



Rainbow Ramblings

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Wednesday 15th May, 2024

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Volunteers Week- With next week, 20th-26th May, being Volunteers Week I want to acknowledge the very significant support we have at Rainbow Beach State School. Firstly, I want to acknowledge the massive contributions that our P&C committee in recent times. I cannot express my gratitude enough for the work they do to enrich the lives of all students that are fortunate enough to grow within the Rainbow Beach State School community. Secondly, I want to acknowledge the increasing number of community members that donate their time, energy and expertise on a regular basis to provide support and opportunities. On behalf of all the staff, students and families we thank and acknowledge; Mrs Therese Young, Mrs Cherie Mason, Mr Don Reid, Mr Robert and Mrs Suzanna Rankin, Granny Val and Mrs Judy Hawkins, Mr Michael and Mrs Amy Huckel and our amazing P&C; Ms Kelly Smith, Ms Amanda Schier, Ms Amy Kent and Mrs Mel Spanton! As well as our Boomerang Bag Ladies; Ms Barb Rees, Ms Maryan Vickers and Ms Wendy Buchanan. Our Year 6 Students will be hosting a Morning Tea next Tuesday to celebrate your contribution to our school. If anyone else was interested in regularly volunteering some time, please come and talk to us.

Athletics Carnival- This year we have again planned to hold a small schools Athletics Carnival on Thursday 20th June, with both Wolvi SS and Kai Ora SS. This will be the same as last year with opportunities to develop and foster positive relationships with students from across our local area. The feedback from the staff and younger students was a great opportunity to grow our networks. As per normal for the number of 10-year old's and older who make qualifying times and distances they will be nominated to compete in Gympie District School Athletics Carnival for 2024. We are very proud of all our student's efforts and believe this is a great opportunity for students to demonstrate their athletic abilities.

Rainbow Beach Fishing Competition- We are very excited to be preparing to participate in our annual Fishing Fun Day in conjunction with Rainbow Beach Fishing Classic. This day has been a highlight on the school calendar for many, many years. In recent years the additional safety considerations have presented a challenge and we are hopeful we are able to continue this school tradition. We encourage any available parents to come and help out as we appreciate the additional supervision.

We are planning to host the day on Monday 3rd June in conjunction with the Rainbow Fishing classics Kids Day. Students are encouraged to bring their own equipment along as we have a limited supply. Sun safety clothing including broad brimmed hat and long sleeve shirt is a must and a pair of sunglasses will be necessary for eye protection. If you have any questions, please contact the school by phone 5486 9333.

Year 2/3/4 Excursion- Preparations are being made in readiness for upcoming excursions. We are planning that Year 2/3/4 will participate in a local excursion/ sleep-over where the students walk up to Carlo Sand Blow to investigate the Earth and Space Sciences before returning to school for info sessions delivered by the staff from Barambah Environmental Education Centre. Permission notes will be coming home today with more information.

Benefits of Camps, Excursions and Outdoor Learning- There are many very valid reasons that school camps and excursions are so important. In a recent discussion with a parent who was still considering whether to send their child, it highlighted that for me, camp was still one of the greatest memories I have of my schooling. This conversation prompted me to reconsider the benefits for students attending Camps and excursions:

- **Friendships and social skills-** Camp is the place where kids make their very best friends. Free from the social expectations pressuring them at school, camp encourages kids to relax and make friends easily. It also provides the opportunity for children to cooperate, respect each other and grow individually.
- **Physical Activity in Natural Environment-** Children do spend a large portion of time indoors both at school and at home. Camp provides an opportunity for running, swimming, jumping, hiking and climbing while at the same time developing an awareness, respect and love for the natural environment.
- **Independence and resiliency-** Children are provided the opportunity to practice making decisions and manage their daily choices in a safe and caring environment. We encourage children to work through setbacks and try new things that at times, outside of their comfort zone.

If you have concerns for your child's participation, please arrange a time to talk to your child's teacher to work towards a positive solution. If ever there is a risk a child may miss out on an experience for financial reasons, I encourage families to communicate with us to ensure we can find a solution to enable them to attend.

Gympie Show Holiday- This Friday is a public holiday for the Local Government Area and as such School will be closed. We hope everyone manages to have a wonderful long weekend and we look forward to seeing you back next Monday!

P & C Meeting- Reminder that our P&C meeting is today at the Sports Club starting at 4:00pm. If you are interested in hearing about what is going on or able to assist in anyway, please make your way down. We would love to see you there!

