K/1/2 – Imagin

3/4 – Bradley, Mikaela

5/6 – Rohan, Lachlan J

Class Award

Mathletics Awards

Silver
Alexandra, Charlotte B, Anthony, Ella, Lachlan J, Georgia M, Bianca H, Bradley, William, Dylan, Sarah, Cameron

Gold
Kira, Ethan
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Music**
As you are aware Blake our music teacher is unwell. Classes will not resume this year which also means that unfortunately the performance the group were preparing for our Presentation Day will not go ahead. We send Blake our best wishes and all the best for a speedy recovery.

**Hawkesbury Public Speaking Final**
Congratulations to Ethan, who made the final of the Hawkesbury Public Speaking competition for stage 2 students, held at Comleroy Rd.P.S on Tuesday. Ethan, though he didn’t win, was the only year 3 student in the final which is a very impressive achievement. Well done Ethan!

**Kindy Orientation**
Yesterday was our first orientation day for Kindergarten 2016. The children had a lovely time with Mrs Bellamy, Year 6 students and their teddies! Next Wednesday a parent information session will be held in the library where our P & C representatives and I will provide information about community involvement and the various activities that take place within the school.

**Administration Issues**
Due to a number of compliance and administrative duties I need to complete before the end of the year, I have had to take some time from class to complete these. I thank you for your understanding, especially parents from 5 / 6.

**Christmas Tree Competition**
We have once again decorated our Christmas Tree for the Telstra Christmas tree competition. If you want to see the tree in the flesh, pop into the office and have a look at the children’s handy work. They did a fabulous job! Next time you are in Richmond please pop into the Telstra shop and vote for our tree.

**P & C BBQ**
Thank you to all parents who assisted at our BBQ at Masters last Saturday. A big thank you too, to our community who donated supplies. Your time and effort is appreciated by the school.

**Classes**
Next year classes will be as follows:
K/1/2 - Mrs. Bellamy
3 / 4 - Mrs. O’Brien
5 / 6 - Mr. Haynes

There will be a learning styles / thinking skills programme that students will be involved from 2 to 6 run by myself. More information on this will be forthcoming at the start of next year.
School Reports
I am hoping to have reports ready to be sent home by the end of week 10 (11th December). If there are issues you wish to discuss, please contact your child’s class teacher to make an appointment.

Brendhan Haynes
Principal
What’s Happening?

Term 4

Wednesday November 25  Kindergarten 2016 Transition
Friday November 27  Assembly 9.30am
Monday 30th November to Thursday 10th December  Intensive Swimming Program Year 2 – 6
Tuesday December 1  Scripture Christmas Activity 2.15 – 3.15 P & C Meeting 7pm Staffroom
Friday December 4  Kindergarten 2016 – Best Start Testing Day
Monday December 7  Parent Helpers Morning Tea 11.00am
Wednesday December 9  Presentation Day 1.30 – 3.30pm Christmas Disco and Christmas Family BBQ @ 3.30pm following Presentation Day
Thursday December 10  Year 6 Farewell 6.00 – 8.30pm East Court Chinese Restaurant Richmond
Friday December 11  End of Year Picnic Day K-6 Longneck Lagoon EEC
Tuesday December 15  Water Activities with Sergeant Ty
Wednesday December 16  Students final day for 2015

Term 1 2016

Wednesday January 27  Staff Development Day
Thursday January 28  Years 1 – 6 return for Term 1 2016
Monday February 1  Kindergarten 2016 first day
Wednesday February 3  School Swimming Carnival Years 3-6 12.30 – 3.30pm Richmond Pool
Thursday February 11  Leadership Camp - Lutanda Yarramundi
Friday February 12
PRESENTATION DAY 2015

A reminder to all that our Presentation Day will be held on Wednesday 9th December 2015

commencing at 1.30am under the COLA

An invitation is extended to all parents and families to come along and be part of our Presentation Day 2015.
(Please remember to bring your own chair)

Parents are invited to participate in a picnic lunch with their children after the Presentation Day proceedings.

The pupils and staff wish to thank all parents and grandparents for the help they have given to our school during 2015

We would be pleased if you could join us for morning tea on

Monday 7th December
At 11.00am

RSVP to school office by 4/12/2015
Has your child been away from school?

Remember to send a note to school when your child returns explaining why they were away.

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

Parents are reminded that they can pay all school payments by Electronic Funds transfer. You must include your child’s name with payment, and then send in the permission note with your receipt number and total amount paid. When this shows on our bank statement a receipt will be issued.

Please note the following details:
BSB: 032-001
Account: 142 461

Please note that the school cannot accept P & C payments by transfer.

All P & C payments (OOSH, Uniforms etc.) need to be paid directly to the Kurrajong East P & C Association or directly to their account as follows:

CBA BSB: 062 622
Account: 1007 1958

STUDENT ABSENCE

It is a legal requirement that your child attends school every day unless an illness or other important matter prevents this.

When your child is absent from school a note of explanation should be sent on the day your child returns.

The note must indicate the specific reason for the absence. This information is required for Departmental records. Please notify the school if your child is going to be away from school for more than two days.

MULCH FOR SALE

Get those gardens ready for summer – get mulching before the heat arrives!!

Lunchtime Landcare have mulch for you to buy.

Bring your own bags and fill for $1.00 each or $10.00 per trailer load.

We have even bagged some ready for you.

All money collected will be used to purchase new native plants for our gardens.
SCHOOL SWIMMING and WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

Arrangements have been made to include a learn to swim program in our school curriculum.

