L Sthorthra B
Waratah	Angel K Summer S	Gungun A Tilly W
Clarence	Jonah B Aiham H	Michael C Caitlyn P
Darling	Jeremiah C Mya S	Aspen L Millie E
Lachlan	Lokesh M Sophie W	Wafik Z Millicent G
Murrumbidgee	Shyer K Rohan W	Kalex B Oliver S
Snowy	Holly O Zeke T	Liam N Annabella T

# REMINDERS

## WEEK 10

Thursday 1 April Easter Hat Parade / Easter Raffle  
Last Day of Term

## TERM 2

Tuesday 20 April All students return  
Opportunity Class 2022  
Applications OPEN

Wednesday 21 April Riverina Central Choir (Auditions)

Friday 30 April Cross Country

WEEK 3 Book Fair

Friday 7 May Mothers' Day Stall  
Opportunity Class 2022  
Applications CLOSE

11-13 May NAPLAN

# BAND

Please be advised that the RCM have waived all band rehearsal and tutorial fees for Term 1. During Term 2 parents will receive 2 separate invoices, the first invoice will be from the school for band rehearsal costs and instrument hire (if hiring an instrument from school). The second invoice will be from the RCM for tutorial fees.

Beginner Band Rehearsals will change next Term to **THURSDAY** morning from 8am-9am in the school hall beginning Week 1 Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

Katie Mott  
Band Co-ordinator

# CANTEEN

Thank you for all the support of your canteen this Term. We have been super busy and hope with the return of volunteers we can add a few more fun days.

We can now have expected volunteers back in the canteen, please let me know via email or message if you have a morning available. Canteen is only open until 12, so lots of time left in the day.

Joanne Klimpsch  
Sturt Public School Canteen Manager

# UNIFORM

NEW clothing is now basically closed at school, I will just have a few odds and ends left. I will leave My School Connect going over the holidays with the very last items listed. After Week 1 Term 2. I will turn off Uniform My School Connect.

Any NEW uniform queries will be directed to LOWES. Thank you everyone for your patience, while we worked through the change over.