



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term One Week 10

Friday 1st April 2022

Important Dates & Notes

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Dates To Note

Yr5 Incurion
Macquarie Island
Mon 4th April

School Photos
Wed 6th April

Term Dates

Term One
Tue 1-02-2022 -
Fri 8-04-2022

Term Two
Wed 27-04-2022 -
Fri 1-07-2022

Term Three
Tue 19-07-2022 -
Fri 23-09-2022

Term Four
Mon 10-10-2022 -
Mon 19-12-2022

Dear Kent Road Parents and Carers,

Another wet week! Our thoughts go out to everyone on the north coast who has been impacted by the floods.

I commend our students on how well they are coping with being indoors every day, and thank our teachers for making the days fun as well as productive.

This week, Year One students enjoyed their excursion to the Schoolhouse Museum at North Ryde where they compared schools in the past to schools in the present. Kindergarten students are having lots of fun learning about being a good friend through their drama lessons. One important message which students are practicing in their lessons is 'stop, think, breathe' before you act. Year Two are loving Footsteps dancing, and Years 3-6 have been squeezing in PSSA trials whenever the rain has eased off.

Next week we will have our final Footsteps dance lessons (a big thank you to Courtney), an ANZAC Day assembly for Years 5 and 6, a Hat Parade for K-2 and School Photos.

RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS

We continue to record positive covid cases each day across all grades. Thank you parents for continuing to keep your children at home when they are sick or are household contacts.

Today students have been provided a set of rapid antigen tests which have been issued by the NSW government. Parents should be aware some students have been issued saliva tests, others have the nasal tests. PLEASE READ THE LABEL ON THE BOX.

CHANGES TO ISOLATION REQUIREMENTS

The NSW government announced changes to the Public Health Orders this week.

- People who test positive to COVID-19 and complete their 7-day self-isolation period **do not have to test or self-isolate for 12 weeks after their release.**

Self-isolation means staying at home or at your accommodation. This means you cannot drive your children to school or day care; you must ask someone else to do this. You must only leave self-isolation to get medical care or in an emergency.

KINDERGARTEN, YEAR ONE AND YEAR TWO HAT PARADE

Parents of students in Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two are invited to attend the K-2 Hat Parade on Thursday 7th April at 9.30am. **(Please be aware that parent attendance will be weather dependent. We will advise parents if the organisation needs to be changed.)**

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The School Photographer will visit the school on 6th April to take individual, class and sibling photographs. Students are asked to wear full school uniform including green socks and black shoes.

SCHOOL FEES

School fees invoices for each grade were issued last Monday via Compass. There are three components to the fees note.

Section A – is a request for payment which includes textbooks, exercise books, Footsteps dance and the Drama Toolbox program which all grades will participate in this year.

Section B – is a request for a voluntary school contribution which helps to fund daily costs.

Section C – is a request for a voluntary P&C contribution which assists the Parents and Citizens Association to fund school initiatives.

If you require a paper copy of the note please contact the administration office. Parents may choose to pay the full amount or pay in smaller contributions throughout the year. Payments can be made by cash, credit card or online.

KINDERGARTEN DRAMA PROGRAM – The Drama Toolbox



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EASTER EGG RAFFLE

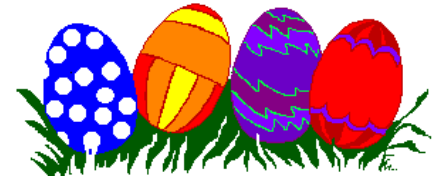
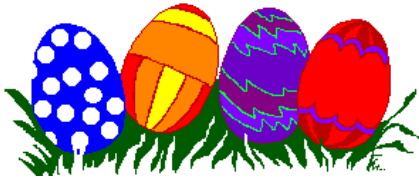


Parents are asked to donate a chocolate Easter Egg for the school's first fundraiser of the year. Donations can be left at the front office. The eggs will be wrapped into gift baskets and some lucky families will win a basket of eggs in the raffle draw on Thursday 7th April 2022.

Students were given a set of raffle tickets last week. We ask each family to sell as many tickets as possible. Please return the money and ticket information to the front office. And if you are able to sell more than one book of tickets there will be more available, just ask at the School Office.

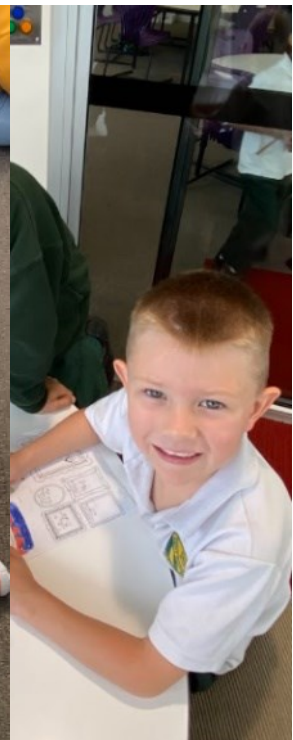
Please write your child's name and class on each ticket

The funds raised will be used to purchase school equipment.





Year 3 has been taking some time to get to know their buddies in Year 1. We have made Harmony Day cards together and got to play some fun games like Guess Who. We can't wait to see our buddies again!





High Performing Students Team

Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023

Once you complete and submit your application you can change details, send and receive messages through your application dashboard.

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023?

You must apply online at:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>



Key dates

Application website opens:
Tuesday 26 April 2022

Application website closes:
5pm, Friday 13 May 2022
You must apply before this deadline

Test centre advice sent:
Thursday 14 July 2022

Opportunity Class Placement Test:
Thursday 28 July 2022

Placement outcome information
released overnight on:
Friday 7 October 2022

**Please read this document
carefully before applying.**

Parents* monitor the Department's website regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process at:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Please check the Department's website for information before you contact the Team.

The opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team[^].

Contact Details:

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/159342048077050>

Please Note:

[^]In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.

*'Parent' is defined under the Education Act, 1990, as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'.



EARLY BIRD
DISCOUNT
EXPIRES MAR 25

APR '22 SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

Mon Apr 11th - Wed Apr 13th | 9am - 1pm

Christie Park, Christie Road, Macquarie Park
BOYS & GIRLS 4-14 YEARS \$230^{EX GST} | New players will receive a complimentary training jersey
Register at justfootballacademy.com.au/register | Enquiries can be made on 1300 724 189



SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP

MAKE THESE HOLIDAYS A HIT

12 - 14 APRIL
19 - 21 APRIL

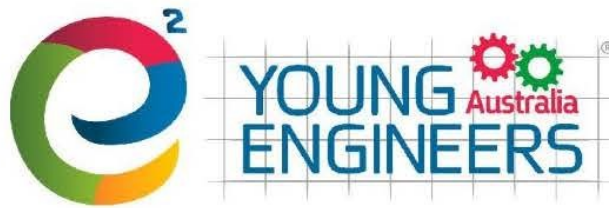
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3 HALF DAYS \$120

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James Ruse Agricultural HS	21/04 & 22/04	www.trybooking.com/BYGAI

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