

School Newsletter

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Notes due back

Cricket Knockout

Coming Up

- Friday 21st March Harmony Day
- Mon 24th March- Tues 25th March Young Leaders Conference
- Thursday 10th April Mortimer shield Griffith
- Friday 11th April
 Assembly and Easter Hat
 Parade
 Last Day Term 1
- Monday 28th April Term 2 Staff return to school
- Wednesday 30th April Students return to school
- Friday 9th May Small Schools Athletics Carnival Naradhan

Kathy's Corner.....

We're rolling into Week 8 with great energy, and it's been fantastic to see our students embracing their learning with enthusiasm! Their positive attitudes and willingness to take on new challenges are a testament to their resilience and growing independence.

That resilience was on full display last week as our Year 3 and Year 5 students tackled NAPLAN. Yes, there were a few grumbles (as expected!), but once they settled in, their focus and determination shone through. It was a proud moment to see them approach the task with such a strong, cando attitude.

We also officially started our new classroom structure last week, and what a joy it was to see the little ones light up when they realised they were in their very own K-2 space! Their excitement and eagerness set such a positive tone for the day and reinforced how important it is to create a welcoming and supportive learning environment. It was such a special moment, and I knew I'd made the right decision to hold off on my first Griffith Principal Network Meeting until Tuesday so that we could all enjoy that first full week together. Sometimes, trusting your gut makes all the difference — and in this case, it certainly did!

This term, we've been focusing on helping students develop self-awareness and resilience by taking responsibility for their actions. We're encouraging them to:

- **✓** Reflect on their decisions and how they impact themselves and others.
- ✓ Develop problem-solving skills to navigate challenges.
- √ Recognise that their effort and attitude shape their success and wellbeing.

By fostering this mindset, we're helping our students build confidence, independence, and a strong sense of personal responsibility — skills that will serve them well both in and beyond the classroom.

Now that we are finally on a roll and initial assessments have been completed, it would be lovely to meet with any interested parents to chat about their children. I always enjoy these conversations and the opportunity to share insights, celebrate progress, and work together to support each student's growth.

Please pop in or phone the school to arrange a time.

Let's keep up the great work as we head into the final weeks of the term!

Kathy Bourke Keep smiling!





Promotes oral language development.









The power of Lego and it's ability to promote teamwork, problem-solving, communication, and engineering thinking while making learning funant engaging for all students.

P & C News

A huge thank you to everyone who attended last week's Special Meeting! We're delighted to introduce the newly elected P & C Executive Committee for the year ahead:

- President: Tom Vearing
- Vice Presidents: Elizna Pieterse & Renee Fair
- Secretary: Monica Molloy
- Treasurer: Sasha Fair

We sincerely appreciate these dedicated individuals for stepping up to support our school community and look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

P & C Membership Reminder

A friendly reminder that P & C membership is just \$1 per person. If you haven't already done so, please submit your payment to the Rankins Springs P & C BSB: 082 632 Account: 13 664 7727 Your membership grants you voting rights at all P & C meetings.

Canteen Update

The P & C will be managing the canteen this year with a limited menu—stay tuned for more details soon! If you'd like to volunteer to help run the canteen on Fridays, please contact Elizna Pieterse.

Golf Day - Call for Sponsors & Donations

With our new Golf Day date set for Saturday, 20th September, we're still seeking donations and sponsorships. If you know of any businesses or individuals who may be interested in supporting this event, please reach out to Monica Molloy for a sponsorship letter.

Thank you for your continued support!

Regards, Monica Molloy Secretary

Rankins Springs Public School Parents and Citizens Association



Thank you to Mr Anthony Luelf for driving our school bus into Griffith last Monday for its 6 monthly inspection! It was really appreciated

Hot Food: \$\gamma\$

Hot food brought to school can be brought in a thermos as staff will not be heating up for students. 異。

Harmony Day Friday 21st March

Students can wear something orange on Friday for Harmony



MOBILE LIBRARY

Mobile Library - Thursday 27th March The Shire Mobile Library Van will be in Rankins Springs at:

> 11:55 am-12:10 pm, at the preschool 12:15 pm-12:40 pm, at the school

Please remember to return any books due to go back.



Students remember to bring a water bottle and your school hat to school please.



Canteen Day Canteen will be every Friday. There is a limited menu at the moment:

> Sausage Roll \$4 Chicken Nuggets per 6 \$4 Pizza \$3 Fruit box \$1.50 Snacks: Popcorn \$1

Please send money in with order or pay online. Order should be in a brown paper bag.





















Friday is Library day, students need a library bag to be able to borrow. If you have outstanding library books at home please return them on Friday.















Sports Day

Wednesday will be our Sports day each week. Students to wear sports uniform and joggers.





Community News



REGISTER NOW



Change Of Date

Out of respect for the Billy Hale/Dane Richards memorial day that has also been scheduled on the 5th April the P&C has made the decision to postpone their annual golf day.

Whilst a lot of time and effort goes into running organised community events we believe that family and community should always come first and would like to make everyone's decision process easier. We will be thinking of the Hale and Richards family on 5th April and hope the event is a great one for all family, friends and our extended communities.

We can't wait to play a great game of golf with all our P&C supporters, friends and community on our new date 20th September 2025.

Annual Golf Day

Sat 20th September 2025

RANKINS SPRINGS & DISTRICT
WAR MEMORIAL HALL

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

FRIDAY 25TH APRIL 2025

IOAM ASSEMBLE AT THE ALLAN JAMES PARK FOR THE MARCH PROCESSION, FOLLOWED BY SERVICE AT THE HALL.

PLEASE BRING A PLATE FOR A SHARED MORNING TEA.

anyone wishing to lay a wreath should contact deborah castle on 0427939951.



Community News

If you or your organisation would like to contribute to the weekly newsletter please send any articles through to the school email address: rankinspr-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

We will add the article into the newsletter. If you have something coming up we can run your article in newsletter until the date of the event. Any enquiries or for more information please ring the school or send and email.

MONIA GAP SCHOOL BUS

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 19 March 2025** at the home of Richard and Sally Argent-Smith, commencing at **7:30pm**. Apologies to Ellen please.



School Calendar

Term 1	Thursday 13 February to Friday 11 April	2025
Week 8	Monday 17th March Tuesday 18th March Wednesday 19th March Thursday 20th March Friday 21st March	NAPLAN NAPLAN NAPLAN NAPLAN Harmony Day (wear Orange)
Week 9	Monday 24th March Tuesday 25th March Thursday 27th March	Young Leaders Conference Sydney Mobile Library
Week 10	Monday 31st March	Cricket Knockout
Week 11	Friday 11th April	Easter Hat Parade and assembly Last Day of Term
Term 2	30th April-	2025
Week 1	Monday 28th April Wednesday 30th April	Staff Back Students Back
Week 2	Friday 9th May Sunday 11th May	Small Schools Athletics Carnival Mothers Day

All events and dates subject to change