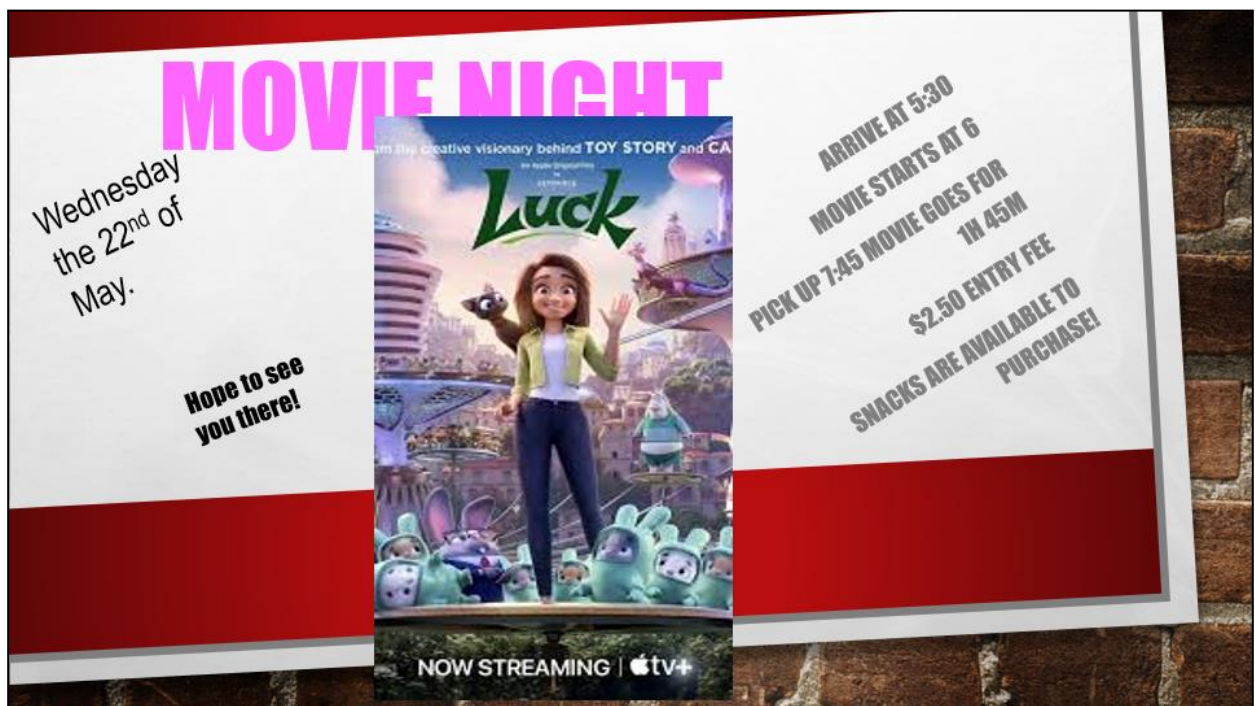
Warm Regards



Principal

Dates Claimers for Term 2

Thursday Mornings	Playgroup 8.30am to 10.30am
Wednesday 15th May	P&C Meeting 4pm
Friday 17th May	Gympie Show Holiday
Wednesday 22nd May	Movie Night 5.30pm
Thursday 30th May	Cyber Safety Sessions
Monday 3rd June	Life Education
Wednesday 19th June	Report Cards
Friday 21st June	Last Day Term 2




MOVIE NIGHT

Wednesday the 22nd of May.

Hope to see you there!

ARRIVE AT 5:30
 MOVIE STARTS AT 6
 PICK UP 7:45 MOVIE GOES FOR 1H 45M
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KP1 News

As per usual our classroom has been very busy and productive. We have been doing great work with our phonics program, where the kids are all engaging with the actions and movements we do, to help learn our sounds and to spell words. I am really happy to see the progress with reading and sight words, which is a credit to you, as parents helping with your child's homework.



Another great thing we have been learning is about space, particularly about the Earth, Sun and Moon. This is always a fascinating subject for kids, and a lot of the children already have an extensive knowledge in this area. It's always wonderful to hear them share what they know with the class. We have learnt about constellations, particularly the ones we can see in the Southern Hemisphere. I've encouraged the children to ask parents to take them outside on a clear night and see if they can see the Southern Cross constellation, so don't be surprised when they ask!

Congratulations on our attendance record, I think we have had the trophy quite a few times this term 😊
Here are some pictures of the constellations we have made.

Yours in Education
Samantha Langton



Rainbow Beach Library is hosting an 80 minute free documentary movie here at the hall Friday 31st May, starting at 5pm.

Please read details and let us know at the Library if you plan to come along. Booked numbers will ensure that the movie event goes ahead.



RECONCILIATION WEEK

Film Night: Firestarter – The Story of Bangarra

Firestarter - The Story of Bangarra is a historically important film that takes the viewer through Bangarra's birth and spectacular growth to where we are today entering our 4th decade. It recognises Bangarra's early founders and tells the story of how three young Aboriginal brothers - Stephen, David and Russell Page - turned the newly born dance group into one of Australia's leading performing arts companies. Through the eyes of the Page brothers and company alumni, Firestarter explores the loss and reclaiming of culture, the burden of intergenerational trauma and crucially, the extraordinary power of art as a messenger for social change and healing.

The **documentary** features remarkable archival footage and interviews with those integral to Bangarra's establishment, including co-founders Carole Johnson, Cheryl Stone along with a number of former dancers and creatives.

Rainbow Beach Community Hall

Friday 31 May 5pm

Bookings are essential.

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