

# Railway Town Times

Term 2 Week 4



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Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012

## What's On?

**NAPLAN testing 15,16,17th May**  
**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> May – Fete Meeting 7pm**  
**Library**

**Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> May – RTPS Athletics Carnival**  
**Sat 26<sup>th</sup> May – Cake Stall Newsworld**

## Editorial

I am very pleased to announce that we are now in the early stages of organising and commencing a Railway Town Public School Mobile Pre School. More info on the back page.

Congratulations to our cross country representatives who competed last week at the Broken Hill PSSA carnival. Our place winners were Billie Jo Forner, Brittney McInnes, Liam Mc Kee, Casey Ferguson & Suni Forner

Thank you to the Infants staff for organising the disco on Monday afternoon. There will be no Active After school activity this Thursday as all staff are participating in a Professional development activity on Web 2.0 Internet tools for use in their classroom lessons.

If you are available the first fete organisation meeting is being held this Thursday at 7pm at school, all welcome.

Next Tuesday our athletics carnival will take place at Picton Oval, please send the permission notes and bus money this week. Next week the Year 5/6 students will attend the Courage to Care exhibition, an outstanding Anti Bullying strategy.

On Thursday the Year 5/6 students will also participate in an Anti-Cyber Bullying workshop here at school supported by Mission Australia. If you do not wish your child to participate in these please contact me.

Have a great week

Nigel Sherrard

Principal

### RTPS Athletics Carnival

On Tuesday 22nd May 2012 Railway Town will be holding its Athletics Carnival at Picton Oval.

#### Time:

Primary: 9.15am to 2.30pm

Infants: 9.15am to 1.15pm

**Cost:** \$ 3 per child

**Clothing:** Sports clothes in house colours may be worn.

**Canteen:** All children will be eating lunch at the carnival. This will be at approximately 12.45pm so the Infants can have lunch before they head back to school. Canteen facilities will be available at the carnival. Lunch orders can be pre-ordered and returned to the canteen before the 21st May. Hot food will be available on the day for purchase.

Children will need to bring their own recess and lunch, if not utilising the canteen.



### Cake Stall

Stage 3 students will be holding a cake stall on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> May at Silver City Newsworld, Oxide Street, between 8am to 12pm. Come on down and purchase some yummy cakes and savouries. All money raised will go towards the Stage 3 excursion to Canberra.



### CanTeen – You Can

CanTeen and Sony have launched a fundraising campaign to raise money for teenagers with cancer. Please send any old mobile phones to the front office and they will be recycled to raise money for CanTeen.

**NO ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL THURSDAY**

### Woolworths Earn & Learn

The Earn & Learn collection sheets for this year's scheme have been sent home. For every \$10 you spend you receive a sticker to place on your sheet. When the sheet is full please return to the box in the foyer of the school.

# CLASSIFIEDS

## Assembly Awards

**Congratulations to all this week's award winners!**

**KR/1** – Kennith Lohmann,  
Chakylah McEvoy  
**1MS** – Oliver Campbell,  
Cody Welsh  
**2/3M** – Elkie Philp, Ryan  
Bugmy  
**3/4V** – Jordan Bloomfield,  
Tahlia Bannerman  
**4/5B** – Steven George,  
Blake Turvey  
**5/6M** – Courtney Stuart,  
Georgia Powell  
**MB** – Carlin Eastley  
**STLA**– Janica Lohmann  
**PRINCIPAL** – Ryan Bugmy  
**COTW** - *K/1R, 3/4V,*  
*4/5B*

## Home Reading

### 50 Nights

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### 75 Nights

Abbashay-Star Pinnuck  
Justin Cochrane-Adolfson  
Janica Lohmann  
Kennith Lohmann

## Caught Being Good

**KR/1** – Tahlia Probert

**1MS** – Brie Cattermole

**2/3M** – Cooper Wielezyski

**3/4V** – Pyper Mashford

**4/5B** – Alex Gray

**5/6M** – Tim Bugmy



## Assembly

Assembly this week will be conducted by Miss Ricketts, Miss Church and the Library Monitors.

### NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses students using common national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy.

Schools receive a report with their test data in September of each year. School-level NAPLAN data is published on the *My School* website.

Where each school's NAPLAN results are reported on the website they are compared to the averaged results of a group of schools with statistically similar students, and to the averaged results of all Australian schools.

