

### CALENDAR

#### Week 7

Monday 10 March – Regional Swimming Carnival  
Tuesday 11 March – Grandparents' (and other special people) Day  
Wednesday 12 March – NAPLAN Writing (Yrs. 3 & 5)  
Thursday 13 March – Kindergarten (KR) hospital visit  
NAPLAN Reading (Yrs. 3 & 5)  
Friday 14 March – Round 4 PSSA

#### Week 8

Monday 17 March – NAPLAN Conventions of Language (Yrs. 3 & 5)  
Tuesday 18 March – NAPLAN Numeracy (Yrs. 3 & 5)  
Wednesday 19 March – Harmony Day  
Friday 21 March – Round 5 PSSA

#### Week 9

Tuesday 25 March – Mathematics Dispositions  
Parent Information Session  
Friday 28 March – Round 6 PSSA  
EOI For Year 7 2026 closes

#### Week 10

Wednesday 2 April – School Tour (2026 prospective enrolments)  
Friday 4 April – Round 7 PSSA

#### Week 11

Parent Teacher Interviews scheduled this week  
Thursday 10 April – Easter Hat Parade  
Friday 11 April – School Cross Country Carnival (Paine Reserve)

### What's Happening At Rainbow Street?

I would like to start by sending my congratulations to all the students who represented Rainbow Street Public School at the Zone Swimming Carnival on Tuesday. The students demonstrated a competitive spirit while maintaining outstanding sportsmanship. This year we saw 11 students qualify for Regional Swimming Carnival which is an amazing achievement.

Families with students in Year 6 should have received information this week about completing an

expression of interest to enrol your child in Year 7 in 2026. This needs to be completed online by Friday 28 March 2025.

### What's Been Happening In Support Unit This Week?

This term, our Stage 3 'scientists' are exploring the material world, focusing on solids, liquids, and gases. We are also exploring how we can mix everyday items together such as when we are baking cupcakes. In Visual Arts, we created artwork inspired by the novel *Blueback*, featuring the blue groper and vibrant coral. In SL we have been learning about shapes and exploring the text 'under the Southern Cross'. Students in SB and SDV are excited for the upcoming 'Come and Try' athletics day at the Sylvania athletics track.

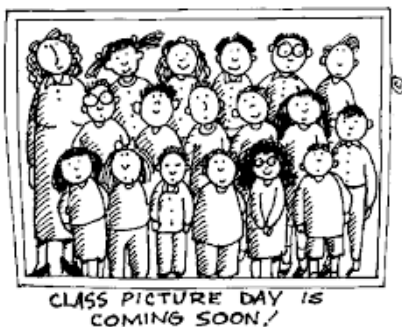




### School Photos – Term 2

Providing advanced notice that we have our school photos booked on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 21 May 2025 - School Photography Main Day**
- **Thursday 22 May 2025 - Sports & Extra Group Photo Day**

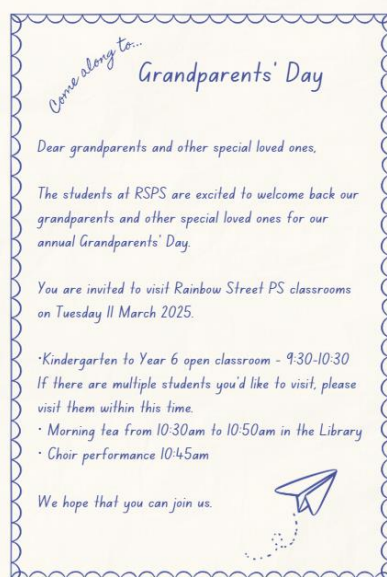


### Grandparents Day

The staff and students at Rainbow Street are excited to welcome the Grandparents/significant special people of the school to visit on **Tuesday 11 March 2025** to celebrate Grandparents Day.

Open classrooms  
from 9:30am –  
10:30am.  
10:30am Morning  
Tea in the library  
10:45am Choir  
Performance in the  
library  
11:00 Conclusion of  
events

We hope to see  
you there!



### Attendance

NSW Department of Education



## Every Day Matters



### When it comes to attending school, every day matters

If your child misses as little as **1 day per fortnight**, they will miss **4 weeks of school per year**, which adds up to over **1 year missed over their school life**.



