



Issue 4

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Acting Principal's Report

Student Incident

This week we had an incident involving one of our students on their way to school. As such, we would like to promote conversation between parents and your children about being safe and staying safe. A great way to have the conversation is encouraging them to follow the 3 R's- Recognise, React, Report. Included in this edition of the newsletter is further information of the 3 R's.

Special Assembly

We will be having a special assembly on the last day of term (Thursday 24th March) to celebrate our school values and draw the Easter Raffle. The assembly will begin at 1.30pm and conclude at 2.15pm in the Hall. Parents are welcome to attend.

Last Day of Term 1

Please note the time of student dismissal on Thursday 24th March is 2.30pm. Students will be dismissed from their classrooms as per normal. Due to the early finish our lunchtime will be moved to 12.30pm.

School Council

The school council elections for 2016 have been completed and the Annual General Meeting held.

A big thankyou to the outgoing members of school council. Their efforts, contributions and support have been very much appreciated. The school councillors elected for 2016 are - Ben Fahey, Andrew Race, Jackie Salter, Amanda Robertson & Lauren Humphries. Congratulations to those elected and thankyou

to all candidates for their interest in becoming an active part of our school council.

Thankyou

I would like to thank the students, staff and families who have warmly welcomed me into the Rye Primary School community. It has been a very enjoyable start to my time at Rye PS and I've enjoyed interacting with the many students and parents who have introduced themselves or said hello in passing. I look forward to continuing to be a part of the school and contribute to its growth and development throughout Term 2. Please feel free to contact me at any time needed. My office is in the administration area beside Mrs Annable's office.

On behalf of Rye Primary School staff, I would like to congratulate our Preps on completing their first term of Primary School and wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Easter holiday period.

Lachie Featherston- Acting Assistant Principal

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

22 March – Harmony Day

23 March – Yr 5/6 Summer Lightning Premierships

24 March – Yr 3/4 Community Exploration Excursion
Yr 6 Sailing Program

Last Day of Term 1, 2.30pm finish

11 April – First Day of Term 2.

PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

Hello everyone, our PFA has taken on a bit of a change. We have a new leadership committee, and a new name to start 2016. I would like to thank Joanna Cross who has stepped down

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from President after 3 years in the position, and I would like to welcome our new committee:

Rebecca Hildebrand - **President**

Sarah Race - Vice **President**

Cathy Macdougall - **Treasurer**

Jess McNielly - **Secretary**

We would also like extend an open invitation to all members of our School Community who would like to come along and join in our meetings. Our next formal get together is on Monday the 18th of April at 9am, usually held in the staffroom. The aims of our "2016 Parents' Club" are:

- * To encourage the participation of all parents in the life of the school and the education of their children
- * To provide opportunities for parents to get to know each other and to be informed about their child's school
- * To work in co-operation with the School Council and the Principal
- * To raise funds for the benefit of the School

Everyone is welcome, we wish to make Fundraising FUN. We don't exclude anyone who wishes to participate in any capacity, , whether it is attending meetings, helping out on our fundraising days, meeting new parents or volunteering for our Bunnings Sausage Sizzle/cake stall later in the year. If you would like more information, please contact the school administration office.

****IMPORTANT INFORMATION****

Easter Raffle tickets are due back to the office by **Monday 21st March**. The raffle will be drawn at assembly on Thursday the 24th March. Do pop in and see all the fantastic prizes on offer.

We are still collecting Easter egg donations until **Friday the 18th March**; remember there is a prize for the Class that brings in the most amounts of eggs!!


Thank you!!

Rebecca Hildebrand - President

"Rye Primary School Parents' Club"



Baykeeper Activity Adventure



Join the Port Phillip Baykeeper on an adventure to see which molluscs can be found LIVE in the Bay. We will also demonstrate a simple technique to measure the shifting sands on a beach, enabling everyday people to monitor coastal erosion. Learn how to participate in a valuable research activity- auditing and weighing rubbish on a beach. You may enjoy this event for free but a small donation would help the Baykeeper continue to protect all the living creatures in our beautiful Port Phillip Bay.

Date: Wed 6 April 2016
Time: 10.30am – 12.00 noon
Meeting Point: Tyrone Foreshore, Carpark 2 (West), Rye West
Melways ref: Map167 K2
A collaborative project with

WhiteCliffs Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management
Cancerous Right
Port Phillip EcoCentre
www.ecocentre.com
St Kilda Botanic Gardens
100 Balaclava St, St Kilda, 3182
PH: 9524 9879 • info@ecocentre.com

WATERKEEPER ALLIANCE MEMBER

AFL VICTORIA Holiday PROGRAMS

9am to 3pm

5-8 YEARS
Footy Fun Day

9-12 YEARS
Skills Battle

Come join us!

SESSION DETAILS

WEDNESDAY 30TH MARCH
BRUNSWICK - GILLON OVAL

THURSDAY 31ST MARCH
MOORABBIN - MOORABBIN OVAL

FRIDAY 1ST APRIL
ESSENDON FC - TRUE VALUE SOLAR CENTRE

MONDAY 4TH APRIL
BOX HILL - WHITEHORSE RESERVE

TUESDAY 5TH APRIL
FOOTSCRAY - MERV HUGHES OVAL

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Have a safe and happy holiday, we will see everyone on April 11th.



THINGS TO REMEMBER

When visiting friends or playing sports it's important to remember your personal safety. Here are some safety rules to remember.

TELL SOMEONE

- Where you are going
- What time you will be home
- Who you are with
- If you change your plans

If you are late or change your plans, call your parents or carer and let them know

Always travel with a friend

REMEMBER
If you are unsure or feel unsafe, then it's ok to say no or break a rule to get away

REACT

If you feel scared, confused, sad or upset you need to REACT.

This could even mean breaking a rule, like smashing a window to escape a fire or screaming "NO" to an adult.

Run

Help! Help!

scream

Ring for help, your Parents or Police

It's ok to say "No" if you feel unsafe or unsure

RECOGNISE

Our bodies tell us when we don't feel safe through our BODY CLUES

Butterflies in your tummy

Hair stands on end

Heart pounding

Wobbly knees

Sweaty palms

crying

REPORT

This is a really important safety message.

This means telling an adult in your life who cares about your safety when there is a problem. It's adults who can keep you safe from harm and who can make a situation safe again for you.

"I CAN GET HELP"

Create a safety Network of Adults and organisations who you know will, LISTEN TO YOU, BELIEVE YOU AND HELP YOU

Mum or Dad

School Principal

grandparents

Auntie or Uncle

Teacher

Kids Help Line
1800 55 1800

Police
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REMEMBER
If you are not getting the help you need to keep trying until you do