

NEWSLETTER



WEEK 2 TERM 1 • TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2025

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

WELCOME BACK!

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday break and a festive season filled with joy. The first week back for both teachers and students was fantastic, setting the stage for an exciting year of learning ahead. A warm welcome to the new students and families joining the Raglan School community!

SENTRAL PARENT PORTAL

We are continuing to use the SENTRAL parent app and portal as our main means of communication with our school community. Some of the features include: a 2-way messaging feature to connect directly with teachers, a calendar which means you'll always be up-to-date with key dates and events, a Newsfeed and notice function and secure payments of fees and excursions within the app.... all at your fingertips! Please contact the school office if you require assistance using the app.

Classes

We have started the year off with 8 class groups. They are:

K Yellow Mrs Roffe
(Assistant Principal)

1 Emerald Ms Willott

2/3 Blue Miss Brace

3/4 Indigo Mrs Cashman
(Assistant Principal)

3/4 Aqua Mrs Sharrock &
Miss Luther

5 Bronze Mrs Cross

6 Silver Mrs Jolley &
Mrs Waldron

5/6 Gold Ms McInnes & Mrs
Shaw (Assistant Principal)

Staff Members 2025

Principal

Mrs Jo Cafe

Assistant Principal

Curriculum & Instruction

Mrs Sara Waldron

Staff Members cont...

Teacher Librarian

Mrs Nichole Wade

Learning & Support Teachers

Mrs Marli Batten

Ms Suellen Bower

Release

Ms Suellen Bower

Miss Heidi Luther

Mrs Nicole Wade

School Admin Manager

Mrs Kath Doble

School Admin Officers

Miss Rebecca Jacobs

Mrs Nikki Thurtell

School Learning Support

Officers

Mrs Selina Nixon

Mrs Kylie Speer

Mrs Michelle Urquhart

Mrs Kristy Gibson

General Assistant

Mr Peter Wade

Student Wellbeing Officer

Miss Hannah

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Please make sure when picking up your children that you do not do a u-turn near the crossing in Godfrey Street.



If parking on the other side of the road please cross at the crossing.

CLASS SHIELD

This week we are focusing on being respectful, safe learners in all areas.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

WEEK 3 TERM 1

14/2/2025

School Assembly

WEEK 4 TERM 1

18/2/2025

P&C Meeting

19/2/2025

Book Club Orders due

21/2/2025

Swimming Carnival

WEEK 5 TERM 1

28/2/2025

District Swimming Carnival

**Working together as partners in
the education of your child.**

Jo Cafe | Principal



Education

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to a new and exciting year in the library at RPS! This year we have 2 major events later in the year to look forward to celebrating - Book Week / Education Week and our Book Fair / Grandparent's Day!

All students will require a bag to borrow as borrowing will commence this week. A borrowing bag should be a secure bag which will protect a book, examples include a drawstring bag, a large plastic bag or a pillowcase! Students are able to borrow each week.

Reminder notices for overdue books will be sent home with students as required.

In the unfortunate event that a book is lost or damaged a bill will be issued to cover the cost of the item.

Students have already been accessing the library during second half lunch time and as you can see, they are having a ball with the activities!

Library days are as follows:

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
6 Silver	K Yellow	3/4 Indigo
5 Bronze	2/3 Blue	3/4 Aqua
5/6 Gold	1 Emerald	



Nichole Wade | Teacher Librarian

COMMUNITY NEWS

To stay up to date with everything happening at school, follow our Facebook page for the latest news, events, and updates. It's the best way to stay connected and informed about all the exciting things happening at Raglan School!

P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting Tuesday 18 February 7.00pm in the library. For more details, contact Mel Murray 0400 070 428 or email us using raglanpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

CANTEEN ROSTER

DATE	VOLUNTEERS
14/02/2025	Megan, Alicia & Kayla
17/2/2025	Kelso HS Staff & Students
21/2/2025	CLOSED SWIMMING CARNIVAL
24/2/2025	Kelso HS Staff & Student
28/2/2025	Megan, Alicia & Kayla;
If you are able to volunteer for the canteen please contact Robyn Wray on 0400 475 660.	

WELLBEING

IN ALL AREAS WE:

ARE RESPECTFUL BY

- using kind words and actions
- following adult directions and instructions
- understanding how important your actions are
- giving way to others

ARE SAFE BY

- playing by the rules
- walking when on the concrete
- using equipment correctly
- being in the right place at the right time
- keeping hands and feet to ourselves
- walking through doorways and to lines
- walking in two lines

ARE LEARNERS BY

- being brave
- being ready
- doing our best
- going to class quickly after the bell

SPOTLIGHT 'BACK TO SCHOOL'



SPOTLIGHT 'FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL'



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NSW Department of Education

Applying for my child to attend an opportunity class or selective high school

Why selective education?

Grouping high potential and gifted students together and using special teaching methods supports their:

- academic development
- emotional wellbeing
- friendships and social life.

Students tell us that they enjoy learning more when their classmates have similar abilities and interests.

Is it right for my child?

Here are some signs that your child may benefit from selective education.



learns quickly and easily



goal-driven



asks complex questions



good memory



curious and creative



deeply explores passions

Keep in mind, some children's high potential may be hidden. Being in an opportunity class or selective high school could help.

How can I support my child through the application process?



