



The Risk Public School

- newsletter -

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Welcome to Week 8

SASS Appreciation Week

Last week, we celebrated SASS Appreciation Week, a special time to recognise the incredible contributions of our School Administrative and Support Staff here at The Risk Public School.

We are so fortunate to have Lisa, Maureen, and Tracey, our very own dream team, who work tirelessly behind the scenes to keep our school running smoothly. From organising permission notes and home readers to tending scraped knees with a band-aid and offering countless reassuring chats and hugs, their care and commitment are felt by every student, staff member, and family in our school community.

Their dedication, warmth, and attention to detail don't just support our students and teachers, they help create the safe and nurturing environment that makes The Risk PS so special. Thank you!

Wishing you all a wonderful fortnight,

Lisa Blackburn

Principal

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Dates to Remember

Monday 15 September	Transition to School Bytes Attendance
Tuesday 16 September	P&C Meeting 4.15 POSTPONED
Friday 26 September	Last Day of Term 3
Tuesday 14 October	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 21 October	P&C Meeting 4:15pm
Friday 24 October	Kindergarten Orientation Day

Thursday, 11 September 2025 Term 3, Week 8



STUDENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT!

PBL - Sandpit Play

Infant Class: Maci - for raising her attendance by an amazing 39% this term.
Primary Class: Rachel - for her commitment and achievements in Athletics.



Transition to School Bytes

Please remember to download the School Bytes app before our school transitions to the new platform. The School Bytes system will replace our current provider, and we will begin sending out permissions, non-attendance notices, and messages starting next Monday, 15 September.

Bridge Work

On Tuesday, the Infant class was lucky enough to see the last of the girders being put in place on Grieve Crossing. We were all excited to see the enormous cranes working to build the new bridge. The Kyogle Council has reported the new bridge will be open in November.



Stewart House Visit

During week 5 and 6 of this term, Bentley and Mila had the opportunity to attend Stewart House. During their time at Stewart House, they participated in educational programs and excursions designed to develop their social and emotional skills, build self-esteem and improve their overall wellbeing. Mrs Blackburn met them on Friday, as she volunteered to be a chaperone to collect 25 students from the Northern Rivers and bring them back to Ballina.



Bundgeam Visit

On Tuesday, students from our school enjoyed a visit to the local preschool, Bundgeam. It was a delight to walk through the newly completed extension and see just how much the gardens have grown since last term.

One of the highlights of the visit was Syllis captivating the group by reading his favourite book, *Spiro*, to the group. Afterwards, our students paired up with the preschoolers to share stories and read together, creating a wonderful atmosphere of connection and learning.

It was a beautiful opportunity for both age groups to engage, inspire, and enjoy each other's company. We look forward to continuing this special relationship with Bundgeam in the future.

Spaghetti Circus Wrap-Up

This term, our students completed their final sessions with Gareth and the Spaghetti Circus team, and what a fantastic experience it's been! The program provided a unique and engaging way for students to meet their Physical Education outcomes through creativity, movement, and fun.

Key learning outcomes included developing movement competence and confidence, deepening their understanding of health and wellbeing concepts, and fostering respectful relationships. With a strong focus on active participation and collaboration, the program also promoted lifelong engagement in physical activity.

A big thank you to Gareth and the Spaghetti Circus for bringing so much energy, enthusiasm, and skill to our school this term. We look forward to more opportunities like this in the future!

Attendance Matters

Recently, our Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO), Sharon Lane, visited the school to review student attendance. Sharon works closely with schools and families to promote the importance of regular attendance and to help identify ways we can support improvement where needed.

As part of this visit, each student will receive a letter outlining their individual attendance rate for the year so far. This is a valuable opportunity for students and families to reflect on their attendance and celebrate progress.

We'd especially like to acknowledge and congratulate the students who have made noticeable improvements in their attendance this term, well done! Your efforts are recognised and appreciated.

Remember, every day counts. Let's continue working together to make attendance a priority.

Regional Athletics

A big congratulations to our talented athletes Rachel, Bentley, Zackery, and Mason, who proudly represented our school at the recent Zone Athletics Carnival. The relay team progressed to compete in Coffs Harbour on Tuesday, showing great teamwork, determination, and school spirit.

