

## Rainbow Ramblings

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Thursday 7th March, 2024

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

#### **School Photos**

Reminder that school photos are planned for this coming Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March. Parents wishing to purchase photos this year need to complete the online booking form. There are posters throughout the school with further details but if you need help, please contact Cate in the office.

Year 6 students are encouraged to wear their senior shirts.

#### **Assemblies**

We want to advise that there will be no assembly this week due to the Year 4/5/6 being on Camp. Assembly is generally held each Friday morning at 8:30am. During assemblies, we aim to give important key messages and recognise the wonderful achievements of all our students. All parents/ guardians and members of our community are invited, encouraged and welcome to attend. I hope to see you there!

#### NAPLAN 2024

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake.

As student's progress through their school years, it is important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national standards.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress.

NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

#### **School Improvement Agenda**

Our key improvement agenda for this year includes a continued focus on academic success for all students specifically in English and Maths, as well as the further development of a whole school approach to Pedagogical Practice, (High Impact Teaching Strategies), deepening staff capability and intentional collaboration. All of this work contributes to a school where every child is supported to experience success.

Writing and Numeracy are key foundational skills required across all learning areas. Students' ability to work fluently with these literacies is key to their success across the curriculum and into their future. We will continue to prepare ourselves for the rollout of Version 9 of the Australian Curriculum and make significant investments in time for staff to work collaboratively to leverage student improvement.

#### **Easter Bonnet Parade**

We are planning to hold an Easter Bonnet Parade on the final parade for Term 1, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April. We encourage families to get creative in making the best Easter Bonnets possible. Our P&C have begun to source some prizes to be awarded on the day. We welcome our Kindy and Playgroup children to be involved as well!

Warm Regards



Principal

#### **Dates Claimers for March/April**

Thursday Mornings	Playgroup 8.30am to 10.30am
Monday 4th March	Parent Teacher Interviews commenced
Thursday 7th & Friday 8th March	4/5/6 Excursion to Double Island Point
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	School Photos
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Naplan
Wednesday 20th March	P&C AGM All Welcome
Thursday 21st March	Excursion to Australia Zoo
Thursday 28th March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 28th March	Last Day of Term 1
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	First Day of Term 2



#### OSHC News

OSHC has commenced at Rainbow Beach State School. The hours are from 6:00am to 8:15am and 2:30pm to 5:30pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Commencement of **Vacation Care** will be advised, keep an eye on our face book page for updates.

#### Kindy/Prep/Year 1 News

What an amazing start to the year! Our classroom is a hive of activity – literally. Our science corner is full of life. As of today, we have successfully hatched two stick insects (nymph stage) from the egg stage, with another 18 on the way...hopefully. Thank you to Riley's dad for turning an old fish tank into a space that makes a great habitat for them.

Currently we have three tadpoles from out the back of Cooper's dad's workshop. We can see them gradually changing as their four legs are starting to sprout. We are hoping for green tree frogs but still unsure, we will probably get toads.

Tangles has been bringing in an assortment of insects that he finds in and around the school grounds whilst doing a great job of keeping everything ship shape. We have a chrysalis that we hope to see hatch into a beautiful butterfly.... or maybe a moth? Addison's dad brought us in a couple of exoskeletons of seahorses to look at under our zoom camera, they are fascinating to

look at, up close. We have really enjoyed learning about what animals need to survive in their own unique habitats.

Watch this space.... we will keep you posted!

Yours in education Samantha Langton









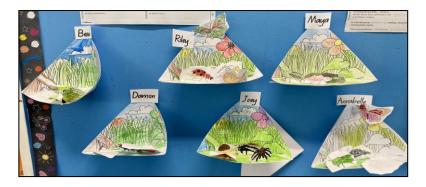












# Icy Cup Friday

ley cups will be sold each Friday after school. Bring \$1 for a super cool treat!



# SCHOOL PHOTOS MONDAY 11TH MARCH

### **ONLINE BOOKING**



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- Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- Click on Order Your School Photos
- Enter your Access Key





Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.