Principal's Page

Hasn’t the weather changed this week? Great for the garden and the farmers but not so good for students walking to and from school. Please ensure your child has suitable clothes for the wet and cold conditions we are experiencing at the moment. Also please check your child’s clothing is named. We are getting rather a lot of jumpers in lost property which are returned to their owners if they are clearly named.

2017 Enrolments: If you, or someone you know, is planning to enrol a child for 2017, please contact the office to arrange a tour or to collect enrolment information. We will be starting our grade placement and staffing process next term so would love to have a good idea of numbers by the end of this term.

Naplan: This week students in years 3 and 5 have been sitting the Naplan tests. These tests give us snapshots of how our students are performing in Maths and English. This is one form of assessment we use to assess student skills however it is not the only one. Teachers use a wide range of both formal and informal assessment to ensure students are being presented with tasks that will challenge and engage each individual.

Open Night: Don’t forget our Open Night next week on Wednesday, 18th May from 5.30pm to 7.30pm. The classrooms will be open and students’ work will be showcased. We hope you will join us in celebrating the wonderful achievements of our children.

Prep Information Night: Our prep information night for 2017 prep students will be held during our open night on Wednesday, 18th May at 6.30pm. It will be held in the library and will be an opportunity to learn about our programs both in prep and throughout the school. Student representatives will join with teachers to share what is happening through the various year levels.

School Leaders: I want to publicly acknowledge the fabulous job all our school leaders are doing to support Rye Primary School. Our leaders carry out a wide variety of duties, from running clubs to supporting the teachers and administration staff in organising events, from recycling to putting away books and helping in the running of the library. Some of our leaders support me in leading the school at special events and when taking visitors on tours of the school. We are currently organising class leaders to form an SRC (student representative council) who will meet regularly with Miss Beattie to discuss ideas from their classes. We are very lucky to have so many responsible students at Rye Primary School who are willing to step up and give of their time for the greater good.

Year 6 Tops: Don’t our year 6 students look terrific in their new tops? The students designed the tops last year and are excited they have finally arrived.

Dance-a-thon: The dance-a-thon was a great success with all students enthusiastically participating. Now we are eager to see who has won the major fund raising prizes. Sponsorship money was due in today. If you still have money to return, please can you drop it into the office on Monday if possible to ensure you are eligible for the prizes.

Mothers’ Day: A big thank you to all the parents who helped run our Mothers’ Day stall last week. People helped in so many ways, from manning the...
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stall to creating beautiful handmade gifts, from donating to planning the event. All your efforts are very much appreciated by the students and staff.

Clubs Program: We have a range of clubs on offer before and after school and at lunch time. Library club runs before school on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday morning and in the afternoon on Tuesday and Thursday. Parents are welcome to come to the library at these times and share some reading time with their children. There are also a variety of clubs running for students at lunchtime, including disco, lego, community action, choir and band and various sports. Running club is run by Finn and Jesse, our sport leaders before school on a Tuesday and swim squad is at the Rosebud pool on a Thursday morning at 8am. Please contact Lesley O’Hanlon or Lauren Eagles for more information about the swim squad.

District Cross Country: The children who qualified for the District cross country event will be participating on Wednesday, 18th May at Truemans Road Reserve. Good luck to all our students who will be representing us.

Staffing: As part of a leadership training course, Lachlan Featherston, our acting assistant principal, will be visiting another school for two weeks to observe a different leadership team in action. Although we will miss him it gives us an opportunity to develop leadership skills amongst our staff by inviting teachers to have some time out of the classroom to work in a leadership role. A relief teacher will be employed to cover classes. Alyssa Kent, one of our prep teachers, has been away for a while now as she has broken her leg. Shari Byron has been teaching in her place. Alyssa has now transferred to maternity leave and has informed me she plans to return to school at the start of Term 4.

Parking: You may have noticed the new “Kiss and Go” signs at the front of the school. The Shire has been doing an evaluation of our current traffic situation and had installed these signs to remind everyone this is a two minute parking area only. Plain clothed parking officers will be patrolling from time to time to monitor the traffic flow and to ensure nobody double parks. Double parking is very dangerous as students need to cross in front of other cars. Please support us to keep all students safe by abiding by the parking restrictions.

Curriculum Day: Tomorrow, Friday, 13th May, is a curriculum day. Teachers will be working on reading assessment and the new Victorian curriculum. Students are not required at school tomorrow.

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

We got a great result from the Mother’s Day stall and raffle last Thursday! Congratulations to all of our raffle winners, and a huge thankyou to those who donated goods, and or, their time on the day. It was greatly appreciated. Our next fundraiser will be our Bunnings Bake Sale on the 18th June. Keep a look out for more information coming soon.

Thanks

Rebecca

THIS WEEK’S AWARD WINNERS.

Values Awards
Prep Fry: Grace
Prep Kent: Lenny
Prep Mitchell: Paige
1/2 Bainbridge/Leeder: Noah
1/2 Berndt: Chelsea
1/2 Beattie: Linda
3/4 Jordan: Jaxon
3/4 Everitt: Molly
3/4 Dowell: Riley
3/4 Paffett: Holly
3/4 McCormick/Venturin: Nelly
5/6 Emile: Jaspa
5/6 Eagles: Kaley
5/6 Carter: Jack
5/6 English: Tyler

Academic Awards
Prep Fry: Dash
Prep Kent: Taylor
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Prep Mitchell: George
1/2 Johnston: Evie
1/2 Bainbridge/Leeder: Louise
1/2 Beattie: Lewis
3/4 Jordan: Mayla
3/4 Everitt: Lucas
3/4 Dowell: Jack
3/4 Paffett: Thomas
3/4 McCormick/Venturin: Cheyanne
5/6 Emile: Elly
5/6 Eagles: Toby
5/6 Carter: Zarah
5/6 English: Raphaella

Library Award – Banjo & Gwendalyln
Art – Thomas & Elena
Music – Katelyn & Bianca

LIBRARY NEWS
We have been fortunate enough to have a Librarian offer her time in the library on a Friday. She has been busy tidying and sorting out old books. Some of the more reasonable books will be on sale for a small donation. If you are interested they will be in the library.
If you have any time to help we would love to see you even on the odd occasion.
Don't forget the library is open in the mornings.
Thanks
Cheryl Cunningham

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
13th May – Curriculum day – No School for students.
16th – 20th May – Education Week
18th May – Rye Primary School Open night 5.30pm - 7.30pm
18th May – 2017 Prep Information Evening 6.30pm – 7.30pm
19th May – Assembly Whole School. 2.30pm

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Thank you to our Mothers’ Day Stall and Raffle supporters

Rye Safeway    Ella Bache
Napoleon Nails  Steam
$2 Shop         Rye Hotel
Aokii           Naomi Peters
Casamondo       Sarah Kirk
Just Magic      Nona Dehne
Rye Amcal Pharmacy
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