

School Newsletter

~ safe and sensible, respectful, excellent learners ~



Issue 8

Term 2, Week 6

Thursday, 6 June 2025

<http://www.ropescross-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Dates to Remember – Term 2

Sports in Schools	SISA – This is a 3 x Weekly Cycle - Please check calendar for dates
Friday, 6 June	District Cross Country
Monday, 9 June	Public Holiday - Kings Birthday
Tuesday, 10 June – Thursday, 12 June	Spelling Bee Heats
Monday, 16 June	Netball Knockout - Round 2
Tuesday, 17 June	Synergy Dance Rehearsal & Night Performance
Wednesday, 18 June	Limelight Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, 19 June	Spelling Bee Finals
Thursday, 26 June	Sydney West Cross Country
Wednesday, 2 June	Presentation Assembly
Friday, 4 July	Last Day of Term

*** Crunch 'n' Sip**
K-2 every day at 10:00am
3-6 every day at 2:00pm*

Principal's Message

To acknowledge the importance of National Reconciliation week, on Monday, 26 May Ropes Crossing Public School hosted a Morning Tea and art workshop for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their families. I would like to sincerely thank all our parents and carers who attended the morning tea.

At Ropes Crossing Public School we offer several extracurricular opportunities, including creative arts. Over the next few weeks there are several festivals coming up for our students in the areas of dance and choir. We are fortunate to have three of our dance groups performing at Synergy over the next two weeks and our Choir performing at Limelight next term.

We also have opportunities coming up for our students to represent in sport, with District Cross Country taking place this week.

Congratulations to all our talented students.

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the Penrith City Council's School Leaders Reception at Panthers. Our School Captains were presented with certificates acknowledging them as school leaders. Please see photos of them receiving their certificates below.



Our teachers are working hard on writing student reports which will be distributed to parents at the end of the term.

- A new report format has been developed by the NSW Department of Education in response to feedback from parents and educators to make reports easier to read and understand.
- Your child's report will show their progress across all subject areas.
- Teacher comments will appear in English, mathematics and the general comment section, in line with department policy.
- The general comment for kindergarten also covers other key learning areas, such as creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, and science and technology.
- A new achievement scale and descriptions are included to provide a clearer picture of your child's progress.

We are very fortunate to have the opportunity to have a mobile Optometry Clinic visiting our school early next term. Both electronic and paper permission notes are available. A copy is included in this newsletter.

B Davies
Principal

Chifley College Dunheved Visit

This week Stage 3 hosted teachers from Chifley College Dunheved who ran some high school taster lessons. The high school teachers conducted lessons with our students in the areas of Art and Music. Students were highly engaged and enjoyed the experience of participating in a high school style lesson.



Metropolitan North Student Council Meeting



Recently, Smit attended the Metropolitan North Student Council meeting held at Ngarala PS in Epping. He was proudly representing the Mount Druitt Network as the Primary School representative. As a student of Ropes Crossing Public School, Smit demonstrated exceptional leadership and integrity during meaningful discussions on authentic leadership and Reconciliation Week.

Smit was a fantastic role model, showing confidence, respect, and a genuine commitment to student voice. We are incredibly proud of the way Smit represented our school and community.



Boys Touch Football

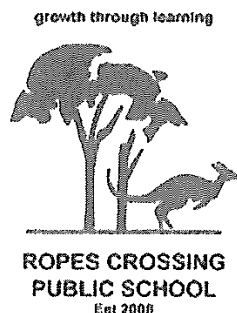
ON MONDAY, OUR BOYS TOUCH FOOTBALL TEAM COMPETED IN THE PSSA KNOCKOUT COMPETITION AGAINST BLACKWELL, ALTHOUGH THEY DIDN'T GET THE WIN THEY DID NOT GIVE UP AND WERE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF EACH OTHER THEY TRIED THEIR BEST AND HAD LOTS OF FUN!!



THANKYOU & FAREWELL

Mrs Jansen has
worked at Ropes
Crossing PS for the
past 15 years. We wish
her all the very best on
her new sea change
and next adventure.





01/06/2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: Eye-Exams for Children at School

Mobileyes has partnered with us to bring its fully equipped Mobile Optometry Clinic and AHPRA registered optometrists to our school to conduct eye check-up the week commencing July 22nd.

The comprehensive eye check-up program is bulk billed (no gap) to Medicare. The examination includes:

- Clarity of vision assessment for Distance and Near
- Internal and external eye health assessment
- Eye co-ordination, binocular vision, Depth perception and colour vision assessment
- Testing Report sent to parents.

One in five Australian children suffers from an undetected vision problem or requires ongoing assessment. Good vision is important for a child's educational, behavioural and social development and to help them reach their full learning potential. Many children continue to experience undetected and unnecessary vision problems and often they assume that how they see is normal.

If you would like your child to undertake this great service at our school, please sign and return the attached consent form to the school office by July 1st.

Alternatively, the form can be submitted online via

<https://mobileyes.com.au/consentform/>

We would really like for our students to benefit from this service, so parents please take the time to fill the form.

