



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Two Week 2

Tuesday 27th April 2021

Important Dates & Notes

PSSA This Friday

Please visit our
website for
locations

Assembly This Friday 30th April K-2 9.15am

P & C Meeting Monday 3rd May 7.30pm

Yr4 Overnight Excursion Wed 14th –Fri 16th July

Term Dates 2021

Term 2
20/04/21—25/06/21

Term 3
13/07/21—17/09/21

Term 4
5/10/21—16/12/21

Last day for students
Wednesday
16th December 2021

Dear Kent Road Parents and Carers,

We enjoyed a great start to Term Two last week and teachers commented on how well students settled back into their classes and their enthusiasm to work hard.

Excitingly, work on the playground development is progressing. Students have been watching closely to see the installation develop and they are very excited by the prospect of play areas being returned to us very soon.



ANZAC DAY

Thank you to Ms Hamilton for organising last Friday's ANZAC Day service, and congratulations to our Year Six student leaders for their commitment to delivering the service so well.

We thank Mr Gordon Macpherson for attending our school service and presenting new books to our school library on behalf of North Ryde RSL club. Special thanks to our band conductor, Alex, for attending the school's service to play The Last Post and Reveille on her trumpet. It was a very moving end to our service.

Student leaders India, Benjamin, Olivia, Finn, Evelyn, Tyra, Matthew, Nathaniel and Derrick, joined Ms Hamilton at the ANZAC Day dawn service on Sunday morning at North Ryde RSL club and laid a wreath on behalf of the school. Thank you students and parents for attending the service.



Kent Road students made poppies for a display as a sign



MOBILE DEVICES AT SCHOOL

The NSW Department of Education implemented a statewide policy in 2020 regarding the use of personal mobile devices at school, including mobile phones and smart watches. The school's executive team is currently creating a school procedure in response to the department's policy.

Parents should be aware the government's policy includes the following:

- **Schools must restrict the use of digital devices by primary school students during class, at recess and at lunch unless: use is approved by a teacher or principal for an educational purpose; an exemption applies; or use of digital devices and online services is required for medical reasons or for reasonable adjustments made as part of a student's individual education plan.**
- **Students must:**
 - Be safe, responsible and respectful users of digital devices and online services, and support their peers to be the same.
 - Respect and follow school rules and procedures and the decisions made by staff, knowing that other schools may have different arrangements.
 - Communicate respectfully and collaboratively with peers, school staff and the school community and behave in the ways described in the Behaviour Code for Students.
- **Parents and carers must:**
 - Recognise the role they play in educating their children and modelling the behaviours that underpin the safe, responsible and respectful use of digital devices and online services.
 - Support implementation of the school procedure, including its approach to resolving issues.
 - Take responsibility for their child's use of digital devices and online services at home such as use of online services with age and content restrictions.
 - Communicate with school staff and the school community respectfully and collaboratively as outlined in the 2018 School Community Charter.
 - Switch off or put their digital devices on silent when at official school functions, during meetings and when assisting in the classroom.

Should a student need to make a call during the school day, they must approach the administration office and ask for permission to use the school's phone.

During school hours, parents and carers are expected to only contact their children via the school office.

Once the school's procedures have been completed a copy will be provided to all parents.

NAPLAN – YEAR THREE and YEAR FIVE

Starting next Tuesday 11th May, students in Years Three and Five will undertake NAPLAN testing over two weeks.

Year Five students will complete all NAPLAN tests online. Year Three students will complete all tests online except for writing which will be a paper/pencil test.

Students have undertaken practice tests to become familiar with test procedures and the online format. No other preparation is necessary.

The test dates are scheduled over two weeks so that disruption can be minimised. I ask parents of all students participating in NAPLAN to ensure their children arrive at school before the bell so as to not disrupt the other students in the class.

Monday 10th May	Tuesday 11th May Year 3 Writing – paper Year 5 Writing – online	Wednesday 12th May Year 5 Reading – online	Thursday 13th May Year 3 Reading – online	Friday 14th May
Monday 17th May Year 5 Language Conventions – online	Tuesday 18th May Year 3 Language Conventions – online	Wednesday 19th May Year 5 Numeracy – online	Thursday 20th May Year 5 Numeracy – online	Friday 21st May

ASSEMBLY

This Friday 30th April there will be a K-2 assembly, starting at 9.15am in the assembly hall.

Denise Minifie

Principal

The Kindergarten students loved taking part in their first Kent Road Public School Hat Parade just before the holidays. There were many colourful hats of all shapes and sizes. Here are some of their amazing creations!

KINDERGARTEN NEWS



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Year 2 have had a great first week back at school. We have started a new history unit called Technology Through Time where we will be looking at lots of different technology and how it has changed over the years.

2FI had so much fun sorting through the different items and trying to work out how old they were.

The hamburger phone and first refrigerator were really hard to place!

We then put them on a big timeline that we will add to throughout the term.





2021 RSC College Tours

Ryde Secondary College is pleased to announce the resumption of College Tours for interested parents in 2021.

Come and learn about our college, our academic and extra-curricular programs. You will meet our College Principal, senior staff, and student leaders on our Open Information Tours and will have the opportunity to have questions about high school answered.

Our tours are, at this stage strictly limited to 30: one parent and one child per family, in line with COVID 19 guidelines. Bookings are essential. Please phone our office staff on 9809-4894 to make a booking. If tours are full, you will be placed on a waiting list to attend the next available tour.

Tours commence 3:30 and will run for approximately 1 hour.

No adults will be admitted without prior booking.

Tour dates, group size, length and tour arrangements may change during 2021 as COVID 19 circumstances and guidelines change. Please check the website regularly for updates.

Tour dates:

Term Two

Wednesday, May 5

Wednesday, June 9

Term Three

Wednesday, August 4

Wednesday, September 1

Term Four

Wednesday, October 13

Wednesday, November 24

KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL 2021 CLASS PARENT SYSTEM

The 2021 KRPS Class Parent list has been finalised and is here below for your information. You may have already received introduction letters from your Class Parent outlining their role and asking if you would like to be included in your Class Email Distribution List for 2021. It would be wonderful if we could get as many parents/carers as possible to take part in this list, as this will allow our school, teachers, and Class Parents to easily keep you informed of school and class events. To participate, please return the response form attached to the Class Parent Introduction Letter to your Class Teacher/school office. Alternatively, some Class Parents have provided an online form option, allowing you to fill in your details online. Please click on your Class Parent's name (if underlined in blue) to access the online form. Thank you for your participation!

Class	Class Parent	Class	Class Parent	Class	Class Parent
KC	Leanne Mckay	2F	Christine Chiong	4B	Cindy Chan
KF	Christel Helmers	2G	Anna Desjardins	4C	Richa Apte
KH	Rose Relova	2I	Mita Brierley	4H	Jessica Matthews
KL	Muhammad Ikram	2N	Maryam Kenawy	4M	Samantha Yep
KN	Kimberly Mills	2S	Leanne Mckay	4T	Thuy Pham
KS	Sahil Sabhlea	2W	Jenny Quynh Lien Tsui	5L	Alia Palethorpe
1F	Michela Nesbitt	3C	Elena Baskhmelnitsina	5R	Sonja Reeves
1H	Divya Pant	3L	Jody White	5S	Archana Soral
1K	Betty Xiang	3M	Weda Mohaia	5W	Simone Williams
1P	May Thant	3R	Lisa Ponton	6B	Vivian Lu
1S	Natalie Somhom	3T	Liyan Xu	6G	Henky Mantophani
1V	Jenny Lam			6M	Kerry Novkovic
				6W	Kris Arnold



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