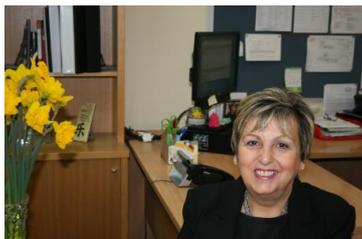




FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Sport with a Twist:

Some of our Senior School students had a lot of fun trying

out different sports. The boys formed a netball team and the girls had a go at football. They all enjoyed the experience and some of the girls came back to school looking considerably muddier than they do after a netball game!



Science week: This week was Science week. In Grade 5/6 the students created paper planes, parachutes and balloon rockets. As part of the Walker Investigative learning, some of our Grade 1 students were being "spies." They were spotting and identifying things and using invisible ink to send secret messages.



Pancake Day: A big thank you to our lovely parent helpers who cooked up a storm on Tuesday. The pancakes were delicious but choosing which topping to have was tricky.

Swimming: Tuesday was the last week of swimming for the Grade 4 students. I was lucky enough to attend some of the sessions and it was a delight to see how much the children improved their skills and confidence levels in quite a short time. Grade 3 students start swimming lessons next week.

Coughs and Sneezes: Much as we look forward to welcoming our students to school every day, it seems a good time to remind everyone that home, snug and warm is the best place to be if students are unwell. We have a lot of bugs flying around at the moment so please help us by reminding your children about good hygiene habits like using and disposing of tissues and washing hands.

Respect: As a school, we have been trying very hard to encourage a culture of respect. The staff are being very proactive in praising respectful behaviour and helping students to reframe disrespectful comments and behaviours in a more positive way. We would really appreciate your support in this by discussing with your children ways they can be respectful towards their friends. One of the things I have noticed is students calling others names. Often they don't realise the impact they are having and are quite surprised when it is pointed out that it might be hurtful to someone else. By having a discussion about this and helping the children reframe their comments can make a huge difference to the culture.

Enrolments: It is enrolment time of year. Our POP (Preparing for Prep) program has already started. We have a record number of Preps already enrolled for next year. If you have a child you want to enrol at Rye Primary School next year either in prep or in another year level we would love to hear from you. You are welcome to contact our very friendly (and respectful) office staff to arrange a tour and/or an enrolment pack. We would also appreciate it if you could let us know if you will be leaving for any reason. This information helps us plan our grade structure and staffing for next year.

Book Week: Don't forget next week is **Book Week**. There are lots of exciting things planned which I will report next time but don't forget our Book Week Parade on Monday. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. It should be a lot of fun. (I have heard rumours that a lot of the staff like to get into the spirit of things too so watch out for some interesting attire on Monday!)

Regards,
Jackie

Monday is our Book
Character dress up day.

Who will you come dressed as?

GIRLS FOOTBALL

Rye Primary was again well represented at the annual Girls Football day. While conditions were tough, the games were tougher. Through all of the bumps, rain, tackles and hits, our girls all left with smiles on their faces. While goals were hard to come by, Chloe Stevens managed to get a couple of majors and all of the girls contributed. Immy Bradley was surprisingly tough as the smallest girl out there and the Jordan twins were at their inspirational best. All of the girls could be named for their attitude and approach something which is a real pleasure to see. Any girls wishing to play football next season are encouraged to pick up a form from the office and flag their interest with Rye Football Club. Well done girls! – Mr Smith

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

15th August – POP Program, session two.
18th August – Book Week. Dress up day.
19th August – Grade 3 Swimming starts.
29th August – POP Program session three.

RIDE TO SCHOOL



Hi everyone,

As some of you may know, we run a weekly 'Ride to School' program. Riding to school is such a fantastic way to start the day – it not only keeps us fit and healthy, but also provides the children with a great opportunity to learn a range of road rules and general bike skills. We meet every Wednesday morning on the corner of Melbourne Road and Turrana Street in Rye (Opposite the hardware store). The ride starts at 8:15am sharp and participants enjoy a fun and easy going ride along the bike track. Parents, please feel free to join us... We look forward to seeing you there!

Kiah Fry and Brendan Smith.

Library News

Well kids, teachers and parents only a few sleeps away now until the beginning of **Book Week!**

It's a fabulous week for children and adults alike. I hope you all enjoy it as much as I do!

On the Monday morning we kick off the week with our Annual Book Character Parade in the hall. Which book character will you come dressed as? We will also announce the winners of the CBCA (Children's Book Council Awards) for each category. I wonder if our students will have voted for the same books the judges

chose as the **WINNERS**. Wednesday will be our Multi-age day. The children will spend the day with different teachers participating in a variety of book related activities.

Finally, we will wrap up the week with our visiting author, Kayleen West. Kayleen will run a total of four writing/illustrating workshops throughout the day for the children in the library.

The children will be able to purchase **signed** copies (just as we did with Adam Wallace last year) of books published by Kayleen as order forms will be sent home this week. Book Club - Book Club orders should arrive any day now. I know I have some eager little beavers really looking forward to their books. Happy reading everyone and ENJOY BOOK WEEK!

Deb V :-)

PA NEWS

The children really enjoyed Pancake Day last Tuesday. A huge thank you to all the mums who helped to cook and serve pancakes.

Our next fundraiser is the Father's Day Stall on **Thurs 4th September**. Raffle tickets will go home next week. Donations for the raffle prizes can be left at the office. If you are able to help on the stall, please put your name on the roster which will be at the office next week.

Cheers Joanna, PA President

LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge amount of lost property that has no names on it. We will have all of it outside the art room on Friday afternoon. Anything that is not collected by 3.30pm will be donated to Saint Vincents.