

School Newsletter

Special Points of Interest

Rye PS staff attended a seminar last Monday to learn more about 'The Resilience Project'. Read about this program at theresilienceproject.com.au

If you have a suggestion for a name for our school newsletter, please place it in the box in the front office.

Important Dates

Thursday 15/2

School Swim Trials (Yr3-6)

Tuesdays 20/2, 27/2, 6/3 13/3 20/3

Grade 6 Sailing

Tuesday 20/2

School Council

Wednesday 28/2

District Swim Sports

Monday 12/3

Labour Day Public Holiday

Friday 16/3

Photo Day

Thursday 22/3-30/3

Life Ed Van (YrP-4)

Thursday 29/3

End of Term 1



Scruffy, our school dog.

From the Principal's Desk *by Jackie Annable*

Welcome back to a new school year at Rye Primary School. It was wonderful greeting old and new faces this week. I have missed all those gorgeous smiling faces. A special welcome to new families to our community. Please ask your child's teacher, the office staff, Lachie Featherston, the Assistant Principal or me if there is anything you are unsure about. We really want everyone to feel welcome and included in our community.

Sun Smart: As we are a sun smart school, it is imperative that all students have a navy blue wide brimmed hat with them every day this term. Please ensure hats and any other items that potentially could get lost – drink bottles, jumpers, balls, toys etc are named.

Staffing: We have had a few staffing changes. Mrs Leanne Bainbridge let me know in the holidays that she will be taking leave for the whole of 2018. We have done a bit of staff juggling and Miss Caitlin Beattie is taking the grade originally planned for Leanne and we are very pleased to welcome Miss Sarah Chen to the 5/6 area. Kim Hutchins will not be returning to Rye Primary School as she has accepted a job at Rosebud Secondary College. She is being replaced by staff currently employed at the school.

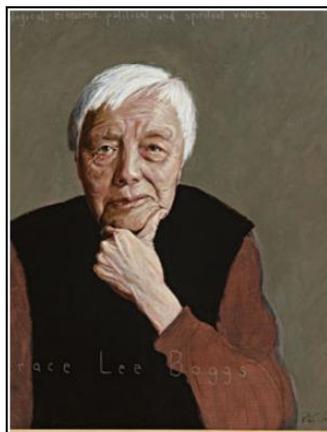
Assemblies: We are trying something a bit different this year with assemblies. We will have some whole school assemblies but in between these, there will be level assemblies where students will have the opportunity to share their work with their peers and learn about things that are specifically relating to them. Please see "calendar dates and reminders" on this page for information on when these will take place.

Scruffy: For those who haven't met him yet, Scruffy is our school dog so you will see him around the school some days. Please let us know if your child has any allergies or problems with dogs. Please can I also remind you that it is Department of Education policy that dogs, other than specially sanctioned ones like Scruffy, are not to be on school property. In the interests of keeping all our children safe, I request you do not bring your dog into the school grounds.

Music News *Natalie Parker*

Did you know we have many instruments for hire at Rye Primary School? Brass and woodwind instruments such as trumpets, flutes, clarinets, saxophones and trombones are just waiting to be hired by enthusiastic students. We also have experienced music tutors who take lessons in the above instruments plus drums, keyboard/piano and guitar. See Miss Parker for details or pick up a flyer from the Front Office.

Community News



We can begin by doing small things at the local level, like planting community gardens or looking out for our neighbors. That is how change takes place in living systems, not from above but from within, from many local actions occurring simultaneously.

— Grace Lee Boggs —

AZ QUOTES



Have you considered playing netball?

If you were born in 2007 or 2008 we need you to join our 11&U girls and boys. Training is a Wednesday 4-5pm at RJ Rowley Reserve Netball Courts in Rye. Fees are \$190 (includes dress hire, games fees and club fee) plus \$75 for Netball Victoria membership.

Games are on a Saturday starting 24th February 2018 at Truemans road Netball Courts. The season runs until end of term 3.

If you are interested please email us on ryenetballclub@gmail.com or call Laura on 0424756805.



FREE

TENNIS LESSON FOR 5-7 YEAR OLDS

This program provides a fun coaching environment. The shorter racquets, softer balls and smaller court ensure that the first tennis experience is fun. Each child will receive a **FREE** racquet on enrolment.

INTERESTED PARENTS

Are invited to come and see a Nitro Kids Tennis coaching program in action.

On Sunday 4th February a **FREE CLINIC DAY** for your child will be held from 9.00am-9:30am at Sorrento Tennis Club 868 Melbourne road, Sorrento

Racquets are supplied.

Please book your child's place at the free clinic day by calling Daniel Byrnes on 0422411895 or email via the website at

www.nitrotennis.com.au