Scan the QR code to learn more

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:



Learning



Strengthening friendships



Build skills through fun

### NAPLAN 2024 Parent And Carer Information



Each year the National

Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is undertaken by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Students will participate in tests for writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

NAPLAN 2025 will take place over the next two weeks commencing with the Writing Assessment on Wednesday.



### Creative Arts News Dance Troupe 2025

### Performance Troupe

The performance troupe is open to students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Rehearsals are Tuesday's during lunchtime.

### Audition

Auditions will take place at lunch on Tuesday 11 March 2025. Permission to audition must be completed prior to auditioning, acknowledging the requirement to participate in rehearsals and costume payment. Students will be informed by the start of the following week if they have been successful.

Rehearsals will begin Tuesday 18 March 2025 and continue every Tuesday lunchtime until the performance in August 2025 (Term 3).

Students should only audition if they are available to perform at Showcase at the Juniors in August and are willing to commit to the lunchtime rehearsals on a weekly basis. Troupe members will be selected on their ability to dance during the audition. Once students have been selected the decision is final.

The style of the routine is a contemporary, hip-hop by artists Billie Eilish and Khalid, Lovely (Hopex Remix).

#### Costume Costs

There will be an approximate cost of \$80 and this will be collected later in the year. Students will keep their costume.

If your child would like to audition for this year's performance troupe, please complete the consent form on COMPASS. We wish all the students auditioning the very best.

Miss Meritta Dalla-Vecchia  
Dance Troupe Coordinator

#### Choir news

A compass note has been sent home to all members of Senior Choir and Junior Choir asking for your permission to participate in the Festival of Choral Music (Senior Choir) and Primary Proms (Junior Choir).

If you are yet to accept or decline this, please can you go online and do so as soon as possible as without your permission I am unable to reserve a place for your child in the festivals. If you are uncertain where to find this note please contact Ms Hunt directly for assistance – [emma.hunt27@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:emma.hunt27@det.nsw.edu.au)

Thanks in advance,  
Emma Hunt  
Choral conductor



#### Sport News

##### PSSA Results

Round 1 and 2 - Friday 21 February and 28 February 2025

Team	Round 1	Round 2
T-ball		
Softball		
Junior League Tag	Win	Win
Senior League Tag	Win	Loss

#### Zone Swimming Carnival Results

Junior Boys 200m IM	9 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
2 <sup>nd</sup> Finley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Ruby
3 <sup>rd</sup> Jack	
9 Years Boys 50m Freestyle	10 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
4 <sup>th</sup> Jack	4 <sup>th</sup> Finley R
11 Years Girls 50m Freestyle	Junior Girls Breaststroke
2 <sup>nd</sup> Rosy	3 <sup>rd</sup> Georgina
3 <sup>rd</sup> Georgina	
Senior Boys Breaststroke	Junior Boys Backstroke
1 <sup>st</sup> Sonny	4 <sup>th</sup> Jack
11 Years Girls Backstroke	Senior Boys Butterfly
3 <sup>rd</sup> Rosy	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sonny
4 <sup>th</sup> Georgina	
Junior Girls Relay	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anya, Marley B, Ruby and Penelope
Junior Boys Relay	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jack, Aleksa, Freddie, Finley
Senior Girls Relay	4 <sup>th</sup> Rosy, Sofia, Caitlyn and Georgina





**Congratulations** to the following students for qualifying for the Regional Swimming Carnival which will be held at Homebush Aquatic Centre on Monday 10 March 2025.

- Freddie (Year 3)
- Marley B (Year 3)
- Jack (Year 4)
- Aleksa (Year 4)
- Finley (Year 4)
- Ruby (Year 4)
- Anya (Year 4)
- Rosy (Year 5)
- Georgina (Year 5)
- Penelope (Year 5)
- Sonny (Year 6)

## Student of the Week

Class	Student	Awarded for...
KR	Dasun	Being a collaborative learner
KK	Tom	Sharing his ideas and learning during class discussions
KS	Atlas	always following directions quickly and sensibly
1A	Ava	Creating great prepositional phrases in writing
1M	Percy	Sharing great ideas of families in the past during history
1S	Julian	Making great effort with his handwriting
1/2H	Aida	Persevering with number patterns
2H	Barna	Writing and singing a fantastic song in music
2W	Jamie	Showing high engagement with his learning across the week
2/3C	Isaac	Working hard to improve his handwriting skills
3L	Dylan	Trying hard in all key learning areas
3T	Daniel	Creating descriptive and imaginative sentences during writing.
3/4V	Shi Ying	Creating a descriptive orientation from a different perspective
4E	Juana Sajeev	Taking initiative and showing perseverance during KLA activities
4/5I	Zoe	Outstanding bookwork organisation and neatness

