Date: Friday 5th August 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Student Led Conferences last week. The students did an amazing job of presenting their work and goals for this semester.

Well done to the students who completed their information reports and maths projects. The standard of the presentations were amazing. We all learnt a lot about the various economies of our Asian neighbours.

This week we started Writers Notebook. This is an opportunity to foster a real love of writing in the students. In the coming weeks the students will be asked to bring some writing prompts in to help them create a variety of pieces in order to experiment with different genres.

Just a reminder that diaries need to be brought to school every day.

**Sport News**

The House Athletics will be held on **Wednesday 17th August** (not the 10th August) on the school oval. We would love some volunteers to help run this event. If you are available please let us know.

Welcome back to Jesse who has been in Maroochydore competing in the State AFL finals. Well done to Victoria for winning the grand final!

On Sunday night Finn was invited to speak on a local radio footy show 3RPP. He spoke really well on behalf of the Under 12 Rye Football Team, even managing to give Rye PS a plug! We also had two past students, Jordy and Georgia speak about their experiences representing Victoria in Girls Football.

**Camps**

Grade Six Camp notes were sent out this week. A payment plan has been set up for your convenience. All notes and money are due back by Monday 21st November.

**Social Event**

There will be a dinner for all Grade Six parents on Friday 28th October. If you are interested in attending please reply to this email or see Fiona Twil, so that numbers and venue can be confirmed. It would be a great opportunity for everyone to get together before the students all head off to secondary school.
Grade 6 Transition

We had a number of students who applied for scholarships at Rosebud Secondary College for 2017. Congratulations to Ella for receiving a scholarship for overall excellence, Zarah for academic achievement and Finn for sporting achievements. These are quite difficult to receive and the bar is set very high, so we are really proud of these three students!

While we’re already boasting about our kids, a number of Grade Six students have also been successful in being accepted into the SEAL Program (Select Entry Accelerated Program) at Rosebud Secondary College. Congratulations to Ella, Johnny, Zarah, Finn, Jai, Will and Tom F.

We also had some amazing students who were accepted into the Performing Arts Stream at Rosebud Secondary College. Congratulations to, Ashley, Tarsha, Keely, Jemma and Immy.

What a talented bunch of kids we have at Rye. Clearly a reflection of the amazing teachers in the 5/6 area!

For those students attending Padua College in 2017, they have their Educational Skills Testing morning on Wednesday 31st August, Information evening on Thursday 17th November and Orientation day for 2017 students on Tuesday 6th December.

Graduation photos will be taken on Thursday 15th September at 12pm. Please ensure that your child is at school that day.

Grade Six Graduation Night will be held on Wednesday 14th December. Please put this date into your diaries.

Enjoy the weekend.

Year 5/6 Team – Colleen Carter, Lauren Eagles, Sandra Emile and Gaynor English

Important Dates

- Wednesday 17th August – School Athletics
- Wednesday 7th September – District Athletics
- Thursday 15th September – Grade Six Graduation photos
- Wednesday 14th December – Grade Six Graduation Night
- Tuesday 29th November-Dromana Secondary College Year 7 Transition Night 7pm

Notes to be returned

- Surf Camp

HOMEWORK

We have noticed that there are still quite a number of students who do not know their multiplication facts. For the rest of the term we will be setting each student a task to complete around their area of need.

As ongoing homework each term we will expect all students to be reading at least four nights a week, practising their spelling words (in order to achieve at least 18/20 on their spelling test), learning their multiplication tables and continuing to use the Mathletics Program. Students have been asked to write their nightly reading into their diary and parents or carers are to sign the diary prior to its being handed in each Monday morning.

If students are not completing their assigned tasks they will be asked to attend a lunch time support group on Monday to complete their homework. Could you please support your children to ensure that their diary and homework are returned to school each Monday.