**Dear Parents and Community Members,**

**AASC Festival of Football**
This Thursday 14th March 3-6K will be travelling by bus to Polwarth Drive Soccer Fields, Coffs Harbour to play small sided football. The teams will be mixed but of a similar age. Students will be supplied with a Raleigh sport shirt to wear. These will be collected at the end of the day. Boots (soccer or other) are not permitted to be worn. Joggers or other soft toed shoes only to be worn. Shin pads and mouth guards may be worn. There is no cost involved in this excursion as it is part of the AASC program. The bus will be leaving Raleigh school at **9.20am** and will return in time for the school buses. Canteen facilities will be available on the day.

**Kids in the Kitchen**
Thanks to K-2M for the tasty hamburgers served up on Friday. Brooke’s birthday cake was an added delight at Recess where all students shared in wishing her a happy birthday (and helped eat her cake).

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**Mid Term Assembly**
We had a great roll up to the mid-term assembly on Wednesday morning with some excellent performances from our school musical groups and 3-6K class readings. Thank you to those who were able to make it and to support our school performances.

**Harmony Day**
The message of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. It is a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity. It is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world.

We will be celebrating Harmony Day on Thursday 21st March. Students are encouraged to wear multicultural or orange clothes. They will each be making and flying a kite which they can take home at the end of the day.

**P&C AGM**
The Annual General Meeting of the School’s P&C will be held on Monday, 8th April at 3.15pm in 3-6K class room. The AGM will be followed by a general P&C meeting with a demonstration and discussion on the use of iPads in the class environment. Afternoon Tea provided.

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**Term 1 Week 7**

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“Raleigh Public School, a learning organisation for all in the acquisition of essential skills and abilities for each student in literacy and numeracy.”
March Birthdays
We would like to wish the following students a very happy birthday. Hope you had fun.
India, Lilee and Brooke.

Scholastic Book Club
Orders and money need to be returned to school by Wednesday 20 March. Cheques may be made payable to Raleigh Public School.

Easter Egg Hunt
We will be having an Easter Egg Hunt on Thursday 28 March. Students are asked to bring in $2 to cover the cost of the eggs.

AASC Dancing with K-2M

“A good laugh and a long sleep are the best cures in the doctor’s book.” Irish Proverb

Cooler Weather
Now that the weather is cooling down you may like to pack a jumper in the bottom of your child’s school bag. Please make sure all clothing is clearly marked with your child’s name. Second hand jumpers are available from the office for just $2 each. There are a range of sizes and styles to choose from.

K/2K K-2M
Last Friday K-2M cooked and assembled hamburgers for the school. This was a fun task and was made possible with the help of some of our Year 5 and 6 students. A huge thank you goes to Linda (Thalia’s mum) who gave up her morning to cook the hamburger patties for us on the BBQ. Well done K-2M!

Hamburgers
500g mince
½ onion – finely diced
2 gloves garlic
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 egg
1 Tablespoon BBQ sauce
1 Tablespoon Tomato sauce
1 Teaspoon mixed herbs
1 grated carrot
1 Teaspoon of powdered beef stock

Mix all ingredients together and form into patties. Cook on the BBQ with extra onion. Enjoy with your favourite hamburger toppings on bread rolls. Enjoy!

School Contributions for 2013
Thank you to parents who have paid school fees. The voluntary general contribution goes towards paying for the necessary daily education tools that each student requires such as books, paper, pencils, art supplies etc.
The Subject contribution is providing each student access to textbooks and computer software which is used each day across the school curriculum.

General School Contributions have been set at:
$20 for one child, $35 for two children, $45 for three children, plus a Subject Contribution of $35 for each child.

This can be by cash/cheque or you may like to set up an account. Some parents have chosen to pay a sum of money up front (eg $50 or $100) to cover fees and amounts that arise during term. If you would like to start up an account please see Mrs Jones. You can also pay by instalments each term.
Drybodz
Drybodz have sent us a sample of a wet weather poncho which folds into a small pouch. They are Aussie designed and made of recycled strong PVC fabric. They are large enough to fit over a child’s backpack and would sell for $15. If you think you would be interested in purchasing one for your child, please return the slip below by Tuesday 19th March.

Drybodz Wet Weather Poncho
I would be interested in purchasing a Drybodz wet weather poncho for $15 each.

☐ Small K-1       ☐ Medium 2-3       ☐ Large 4-6

Name: ____________________________________

Bunnings
Bunnings would like to invite families to our FREE Easter Family Night, to be held on Thursday 21st March 2013, 6pm-8pm.
We will be having craft, tattooing, Easter egg games for kids and adults. On the premises pizzas being made, jumping castle and a visit from the Easter Bunny. This night is free to everyone. Competitions and Giveaways. There is also a Colouring Competition running, so get your copy from Mrs Jones.
BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED FOR CATERING: Phone 6650 7600

Bellingen Park Tennis Club
Bellingen Park Tennis Club invites you to come down on Saturday morning or during the week for individual coaching or group classes, if interested please contact Neville Kildey on 66550183.

JUNIOR HOCKEY REGISTRATION
Who: Boys and Girls Syrs & older
When: Thurs, 14th March 3:30-4:30pm
Where: In front of Urunga Bakery
NEW PLAYERS RECEIVE A STICK, BALL, SHINPADS
Contact Rhonda Smith 66555142 or 0457271071 for information