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A Letter to the Community

"Thought for the Week"

**"Don't count
the days.
Make the days
count."**

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TERM 2

School resumes on Monday
15th, April.

SCHOOL NEWS: School Newsletter

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SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The annual Easter swimming carnival, was another success on Wednesday the 20th, March. Over the course of the morning, student from both

houses, Logan and Cunningham competed in a range of races and novelty events. In the end the total points clearly showed that Cunningham was indeed the better team this time, finishing on 623 points compared to Logan's 355 points.

The Easter swimming carnival provides the opportunity for students, especially the Preps to showcase how far their swimming has improved in just a short amount of time.

Thank you to all the staff who assisted on the day and to the dedicated team of volunteers who helped operate the canteen.



CROSS COUNTRY

Armed with umbrellas and jackets, a large portion of the school community travelled to Darlington State School to compete and support our students at the annual Christmas Creek Cross Country event. While the rain managed to hold off for most the afternoon, those students that were competing had to endure a muddy, slippery track due to rain earlier. This was evident by the muddy bodies that crossed the finished line after each race.

It can't be denied that this year's event was probably one of Rathdowney's best performances in recent years. Not only did we have the largest group of runners, including many of our younger students taking part in the fun race but also due to the number of our students placing.

Well done to all our runners,
with special mention to the
following students who
placed:

Under 9's

1st Jack H, 3rd Dustin L, Tania
and 4th Harry

Under 10's

2nd Billie and 3rd Colin

Under 11's

1st Mason and 2nd Nikita

Under 12's

2nd Noah P and 4th Haris

Noah, Colin and Mason will
now travel to Emmaus Col-
lege on Tuesday 16th of April
to compete at the district
level.



TRIATHLON

On the last day of term, all of
our students competed in the
school's very first triathlon,
which Mr Stewart had
planned.

The students had to run be-
tween 500- 1000m before rid-
ing their bikes from the back
of the oval to the pool. The
younger students found this a
little difficult, but our older
students assisted them by giv-
ing them a push up the hill.
Once at the pool they had to
complete the swimming com-
ponent of the race. At this
stage, many of the students
were exhausted, but pushed
on due to excitement.

Once again, student com-
peted in their school houses.
While Cunningham also won
the triathlon, the difference
in points were much closer,

with only about 12 points separating the houses.

From the feedback received, it seemed that everyone enjoyed the triathlon. We hope that it become a school tradition for many years to come



STAFF NEWS

Mr Kroll will be taking long service leave in the second week of term 2. During this time, Ms Lane will be looking after the school in his absence. Mrs Masen will also be on LSL for the first two weeks as well.

If you had of been at the the school during the last week of term, you may have noticed that there were two new faces amongst the staff.

The school has welcomed two student teachers who will be observing, teaching and assessing students across both classes. They will be here for a majority of term 2, before both students finish their degrees.

In the junior classroom, Ms Lane will be mentoring Janine van Boeschoten, otherwise known as Ms Van. Meanwhile, Mr Kroll and Mr Stewart will be mentoring Ms Brooke Heit in the senior classroom. Both students have written a short letter introducing themselves below.

Dear Parents,

I would like to introduce myself; my name is Janine van Boeschoten. Your children will know me as Ms Van. I am a 4th year Preservice teacher from Griffith University. I will be in the P-2 classroom from the 25th of March until the

22nd of May. If you see me around, please come and say hello.

During this time, I will be observing and teaching your children. Part of my observations include looking at and documenting student data and collecting samples of student work. Any information that identifies them will be whited out to ensure privacy of the children and no photographs of the students personally will be taken. This information I gather is to support my final assessment to demonstrate my ability to reflect on my teaching practices in the classroom.

Dear Parents,

My name is Brooke Heit, I am currently commencing my final trimester at Griffith University for my Bachelor of Ed-

ucation degree. I have completed 3 placements prior to this (Norfolk Village State School, St Marys Beaudesert, and Jimboomba State School). I am lucky enough to be working with the years 3,4,5 and 6's at Rathdowney State School to further improve my practices.

I have a huge passion for sport, and I major in HPE. I have had various experiences in working with children, having started coaching Gymnastics from a young age for a duration of six years. Additionally, I have prior experience in both before and after school care settings. Currently, I am involved in teaching a girls Touch Football Excellence Program at a High School.

I am beyond excited to create a relationship with your chil-

dren and ensure they are being the best learner they can be.



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LIBRARY VAN

The Scenic Rim Library van is scheduled to visit again next Wednesday 17th April.

The van visits once a fortnight between 2 and 3 pm. During this time, students who have opted to take part and order a library card have the opportunity to borrow up to two items from the van. This offers a range of items including books and DVD's. Families and other community members can also visit the van and borrow too.



P&C NEWS

The P&C will hold their next monthly meeting on Tuesday 16th, April. The meeting will commence at 6pm in the school's staffroom.

In the lead up to Easter, a number of parents gathered together and made over 200 marshmallow bunnies to sell at the Rathdowney Easter Markets. From what I have heard, the markets were very successful for the P&C as they only had a few bunnies remaining by the time they packed up at lunch time.



