Term 1 Week 3

12th February, 2013

What a great day we had at our Swimming Carnival....

Principal’s Report....

Classes for 2013 have now been formed and classroom routines are well underway. You may be interested in a list of this year’s classes and staff:

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Calendar

WHAT’S HAPPENING @ ROOTY HILL PS

Friday 15th February
PSSA Begins

Thursday 21st Feb
Meet the Teacher night

Tuesday 5th March
School Council Meeting

Thursday 14th March
Welcome Evening – new families

Thursday 14th March
Selective High School Test

Tuesday 19th March
Induction Assembly

Thursday 21st March
School Photos

Monday 8th April
Parent-Teacher Interviews K-2

Tuesday 9th April
Parent Teacher Interviews 3-6

Thursday 12th April
Last day of term

Focus of the fortnight....

*Walk around the school
*Line up correctly
Looking forward to saying ‘Hello’
I look forward to meeting all parents at next week’s “Meet the Teacher Night’ on Thursday 21st February. Staff will be available to meet with you informally from 5.30-7.30pm, in the Hall
Come along to ‘put a face to a name’ and to seek the answers to any general questions you may have. This event is really ‘for the grown-ups’ – but if you are unable to make alternate arrangements for your child, they can be supervised in the Library while you meet with teachers in the Hall.

In addition, for all parents of Kindergarten students and families with students new to our school in any grade, make space in your diary for our “Welcome Evening” on March 14th – this will be a special informal evening for your whole family, with a Sausage Sizzle supper and fun activities for our boys and girls.

Don’t throw them away………
No doubt your child has grown considerably since last year………if you have any school uniform items in good condition that no longer fit, we would greatly appreciate any donations for our clothing pool. Just send them to the office. Having spare clothes at school is helpful if children have accidents or need uniform in a hurry for a variety of reasons.

Keeping up to date
Have you had a look at our school website recently? (www.rootyhill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) It’s still developing and gets better all the time. Most permission notes for school events are available on the website to provide you with easy access if notes get lost! There are also some great photos taken at school events.

Staying safe
Just a quick reminder – to ensure everyone’s safety, dogs are not allowed in the school grounds – even if they appear to be safely on a lead. If you use collecting your children as a great opportunity to take that much needed walk with your dog, would you please ensure you do not enter the school grounds with your pet. Your help with this is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,
Jackie Malecki

Some of our talented students auditioning…..
Performance Group Auditions….

Last week over 200 students auditioned for a place in one of our amazing performance groups! The teachers were extremely impressed with the enthusiasm, cooperation and effort everyone put into the audition process.

This year we have the following performance groups;

Junior Dance – Miss Kimber
Senior Dance – Mrs Mackenzie
Senior Dance – Mrs Russell
Hip Hop Group – Miss Langerak
Drumming – Miss Morton
Choir – Mrs Poona

If your child was selected as part of a dance group, drumming or choir, a permission note will be sent home next week. This outlines rehearsal and performance expectations students are expected to follow. Please talk with your child about these expectations.

Due to the large number of students auditioning, unfortunately there were students who were not able to be included at this time. Please remind your child that other opportunities will be available during term 2 and 3 for them to join a performance group for Education Week performances.

We look forward to another successful year in the Performing Arts.

Fiona Mackenzie

Swimming Carnival….

a great way to start our sporting calendar for 2013. Beautiful weather, enthusiastic House Captains and cheer squads, excellent student behaviour and a group of super fish swimmers made our swimming carnival a success.

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Early Childhood Clinic….

From Monday 8th October the Early Childhood Clinic times will change to:
Appointments
Clinic is on Wednesdays 9am - 12midday
If your child is due a “Blue Book Check” you need to make an appointment.
Blue Book Checks are at 8 weeks of age, 6 months old, 12 months old, 18 months old, 2 years old, 3 years old and 4 years old. You can contact Mt Druitt Community Health Centre on 9881 1200 for an appointment.
The novelty pool activities were a big hit with the students. They were able to compete in a short distance race in shallow water and consolidate their water safety skills. Students were also able to create mini whirlpools, play hoop and quoits games and increase their confidence in shallow water.

We also utilized the lovely grass area at the pools by playing a variety of ball and running games, giving all the students another opportunity for some social interaction and fitness.

The highlight of the day was definitely the big race between the teachers. A huge thanks goes out to Mr Haste, Mr Shaw, Mrs Steward and Mrs Robinson for being brave enough to show off their swimming skills in front of all the parents and students. Mr Shaw delighted the crowd with his antics and demonstrated how not to panic and how to relax in the water while being rescued by the life guard.

Overall the day was a great success. The students were really into their House war cries and are eagerly awaiting the carnival results. Ribbons will be handed out at an assembly in the near future. Students who qualified for the District Swimming Carnival will be notified shortly and given permission notes to take home.

Mrs Sandra Russell

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**Plumpton/Oakhurst Soccer Club**

**The Family Club**

**REGISTRATION DAYS**
At: Hanna Reserve, Hyatt's Road, OAKHURST
All Players:
Sat 2nd FEB & 9th FEB 2013: 10am-1pm
All new players REQUIRE ID
We welcome everyone from 5yrs to Over 35's

Please complete the on-line registration process in advance.


Enquiries Contact our Registrar – Katrina Ena
On 0409 564 105
between 6-8pm only
For details visit the website:

[www.plumptonoakhurstsoccerclub.org.au](http://www.plumptonoakhurstsoccerclub.org.au)

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**New Members welcome for 2013**

**The Grove Physical Culture Club**

Classes are held at Rooty Hill Public School Every Tuesday Evening. For Class times, fees or more information please call Jenny on 0402 100 123 or email us thegrovewzpcd@hotmail.com

Physie gives a well rounded balance of low impact, high energy choreographed exercise routines performed to modern music and teaches co-ordination, rhythm, posture and self confidence. Meet new friends and have lots of fun.

Ages 3yrs to adults