The team appeared to have secured a win in their relay event but were unfortunately disqualified due to a baton change. While the result was disappointing, their performance was nothing short of impressive, and we are incredibly proud of their effort and sportsmanship.

A special shoutout to Rachel, who also competed individually in the 11-year-old girls' 800m run. Well done, Rachel, on representing the school with such dedication and enthusiasm!

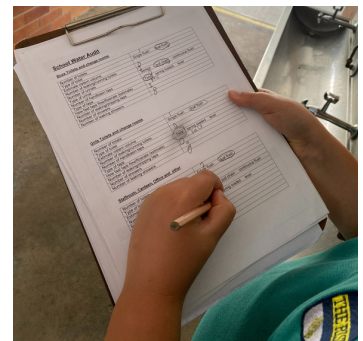


Environmental Audit at The Risk Public School

Last week, the Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre visited our school to assess our waste recycling program and assist us to minimise our environmental footprint. They also aimed to educate students about the significance of sustainability. One of the results from this day was the creation of a display for the Kyogle Show.

Additionally, our school features a student parliament where students engage in various projects, such as gardening and conducting water and energy audits. Through these initiatives, students gain an understanding of how recycling not only maintains a clean school environment but also contributes to protecting the planet for future generations.

By advocating for recycling, The Risk Public School is not merely managing waste; it is fostering a culture of environmental awareness, responsibility, and proactive action.



Public Speaking

On Wednesday, Stage 2 and 3 students attended Wiangaree PS for Public Speaking. Students presented speeches on a wide range of engaging topics, demonstrating their ability to express ideas clearly and confidently.

The students were judged on their speech structure, clarity, and presentation skills. The standard of speeches was outstanding, with students showing great enthusiasm, creativity, and courage.

Well done and congratulations to Kaliber, Mila, Breanna and Araya for their involvement on the day. A special mention to Kaliber for being awarded runner up for Stage 3.

Eggs For Sale

The Green family have an abundance of eggs and are selling them for \$6 a dozen. To place an order, please contact Carrissa on 0459 502 271.



Save the Date!



The Risk PS Market Day
Sunday 2nd November
9am to 2pm

- *AUCTION*
- *TRASH 'N' TREASURE*
- *JUMPING GLADIATOR RING*
- *MARKET STALLS*
- *FACE PAINTING*
- *ROTARY FOOD VAN*
- *COFFEE VAN* SNOW CONES*
- *TEA & SCONES* YUMMY CAKES*
- *GAMES* LIVE MUSIC & OPEN MIC *
- *AND MORE TO EXPLORE*

Come along and have some fun at our bi-annual market day!

For more info including to book a stall or donate items for the auction contact Bridie 041 691 0690 theriskpandc21@gmail.com

Whole-school Evacuation Drill

This morning at 10:50am we carried out our mandatory evacuation drill as part of the NSW Department of Education's Health & Safety requirements. These drills help us practise what to do in case of an emergency so that both staff and students know the safest way to exit and where to go. Regular practise means everyone is more confident, calm, and prepared if a real situation ever happens. We encourage families to chat to children about the experiences.

Student Parliament Friday Lunch

Bolognese Pasta

\$3.50



 School Bytes

Parent App

Available now!

Download on the App Store or Google Play by clicking the image below.



Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news



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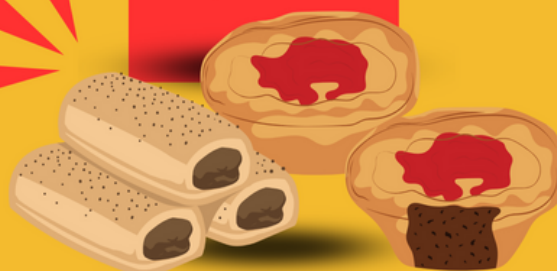


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Friday Lunch

PIES AND SAUSAGE ROLLS

Friday 19 September



\$3.50

Provided by the P&C





Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation

at
The Risk Public School
66 366 127



Term 4

9:30 - 3:00pm

Friday 24 October

Friday 31 October

Friday 7 November

Friday 21 November



Kindergarten Orientation is a nurturing way to get your child ready for school. Please call the school to book your child into our caring learning environment.

Small School with Big Opportunities!