STUDENT COUNCIL

In term 2 and 3, the Student Council will again be offering healthy lunches on a Friday.

Each week, one particular dish from our list of popular dishes will be prepared and served. Dishes include; curried sausages, carbonara, spaghetti bolognese and fried rice to just name a few.

An order form will be sent home attached to KIT Books on a Monday. We ask that orders are returned by Thursday each week, as this will assist in shopping for ingredients.

The first item on the menu will be carbonara and garlic bread.



FOOTY NOTE

The senior students who are interested in learning NRL with Mr Stewart are required to return their consent form as soon as possible, once school resumes. As outlined in the form, the school will purchase mouthguards for all participants as required, however we recommend that students supply their own head gear.

Students can obtain another form if needed from the classroom. These lessons, will as-

sist the students for the Kingfisher Cup scheduled in term 3.

UNIFORMS

A special-order form for winter garments was sent home late last term. If you wish to purchase school jackets or long pants, please return the note back to the school by the 18th of April. This is a once off order, as the school does not stock winter clothing.



EASTER RAFFLE

The Easter raffle was drawn on the 28th of March. Thank you to all those who purchased tickets, in hope of winning over \$150 worth of Easter goodies.

Message from the office

Reminder to return all chocolate money and that SRS fees are now overdue. Thank you to all the families that have already returned and paid fees.



JOIN OUR FAMILY DAY CARE TEAM

AMAZING START UP INCENTIVES \$\$\$

Do you want to work in your own home
educating and caring for children while earning
a great income?

Qualifications:

- Certificate III in early childhood education and care

Requirements:

- Current First Aid (In early child care setting)
- WWCC (Blue Card)
- National Police check

OUR FRIENDLY TEAM WILL SUPPORT AND GUIDE YOU WITH EVERY STEP

Please contact us for more information

Contact us now

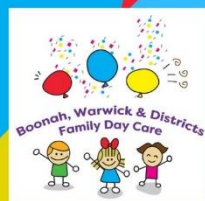
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Dates to Remember April-May 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W K 1	15 Parade	16 Breakfast Club	17 Chappy Break- fast tuckshop: TBA Cakes TBA	18 Breakfast Club	19 Healthy Lunches Carbonara Garlic Bread
W K 2	22 Parade	23 Breakfast Club	24 Chappy Break- fast tuckshop: TBA Cakes TBA	25 PH ANZAC DAY	26 Healthy Lunches
W K 3	29 Parade	30 Breakfast Club	1 Chappy Break- fast tuckshop: TBA Cakes TBA	2 Breakfast Club	3 Healthy Lunches
W K 4	6 PH MAY DAY	7 Breakfast Club	8 Chappy Break- fast tuckshop: TBA Cakes TBA	9 Breakfast Club	10 Healthy Lunches



Rathdowney State School –Tuckshop Price List Term 2 2024

<p>Chicken Burger / Wrap \$4 Crumbed chicken patty with your choice of lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot, cheese, beetroot, pineapple</p>
<p>Toasted Sandwich / Wrap \$3 Topping – Ham, cheese, tomato, pineapple</p>
<p>Pizza - \$3 Cheese, Ham and Cheese, Ham cheese and pineapple</p>
<p>Hot Dog -\$3 Plain hotdog, hotdog with cheese</p>
<p>Pie \$3</p>
<p>Sausage roll \$3</p>
<p>Chicken Nuggets (5) \$3</p>
<p>Milk Poppers \$2 Plain, Chocolate, Strawberry</p>
<p>Juice Popper \$2 Apple, Orange, Tropical</p>
<p>Cakes 50c</p>
<p>Chappy Don's cookies (2) \$1</p>



Rathdowney State School Uniform Order Form

If you require uniforms for your children, please fill in the order form below with size and amount of items required.

Shorts, skorts and shirts are in sizes **4 – 16** - payments can be made by EFT or cash.

We have 3 different hats available. The adjustable hats are in 2 sizes sm/med or med/Lg. Our non-adjustable hat is a size **57 med**, and sells for just \$5.00.

We also have a jacket in our school colours, these jackets are by special order only.

They will be available to order in March next year.

Size	<u>Adj Hat</u> <u>Sm/Med</u> \$8	<u>Adj Hat</u> <u>Med/Lg</u> \$8	<u>Hat</u> <u>Med 57</u> \$5	<u>Shirt</u> \$30.00	<u>Shorts</u> \$14.00	<u>Skorts</u> \$16.00
Total Amount <i>Date</i>		<u>EFT Banking Details</u> <i>Rathdowney P & C</i> <i>Account</i> <i>BSB – 064400</i> <i>Account - 00902052</i>				

Hopefully this will assist you when ordering uniforms for your child/children. This form can be brought to school by your child and handed in either at the office or their classroom.

For further assistance please contact me on Mondays, Tuesdays or Fridays.

Many thanks

Kerry Watson

(Uniform Coordinator) /

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