



Rye Primary School

Grade 3 & 4 Newsletter

Term 1
Week 7

Hi everyone,

In Reading, we will be focusing on determining and analysing the author's purpose. Please continue to encourage students to read at least 5 times per week and also discuss with them what the main idea of the text is and what their predictions may be. Students should be recording what text they are reading and for how long/how many pages in their diary. Students will approach parents to sign their diary once per week. Reading diaries are handed in each Monday morning for the teacher to check. Some students are getting very close to making it to their semester goal of reading for 50 nights. Keep up the good work!!

In Maths, we are learning about informal and formal measurements of length. Informal length units are non-standard units of measurement such as hand-spans and steps whereas formal units are millimetres, centimetres, metres and kilometres. Please continue to work on Mathletics tasks at home. It is such a great resource to follow up with what we are learning at school.

In writing, we are coming to the end of our narrative unit and are focusing on putting together all the individual story elements that we have been working on. Next week we will be moving onto persuasive texts which are a really great way to learn more about the differing personalities in our grades as we respectfully share opinions and beliefs and support them with strong arguments.

Swimming lessons are being held at the Colchester Rd pool. Students are encouraged to wear their bathers to school under their uniform. Don't forget to pack your towel, underwear, goggles if needed and bring a plastic bag for wet bathers. Spectators are welcome and the lesson dates and times are in the upcoming events section.

Thank you,

Captyn Dowell, Deb Jordan, Jo Everitt, Shirlee McCormick and Tom Campbell

Upcoming Events

Grade 3&4 Swimming:

Tuesday 13th March

Thursday 15th March

Tuesday 20th March

Thursday 22nd March

Tuesday Lesson times are:

3/4 Jordan 12:30-1:00pm

3/4 Dowell 1:00-1:30pm

3/4 McCormick 1:30-2:00pm

3/4 Everitt 2:00 - 2:30pm

Thursday Lesson times are:

3/4 Jordan 12:45-1:15pm

3/4 Dowell 1:15-1:45pm

3/4 McCormick 1:45-2:15pm

3/4 Everitt 2:15 - 2:45pm

Free Dress Day:

Wednesday 14th March

Family Fun Day:

Wednesday 14th March

School Photos:

Friday 16th March

Life Ed. Van:

Friday 23rd March: 3/4 Jordan,
McCormick/Campbell, Dowell

Monday 27th March: 3/4 Everitt

MATHLETICS LEADER BOARD

Week 5

1: 20759 Jamie C (Wow!!)

2: 8587 Bailey H

3: 7040 Makayla M

4: 4696 Woody C

Week 6

1: 3651 Bailey H

2: 3262 Oliver W

3: 2868 Daniel O

4: 2757 Harrison T

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Term 1 is a sun smart term. Please remember to wear your broad-brimmed hat at all times when you are out in the yard. If you don't have a hat, you need to play under the covered area near the canteen.



When I was a boy, I went to Rye Primary School and I loved it. Lots has changed since then but I am still able to recall my good memories of Rye PS and share them with today's primary school kids. I have worked at Rye PS for the last 9 years. My educational passion is teaching Maths and computer skills. I like teaching these subjects because there are clear right or wrong answers which suits the way my brain works. This year at school I'm really looking forward to the billy cart unit of inquiry. I love the build day when the students and their families bring in all the old junk that they've been gathering and get creative to build a billy cart which has been designed using the students wildest imaginations. Every year I'm blown away at how talented everyone is in creating such amazing one-of-a-kind billy carts. The billy cart derby day (race day) is my favourite event day out of all the things we do at Rye Primary School.

Before I taught at Rye PS, I was a teacher in London which was a very different experience to teaching in Australia. I was a casual relief teacher and taught across a range of schools in differing cultural and socio-economic areas. This gave me a lot of teaching experience and also a lot of unusual travel stories to share with the students at Rye.

In my spare time I play basketball and my team is the current division 2 reigning premiers in the Mornington Peninsula competition. I also organise a croquet league with a whole bunch of people and we play in really great places such as beautiful parks and beaches so it's always a really fun day out.

I am very lucky to have met and married a wonderful woman named Bec. I've got two wonderful boys aged 2 and 3 and I think they're really clever. They must take after their dad! ☺

INFORMAL UNITS

Measuring using non-standard units such as paper clips, hand spans, pop sticks or steps.



FORMAL UNITS

Measuring and converting between millimetres, centimetres, metres and kilometres etc.



Check out Mrs McCormick's class learning about length



We have had a rethink!! ☺

We felt that we were doubling up by emailing the newsletter out and also sending it through FlexiBuzz (TiqBiz). Therefore, we will only be sending the newsletter out via FlexiBuzz. Thank you to all those who returned their email addresses.

Don't forget to download the FlexiBuzz app to your mobile phone for all sorts of school reminders and notifications. It's easy, once downloaded, search for Rye Primary School and add the relevant year levels that suit your family.

Our year 3 and 4 level newsletters are also posted fortnightly on the school website.