Primary OSHCare @ Rydalmere NOW is re-enrolment time for your children who wish to access Before and After School Care at Rydalmere DURING 2016. Completing the paperwork for this service is just as important as enrolling your child at school, in that it allows the service to secure a place for your child AND for them to secure their staffing for the year. No more do you need to access offsite service providers – we have it all here!! Open from 7am and closing at 6pm. Child Care Rebate paid. Your children are nurtured – ENROL NOW @ (forms available from OSHCare in Block C and also at the office).

Election of School Captains and Prefects

This Term, Year 5 students who would like to nominate for a school leadership position will prepare Election speeches at home and present these to all students and teachers in the school during a special assembly. Students who are elected as a school captain or school prefect are given opportunities throughout Year 6 to:

- welcome visitors to the school;
- be a student representative in whole school decision making processes;
- organise and set up the fortnightly school assembly equipment;
- present whole school concerts and functions to the wider school community;
- represent the school when invited to local community events.

The table below indicates the number of school captains and prefects the school has according to whole school enrolment numbers.

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Students wishing to nominate for a leadership position will present their speeches to the school on Friday 27 November.
Surveys
As part of our continuous whole school evaluation, we seek feedback from you in a variety of areas. This week, survey links will be sent out with your children. We value your opinion and will use the data we gather from the surveys to make Rydalmere and even better place for your families to be!!

As an incentive for families to complete the three surveys (1-2 minutes each) we will be offering the following: at the end of each of these surveys will be a code word for you to collect. Upon completing the three surveys, please give these code words to your children (make sure no one else sees them) who can hand them into the office. Each family that hands in the code words will earn a FREE Zooper Dooper for each child at Rydalmere PS!!

We value your voice – make sure we hear it!!

Golfing Award
Congratulations to our very own Wil Reece who has won a prestigious sporting award – the ‘Oatlands Golf Club General Managers Encouragement Award’. What an OUTSTANDING achievement!!

Presentation Day
Our Presentation Assembly will be held on Wednesday 9th December where special awards will be presented at a formal assembly. Parents of those children receiving an award will be invited to attend the assembly via an invitation. These will be sent home once the award winners are finalised.

Returning to School in 2016
Our school’s planning is well underway for 2016 and we are finalising classes, staffing and school organisation. If your family is relocating and will not be returning to RPS in 2016, please inform our school office immediately so that we have accurate student numbers for 2016. In addition to staffing, we need to ensure we have the correct number of XO laptops for every child to ensure a smooth start to the year.

Bel Zadow
Principal

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

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SCRIPTURE SERVICE

On Wednesday 2nd December, we will be holding a combined scripture play from 2pm-3pm in the school hall. There will be carols & singing. All are welcome and we would love to see Parents, Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles and any other family members attend this service.

LIBRARY NEWS

Scholastic Books return To Rydalmere PS on Wednesday 2nd December with a fantastic offer. Buy one book and Scholastic donates one book to our library. This is a fabulous opportunity to purchase a book for your family and contribute to the school’s library.

The Library will be open all day on Wednesday 2nd to view and purchase books. The books will be at the school for a further week. See the office to arrange a time to view and purchase if you cannot make it on 2nd December.
In English as part of our “Magic” theme, we have been studying the book Possum Magic by Mem Fox. KA has written an information report about ringtail possum and a procedure How to Make a Vegemite Sandwich. In art we learnt how to paint a possum and make a possum mask to wear at our Possum Magic Party.
Last week Preschool enjoyed a visit from Nicki and Halo from the Responsible Pet Program. The children were involved in learning how to react when faced with an angry dog. The children were then taught how to approach someone with a dog, stop a safe distance away, ask if they could pat their dog and then greet the dog in a safe way. All children had the opportunity to greet Halo the dog and have a pat.
On Wednesday 20th November, Year 5 visited Cumberland High School for a day of Showcasing Excellence. They had a fabulous time exploring the high school grounds, experiencing high school style lessons and learning exciting new things. Take a look at some of our pictures from the day!

