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Week 3, Term 4

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

### Tricky Start to Term 3

Well Covid has meant we weren't able to start the term back at school face to face. Thank you for your support in following the guidelines and keeping your children at home, staying home and limiting your movements. The spread of this strain of the virus has been more widespread than the other Covid strains and the movement of people is how it is spreading.

Riverwood has had quite a few confirmed cases and the shops and banks within the Riverwood Plaza continue to be contact sites. I ask you to think about only going to the shops if it is really essential. The additional restrictions which apply to us as we are located in the Canterbury Bankstown council area mean you can only leave your home if you are considered an essential worker (as per the Health Order).

Thanks for many parents and carers being super organised to collect and return learning bundles. Department Guidelines mean we cannot home deliver learning bundles to you. Please call the office to organise a different day and time if 10am-2pm Mondays does not work for your family.

Please remember we don't expect students to do ALL the work - it is hard to find the right balance. Some parents say the learning has been too much, not enough, just right, too hard and too easy. Teachers are trying the best they can to make the learning just right for your children.

Please please please don't think twice about giving your child's teacher or the school a call on 9153 8757 or email. We are only too happy to help out with learning taking place at home.

Email addresses:

- Miss Davis - [anne.davis8@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:anne.davis8@det.nsw.edu.au)

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- K/1K - Ms Kennedy is on leave so Miss Campbell is relieving in the Assistant Principal role and is overseeing the learning for K/1K - [cordelia.campbell@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cordelia.campbell@det.nsw.edu.au)
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- Preschool - using Seesaw is the best way to communicate with the preschool team.

Teachers are often calling families using their own mobile phones and these will come up as a private number. I ask you to answer the calls. If you don't usually answer private number calls, perhaps you could organise a set time and day with your child's teacher so you know to answer the phone call from a private number.

### Goodbye to Mr Richardson

I have to let our school community know that Mr Richardson is taking up a new role at Newtown Public School and he will be leaving us in Week 5 this term. This is a great opportunity for him and while we will miss him, moving to a bigger school will provide more leadership opportunities and we wish him all the best. We are currently looking for a replacement teacher.

A very BIG thank you to Mr Richardson for his professionalism and dedication during his time at Riverwood, since 2015. You will be very missed Mr Richardson by students, staff and the community! Go well!

### Good News Stories

At RPS we really look to building partnerships within and beyond the school. Things are not all bad - as a result of

working with some of our key partners, there are some really positive things I can share with you as well:

- We have received a grant for \$17,000 from the Lantern Club to support students with social and emotional skills through expressive therapies, such as music, dance or art therapy. We are looking forward to kicking this program off when we are able too!
- We have received another \$5000 Sporting Schools Grant to run taekwondo lessons after school at no cost to our families! Again we need to wait till students can return and the restrictions allow us to have these type of activities.
- We have also received funding from the Lantern Club to implement another social and emotional skills program to students called Creating Chances. This also includes covering the cost of delivering the program as well as \$5000 of sports equipment!
- We are also lucky enough to be working with Club Rivers who is funding a program 'Counting for Life' and providing volunteers to deliver an intervention program to support students in Years 3-5 with their maths skills.

Take care everyone. Thank you to all the positive messages of support from our students and parents and carers. We thank you too for the work you are doing with students at home and juggling everything else you have to do. We are here to support you in any way we can.

Miss Davis

Principal

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PBL AWARD WINNERS!

Mohammed A in KC for all his Hard work!

Ruby in K/1K for her Very effective persuasive writing!

Kevin H in 1/2N for his Amazing writing!

Majed in 1/2N for Trying hard with his work!

Mary in 2/3R for Applying herself during remote learning!

Ayesha in 4/5/6S for her Very Persuasive writing!

Adylaide in 4/5/6E for her Outstanding effort in spelling, writing, handwriting and mathematics!

WELL DONE TO ALL OUR AWARD WINNERS FOR THIS WEEK - KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK EVERYONE!



## FACEBOOK PAGE

Please head over to our Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/RiverwoodPS](https://www.facebook.com/RiverwoodPS) - we have some great messages from all the teachers and staff at Riverwood for our students and Community. We miss you all!

## PBL AWARDS