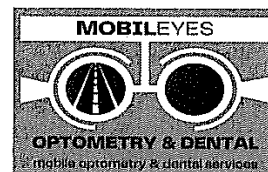
Kind Regards,

School Administration

- ☐ I hereby authorize and consent for **MOBILEYES** and their licensed Optometric staff to conduct a comprehensive eye examination on my child and, if needed, to prescribe and dispense eyewear. I am hereby authorizing **FULL** disclosure of the results of my child's vision exam, provided by MOBILEYES and/ or its partners. This information may be shared only with the following parties: **Myself, My child's school, and any referred to a third party.** (This being referrals for further optometric treatment)
I give consent to MOBILEYES to see my child.

Optometry Consent Form

info@mobileyes.com.au 0468610123 www.mobileyes.com.au



Patient's Personal Information

First Name: _____ Surname: _____ Sex: _____
Date of Birth: / / School Name: _____ Grade / Class: _____

PLEASE GIVE GUARDIAN DETAILS TO SEE IF CHILD IS ABLE TO ACCESS FREE GLASSES THROUGH VISION AUSTRALIA

Parent/Guardian Full Name: _____ Parent/Guardian DOB: / /

Email: _____ Contact Number: _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____

Centrelink Reference Number (CRN) (if applicable): _____

Does your child identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? Y N Details: _____

Optometry History

Please tick and fill in details.

	Yes	No	Details
Has your child ever had an eye exam?			
Does your child wear glasses?			
Has your child every injured his/her eyes?			
Does your child take any medications or suffer with any medical conditions?			
Do you consent to a photo to help your child chose glasses?			
Is your child struggling to read/learn?			
Is there a family history of eye disease?			

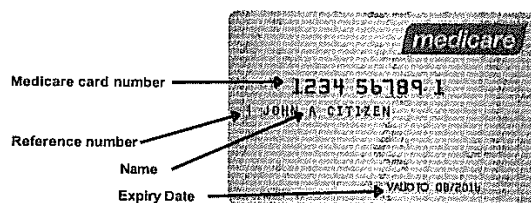
Medicare Details

Please fill in details.

Medicare Card Number: _____

Child's Reference Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____



I agree that the above is a true and accurate record. I understand that this service is only free to students with a valid Medicare number.

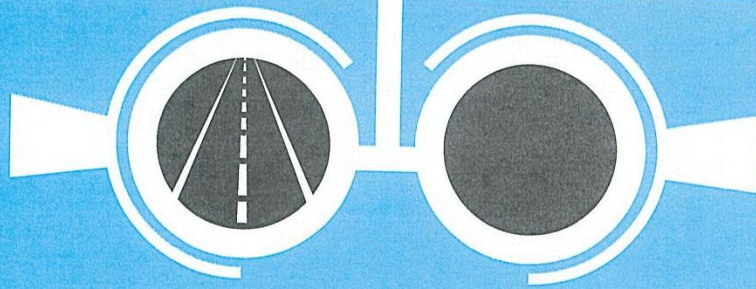
NOTE: Students with no Medicare card who wish to be tested will need to pre-pay \$60.00 to Mobileyes using the following details:

▪ Account Name: Mobileyes ▪ BSB: 062 124 ▪ Account: 11750716 ▪ Reference: Child Name and School

Parent / Guardian Signature:

Parent / Guardian Name:

MOBILEYES



OPTOMETRY

mobile optometry services

FULLY BULK-BILLED MOBILE OPTOMETRY

MobilEyes Optometry comes to you!

Vision opens access to education.

Eye coordination and eye focusing disorders can cause struggles with reading despite learning intervention.

Children do not know how they are meant to see the world, so they may not complain.

They may show us that they have a problem through behaviour changes and poor school performance.

We offer full comprehensive eye examinations whilst school screenings may miss developmental visual issues such as eye coordination, tracking and focusing.

Does your child:

- get easily distracted
- not complete homework
- loses place while reading; skips lines or rereads lines
- rub their eyes
- blink excessively
- says that they do not like reading

We can help optimise the visual skills to promote learning.

Please scan this QR code
to access the consent form



For further information please call or email Andrea Eliastam info@mobileyes.com.au | 0468 610 123.

Please fill in the consent form found at www.mobileyes.com.au/consentform or scan the QR code above.

