Dear Parents and Community Members

Welcome back to school. We hope you have all had a fun, happy and relaxing holiday. We are all excited to be back for Term 3 and look forward to another busy and successful term.

I would like to thank all of the families and friends who attended our End of Term Assembly. This was a great way to end a wonderful term.

Staffing Changes

Last term we had an increase in student numbers and this means that Ms Bernadette Driscoll will be teaching K-2D five days a week. This has also meant that we are able to employ an additional teacher to help support literacy, numeracy and the other KLA’s. We would like to welcome Mrs Kirsti Hudson who will be teaching at Raleigh every Monday and Tuesday and every second Thursday. Mrs Hudson has been a regular casual at Raleigh and will be a wonderful addition to our school.

Small Schools Athletics

This Friday the 17th July our whole school will be attending the Small Schools Athletics Carnival at Urunga Recreation Grounds. Students are asked to wear their Raleigh School sports uniform and a hat. Please make sure your child’s name is on any jumpers and tracksuit pants that they may take off during the day.

There will be a canteen running on the day. Orders for hot food were due before the holidays, but there will be drinks and snacks available for purchase. Please pack food and a drink for your child.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD)

From 2015, all Government and Non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the NCCD.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education and Communities is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school. Please read the information attached to this newsletter.

Education on Show

This year we are again holding our bi-annual Education on Show performance at Bellingen High School. All of the schools in the Bellinger-Dorrigo Learning Community will be performing on the night and this is a great way to showcase the talent that Public Education has in our area. Our Performance Choir will sing two songs. So please ensure you keep Tuesday evening the 28th of July free to come along and support our school and the other local Public Schools.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Don’t forget that next Tuesday, 21st July, we are having Parent Teacher interviews. If you have not booked a meeting with your child’s teacher please fill out the attached form or give Irene a call to organise a time. If you are unable to attend on the 21st please contact your child’s teacher to arrange a convenient time to meet. We look forward to meeting with you next week.

“Raleigh Public School is a welcoming and friendly school with strong and valued community links.”
**Kids in the Kitchen**

This term we will again do whole school cooking for Kids in the Kitchen. The cost will remain at $4 per week and this may be paid as a lump sum of $16 or paid no later than the Wednesday morning before KiK. This term’s dates will be:
- Thursday 30th July
- Thursday 13th August
- Thursday 27th August
- Thursday 10th September
Please fill out and return the form below for KiK.

This term we have also decided to trial taking a group of students from 3-6M shopping to buy the ingredients we will need to cook with. This will not occur for our first cook as we have practice for Education on Show and the District Athletics Carnival, but will start for the 13th August KiK.

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**Flashing School Lights**

During the holidays Raleigh Public School had flashing lights installed at the beginning of the school zone. The NSW Government has provided funding for the placement of school zone signs with flashing lights at all schools to alert motorists of the 40km speed limit required during school drop off and pick up times. Installing these flashing lights in schools zones has been shown to improve driver awareness of the need to travel at a lower speed to ensure the safety of children and others coming and going from the school area.

**July Birthdays**

We would like to wish *Chloe, Lucas* and *Kyle* a very Happy July Birthday. Thank you all for sharing your cakes with us.

**Scholastic Book Club**

Brochures have been handed out today for Scholastic Book Club. If you would like to order books, please have the form and money in by Monday 27 July.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**

This commences on Wednesday 15 July. Earn 1 sticker for every $10 you spend. A sticker sheet has been attached to the newsletter. When completed please return it to school. At the conclusion the school will be able to redeem educational supplies.

**Attachments**

You will notice that there are several attachments to the newsletter. Please take the time to browse. We have also included a template for a paper plane for those who may have seen the movie “Paper Planes”.

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**Kids in the Kitchen Lunches for Term 3, 2015**

I would like my child/ren _______ to have KiK lunches this term.

The dates are 30th Jul, 13th Aug, 27th Aug and 10th Sep.

☐ I enclose $16 for the term (per child). ☐ Please take this amount out of my child’s account.

☐ I would like my child to have KiK lunches and will pay $4 per child each week it is held.

Signed: _______________________________ Date: ______________