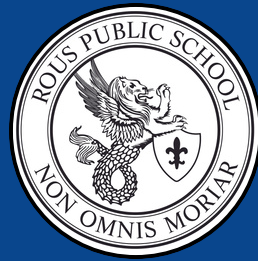


Thursday, 1 May 2025



# Rous Public School Newsletter

Principal - Krystal Jenkins

Term 2 - Week 1

## Principal Report

Dear Rous families,



Welcome back to Term 2! We hope you had a restful break and are feeling recharged for what promises to be a busy and exciting term ahead. We have several learning experiences, school events and opportunities planned over the coming weeks, and we are looking forward to working in partnership with you to support your child's learning and wellbeing.

Strong communication between school and home plays a vital role in your child's success. We encourage open dialogue and close collaboration with your child's class teacher. Building positive relationships helps ensure that every student feels supported, engaged, and confident in their learning journey. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, concerns or information you'd like to share with us, we're here to help.

Attendance remains a high priority, and we remind families of the importance of regular school attendance in accordance with the NSW Department of Education's Attendance policy. Attending school each day ensures students don't miss valuable learning time.

Semester 1 reports will be shared with families during our Term 2 Parent-Teacher Interviews commencing in Week 9. These meetings will provide a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and set goals for the remainder of the year.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. We are truly excited for the term ahead and look forward to sharing in another wonderful term of learning and growth.

Kindly,  
Krystal

## Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Widjabul Wia-bal people of the Bundjalung Nation, the Traditional Owners and ongoing Custodians of the land on which we work and play here at Rous Public School.

We honour the ancestors of our local country and their connection to land, sea and community.  
We pay our respects to Elders, past and present and emerging.



<b>THURSDAY 8 MAY</b>	• P & C APPRECIATION STALL
<b>FRIDAY 9 MAY</b>	• CROSS COUNTRY - WYRALLAH PS
<b>THURSDAY 15 MAY</b>	• ROTAKIDS DOGS 'N' DRINKS FUNDRAISER
<b>MON 19 - THURS 22 MAY</b>	• TANGALOOMA EXCURSION YEAR 4-6 STUDENTS
<b>MONDAY 26 MAY</b>	• SCHOOL PHOTOS
<b>THURSDAY 5 JUNE</b>	• BIKE DAY
<b>SATURDAY 14 JUN</b>	• ROUS BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS
<b>THURS 26 - FRI 27 JUN</b>	• LAKE AINSWORTH EXCURSION YEAR 2-3 STUDENTS
<b>THURSDAY 3 JUL</b>	• ROUS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

# Class Expectations and Goal Setting

- Students discuss key values: safety, respect, kindness, and resilience.
- Create a class PBL poster outlining expected behaviours.
- Make commitments to being safe, respectful, and supportive learners.
- Explore real-life scenarios (e.g. finding a lost item) and discuss kind, responsible choices.





# ANZAC March 2025

## Alstonville



Despite the rain, our students showed incredible spirit and respect as they proudly took part in the ANZAC Day march. Dressed in their uniforms they walked with dignity to honour the servicemen and women who have given so much. Their dedication, even in wet weather, was a true reflection of the ANZAC spirit—courage, endurance, and mateship.



# Cross Country

## Cross Country – Years 2–6

Our **Years 2–6 (8 Years of age +)** students will attend the Cross Country event at Wyrallah Public School on **Friday, May 9th, 2025.**



**Breckenridge Street, Wyrallah, NSW, 2480.**

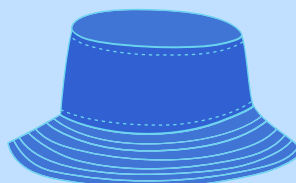
- **Welcome:** 10:00am
- **Course walk:** 10:15am
- **Races:** Following the course walk
- **Return to Rous PS:** Departing Wyrallah by 2:15pm, arriving back by 2:30pm.

**The K–2 (5 - 7 Years Of age) Cross Country** will commence at Rous Public School after the return of the Years 2–6 students.

### Reminders:

Students should bring a hat, water bottle, and be prepared for outdoor conditions.

