

# Railway Town Times

Term 2 Week 3 Issue 3



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## What's On?

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> May – P & C Mother's Day Stall  
Tue 13<sup>th</sup>, Wed 14<sup>th</sup>, Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> May - NAPLAN  
Fri 15<sup>th</sup> May – Broken Hill Cross Country

## Editorial

Railway Town Public School is certainly "The Best in the West" by far. I am very pleased to report that our student attendance rates are outstanding with nearly all students coming to school every day. Keep up the great work kids and well done to all of our families.

Thank you to the families who responded to the Circus competition. Not only did we manage to give away some tickets, we also received a great deal of positive comments about our school. Here is a snap shot of the positive comments:

- Great teachers and staff
- Family oriented
- Respectful of all cultures
- A giving and caring school
- Educate and influence young aspiring minds
- We love learning
- Fun playground
- Safe and caring educational environment

I would like to draw your attention to the information regarding Facebook and social media in this week's newsletter. I ask that all parents carefully consider the legalities of allowing children under the age of 13 having a Facebook account. I have a number of concerns regarding reports of cyber bullying and students attempting to add teachers as their friends. Have a great week!

Kerry-Sue Pascoe  
Principal

### Stage 2 and Stage 3 Excursions

#### Things to Do:

- Pay deposit
- Return the Medical notes
- Plan payments

### No Ambulance Cover in SA

A note went home last Friday regarding lack of ambulance cover for the Year 3/4 excursion. For future reference below are the details.

Unfortunately when NSW schools travel to South Australia they are not covered by the school ambulance cover. We are unable to provide a blanket cover for students. Students need to have individual cover.

If your child is covered under your private health insurance or you have a Health Benefits Card you are fine but otherwise your child will need to have cover for the excursion.

Cover is available. Below is a web site which offers you cover for just \$35.05.

<http://www.bupa.com.au/health-insurance/cover/ambulance>

## Facebook

**The Department of Education and Communities policy does not allow teachers to have students as friends on Facebook. Some student's particularly younger students have been trying to add teachers as their friends and friends of teachers. Please be aware that it is illegal to allow your child to have a Facebook account under the age of 13.**

Facebook has issued the following in regard to student's age requirements and the legalities of their privacy terms.

22 Apr 2010 ... **"No information from children under age 13".** If you are under age 13, please do not attempt to register for Facebook or provide any personal information about yourself to us. If we learn that we have collected personal information from a child under age 13, we will delete that information as quickly as possible. If you believe that we might have any information from a child under age 13, please contact:  
[www.facebook.com/policy.php](http://www.facebook.com/policy.php)

### Mothers' Day Stall

P & C will be holding its Mothers' Day Stall on Thursday commencing a class at a time from 9:15am. Goods range in price starting from \$2. Please support this fundraiser.

## Our Core Values

Be Respectful Be a Team player Be Proud Be Safe

# Classifieds

## Assembly Awards

**KR – Deni Ryan, Abigail Young**  
**1/2C – Rehaan Uddin, Henry Siemer**  
**1/2G – Fraser Ellice, Ricky Davis**  
**3/4S – Bailey Love, Robert Young**  
**3/4T – Cody Welsh, Sarah Young**  
**5/6M – Jonty Campbell, Ebony Jewitt**  
**MM – Cameron O'Reilly**  
**Principal – Luke Nicoli**

## Assembly

Assembly will be held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 12:30. The assembly will be conducted by Miss Gleeson and 1/2G.