The Department of Education School Swimming and Water Safety Program is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The Program is conducted over nine days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes.

Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills, and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in the School Swimming and Water Safety Program. The Program focuses on weak swimmers in Year 2 to 6 as well as students with special needs such as new arrivals in Australia and students with disabilities.

Instruction will take place at: Richmond pool.

The Program will continue daily for two weeks – 9 days from Monday 30 November 2015 to Thursday 10 December 2015. There will be no charge for instruction, only transport and pool entry.

The total cost for the 9 day scheme is $64.00.

Each child should bring a: swimming costume, towel, sun shirt, hat and warm clothing on a cool day. Where instruction takes place in an outdoor pool, it is recommended that students use adequate sun protection, eg. an SPF 30+ broad spectrum, water-resistant sun screen reapplied regularly.

Students will be assessed during the School Swimming and Water Safety Program for all water safety skills without wearing goggles.

If your child is eligible for the program, please complete and sign the form below and return with payment of $64.00 (Electronic Transfer BSB 032-001 Account 142 461) to the school office no later than Thursday 19th November 2015.

Please note we have limited numbers so please return your permission note asap to secure your spot.

END OF YEAR FUN DAY WATER ACTIVITIES WITH SERGEANT TY

As part of our end of year celebrations we have invited Sergeant Ty from "Ty’s Fit Friends" to run an activity for each class based on water activities on Tuesday 15th December 2015.

Water Activities will be conducted over a 1 hour period for each class.

Children will be required to wear their sports uniform on this day.

Please complete the permission note and return to the school office no later than Thursday 3rd December 2015.
YEAR 6 FARWELL 2015

The Year 6 Farewell is to be held on Thursday 10th December at the East Court Chinese Restaurant Richmond (opposite the Richmond Cinemas) commencing at 6.00pm and concluding at 8.30pm.

Students need to wear neat casual clothing.

The cost for the evening will be $38.00 per student

Please complete the note and return with payment (Electronic Transfer BSB 032-001 Account 142 461) to the school office no later than Thursday 3rd December 2015.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2016

Our kindergarten students for 2016 had a wonderful morning with Mrs Bellamy and her helpers yesterday.

“Teddy Bears” were the highlight of the morning with teddy bear activities, teddy bear hats and a teddy bear picnic.

Kindergarten 2016 students return again next Wednesday for another fun time with Mrs Bellamy.

WASTE2ART HAWKESBURY CITY COUNCIL 2015

Some of our K-2 students entered their recycling projects into the Hawkesbury City Council Waste2Art competition.

We are pleased to announce that Ruby from Year 2 received a Highly Commended for her recycled caravan.

Congratulations Ruby!!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

All students have now received their school photos for 2015.

Group photos are on display in the school office.

Group photos are $8.00 each.

If you would like to purchase one of these photos please fill out an envelope and pay no later than Thursday 26th November 2015.
TELSTRA SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS TREE COMPETITION

Our three classes have been busy making Christmas decorations for the Telstra Christmas Tree Competition.

This year the tree is located in the school office foyer for your inspection.

Photographs of all entries will be posted in the Richmond Marketplace Telstra shop for inspection.

Voting commences on 18th December to 2nd December.

Parents are asked to visit the Telstra store and vote for our school. All voting this year is in store on iPads.

The winner will be announced on Friday 12th December.

An excursion has been organised for our End of Year Picnic Day to visit the Longneck Lagoon Environmental Education Centre, Whitmore Road, Maraylya on Friday 11th December 2015.

Students will need to bring an earth friendly morning tea, and drinks
1. Drink in reusable container. Empty container comes home for a wash.
2. Fresh fruit. Nature has provided its own compostable packaging!
3. Biscuits and cake in a paper bag. The paper bag can be composted.

We will be providing lunch to all students consisting of a sausage sandwich, a drink and a piece of fruit.

Students are asked to wear their sports uniform along with hats and sunscreen.

We will be travelling by bus departing school at 9.30am sharp and arriving back at school at approximately 3.00pm.

The cost for this excursion has been provided by a generous donation from a member of our community.

Please return the permission note to the school office no later than Thursday 3rd December 2015. No late returns will be accepted.
Canteen

The canteen roster for the next fortnight is as follows:

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P&C BBQ Fundraiser

A big thank you to everyone who helped and donated supplies for the Masters BBQ on Saturday 14th November.

Because of the bad weather not as busy as the previous year but still a very successful day.

OOSH Care Service

A reminder to all, please finalise OOSH accounts before the last week of term.

KEPS P&C Christmas Raffle

$1.00 per ticket

Tickets coming home soon

Drawn 9th December at Presentation Day

Christmas Disco and Christmas Family BBQ

9th December 2015 @ 3.30pm

Following Presentation Day

More information coming home soon
**P & C Uniform Update**

The following school uniform items are available to buy from the school office.

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**Reminder:**

The following items are still part of the KEPS uniform and available from Brynorms in Richmond at a discount price.

- White Polo shirts $15.00
- Round neck jumpers $15.00
- Micro fibre jackets $26.00
VOTE TO WIN YOUR SCHOOL $1000
SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS TREE
COMPETITION VOTING NOW OPEN

The Schools Christmas tree competition is now ready to take your vote. Come into the Telstra Store in Richmond and vote for your favourite tree. The best tree (in both Primary School and High School divisions) wins $1000. The runner-up (in each division) wins $500.

Enter your details when you vote for your chance to win the voter prize: a Harman Kardon Onyx wireless speaker valued at $499.

But hurry! Voting closes at 5pm on Wednesday 2nd December.

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