**Please complete Cross Country permission notes and payment on School Bytes as soon as possible.**





# School Updates

Dear Rous families, please read the water update from School Infrastructure. Please be assured that there are no health concerns at this time. The presence of bacteria was identified through our routine testing program, and we are taking proactive measures by thoroughly cleaning the water tanks.

Rebuilding Public Education

NSW Department of Education

## Rous Public School School holiday works notification – Autumn | 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Drinking water quality testing was recently conducted at Rous Public School as part of our routine water testing program.

Findings have detected traces of bacteria in samples collected from outlets in the following locations:

- the bubblers in Building A
- the bubblers in Building G
- the taps in the 2 practical activity areas in Building I
- the external tap on the west side of the demountable building.

Access has been restricted and signage has been installed to remind students and staff not to use the affected outlets.

The school has been provided with bottled drinking water and hand sanitiser to temporarily replace handwashing.

We are working with an independent hygienist to undertake the required remediation work.

Work started on Monday 14 April and is expected to be finished by Saturday 10 May 2025. Work is being carried out by qualified and licenced contractors.

When work is complete, the independent hygienist will re-test the outlets to ensure the water meets the requirements of the [Australian Drinking Water Guidelines](#).

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Please see a healthcare professional if you have any concerns, or contact [your local NSW Health Public Health Unit](#) for advice on 1300 066 055.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

## IMMEDIATE MEASURES IN PLACE

- 01**  **AFFECTED TAPS AND BUBBLERS HAVE BEEN IMMEDIATELY SHUT OFF** 
- 02**  **CLEAR SIGNAGE IS IN PLACE** 
- 03**  **BOTTLED WATER AND HAND SANITISER IS PROVIDED IN EACH ROOM**  
- 04**  **EXPLICIT CLASSROOM TEACHING ABOUT WATER SAFETY AT ROUS** 
- 05**  **TAKING EVERY STEP TO ENSURE OUR WATER MEETS AUSTRALIAN DRINKING WATER GUIDELINES**

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Phone: 1300 482 651  
[www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au](http://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au)



# School Updates



## Wool Donations

We're looking for wool (any colour or type) for our upcoming art and craft projects. If you have any spare wool at home, we'd love to take it off your hands!

Please drop your donations at the school office. Every little bit helps our students get creative!

## Tangalooma Excursion Payment Reminder

We kindly remind families that all payments for the Year 4–6 Tangalooma excursion should be up to date. Please ensure that payment is completed before the departure date to facilitate smooth planning and participation.

## Attendance Reminder: Late Drop-Offs and Early Pick-Up's

As per the NSW Department of Education's attendance guidelines, if your child arrives late to school, please ensure that a parent or carer provides a verbal explanation at the school office.

Additionally, when collecting your child early, it is essential to sign them out at the office before taking them home. These procedures help maintain accurate attendance records and ensure the safety and well-being of all students.

**Tuesday, 6 May 2025**  
**6:30pm @ Rous PS**  
**All Welcome!**



**Rous PS P&C**

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

**We NEED an assistant treasurer!**

Liase with treasurer and assist where necessary  
Assist with banking money and deposits.

If this sounds like a job for you please contact Charlotte on 0487407005

Give back to our beautiful school! Meet new people and learn more about the P&C

 **FEDERAL ELECTION**  
**3 MAY 2025**  
**VOTING OPEN:**  
**8AM- 6PM**

**Food available: 8am-2pm**

- Bacon & Egg Rolls
- Sausage Sizzle
- Baked Goods



 Rous Public School P & C Committee

 Rous Public School 248 Rous Road, Rous NSW

## JOIN US FOR THE ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE!

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**WHEN:** May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday 8am till 2pm  
**WHERE:** Rous public school

**BE A VOLUNTEER**  
Join our team of parents and help fundraise for the school excursions

**Donate baked goods to sell on the day!**

**VOTE**



IF YOU CAN DONATE YOUR TIME ON THE DAY PLEASE CONTACT BRONWYN ON 0438248134 WITH YOUR AVAILABILITY



**ROUS BONFIRE & FIREWORKS**  
**SATURDAY**  
**14 JUNE 2025**

ROUS PUBLIC SCHOOL  
P & C ASSOCIATION PRESENT

**THE 44TH ANNUAL**

# **BONFIRE NIGHT**

**FIREWORKS**  
**HOT FOOD**  
**COFFEE &  
DRINKS**  
**DONUTS  
& SWEETS**

**RAFFLES  
WITH MAJOR  
PRIZES**  
**GAMES  
& RIDES**  
**MARKET  
STALLS**

**SAT 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**ALL WELCOME + FROM 5 TIL 8:30PM**

**SINGLE \$5 / FAMILY \$15 (2 adults + 2 kids) :: 248 Rous Rd, Rous**

## **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!**

If you're interested in generously volunteering  
your time to help with the Rous Bonfire please  
email below.

