



<b>Friday</b>	<b>13th November</b>	<b><u>DIARY DATES</u></b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>17th November</b>	<b>Yellow Day Fundraiser</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>18th November</b>	<b>Finance Meeting 5pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8th December</b>	<b>Grounds, Fundraising &amp; Governing Council</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9th December</b>	<b>Volunteer's Morning Tea</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10th December</b>	<b>Carols by Candlelight</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11th December</b>	<b>Year 7 Graduation</b>
		<b>Last day of Term 4</b>

Term 4, Week 5, 12th November 2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Halfway through the term already!

The school, staff and students, are working hard on end of year activities and assessments. In the coming weeks teachers will be writing reports that will summarise each child's achievements. These will be sent home in the last week of term. Planning for other Term 4 events has also commenced including transition visits for our new Reception students, High School orientation visits, Year 7 Graduation and of course our annual community Carols by Candlelight. Our Christmas Hamper Raffle is on again as well. This is a fabulous fundraiser and an exciting one to win with around 12 basket loads of foods and Christmas goodies.

**Middle Primary Performance**

A spectacular evening was held last week as over 200 of our students performed for their families around the theme of Light. Mrs Mannion, Wilkens, O'Neill and Ms Helps, Perryman, Say and Magarey's classes shared a variety of song, dance and puppetry items on the night. Thanks also to Andrew Bone for leading the coordination of our concert. Our school has a proud tradition in the Performing Arts and this event was a wonderful showcase of the skills our students develop over the years in these lessons. Andrew, Suzie Mouat and now Chetna Rambani provide rich learning to all of our students in this area.

**Governing Council**

At our last meeting, Governing Council discussed parent concerns regarding ticket availability at school performances. For each performance we make decisions about price and numbers of tickets available for purchase from the theatre. There were some concerns that the decision to limit ticket sales to 3 per person for the first week was unfair. Other parents' views were that perhaps we could set aside 2 tickets per family initially. Holding an extra performance was

another option that was considered. In 2017 when our next round of performances happens, careful consideration will be given by staff to try to address some of these issues.

**Student Leaders 2016**

Many of our current Year 6 students have put much effort and energy into their application to be a 2016 Student Leader.

The process is quite rigorous and requires students to submit an application and two written references. A shortlist is created and these students are invited to the staffroom over lunchtime to talk with teachers and answer questions about how they would contribute to the school as a student leader.

The final stage involves selecting from these applicants, a group of 6-8 who we believe best encapsulate the Reidy Park Primary School values of Respect, Care and Courage.

I commend each and every student who nominated this year and look forward to sharing with you the names of our 2016 Leaders later this term.

**Remembrance Day**

Our student leaders, accompanied by Daniel Castle, represented our school at the Remembrance Day Service on Wednesday. Our classes also stopped to observe a one minute silence prior to recess. This is such an important event for us all and particularly our children to reflect upon.



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## Yellow Day

Reminder that tomorrow, 13th November, Reidy Park is having a 'yellow day' to support the Leukaemia Foundation and the Cancer Council. Student leaders and SRC have planned activities. So come to school dressed in yellow, with a gold coin donation

## Premier's Reading Challenge

Thank you to all students that completed the challenge this year. The following medals and certificates were issued:

Certificate of completion	68
Bronze medal	47
Silver medal	75
Gold medal	66
Champion medal	67
Legend medal	48
Hall of fame medal	23
Reader for life 8 years	41
Reader for life 9 years	9



Well done to all those students.

**Don't forget** - All Library books are due back at the end of week 7 - Friday 27th November.

*Michelle Kuller, Library*

## Chicken Pox

We have had several diagnosed cases of Chicken pox in the school. The symptoms of Chicken Pox include slight fever and cold like symptoms, followed by a rash. The rash appears as blisters which crust over to form scabs. Crops of blisters may appear over several days and are more noticeable on the stomach rather than the limbs. The rash is usually itchy. The infectious period for chicken pox is from 2 days before the rash appears until at least 5 days after the rash has first appeared and all the blisters have crusted over.

## School Fees 2016

The Finance Committee has made a recommendation that School Fees be set at \$300 per student for the full year. This motion will be put forward at the next Governing Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 18th November at 7.30pm in the Library.

An open invitation is given to any parent who would like to attend the meeting where the motion will be put forward. If you cannot attend this meeting, you can express your views in writing to the Chairperson of the Governing Council.

## Spare Year Books

There are 4 spare 2014 Year books from last year. If anyone would like to purchase one, they are \$25 each.

## Room 6 Concert Photos

