



Issue #16
18th June 2018

School Newsletter

Special Points of Interest

Toddler Storytime is presented by Val Smith in our school library every Wednesday 10:00-10:45am. Please sign in at the office.

Important Dates

Monday 18/6

Whole School Assembly
2:30pm

Monday 18/6 – Wednesday 20/6

Year 5 Sovereign Hill
Camp

Wednesday 20/6

Year 6 Winter Lightning
Premierships

Thursday 21/6

Last Swim Squad for
Term 2

7:45am – 8:15am

Wednesday 27/6

Year 5/6 History Tour

Friday 29/6

Last Day of Term 2 –
2:30pm finish

Monday 16/7

First Day Term 3

From the Principal's Desk *Jackie Annable*

Riding to School: I love to see our students exercising and being in the fresh air as they ride to and from school, however I have witnessed and had reported to me recently, a couple of incidents when children put themselves at risk by not cycling in a safe manner.

I saw a child last week, jump on her bike and shoot across the road without looking first and I received a call from a member of the community telling me about a very near miss where a child rode out in front of a car. Please reinforce with your children the importance of looking all around and listening for traffic and not taking risks.

Curriculum Day: On our recent pupil free day, the staff participated in an excellent learning session on teaching children to write. The presenter gave us lots of ideas and strategies, and the feedback from staff was excellent.

Reports: Today you received a letter about the new report format. I believe these reports are very clear and easy to read, however they are only one part of the reporting process. I strongly recommend that you attend the parent teacher meeting early next term when you will have an opportunity to hear the story behind the work habits, ask questions and share insights with the teachers. Look out for booking information which will be sent out before the end of this term.

Have a good week.

Regards,

Jackie Annable

Principal

WE WISH TO FINALISE OUR 2019 ENROLMENTS BY THE END OF THIS TERM, 29TH JUNE. PLEASE, IF YOU PLAN TO ENROL OR LEAVE THE SCHOOL, HAND IN YOUR PAPERWORK OR LET US KNOW BEFORE THIS DATE.

Curriculum News

Seven Steps to writing success

What are the seven steps?

Think of them as the building blocks to great writing. Isolating writing skills into individual steps ensures students don't get 'bogged down' with writing the whole piece. They gain confidence in each building block, and then they pull it all together to become creative and engaging writers.

The Seven Steps writing program has been the basis for the teaching of writing at Rye Primary School this year. On the recent curriculum day our teachers and support staff spent the day learning, writing and being inspired to teach writing to our students.

Our students have been writing sizzling starts, some of which can be seen below. Sizzling Starts begin at the 'moment of change' to gain a reader's interest immediately. Sizzling starts replace standard beginnings like "One day...", "Once upon a time..." and "I think that" Students are taught to start where the action is and not at the beginning of the day where nothing is happening. They begin when the volcano starts oozing lava or as you walk in the door to the big disco competition. I hope you enjoy reading them.

Lesley O'Hanlon



Seven Steps

Step 1: **Plan for Success**

Step 2: **Sizzling Starts**

Step 3: **Tightening Tension**

Step 4: **Dynamic Dialogue**

Step 5: **Show, Don't Tell**

Step 6: **Ban the Boring**

Step 7: **Exciting Endings**

SIZZLING STARTS

Chatter chatter talk talk! I heard BB
walk in. Build build! Stomp stomp!
Matilda (Prep)

What would you do for a million
dollars? Jump off a cliff? Swim with a
crocodile? Well whatever you think of,
it can't be as crazy as what I am going
to do! **Sam F (Year 6)**

The place where
dreams are made. The
place where you learn
a year's worth of info
in a week. The place
where mistakes are
turned into creative
ideas. The place
where learning is
best. The place where
for one hundred and
forty- three years it
has stood. Rye
Primary School.
Caleb (Year 5)

Oh no! I must save my six brothers from serious injury
or certain death! I wonder how I must save them. It's
technically impossible! **Lenny (Year 2)**

Lost in the Jungle *1/2Bradley shared writing*

Warm gooey sticky liquid
sliding down my back. I'm
scared to look what is it??

*Snap!! Oh no was that a
stick or my leg?*

Swoosh I jumped out ... now
where am I going to land?

*Crack!! The dark shadow is
above my head getting
closer and closer.*

*I heard myself and I
hear my friends
talking and I heard
build build build.*
Maya (Prep)

Frozen. Naked.
Terrified. I can't
believe it. There
are people left
right and centre,
just staring.
Amelia (Year 6)



Moonlit Sanctuary

the best way to see Aussie animals

Moonlit Sanctuary Keeper Club

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

Winter 2018 school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Mon 2nd Tue 3rd Thu 5th Fri 6th July
- Week 2: Mon 9th Tue 10th Thu 12th Fri 13th July
- 10am–4pm

Cost: \$80.00 per day, or \$220 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).

Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited

Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

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