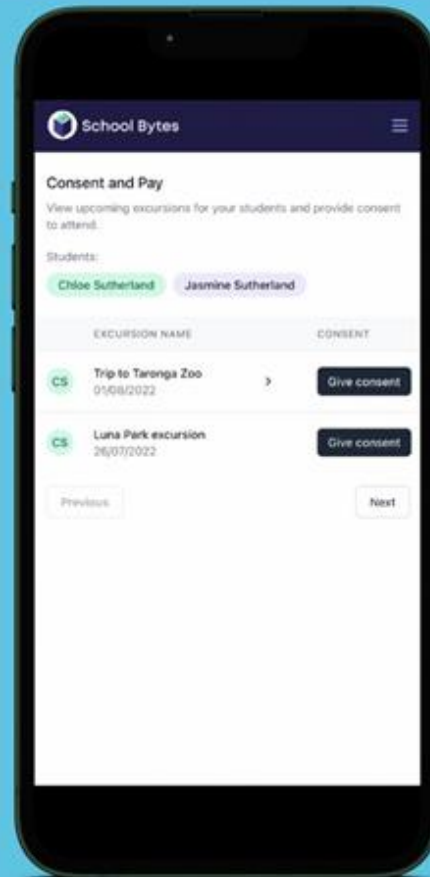
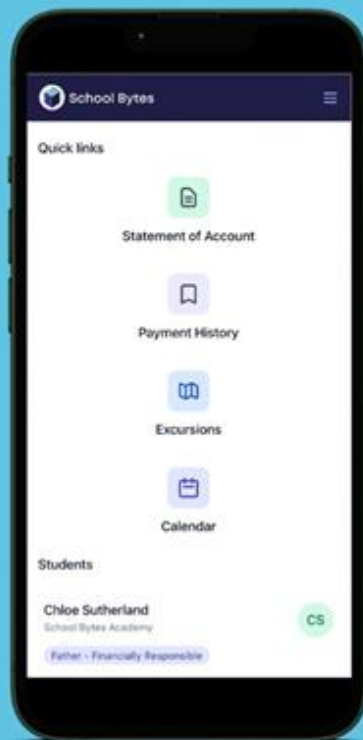




The RCPS app will not be
used in 2026
Please download the
SchoolBytes App for all
notifications

AVAILABLE NOW!

We are excited to announce our school offers a flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments



The Parent Portal

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history
- Request a refund



School Bytes

Register for the Parent Portal via the
QR Code or visit

<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>





Go Bananas



ENROL NOW

Outside School Hours Care

Opening hours
6:30am - 6:30pm

We are committed to giving every child the best start in life by setting the foundations to reach their full potential.

- Before and after school care.
- Providing care, play and learning for primary school-age children.
- Private family owned childcare service provider, operating since 1999
- State of the art facilities
- Nutritious meals prepared daily



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New Year.
New Start.
More time for you.
More fun for them!



Your
OSHC.

2025
bookings
open!



Secure your space
in before or after
school care today!

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Australia

campastralia.com.au

**Free webinar
for families**

Unplug Childhood

with

Dr Justin Coulson

Parenting expert and podcaster



**Tuesday 24th June
7:30pm AEST**

Register here



by  **Camp
Australia**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – TERM 2, 2025

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 April	28 Staff Development Day	29 Staff Development Day	30 Students return for Term 2	1	2 SISA – Stage 2
				Life Ed – Healthy Harold	
2 May	5	6 Boys Soccer Knockout	7 Girls Touch Football Knockout	8	9 SISA – Kindy / Stage 3
		Life Ed – Healthy Harold			
3	12	13	14	15	16 SISA – Stage 1
		Life Ed – Healthy Harold			
4	19	20	21 Cross Country	22	23 SISA – Stage 2
5	26 National Sorry Day	27 Premiers Debating Challenge	28 Cross Country backup	29	30 SISA – Kindy / Stage 3 Knockout Basketball
6 June	2 Boys Touch Football	3	4	5 Knockout Girls Soccer	6 SISA – Stage 1 District Cross Country
7	9 Kings Birthday	10 Spelling Bee Heats	11	12	13 SISA – Stage 2
8	16 Knockout Netball	17 Synergy Rehearsal & Night Performances	18 Choir	19 Spelling Bee Finals	20 SISA – Kindy / Stage 3
9	23	24	25	26 Sydney West Cross Country	27 SISA – Stage 1
10 July	30	1	2	3	4 SISA – Stage 2 Last Day of Term

Friday, 4 July 2025 – Last day for Term 2

Tuesday, 22 July 2025 – Students resume for Term 3

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – TERM 3, 2025

<i>WEEK</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>
1 July	21 Staff Development Day	22 Students Return for Term 3	23	24	25
2 August	28	29	30 Athletics Carnival	31	1
3	4	5	6	7	8
4	11	12	13	14	15
5	18	19	20	21	22
6	25	26	27	28	29
7 September	1	2	3	4 District Athletics	5 District Athletics
8	8	9	10	11	12
9	15	16	17	18	19
10	22	23 Sydney West Athletics	24	25	26 Last Day of Term
Friday, 26 September 2025 – Last day for Term 3 Tuesday, 14 October 2025 – Students resume for Term 4					

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – TERM 4, 2025

<i>WEEK</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>
October 1	13 Staff Development Day	14 Students Return for Term 4	15	16	17
2	20	21	22	23	24
3	27	28	29	30	31
4	3	4	5	6	7
5	10	11	12	13	14
6	17	18	19	20	21
7	24	25	26	27	28
8 December	1	2	3	4	5
9	8	9	10	11	12
10	15	16	17	18	19 Last Day of School for Students
Friday, 19 December 2025 – Last day for Term 4 Monday, 2 February 2026 – Students resume for Term 1					