Talk to your child about the **benefits** and **challenges** of selective education and address their questions and concerns.



Ask your **child's teacher** (or other staff who know them well) whether they think selective education will suit your child.



Apply for any required **reasonable adjustments** for disability or medical conditions.



Encourage your child to use the department's **free resources** to prepare for the test.



Remind your child they only need to do a **small amount** of **preparation** for the placement test, and **don't** need coaching.



Support your child to continue **co-curricular activities**, see friends, eat healthily and sleep well in the lead-up to the test.

The **Equity Placement Model** reserves up to 20% of places in opportunity classes and selective high schools for high potential and gifted:

- students from low socio-educational advantage backgrounds
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- students from rural and remote locations
- students with disability

Learn more: edu.nsw.link/equity

Resources in other languages: edu.nsw.link/shsoc_languages



Financial support

edu.nsw.link/pubedu

The [Public Education Foundation scholarships](#) offer financial support to help young people at NSW public schools to access opportunities and reach their potential.

Please note there are no fees to apply and sit for the placement test, and there are no extra fees to enrol in a selective high school or opportunity class.

Get ready to apply

Learn more at our [website](#):



Telephone interpreter service

If you need interpreter assistance to speak with your child's class teacher please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. Tell the operator the phone number you want to call and the operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

PLAYER REGISTRATIONS OPEN VIA THE RUGBY XPLOER APP
'BATHURST JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB'



COME AND TRY DAY

JOIN US FOR A FUN MORNING OF RUGBY

U6, U8, U10, U12, U14'S

WE ARE AN INCLUSIVE CLUB THAT;

- SUPPORTS KIDS AT ALL LEVELS
- ENCOURAGES TEAMWORK
- IMPROVES RUGBY SKILLS
- REWARDS TRAINING FOCUS AND SPORTSMANSHIP
- WANTS EVERYONE TO HAVE FUN

 SUNDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2025 AT 10:00AM TO 12:00PM

 ANN ASHWOOD PARK
HEREFORD STREET
BATHURST



BATHURST COME TRY DAY
BATHURST NETBALL ASSOCIATION
FEBRUARY 23RD
9:30AM - 11AM
BATHURST NETBALL COURTS



ROBOTICS CLUB @ BATHURST



THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL

Our Robotics Club meets for eight weeks each school term. A formal sequenced program enables students to continue developing their skills in design, building, coding, problem solving and teamwork. In the future, there may also be opportunities for students enrolled in our Robotics Club to participate in robotics competitions.

BATHURST JUNIOR ROBOTICS

- Thursdays 3.45pm – 4.45pm
- Ages 7 to 10
- \$240 per term

BATHURST INTERMEDIATE ROBOTICS

- Thursdays 5.00pm – 6.30pm
- Ages 9 to 14
- \$360 per term

TERM 1 CLASSES COMMENCE 13 FEBRUARY

Venue:

Upstairs Co-Working &
Start-Up Hub
Level 1, 203 Russell Street
Bathurst



For details and to book online:
www.westernenrichment.com.au



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 Bathurst Library, 70-78 Keppel Street.

 (02) 6333 6281

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Reading Challenge For The Love Of Reading 1st to 28th February



Scan me



Library Lovers Day 14th February



*Fun Selfie Booth 14/15 Feb- Take a selfie,
tag Bathurst Library*



There is so much on offer in February to celebrate our love of reading.

Library Lovers Day -aka Valentine's Day!

- Join our reading challenge, *For the Love of Reading*, and log your reading in the Beanstack app to earn badges.
- Pop into the library to take a *Selfie* at our photobooth with fun props 14-15th Feb.
- Post your selfie and tag Bathurst Library for us to see.
- Get a FREE Library card and borrow a *Blind Date with a Book*, you might even discover a new favourite Author.

Summer Reading Club

**LODGE YOUR
PRIZE TICKETS
BY 9TH FEB**

Summer Reading Club
has ended, but you
can still lodge your
prize tickets...

Check our website for
instructions, or call us
on 6333 6281.

**Ticket entries close
9th February**

Join the Library
FREE online

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Then show us your
photo ID to access
full membership



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WEEKLY TERM PROGRAMS



STORYTIME

Join us for stories, songs and take home craft.

For ages: 3yrs - 5yrs

Tuesdays 10:30am - 11am -during school term,
Term 1 Storytime resumes Tuesday 11th Feb.

Booking not required.



RHYMETIME

Join us for a story, rhymes and sensory playtime.

For ages: 6mths - 3yrs

Wednesdays 10:30am - 11am -during school term,
Term 1 Rhymetime resumes Wednesday 12th Feb.

Booking not required.



LEGO Club

Weekly fun themed challenges or free play.

For ages: 5yrs - 12yrs

Thursdays 4pm - 4:45pm -during school term,
Term 1 Lego Club resumes Thursday 13th Feb.

Booking not required.

KEY EVENTS 2025 ...

FEBRUARY

-Library Lover's Day

MARCH

-Harmony Week

-Seniors Week

-International
Women's Day

APRIL

-Youth Week

MAY

-Reader's & Writer's Festival

-National Simultaneous Storytime

AUGUST

-Book Week

NOVEMBER -International

Games Month

-Speechie Talk

DEC/JAN

-Summer Reading Club

School Holiday Activities

*-various dates during NSW
school term breaks*