Welcome
A very warm welcome to another wonderful year of school and learning at Rydalmere Public School. This year we welcome MANY new families from Preschool to Year 6, who have joined us for the first time. I know that your children will flourish in all areas of their education at Rydalmere PS.

Kindergarten
Today we welcomed 12 Kindergarten students to ‘big school’. These students will be supported by their Buddy over the next few weeks as they settle into our routines. I would like to thank all of our buddies for taking on this leadership role to nurture our newest students.

Classes
Provided our student numbers don’t decrease over the next two weeks, we will remain with the class and staffing structure for 2015:

TEACHERS:
Preschool: Mrs Finlayson
KA: Mrs Aldred
1G: Miss Gray
2R: Mrs Ryan (Assistant Principal)
3/4M: Mrs Martelli (Mon-Thur) & Mrs McDonald (Fri)
5/6G: Miss Gallace
Library: Mrs Stephens (Mon)
RFF: Miss Allen (Thurs)
RFF: Mrs Zadow (Principal)
ESL: Mrs Brady (Tues)
Learning & Support: Mrs McDonald (Tue & Thurs)

Office & Support Staff:
Administration Manager: Mrs Kushturian
Office Assistant: Mrs Camporeale (Mon-Tue)
Preschool SLSO: Mrs McKay
General Assistant: Mr Foster

Bek Zadow
Principal
Last week we welcomed both our 3 Day and 2 Day preschool classes. The children enjoyed exploring a wide range of activities and making new friends. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

There have been some exciting new changes made to book club this year. Each child will now receive one brochure appropriate to their grade that includes all of the material that was offered over multiple brochures in previous years. The brochures will now be Pre K, Kindy, Year 1-2, Year 3-4 and Year 5-6. If you feel that your child requires a brochure other than their current grade please speak to your class teacher.

There is also a new ordering option for parents called ‘LOOP’. The ‘LOOP’ App is available for free from the App store. Once this is downloaded you can order from your iPhone or i-pad, pay via credit card and the books will be delivered to your child’s class.

Book Club offers a wide variety of reading materials at a very affordable price and is an economical way to encourage your child to read. Remember that children benefit from reading and being read to on a regular basis. Just 15 mins everyday can make a big difference to their literacy and numeracy skills.

If you have any questions about the book club please speak to your class teacher or Mrs Finlayson and Mrs McKay in the preschool.
A big thankyou to the Cottam, Mercer, Beasley, Elsoussi, Kashif, Apps-Tulip and McCredden families for looking after the chickens and watering the vegetable gardens over the Christmas holidays. It's great to have so many families pitch in and help. Hopefully you used the eggs to make some yummy omelettes!
COMMUNITY NEWS

2015 FITNESS PROGRAM
FITNESS CLASS...WITH A QUALIFIED FITNESS INSTRUCTOR!
LOW IMPACT FITNESS CLASS
Shaping and Toning
WHEN:
EVERY WEDNESDAY during school terms
TIME: 9.15 AM - 10.15 AM
STARTS: 04th February 2015
LOCATION
RYDALMERE PS - SCHOOL HALL

COMMUNITY HUB

COMMUNITY NEWS

Anglicare
Family and Relationship Service

February – April 2015

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| Parenting after Separation | Wednesday Evenings  
4th & 11th & 18th February  
& 1st March  
4th April  
Time: 5.30pm to 8.00pm  
AND  
Thursday Mornings  
5th & 12th & 19th March & 2nd April  
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm |
| 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching | Monday Mornings  
9th & 16th February  
10.30am to 12.30pm  
Wednesday Evenings  
25th March & 1st & 8th April  
Time: 5.30pm to 8.00pm |
| Engage 4 Dads & Engage 4 Mums | Thursday Mornings  
Engage 4 Dads  
5th & 12th & 19th & 26th  
February  
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm  
Thursday Mornings  
Engage 4 Mums  
23rd April & 7th & 14th  
May  
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm |
| Couples Communication Course | Wednesday Evenings  
11th & 16th March  
Time: 5.30pm to 8.00pm |

Engage 4 Dads & Engage 4 Mums is a four week program designed to support parents and caregivers of 2-12 year old children.
- Increase your knowledge about what works in managing difficult behaviour
- Lessen your feelings of frustration
- Get better results with less effort and stress

Couples Communication Course
The Group Edition of Prepare/Enrich is designed to bring couples of various relationship stages together in one group. This experience can lead to a dynamic skill for all. Couples benefit from the realism and interpersonal solving that happens when they witness how other couples cope with life’s concerns and express themselves. The group process and content has the ability to re-energize couples with hope and optimism for their future relationship.


WHERE: Rydalmere Public School  
TIME: 9.15 am to 11.00 am  
WHEN: Every Friday during school terms, 2015  
First session: 13th February 2015

This program has been funded with contributions from the community and Parramatta City Council. Bookings ESSENTIAL.

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Enrolment is available for these courses.