**WEEKLY EVENTS**

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**Core Values - To Create an Environment which Nurtures and Values Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best**

**Term 1, 2016**

**Week 8**
- Mon 14/03/2016: This week the Canteen will be Hosted by Class 5/6L
- Tue 15/03/2016: 3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program
- Thu 17/03/2016: 2:15pm Ready for Rutherford P-K Information Session for Parents in the hall
- Fri 18/03/2016: High School Expression of Interest forms to be returned by today
  - 9:45am to 11:00am Kindergarten and S1 Athletics Fun Morning
  - Zone Netball Trials
  - Hunter Rugby League Trials at Raymond Terrace
  - P&C Easter Raffle tickets, money and donated Easter eggs must be received at school by today
  - 5:00pm to 6:00pm Infants P&C Disco
  - 6:30pm to 7:30pm Primary P&C Disco

**Week 9**
- Mon 21/03/2016: P&C Easter Raffle Drawn at Morning Assembly today
- Tue 22/03/2016: Easter Scripture Assembly
- Thu 24/03/2016: 9:30am Kindergarten Easter Assembly in the Hall
  - Zone Winter Trials - Hockey and Soccer
- Fri 25/03/2016: Good Friday - Public Holiday

**Week 10**
- Mon 28/03/2016: Easter Monday - Public Holiday
- Tue 29/03/2016: 9:00am ICAS NSWU Competition Money must be paid by 9:00am today
  - 3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program
- Wed 30/03/2016: 1:10pm Stage 2 PBL Assembly
- Thu 31/03/2016: 1:10pm Stage 3 PBL Assembly
- Fri 1/04/2016: 9:15am Kindergarten PBL Assembly
  - 10:45am Stage 1 PBL Assembly
  - Hunter PSSA Netball Trials
  - Money and notes for Year 6 Rugby Polo must be returned today. Late orders will not be accepted under any circumstances

**Week 11**
- Tue 5/04/2016: 3:20pm to 4:20pm AFL After School Auskick Program
  - 6:30pm P&C Meeting in the staffroom
- Wed 6/04/2016: 9:30am to 11:30am Senior Choir to Rutherford Fire Station Opening
  - 9:30am to 2:30pm Aerobics Training Day at Telarah Bowling Club - Rockettes and Pink Jets
  - NSW PSSA Diving
  - NSW PSSA Swimming - Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th April
- Thu 7/04/2016: NSW PSSA Swimming
- Fri 8/04/2016: Harmony Day Morning Assembly and Out of Uniform Day - there will be no Kindergarten Assembly today
  - Hunter Trials - Hockey and Soccer
  - Last day of Term 1

**Term 2, 2016**

**Week 1**
- Mon 25/04/2016: Public Holiday - Anzac Day
- Tue 26/04/2016: Staff Development Day
- Wed 27/04/2016: Students Return to School
School Athletics Carnival at Max McMahon Oval
this Friday 18 March 2016

The Canteen will be open as usual for Infants lunches and afternoon tea.

Representative Sport Report
Representative sport has been in full swing in term one. We have had several students trial for and make Maitland Zone and Hunter Region sporting teams.

Basketball
Christopher, Lilee and Justin all made the Maitland Zone Basketball team and competed for places in the Hunter Region team last week. Christopher made the Hunter team and will tour the Scholastic Sports Stadium in Terrigal in early May.

Rugby League
Brayden and Aiden both made the Maitland Zone Rugby League team that has been training with the team ahead of the Hunter Region trials on Friday 18th March at Lakeside Sporting Complex in Raymond Terrace.

Cricket
Ava has trialled with the Hunter Region girls Cricket team and has really impressed the coaching team. She will now keep training with the squad ahead of the final selections which will be made later in the year.

Swimming
Ava has shown what an all-rounder she is by competing in several events at the Hunter Region Swimming Carnival and qualified in the 50m butterfly and 50m backstroke for the NSW State Carnival in Sydney in early April.

Netball and Soccer Trials
Several students will trial for positions in the Maitland Zone Netball and Soccer teams in the next two weeks.

Stay tuned for more updates.

Well done to all of our students competing at such high levels and good luck to those who are still competing.