Getting ‘mummified’ in Ancient History...

...and then breaking free as scarily as we could!

Observing and participating in some cool Science experiments such as the exploding drink can, the flying tea bag and the erupting chemical reaction. We were amazed!

In the Industrial Arts building using a range of tools such as a vice and a file to make skateboard keyrings. Look at the end results!

In the Music room using fun apps on the iPads to make music. We enjoyed showing off our musical talent!

Making awesome ‘Zen tangle’ prints in the Visual Arts room. We loved exploring our creativity.
MOVIE NIGHT

Woohoo!! Movie night is over and what a great night it was. A VERY VERY hot day but cooled off so everyone could enjoy a movie under the stars. BIG HERO 6. The P&C movie night committee, would like to say a big thank you to the teachers and to all the parents who helped set up and kept the afternoon activities running in the extreme heat and made the night enjoyable for the whole school community. Also to the many winners of the raffle and prizes.

School banking

Leonie Beasley (Alexis –Yr 1) has taken over the Banking and this is done on Wednesday’s. If you would like any information regarding banking please don’t hesitate to contact the office.

Breakfast Club

Please note Breakfast club is still operating from the Canteen every morning. So come on down and enjoy some nutritious breakfast before a big day at school.

Canteen

The Canteen is still closed until further notice for recess and lunch orders

DON’T FORGET ONLY OPEN Tuesday and Fridays for Ice creams sold by Year 6s

Uniform shop

The Uniform shop is open every Friday morning between 8:50 and 9:15.

Come and see Maryanne if you need any uniforms.

We are now selling headbands and scrunches’. Packs are $5.

DON’T FORGET Our Next Meeting will be held in the library at 6:30pm on Thursday the 10th December our last one for the year.

RYDALMERE OSHC CENTRE
ryoshc@primaryoshcare.com.au
0419 816 734

We have recently issued a survey to explore families’ requirements for care over Christmas to families. As the school term finishes on Wednesday 16th December, we Ermington West will be opening on Thursday 17th & Friday 18th December as Vacation care. Ermington West will close from Monday 21st December and re-open for Vacation Care on Monday 11th January 2016. Rosehill OSHC is open on Thursday the 17th December until Thursday the 24th December and reopens the 4th of January if you are requiring care for extended period.

Our Vacation Care program is ready for families to collect as we have fun activities planned such as Primary OSHC kid’s fun day, Inflatable world, School of rap, laser wars and much more, so please make sure you book your child/ren as soon as possible to ensure you can receive a spot, especially on excursion days.

Families can contact staff at the Centre by calling 0419 816 734 or emailing ryoshc@primaryoshcare.com.au. Centre Managers can be contacted directly by emailing headoffice@primaryoshcare.com.au.

Have a great day!!

Dola, Cathy, Isabella, Suzanne and Helena
School Banking Term 4

**Rewards Program – Available in Term 4**

With the withdrawal of the Lunar Light Bend this term, Commonwealth Bank are releasing an alternative reward item in Term 4. Alongside the *Outer Space Savers* Money Box, students’ savings efforts can now be rewarded with the new *Galaxy Glider* (available while stocks last). Students will be able to test their skills with a game of frisbee with our new reward item.

Still in stock are the following reward items from our 2015 *Outer Space Savers* range:

- ET DVD
- Interstellar Rocket
- Invisible Ink Marabu Pens

Plus, limited stock available from our 2014 *Deep Sea Savers* range of reward items including:

- Scented Pencils
- Shark Themed Toy Keyring
- Swimming Bag

**Are your students in the draw to win a family trip to Disneyland?**

To congratulate students who have made 25 or more School Banking deposits this year, Commonwealth Bank have created a deposit wallet slip that lets students know they’re in the running to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland! So keep up your savings each week and you’ll be in the draw too!