## Caught Being Good

**“Great Start to the Term”**  
**KR – Ashton Conway**  
**1/2C – Rhys Pitt**  
**1/2G – Taiah-May Stokes**  
**3/4S – Luke Nicoli**  
**3/4T – Makenzie**  
**5/6M – Jess Langdon**  
**MM – Alex Stone**

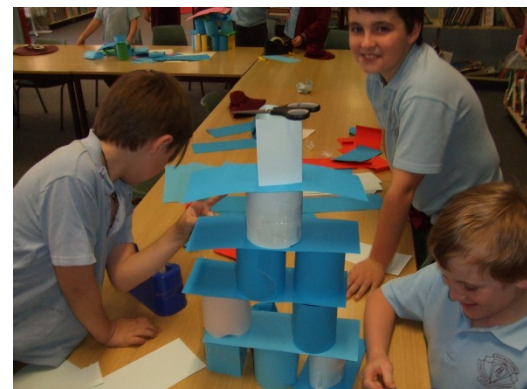
## Home Reading

**25 Nights**  
**Cameron Mercieca**  
**Tyson Keenihan**  
**Tan Bamrungphakdee**  
**Arliah Pearce**  
**Jess Langdon**  
**Henry Siemer**  
**Owen McKee**  
**Abbashay Pinnuck**  
**Jayden Craker**  
**50 Nights**  
**Lucas Summers**  
**Deniesha Ryan**  
**Farrah Smith**  
**Jack Camilleri-Fuller**  
**Cameron Mercieca**  
**Emily Dyson**  
**Lillian Singleton**  
**Kiarah Willadsen-Halliday**  
**Shayle Huxtable**  
**Makenzie Hannan**  
**Rebecca Singleton**  
**Cooper Wielozynski**  
**75 Nights**  
**Lucas Summers**  
**Rebecca Singleton**  
**Jess Langdon**



## Library News

Library news;  
 Last Thursday 12 students in stage 2 were nominated to join a new group at RTPS. Thursday lunchtimes will now see these students participate in 'The Engine Room'. Each week the group will use problem solving, creativity, maths, hands on and engineering skills in various challenges. We warmed up in our first week with a 10 minute time limit to build a tower made of nothing but sticky tape and card. We were looking for the tallest and strongest tower. Each team passed the strength test (holding up a pair of scissors for 10 seconds) but Luke, Bailey, Cohan and Cody won the height challenge with 52cm!! I cannot wait to see what these students achieve each week! Why not try this challenge at home and see how well you do. Look out for weekly Engine Room challenge ideas each week!



## Public Notices

### MOXIE DRAMA GROUP

Mobile Moxie Drama Group has started for second term at Theatre 44, 189 Wills St. This is an opportunity for kids in Years 3 to 7 (Aged 8 to 12) to learn theatre skills such as speech, acting, working in a group, stage presence, confidence, etc.

Time: 10.30 to 12.00pm Sundays.

Cost: \$25 per term. Phone Marilyn Harris on 8087 9585 or

0413 905 048 for details and bookings.



### RAILWAY TOWN CROSS COUNTRY

The Railway Town Cross Country was held on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May** at the West Football Oval. Students from Years 3 to 6, and all students turning 8 this year, took part. A great turn out by parents.

## Mathletics Awards

Silver

Amali Elston

Ebony Jewitt

Casey Ferguson

### Canteen Helpers Needed

We need more volunteers to assist in the daily running of our school canteen.

Without your help, the canteen may cease to operate 5 days a week.

Please contact Adele on 0402865887 or Allan on 0437873352 for more information.

**Congratulations to the following students for achieving Blue Awards.**

### Blue Level

Rowan Martin



**Congratulations to the following students for achieving their Maroon Level Awards.**

### Maroon Level

Tylah Bugmy-Hall

Jake McConnell

Jordan Bloomfield

Zaxon Howard-Palmer

Kyron Gray

Logan Devlin

Nayte Barrett

Cameron Mercieca





# ***PJ & Onesie Party!!***

**Saturday 9th May  
from 6.30pm - 8pm**

**For Kids aged 5 to 12 years**

**COST \$4.00 p/p**

**DRESS IN YOUR PJ's or ONESIE!!**

**Lots of games & prizes!**

**Canteen Facilities Available**

**Fully supervised including Police presence**

**No pass outs ~ No smoking ~ No alcohol**

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