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School Council Elections: Thank you to everyone who has nominated for a place on School Council. I am in the happy position of having to report that we have more parents interested in supporting our school by volunteering for School Council than we have places available. I am delighted that so many people want to play an active part in our school. The downside of this, however, is that I can't offer everyone who nominated a place so we need to have a ballot amongst the Rye Primary School parents to elect our 2016 representatives. You will have received ballot papers and short blurbs from each of the candidates. Please read the blurbs carefully and vote for the 5 people you would like to see as your representatives on School Council. The ballot will close at 4pm on Thursday, 10th March. Every parent of a student or students at Rye Primary School is eligible to vote.

Staffing: Since the last newsletter we have welcomed Lachlan Featherston to our school as our acting Assistant Principal. Lachlan is keen to get to know the community so please say hello and introduce yourself if you come across him in the yard or in school. Lachlan will be taking over the wellbeing role from Tina Coumbe, as well as assuming a range of other operational and curriculum related roles.



Community Mosaic Project: Yesterday I was lucky enough to be invited, along with our Grade 6 students, to the unveiling of the Spider Crab mosaic on the shower block near the park. The mosaic was the one completed in Term 4 last year by the Year 5 students under the guidance of artist, Simon Normand. I was very proud of the professional standard our students achieved. This project was made possible through the dedication and hard work of the Rye Beach Community Action Group and with sponsorship from Mornington Peninsula Shire. After the official unveiling our students were treated to morning tea before returning to school. If you haven't already had a chance to see the mosaic, it is well worth a look.

District Swimming: Congratulation to Harry, Jett, Jai, Seth, Saxby, Johnny, Jesse, Peter, and Jack who were successful in the District swimming sports last Wednesday and who will go on to represent Rye Primary School at the Divisional finals. Congratulations also to all students who participated and gave 100% effort. We are very proud of all of them. A big thank you to Mrs O'Hanlon and Mrs Eagles for offering training opportunities to our swimmers through the before school squad training.

Family Fun Day: What a great night we had at the family fun night! I was delighted to see so many families coming along with their picnics and enthusiastically joining in the variety of races on offer. The students enjoyed participating in the races and did so with great spirit and camaraderie. I must admit I hadn't expected so much adult enthusiasm for the spud and spoon, three legged

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and sack races but I suppose there is always a bit of the inner child in all of us just waiting to come out. ☺ I would like to pass on a big thank you to everyone involved in the organisation.



Parent Helper Training: A big thank you to the parents and community volunteers who attended our recent classroom helpers training session. Classroom helpers are a vital part of our curriculum delivery and we really appreciate the generous support offered. Thank you also to Mrs O'Hanlon for delivering the program.

School Painting: Shortly the painting of the outside of the classroom wing and the front of the school will commence. The intention is that it will be completed by the beginning of Term 2. At the same time the Old School House is getting a new look. It will be painted in heritage colours of the time it was built. It will be great to see our school getting a bit of a spruce up.

Photo Day: Don't forget photo day on Friday, 11th March. For specific grade times please refer to the timetable included in this newsletter. **Prep parents** in particular, please note we schedule prep photos first so they look neat and clean in the photo but it does mean you can't be late or you will miss out on the class photo.

Regards,

Jackie Annable

Principal.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

7th March – Division Swimming

9th March – PFA AGM

10th March – Grade 6 Sailing Program.

11th March – School Photos.

16th March – Grade $\frac{3}{4}$ Briars Excursion

18th March – Grade $\frac{1}{2}$ Briars Excursion

14th March – Labour Day, Public Holiday

22nd March – Harmony Day

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HARMONY DAY

Harmony day is being celebrated this year the week of the 21st March. At Rye Primary we are celebrating this special event on Tuesday 22nd March, with a whole school 'Cultural Diversity' incursion. Students will take part in Bollywood dancing, Values in stories from around the world, Indigenous culture & art and African drumming and dancing.

During these celebrations we will be launching our 'School values of **RESPECT, RESILIENCE & INTEGRITY**. We will be having an assembly on Monday afternoon to launch our new values and start our 'Cultural Diversity' celebrations.

Please remember to return your permission form and payment as this will be an amazing event.

Friday Lunch time we have our Disco club.

Congratulations to the Grade 6 Music Leaders who organize it. As you can see they have a great time.



PA NEWS:

Reminder - the Parents and Friends Committee is holding their AGM on Wednesday 9th March at 9.15am. New members are welcome.

Tickets for the Easter raffle have been sent home. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and need to be returned by Friday 18th March. The raffle will be drawn at the last assembly in Term 1.

Extra tickets can be purchased from the office. Please keep sending in donations of Easter eggs, bunnies, etc for the prizes.

Reminder - a prize will be given to the Grade which collects the most.

Cheers Joanna Cross, President

Rye Netball Club

Are you interested in getting fit, having fun and being part of a great team?

If yes then we want YOU.

We are looking for more players to join our 9&U, 11&U and 13&U teams for the 2016 Season.

We train at RJ Rowley Reserve, Melbourne Road, Rye and

games are on Saturday mornings at Truemans Road, Tootgarook

Please contact Laura on 0424 756 805 or email president.ryenetballclub@gmail.com



School Photo Timetable 11/03/2016

8.45am	<u>Staff</u>
9.00am	R03 Prep Fry
9.10am	R04 Prep Kent
9.20am	R05 Prep Mitchell
9.30am	R13 5/6 Eagles
9.40am	R14 5/6 Carter
9.50am	R15 5/6 English
10.00am	R16 5/6 Emile
10.10am	R06 1/2 Berndt
10.20am	R07 1/2 Johnston
10.30am	R08 1/2 Bainbridge- Leeder
10.40am	R17 1/2 Smith
10.50am	R18 1/2 Beattie
11.30am	R01 3/4 Jordan
11.40am	R02 3/4 Everitt
11.50am	R09 3/4 McCormick- Venturin
12.00pm	R10 3/4 Paffett
12.10pm	R11 3/4 Dowell
12.20pm	Family Photos



PLAYERS NEEDED
to fill
JUNIOR & INTERMEDIATE
Female Football Teams at the RYE JUNIOR FC

JUNIOR GIRLS - aged 8-11yo as of 1st January
INTERMEDIATE GIRLS - aged 12-14yo as of 1st January

To register for the 2016 Junior Football Season go to ryejfc.vcfl.com.au
and click on the Registration Form link.

All registrations are to be completed online and registration fees are to be
paid at time of registration.

2016 REGISTRATION FEES
\$210.00 individual / \$390.00 a family (2 or more players)

NEW PLAYERS WILL NEED TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR BIRTH CERTIFICATE.

For further information please contact the club:
Registration Officer: Jenny Walker: ryejfcrgos@gmail.com
Or the club at email: ryejfc@gmail.com

Easter Raffle 2015

It's nearly Easter time already and the Parents Association is running an Easter raffle. Please leave donations of Easter eggs and bunnies either in your classroom or at the school office. The Grade which collects the most donations will receive a prize.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each and need to be returned to school by Friday 20th March.

The raffle will be drawn at Assembly on Monday 23rd March

The Parents Association thanks you for your support.