### Interpreting results

NAPLAN results provide an indication of students' achievements, but they provide only one snapshot of selected aspects of what students know and can do. In interpreting a school's results, there are three important considerations:

- Differences in student cohorts must be considered when comparing the performance of schools. The *My School* website uses a number of variables to identify schools which are statistically similar in terms of student backgrounds. Comparisons of schools that do not have statistically similar student populations can lead to misleading conclusions about their performance.

- NAPLAN tests sample only a part of what students learn during the year. It is important to find out more about the whole curriculum of the school and the school's performance across a range of areas. One of the best ways of doing this is to visit the school's website or contact school leaders and teachers.

- No test is able to perfectly measure a student's level of achievement and all tests are subject to a certain amount of measurement error. This means that there will always be a margin of error surrounding a school's average score. In general, the smaller the number of students tested, the larger the margin of error.

## Fete News

There will be a Fete meeting in the Library on Thursday night at 7pm. So if you are interested in helping and have some ideas please come along and add to the discussion and organisation.

## Stop Work Meeting

A stop work meeting will be held Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 8.30am – 10.30 am by the NSW Teachers Federation. A note will be sent home tomorrow outlining the effect on classes at the school.



# Level 6 Awards

## K/1R

Lydia Bannerman  
Eadie Denning  
Makenzie Hannan  
Shayle Huxtable  
Kayla Jones-Robinson  
Janica Lohmann  
Chakylah McEvoy  
Crystal Nichols  
Maddie O'Neill  
Lilli Philp  
Phoebe Philp  
Abbashay-Star Pinnuck  
Tahila Probert  
Cameron Dunne  
Kennith Lohmann  
Talan Pitt

## 1MS

Oliver Campbell  
Justin Cochrane-  
Adolfson  
Jayden Craker  
Ethan Poldrugo  
Taiden Spencer  
Cody Welsh  
Matilda Garrard  
Chloe King  
Kiarra Williams  
Mia Dyson

## 2/3M

Kiarra Bloomfield  
Amali Elston  
Maddison Fenton  
Laura Marks-Deeble  
Caprice Nott  
Arliah Pearce  
Elkie Philp  
Savannah White  
Ryan Bugmy  
Jonty Campbell  
Deacon Eastley  
Kihl McEvoy  
Cooper Wielozyński  
Kacie-Lea Dodd  
Chloe Gray  
Hailey Oxlade  
Savannah Trembath  
Kaleb Novello

## 4/5B

Brie-Ann Groves  
Shannara Murphy-Eyre  
Savanna Probert  
Dray Pascoe  
Voilet Dixon  
Stephanie Durbidge  
Dakotah Martin  
Harn Elston  
Alex Gray  
Riley Huxtable  
Colby White

## 3/4V

Tara Gray  
Erin Johansson  
Kerinda-Jade Lindsay  
Kaleb Philp  
Holly Appleby  
Tahlia Bannerman  
Porshia Dragut  
Pyper Mashford  
Tamara Thomas  
Madelyn Wheatley  
Jordan Whitelaw  
Angus Defranceschi  
Hugh Denning  
Carlin Eastley  
Codie McEvoy  
Tyreke Probert

## 5/6M

Tiarna Pearce  
Morgan Wheatley  
Jack Burke  
Luke Eyre  
Caitlyn Bloomfield  
Maggie Dowton  
Shalea Farquhar  
Billie-Jo Forner  
Chloe Kennedy  
Tyneisha Lavers  
Destiny Martin  
Corry-Lee McEvoy  
Britney McInnes  
Taylah Page  
Georgia Powell  
Courtney Stuart  
Liam McKee



WE NEED YOU  
Mobile Pre-school at Railway Town

YEEE HAAA!!!! We are going to have a Mobile Pre School at Railway Town Public School. We have been working with Cath Heiss and the great team at Rainbow to begin a Mobile Pre School at our school next term. The preschool will operate at the Railway Town Public School site two days per week Monday & Tuesday, with the appropriately experienced, qualified pre-school staff.

Firstly we need expressions of interest from parents for children that are 3 years old or older that could begin our preschool this year. We hope that these children would then transition to our Kindergarten in the future.

Please fill in and return the expression of interest note to school this week as it is a matter of urgency that numbers can be counted.

Thank you

*Nigel Sherrard*  
*Principal*



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Please return to school

**Expression of interest for RTPS Mobile Pre School**

Name of child/ren: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Your family contact details:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_