Welcome:
May I start by saying “welcome.” Welcome to all our new students and their families and welcome back to all returning students and their families. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a lovely summer break. I know I very much enjoyed catching up with family and friends and enjoying being outdoors when the weather permitted. A big welcome also to our new staff members. We have three new teachers. Allyssa Kent is a new prep teacher, Anthony Smith has joined the 1/2 team and Scott Mackie can be found in Grade 5/6. We also welcome Meg Ryan who has joined our integration support team.

Bell Times:
You may have noticed we now have music going at 8.50am and the bell rings at 9am. The 8.50 music is to let students know that teachers will be in the classrooms and students may drop off bags, notices etc or chat to teachers. This means that when the line up bell rings at 9am teachers can take the students into class and get started straightaway on the business of learning.

Student Supervision:
Students will be supervised from 8.45am until 3.30pm. Student safety is paramount so please do not send students to school outside these hours. Any students at school before or after these times will be taken to the Out of School Hours care program. If you require this service please ensure you have registered prior to the need arising. Enrolment forms are available online at www.campaustralia.com.au

Our Preps:
The school has got off to a great start. Students have settled quickly into their classes and lots of exciting learning is happening. I must say that I am impressed by our Prep students. I have received visits from all of them in my office and I can tell you they are certainly not shy! I think the only person taken aback a little was me as they confidently took over my office, some drawing on my whiteboard, others making themselves comfortable on my visitor chairs while a few tried to take over the running of the school by sitting behind my desk and trying to use my computer. Seriously though it really is good to know that they feel comfortable and part of the community.

Student Learning:
We have a strong focus at Rye Primary School on curriculum delivery and we are prepared to put resources into ensuring the students receive the best learning experience available. This year Lesley O’Hanlon is not teaching a grade as she has accepted the role of curriculum leader. Lesley is responsible for overseeing the delivery of our curriculum to ensure it is engaging, relevant and developmentally appropriate.

We have also bought a program called Interact which is an Investigative learning program written by teachers for teachers. It covers all areas of the Integrated Studies component of the Australian curriculum and some of the components of the English and Maths curriculum. It links beautifully with our commitment to the New Pedagogies for Deeper Learning project. We are one of 80 schools Australia wide who has been picked to be part of this project. As part of this project our teachers get
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the opportunity to work with top educational leaders and link with other schools who are also passionate about student learning.

Clean Up Australia at Rye Primary School:

Clean Up Australia School Day is on Friday 27th February. On this day we will be hosting a big clean up at Rye Primary School. Staff are compiling a list of jobs both inside and out that we can tackle to spruce up our environment for our students. The clean up will start at 2.30pm and end at 5.30pm with a sausage sizzle. **Please complete the slip in this newsletter or contact the office by Friday, 20th February to help us with catering numbers.** We would love you to join us even if you can only spare an hour. Students will all be involved during school hours and are welcome to stay on afterwards if they are accompanied by a parent.

Peace Garden Produce:

Our beautiful Peace Garden is starting to produce crops. If you are in the office have a look in the basket at the window for produce available for a gold coin donation.

Sunsmart:

Please remember that broad brimmed school uniform hats must be worn outside this term.

Kind Regards

Jackie Annable, Principal

SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL 2015

We need to update our records for all students travelling on the school bus in 2015.

An application to travel on the school bus is available from the school office.

Please complete this form and return it to the school office by Thursday 12th February.

**Sports News**

The Year 1 and 2 students will be heading to the Rye foreshore for a water safety program. The children will be going to the beach each day to learn a range of water skills. Please ensure you have returned your permission note to the office. If you would like to help we would love to see you there. We will need help with supporting the students with dressing and in the water. A working with children certificate is required if you are actively working with children other than your own. Please check the times your child will be swimming with the class teacher.

Performing Arts News

Choir

Several dedicated students from our Senior Choir represented Rye Primary School at the Australia Day Celebrations at Rye Foreshore on Monday the 26th January. Thank-you to those students who attended and led the large crowd singing the National Anthem.

Want to Join Choir?

Choir “Sign-up & try out” is next Wednesday, 11th Feb, in the Music Room for all interested singers. Come along to see if this is something you’d like to be a part of. Choir rehearsals will be every fortnight this Term. I ask that once students are in Choir, they commit until the end of each Term.

School Band

The School Band will hold auditions for interested musician next Wednesday 11th February. It is expected that Band students will be able to read musical notation and be enrolled in lessons on their chosen instrument.

Instrumental Music Lessons

Rye Primary School has several instruments for hire. We also have wonderful instrumental music instructors who teach both in school hours and after school. We can offer lessons in voice/singing, piano, guitar, trumpet, flute, saxophone, clarinet, trombone and drums/percussion. Please see Miss Parker for more information.

Quote of the Week

“Life isn’t about waiting for the storm to pass, it’s about learning to dance in the rain.” (Unknown)

Musical Term of the Week - **Canon**

Meaning a melody is imitated after a duration of time, such as in a round.

YouTube of the Week: **The Puppet**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

9th-13th February – Year 1 & 2 water safety program.
17th – Year 6 sailing program.
Two sisters, now both students at Rosebud Secondary College. When this dance was choreographed (by the older student Alex) they were in Grade 5 and Year 10.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=63bTt-5wjjY

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There will be two bands: Little Maestros – grades 1-3, and Junior Band grades 4-6.

The bands will practise once a week for 30 minutes each.

For any enquiries please contact Roman Goldine on 59750651, 0403805057.
or email romangoldine@bigpond.com

Thank you
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Cheers Joanna Cross, President

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245 EASTBOURNE ROAD ROSEBUD
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8th 2015 7:30PM
TIX: ADULTS $25 CONC/STUDENTS $20
www.southernpeninsulaartscentre.com

A More detailed description of the content of this show is available at the office.

Clean Up Rye Primary School Sausage Sizzle
February 27th 2015

I/We will be attending the Clean Up Rye Primary School event on Friday, 27th February 2015.

Student Name ...........................................

Student Grade .........................

There will be ............... family members participating in the sausage sizzle at 5.30pm.

Thank you very much for supporting the Rye Primary School Community.

If you have any specific skills or trades that might be useful or if you can bring tools/equipment with you, please specify here: