



KICK-IN-A-CAN 2015

For the next two weeks Rye Primary School is supporting the "Food For All" organisation.

Please donate a can or non-perishable food item to go towards "Food For All" Christmas hampers for local families.

Please send your donated items with your child to their classroom. There will be a prize for the class that has the highest number of participants.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Even though we are getting close to the end of the school year, there are still lots of things happening at Rye Primary School.

Curriculum Day: On Wednesday, 2nd December the teachers will be working on whole school reading and writing programs ready for implementation in 2016. The education support staff will also be involved in this activity for part of the day, then they will be organizing resources to support the learning programs. Please be aware that this is a student free day.

Graduation Day: The day before the curriculum day, Tuesday, 1st December, the grade 6 students will have their

graduation ceremony. I really look forward to this night as it gives me the opportunity to celebrate successes and reminisce with our senior students.

Music Night: On Thursday, 10th December, our instrumental music students will be performing at the Taco Joint in Rye. Parents are welcome to book a table and enjoy a meal while being entertained by our talented students.

Rye Community Market: Another date for your diary is the Community market on Saturday, 5th December on the Rye Foreshore. Rye Primary School will once again have a stall at the market. This time we will have Christmas music provided by our choirs and musicians, free Christmas craft activities and free photos with a certain gentleman who has a long white beard and a bright red suit! He likes to say "Ho, Ho, Ho." I wonder can you guess who he is? Come and visit us and share in some Christmas fun.

Prep Information Night: Last week the prep team did a wonderful job of organising an information night for parents of next year's prep students. Everything from arrival and departure times, to lunch box ideas and how to prepare for that first day were discussed along with a myriad of other things. If

you were unable to attend the event and need any information, please don't hesitate to ring the office. A big thank you to Helen, Olivia and Alyssa for planning and facilitating the evening.

Sailing: the grade 6 students have been enjoying some beautiful days sailing in the bay under the expert instruction of members of Rye Yacht Club. Thank you to the Yacht Club and the Senior School teachers for organising this.

Mosaic: Simon Normand, an artist and sculptor is working with our grade 5 students on a very large mosaic which, when completed, will be displayed on the side of the shower block next to the park on the Foreshore. The main design was done by Simon but cameos have been inserted to allow some of our students' designs to be showcased. The work is taking place in the art room on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Simon is happy to welcome visitors so feel free to pop in if you would like to place one or two tiles into the mosaic or if you just want to have a look.

Peace Garden: Last week the sand arrived to replenish the sand pit. It has been a great success with our students using the new toys to dig big holes and tunnels. Once again thank you to the PFA for funding this.

Electronic Sign: Last week I attended the Rye and District Bendigo Bank AGM where I was presented with a grant to purchase an electronic sign for the school. We are always trying to improve our communication and we see this as a great way to let the community know

what is happening in the school. The sign will be installed early in Term 1 next year. We are very grateful to the Bendigo Bank for their generous donation.

Tiqbiz: While on the subject of communication, can I encourage you to download the Tiqbiz app onto your phone if you haven't already done it. We use Tiqbiz to send out all sorts of messages to keep you informed. Tiqbiz can be particularly useful if there is a last minute change in an arrangement. This happened just a few weeks ago, when the grade 4 students got delayed coming back from camp. We were able to Tiqbiz a message to parents with a revised pick up time which meant parents were able to avoid a long wait at Frankston Station. Please see the office staff if you would like more information about this app.

Parking: Parking is always difficult at school, particularly at the end of the day and sometimes it involves a few trips around the block until a space becomes available. Although this can be frustrating, may I please request that if you are in a 2 minute spot, you move on within the time allocated to allow others to get in. Please do not double park as this involves children having to cross in front of cars.

School supervision times: Also in the interests of student safety, please be reminded that supervision is from 8.45am in the morning and until 3.30pm in the afternoons. Students should not be left at school outside these hours.

Camp Australia offers both before and after school care for students who need to be at school outside the hours of supervision. Please contact the office for information about this service.

School Captains: Congratulations to all the Grade 5 students who nominated for the roles of School Captains in 2016. These students had to write an application and those shortlisted had to attend an interview. All the students involved should feel proud of their efforts. Congratulations to our 2016 School Captains, Jai, Ella, Zarah and Jemma.

Regards
Jackie

Assembly: There will be no assembly on Monday as the grade 6 students will be using the hall to practise for their graduation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 30th November – Grade 3 expo, 11.30am.

Tuesday 1st December – Grade 6 sailing and Graduation.

Wednesday 2nd December – Curriculum Day. **There is no school for students on this day.**

Monday 7th – Wed 9th December - Grade 5 Sovereign Hill Camp.

Tuesday 8th December – Grade 6 Orientation.

Thursday 10th December – Music Night (Instrumental Students)

Fri 11th December – Grade 6 BBQ at yacht club.

WANTED! 2 Litre Ice cream Containers and plastic- covered wire.



The Enviro Club of Rye Primary has been successful in obtaining a \$1000.00 grant from Yates Junior Landcare Creative Gardening initiative for a vertical garden and sensory garden. As you might have seen, the Grade 6's have installed the Sensory garden already.

The vertical garden will be placed on the wire fence at the back of the Peace garden near the basketball court. The grade 5 and 6 students will be installing the vertical garden in late November but they need your help!

- We are asking everyone to start saving up the following things:
- 2ltr rectangular ice cream containers
- 1.25ltr PET (soft drink bottles)
- Plastic- covered wire as from speakers, clothes lines etc.
- Cuttings from the following plants, rosemary, mint, succulents, geraniums, any hardy plants
- Seeds.

Please drop seeds into the box in the office and let the office know what seedlings you can offer. Once we are ready to receive seedlings we will send out a further note.

Many thanks,

The Enviro Club (and Parent helpers)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday November 30 th	- 2016 All Book Pack Return Date
Tuesday December 1 st	- Grade 6 Sailing Make up Day
Tuesday December 1 st	- Graduation Year 6
Wednesday December 2 nd	- Student Free Day
Monday December 7 th	-Sovereign Hill Camp Year 5
Tuesday December 8 th	- Sovereign Hill Camp Year 5
Tuesday December 8 th	- Orientation Day Year 6
Wednesday December 9 th	- Sovereign Hill Camp Year 5

Payment of monies to Rye Primary School:

EFTPOS facilities are available at the school office: 8:30 am-4:00 pm

Note: Most internet payments take at least 5 days to reach the school bank account. Please allow time for this to occur when making any payments with regard to the 2016 Book Packs or other 2016 events.

BPAY: Families are able to pay now for 2016 excursions, incursions, camps and school activities by BPAY.

Some Items you cannot pay by BPAY, these are:

Canteen requests, uniforms, fundraising activities, music lessons, raffles, 2016 - Year 6 tops etc.

For BPAY transactions please use the codes from your family statement.

Bank Direct Deposit: Families, who wish to pay via Internet Banking, please include student name and activity on each transaction so payment can be allocated to the specific charge. *Bendigo Bank: BSB: 633-000 - Account: 120854690- School preferred payment option is by BPAY.

Book Packs 2016: all prepaid orders prior to 04/12/2015 **must be collected** from the main school office on **Wednesday 9th December-8am-4:00 pm**. Get in early now and avoid the queues, heat and rush in late January 2016!

2016 Book Pack collection day is on 27th January 2016 -8am-2pm- collection is from the main school office.

Parents/guardians unable to collect their student/s book packs in January 2016 must contact, the business manager, Mauyra Marsh, to make other collection/payment arrangements before the end of this school year (Friday Dec 18th)

Families may continue to build up a credit by pre paying regularly only via BPAY over the vacation period; a minimum amount of \$20.00 per transaction applies.

Mauyra Marsh, Business Manager, (5985 2363)

Go for 2 and 5!

Most Australians eat only about half the recommended quantity of fruit and vegetables. You need to eat two serves of fruit and five serves of vegetables every day (one serve is roughly a handful of fruit or veg).

Here are some handy tips for getting more fruit and veg into your day:

- Add leftover vegies to an omelette for a healthy and filling breakfast
- Bananas, strawberries or tinned fruits can be blended along with milk, yoghurt and ice for a delicious fruit smoothie
- English muffins topped with diced vegies and cheese can be turned into a quick mini pizza: a great idea for the lunchbox!
- Have low fat dips with carrot and celery sticks instead of crackers
- Add lots of vegies to stir fry's, casseroles and curries
- Beans or lentils taste great when added into soups
- Chop different fruits and mix them with natural yoghurt for a sweet and healthy dessert

More great ideas can be found at www.gofor2and5.com.au

