Principals Report

Parent Teacher Interviews
A large number of parents have returned their notes requesting an interview with their child/children’s class teacher. If you wish to meet with your child’s class teacher and haven’t returned your note, please do so. It would be a great pity to miss out on the opportunity to find out how your child is going.

District Cross Country
The District Cross Country for those students who achieved a 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th place in age divisions from 8 years and above at our school cross country event will compete at District Cross Country at Mt Panorama on Friday, 22nd May. Mrs Jolley and Mrs Waldron will be attending the event along with 31 students from our school. We wish our competitors all the very best.

Family Holidays
From 2015, holidays taken by students outside of school vacation periods will now be included as absences. A Certificate of Exemption can no longer be granted for this purpose.

If travel outside school vacation periods is necessary, the following conditions apply:
- If the principal accepts the reason for the absence, the absence will be marked as L and a Certificate of Extended Leave-Travel will be issued.
- If the principal does not believe the absence is in the student’s best interests and does not accept the reason, the absence will be recorded as A. A Certificate of Extended Leave-Travel will not be issued. This then becomes unjustified leave.

If you do wish to take a holiday with your child and wish to be considered for a Certificate of Extended Leave-Travel, please put your reasons in writing and hand it in to the front office.

NAPLAN
Thanks to all parents for their support during NAPLAN week. It was fabulous that we had 100% of Years 3 and 5 students sit all 4 tests. I was impressed with their steady and mature approach to NAPLAN – well done everyone!

Athletics Carnival
This Thursday all students Kindergarten to Year 6 and their teachers will be attending our school athletics carnival. It is an excellent opportunity for students, staff and parents to get together. We do not have enough members of staff to cover all the jobs on the day. If you are able to put your hand up and volunteer, it would be greatly appreciated. Please remember to return your child’s permission and canteen notes ASAP.

P&C Meeting
Our May P&C meeting will be held tonight at 7pm in the school library. Please come along and join in the comradery of this group to support our children at RPS. We would also like to thank you for your support of the Mother’s Day stall, at a total of $772.40 was raised.

Attendance
Our attendance rate continues to be above State average. I remind you that it is a requirement for you to supply a note giving clear reasons for your child’s absence. If your child comes to school after the morning bell has rung, please accompany them to the office and complete the note giving the reason for their late arrival. Keep up the good work in getting your child to school regularly. Remember, they can’t learn if they’re not at school!

Class Shield
This week, we encourage children to accept differences. This can be done by:
- Being kind, caring and helpful
- Including others in their games
- Looking at others to see how they’re feeling
- Explaining to friends how they can get to know and help others

PRINCIPALS RECOGNITION
I recognise all Year 3 and 5 students for their hard work this week during NAPLAN, their teachers for doing such a great job in teaching them and to parents for ensuring that their child attended school. I was very proud that all children participated and did their absolute best for each of the tests!

Working together as partners in the education of your child.
Meryl Tremain

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 5
19/5 P&C Meeting 7pm school library
21/5 School Athletics Carnival
22/5 District Cross Country

Week 6
26/5 CWA Public Speaking

Week 7
4/6 Athletics wet weather back up day

Week 8
11/6 iLearn

Week 9
17/6 S3 Keldso High School Performance
19/6 ES1 and S1 Dubbo Zoo

NOTES SENT HOME
- Parent Teacher Interviews
- Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)
STUDENTS LEADING THE WAY
We are proud of:

OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Azaria Jones, Aiden Newham, Rudi Schwartz and Ethan Davis are our students of the week. Azaria, Rudi and Ethan are congratulated for the way they have been applying themselves in all areas at school while Aiden has shown improvement in his number work. Well done Azaria, Aiden, Rudi, and Ethan!

OUR ASSEMBLY AND PLAYGROUND AWARD WINNERS
Brady Rodham and Charlie Miller are congratulated for their achievements throughout the week. We thank Brady for helping to keep our school clean and Charlie for being a helpful and kind friend.

OUR WINNERS OF THE CLASS SHIELD
Congratulations to KB who are the winners of this week’s class shield. Students are congratulated for treating others as they would like to be treated. Bray Bracken and Emily Wray accepted the shield on behalf of KB.

KAYDEN AND KORI
Kayden Fletcher and Kori Black Thomas are congratulated for successfully completing Level 1 of the MiniLit reading program. Well done Kayden and Kori.

OUR GIRLS AND BOYS SOCCER TEAMS
Last Friday, our 2 soccer teams travelled to Police Paddock to compete against West Bathurst. Both teams worked as hard as they could and their efforts paid off on the day as we defeated West Bathurst, boys 2-1 and girls 2-0. We would like to thank Mrs Waldron and Mrs Dolbel for giving their time to train us, Mrs Jolley for helping on the day and to parents for supporting us.

Report by Mackenzie Humphries, Tayah Jones and Seth Brown

ASSEMBLY AWARDS
The following children will be presented with their Striving Higher Awards at this week’s assembly, Friday 22nd May at 12pm:

5 Awards
Joseph Allen, Emily Wray, Eve Robson, Darcy Williams, Sophie Dolbel, Nicholas Jenkins, Angus Tobin, Leylah Zeilstra, Hugh Dickinson.

Congratulations to all students for their achievements.

P&C NEWS
Canteen Roster:
22/5 CLOSED due to ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
25/5 Jo Curran, Gil Priest
29/5 Katrina Tobin, Linda Turcsanyi Mel Corby
1/6 Diane Hanrahan, Tanya Morris
5/6 Carmel Browne, Sharon Adam
8/6 PUBLIC HOLIDAY
12/6 Katrina Tobin, Liz Symes
15/6 Jen Furner, Lynette Bromfield
19/6 Katrina Tobin, Emma Hill, Bernice Schwartz, Elaine Fox
22/6 Diane Hanrahan, Tanya Morris
26/6 Carmel Browne, Renae Sikora, Pam West.

COMMUNITY NEWS
School Netball Cup in Bathurst
For parents who would like to purchase photos of their children playing in the Netball Cup you can view and order them from myactionimages.com

Bunnings Warehouse Bathurst
Next Saturday, 23rd May, Better Homes and Gardens chef Fast Ed will be in store from 11am – 2pm; come in store to learn some BBQ tips.