**Contact:**

[Rouspublicschoolpandc@gmail.com](mailto:Rouspublicschoolpandc@gmail.com)



# Canteen News



## Rous Public School P&C Canteen Roster | Term 2

Date	Helper 1	Helper 2
Fri 2 May	Maz	Tasha
Fri 9 May	<b>NO CANTEEN - CROSS COUNTRY</b>	
Fri 16 May	Maz	Kirby
Fri 23 May	Gabi	Zoe
Fri 30 May	Judit	Libby
Fri 6 Jun	Charlotte	Libby
Fri 13 Jun	<b>NO CANTEEN - BONFIRE PREP</b>	
Fri 20 Jun	Sarah	Nic
Fri 27 Jun	Zoe	Tasha
Fri 4 Jul	Charlotte	Judit

### Term 2 - Canteen Roster

We sincerely thank our Term 1 canteen volunteers for their valuable support. If you are available on a Friday morning and would like to assist in the canteen, please contact the P&C at [rouspublicschoolpandc+canteen@gmail.com](mailto:rouspublicschoolpandc+canteen@gmail.com).

### Canteen Price Increase

Please note there will be a price increase as of Term 2. Our prices haven't increased for many years and with the cost of items now, means unfortunately we need to make this change.

### **NO CANTEEN - Week 2 and Week 7**

Due to the Year 2-6 students attending the Tregeagle District Cross Country on Friday, 9 May there will be **no canteen** available.

Due to Bonfire setup there will be **no canteen** Friday, 13 June.

**something to delight everyone**

Entertainment  
Fun & Games  
BBQ & Cakes  
Cards & Gifts  
Devonshire tea  
Plants & Flowers  
Face Painting  
Craft

## MOTHERS' DAY FETE SATURDAY

**10 May 8am - 1pm**  
**Alstonville Anglican Church**  
**6 The Avenue Alstonville**

 **anglicans.live**

**AUSSIE HOOPS**  
**TERM 2**

**MONDAYS 4 - 5pm**

Kids will enjoy learning the fundamentals of basketball while building confidence and having a great time.

**Register Now**

**BALLINA BASKETBALL**

SCAN HERE




## Bringing up Great Kids

**FREE PARENTING PROGRAM**

Bringing Up Great Kids emphasises building positive and nurturing relationships between parents and children, while helping parents reflect and improve their communication patterns to foster more respectful interactions and encourage the development of children's positive self-identity.

### What you will learn

- Learn to build positive, respectful relationships with children.
- Identify healthy responses to children's needs.
- Understand your parenting styles.
- Source relevant information and support on effective parenting.



**5 x workshops**  
Wednesdays, 28<sup>th</sup> May to 25<sup>th</sup> June

**10:00am - 12:30pm**

**1/73 Magellan Street, Lismore CBD**

To register, please call 6621 2489

<https://fsn.org.au>

[admin@fsn.org.au](mailto:admin@fsn.org.au)

**Recommended for**  
parents/caregivers with children 2 -12 years old.



**Family Support Network Inc.**

## Tuning in to Kids

**FREE PARENTING PROGRAM**

Tuning in to Kids is an evidence-based, emotion-focused program that offers a fresh perspective on parenting by emphasising the emotional bond between parents and their children.

### What you will learn

- Increased self-awareness and emotional regulation
- Strategies to recognise and respond to children's emotions
- Stronger emotional connections with children through empathy
- Guidance for children to express and manage their feelings
- Development of collaborative problem-solving skills



**6 x workshops**  
Tuesdays, 13<sup>th</sup> May -17<sup>th</sup> June

**10:00am - 12:30pm**

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