Mr Cochrane, Representative Sports Organiser

P&C News
Reminders and Events for this week

- Our second Flexischools voucher was drawn today, Monday 14th March 2016. The lucky winner was Natasha from Year 6. Only two more chances to win this term. Every order placed on Flexischools goes in the draw to win!
- Our Bakers Delight Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser officially closed today, Monday 14th March 2016. The P&C have advised they will accept any orders that arrive before 2:00pm tomorrow, Tuesday 15th March. All orders need to be into the canteen or office on the paper note as Flexischools is closed for this event. Orders can be picked up from the canteen from 2:30pm to 3:20pm this Wednesday 16th March 2016.
- Our Easter Raffle is still in need of donations. Please drop them into the canteen as well as raffle tickets and money. You have until Friday 18th March to do this, as the raffle will be drawn on Monday 21st March at our morning assembly in the quad.
- Term 1 Disco will be held this Friday 18th March. The cost is $3 per child. K-2 will run from 5:00pm to 6:00pm and Year 3 to 6 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. This is a drop and go event. Please walk your child into the school. Notes will be sent home later this week. No money is to be sent to school - it must be brought to the disco on the night.
- Easter eggs, raffle tickets and money can be dropped off at the disco as well.
- Athletics Carnival is on this Friday 18th March. Volunteers are still needed for the canteen at the carnival. If you can help, please let Melani or Kim in canteen know as soon as possible! Even if it’s only for half an hour, your help is very much appreciated! The sports drink bottles will also be available for sale at the carnival. These are $7 each or three for $20.
- Canteen Class Hosting this week is Class 5/6L. If you haven’t sent in your availability, it’s not too late. You can also reply via the Skoolbag app. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time the last few weeks. Even an hour or two makes a big difference!

Equipment Levy and Voluntary Contribution

Each year schools receive an operational grant from the NSW Government which allows us to provide each child with a good basic education. In the past this has been supplemented by our P&C through fundraising and Canteen, as well as Voluntary Contributions from parents. Our continued enrolment numbers has meant that we have found it difficult to continue to resource each classroom in the way we would like. P&C funding support has remained at the same level and Voluntary Contributions have declined markedly.

Our P&C and School Council determined that an equipment levy for each child would be more equitable and reduce the pressure on our P&C to provide increasing funds to support our students. The levy will be used solely to provide equipment and resources for classrooms. These include such things as hands-on Mathematics equipment (measuring equipment for mass and volume), classroom readers, dictionaries, atlases, workbooks, art and craft material and software to support each child with computer-assisted learning.

Equipment Levy - $7.50 per child per term or $30 per child per year (for Year 1 to Year 6 children). Kindergarten students are not required to pay the $30 Equipment Levy as they purchased a Kindergarten Pack.

Voluntary Contribution - $25 per student or $50 per family (all students)

Any parent who experiences hardship in paying the equipment levy will have the opportunity to discuss this confidentially, so that we may support you. Parents are welcome to make instalment payments throughout the year.
Check for Lice on Monday Nights

Contributions & Levies
Payments accepted as of Week 5
Voluntary Contribution
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Rutherford Public School
Second Hand Uniform Stall
Mondays
2:30pm to 3:00pm
P&C Shed behind the hall
Volunteers always welcome

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Mobile: 0447 022 690
Email: kylie.margin_westmaitland@yahoo.com.au

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Kindergarten Enrolments 2017

Enrolments are now open for Kindergarten 2017. We have begun the process this year to ensure parents receive all of the necessary information before our Preschool to Kindergarten program begins in Term 2, 2016 for children beginning school in 2017.

Please come to the office to register your child’s details with the school at your earliest convenience. You will be given an enrolment form to complete. This must be returned to the school with your child’s birth certificate, immunisation certificate (or blue book), and proof of address.

Enrolment forms will only be accepted at the office when accompanied by your child’s birth certificate, immunisation record and proof of address.

Activities Include:
- School readiness
- Literacy and Numeracy activities
- Gross/fine motor skills
- Social/emotional development
- Craft
- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Enquiries/ Registration
49325900
rutherford-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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INFORMATION SESSION
Thursday 17th March at 2:15 in the school hall
A transition/orientation program supporting children before they start school

Must be eligible to enrol to participate

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11th - 22nd April 2016 - Ashfordfield, Metford, Rutherford & Thornton
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Plus excursion fee if applicable. Fees to be paid on first day of care each week.
Bookings can be made at all of our centres and Main office from
Monday 14th March 2016

Sorry no phone/fax or email bookings (Original Booking Forms only)
Please remember a 2016 blue enrolment form and a vacation care booking sheet must be completed before acceptance of any bookings

Please note: Bookings are essential and 5 FULL WORKING DAYS (Working Days are Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm excluding Public Holidays) written notice must be given to book out or else full fees will be charged.
Supported by Community Services, Department of Family and Community Services NSW
Maitland Baptist Church Child Care Inc — Serving Jesus’ Love to the Community
The Mutual Student Banking at School
The Mutual visits our school each Thursday and collects the passbooks from the locked deposit box located in the school office. Passbooks are taken to the nearest Mutual branch, updated and returned to the school office the same day.
Students are invited to open a Mighty Mutual account and receive their own passbook to help keep track of their savings. To kick start your child’s savings journey, $10 will be deposited into your child’s account (maximum of $10). The address to open an account online is: www.themutual.com.au/rps

Canteen Roster - 2016

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