Class	Student	Awarded for...
5G	Ariel	Creating wonderful descriptive characters in her writing
5/6C	Isabella	Being an engaged learner
6M	Cai	Making contributions to class discussions
SDV	Hunter	Great participation in class discussions
SL	Candice	Working hard to learn her sight words
SM	Sohaam	Listening attentively in class
SB	Malakai	Accurately identifying the numbers 10 before and after a 3-digit numeral

### Stage 3 Camp

A two-night excursion has been organised for Years 5 and 6 students to travel to Canberra in Term 3 from Monday 25 August 2025 to Wednesday 27 August 2025. This excursion will support student learning about Government in Australia. Please log onto the Compass Parent Portal to find more information.



This week, we held our first P&C meeting. There were a few new faces and it was great to get fresh ideas for the year ahead! We always welcome new members who want to commit to as little or as much as they want. We also had a great turn out at the second-hand uniform sale. There is still plenty of stock available, especially in the bigger sizes but we are putting a call out for any no longer needed **winter uniform donations**. If you have these items, please drop off to the school office. Thank you!

In other news, you may have noticed the storage unit is complete- Yay! Not only will it allow us to store and organise the uniforms, but it will also enable us to store equipment required for various after school activities. We are currently looking into a selection of options for the upcoming terms, including potentially offering an art class and/or a Lego club. (Please see below the QR code below for “bricks 4 kids” who also run holiday camps!) If you have any suggestions of other after school activities, please let us know, and we will certainly investigate it.



Over the next few weeks, your children may come home talking about drawing their portraits. This is for our next fundraiser – tea towels! More details will come shortly including how you can get your hands on one (or several!)

Have a wonderful weekend.

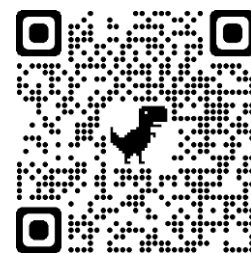
Warm regards,  
Amelie Mouchot  
Vice President, Parents, and Citizens Association  
<https://www.rainbowstpandc.org.au/>



Rainbow St Public School  
WhatsApp community



(Please note that the WhatsApp community group is a parent run group and not an official channel of communication from the school).



## Community News

*Disclaimer: Rainbow Street Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events which may be of interest. RSPS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events.*



### RAINBOW ST PS SCHOOL BAND & STRING ENSEMBLE

# 2025

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## Randwick Sparkles All Abilities

Starts Tuesday, April 29th  
**Time:** 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
**Duration:** 8 weeks (finishes June 17th)  
**Location:** Heffron Netball Courts  
**Email:** linnybap@hotmail.com  
**Ages:** 6-14





## NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL OF THE PERFORMING ARTS

### AUDITIONS NOW OPEN



#### Year 7 and Year 11 2026 INFORMATION AND ONLINE APPLICATION VIA NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL OF THE PERFORMING ARTS WEBSITE Dance, Drama and Music Audition Procedures

Students currently in Year 6 or Year 10 2025 enrolled in public or non-government schools who are seeking entry into Year 7 or Year 11 in 2026 performing arts stream may apply for an audition in one or two of the three disciplines of Dance, Drama or Music.

Audition information and online application is located on the school's website:

[Home - Newtown High School of the Performing Arts](#)

[Auditions - Newtown High School of the Performing Arts](#)

To assist parents and carers completing the 'Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School' form, please note the following:

- Newtown High School of the Performing Arts is a specialist performing arts high school providing the highest level of education to students with outstanding potential and/or achievement in Dance, Drama and Music.
- If residing outside our catchment area**, Newtown High School of the Performing Arts has specific enrolment criteria which requires students to audition. Audition information and on-line applications may be found on our school's website.
- Student from **within our local catchment area** who have an interest and talent in one or two of the disciplines are encouraged, although not obliged, to audition for places in our performing arts stream via the online application process which is separate to an Expression of Interest provided to parents from their primary schools.
- The closing date for audition applications online is **Thursday 1 May 2025**.

To be eligible to apply, candidates must be Australian Citizens or holders of a visa granting permanent resident status in Australia on the day of their audition.

For audition enquiries email [newtown-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:newtown-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) or contact 9519 1544 ext 105.

NHSPA



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