As usual life at Rye Primary School is busy with lots of opportunities for students to excel both inside and outside the classroom. It makes my day when I receive visits from students excited to share fabulous work they have been doing in the classroom! Last week I received a visit from a group of Senior students who had completed some detailed investigations into a school beautification project and had put together a pitch for me to listen to. I was very impressed by the depth of research, the multimedia presentation and the passion behind the delivery. Now all we need is the $109,000 to action it.

Lions’ Quiz: Last Thursday, Toby (captain), Bailey, Jamie and Ella represented Rye Primary School in the district Lions Club quiz. They were questioned on spelling, mathematics and general knowledge. They only missed out on first place by one question and they got every spelling word correct, a first in the competition according to the organisers. I was very proud of them all for their knowledge and also for their resilience and good sportsmanship.

Athletics: Well done to all the students who competed in the district athletics last week. Special congratulations to Jai, Bailey and Kate for earning places in the Regional competition today. Jai and Bailey are competing in shot put and Kate in the 800 metres. A special mention also of the 10 year old boys relay team, Sonny, Dre, Fotis and Jarrah who collected the 3rd place ribbon. Although that did not qualify them for the next round they should be commended for their “never give up attitude.”

Basketball: Our boys’ basketball team is also heading off to the Regional competition on Monday. Try your best and be good sports boys. You are already champions for making it this far!

Swimming: Our grade 3/4 students have been going to and from the Rosebud pool for lessons over the last two weeks. The students have thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the progress they have made has been excellent. Don’t forget squad swimming is available on a Thursday morning at the pool starting at 8am. This is available for any student level 4 or above.

Scarecrow Competition: Hooray! Our grade 1/2 students entered the Redhill Hinterland Scarecrow festival and WON!!!!!!! If you didn’t get an opportunity in the holidays to have a look at the scarecrows you can come and visit Ryan in the foyer in the office area.

WIN a luxury BMW for the weekend: Not only can you visit Ryan; you can enter our raffle to take Ryan for a drive in a luxury BMW for the weekend. Ryan is desperate to “go cruisin” in a flash car but he doesn’t have a driver’s licence! As part of the prize, our school has earned the right to raffle a loan of a BMW for a weekend! The tickets have already been sent home and
more are available from the office. The draw will be held on 3rd November so get your tickets in. Just imagine, you, a BMW, and Ryan!

Born to Soar: Born to Soar is a private company offering a gifted education program for primary aged students. We will be hosting them at Rye Primary. The first course starts tomorrow, Friday.

Curriculum Day: Our final curriculum Day for 2016 will be held on Friday, 2nd December. On this day staff will be planning curriculum with their 2017 colleagues. This day is pupil free so no students are required at school.

Tiqbiz: I was at an emergency management training session on Monday and the conversation turned to how we contact parents if an emergency situation should arise at our school. We use Tiqbiz as a communication tool and I know a lot of families have installed this free app on their phones. If you haven’t already done so, please seriously consider doing it now. If we are evacuated and unable to access a phone line, we are still able to Tiqbiz from a mobile device. We also use Tiqbiz for all sorts of regular school communication so it is a great way to keep up to date with what is happening around the school.

If you are having problems with Tiqbiz please ensure you have installed the latest update. If you haven’t it will keep reminding you to do it. If you are still having difficulties check that you have ticked your child’s class. If after that you are still having problems, please come and speak to the lovely office staff who will be very happy to assist you.

Have a lovely fortnight

Jackie Annable
Principal

Toddler and Pre-schooler Story Time: Our toddler and pre-schooler story time sessions on Wednesdays at 10am just keep going from strength to strength. The children enjoy, songs, stories and activities and the Mums (and Grand Mums) enjoy special time with the children and with each other. At the moment the age group attending goes from 6 weeks old to around 3 ½ years old.

Prep Transition: Our final prep transition session is only for enrolled students and will be held on Friday 21st October from 11.45am to 1.15pm.
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CURRICULUM @ RPS
During Term Four our integrated focus is the concept of Curiosity. Years Three & Four are inquiring about the impact of Curiosity and Years Five & Six are exploring the application of Curiosity. Both units are based around Science and also cover some aspects of English, Mathematics and other areas of the curriculum. Our Preps, Ones & Twos are continuing to find out about a wide range of topics through their investigations. Where possible, this term, they will also include Science and Curiosity in their work stations.

Later in this newsletter there is an article about helping your child with fluency in their reading. The best way to become a fluent reader is through reading.

“A child who reads abundantly develops greater reading skills, a larger vocabulary, and more general knowledge about the world. In return (the child has) increased reading comprehension and, therefore, enjoys more pleasurable reading experiences and is encouraged to read even more.” Cunningham & Stanovich

ICY-POLES
Icy-poles from the canteen are available in Terms 1 and 4. We have noticed that some children purchase several icy-poles at a time. As we are encouraging healthy eating, nude food, and awareness of allergies, we are limiting the purchase to 1 icy-pole per child. To ensure that the wrappers and sticks are placed in the rubbish bins, the children will sit at the picnic tables near the canteen to eat them. This will also prevent accidents from happening in the playground.

PARENT CLUB NEWS
WE NEED HELPERS FOR........
Our Bunnings sausage sizzle will be taking place on Tuesday, 1st November (cup day). We need helpers to come and cook sausages between the hours of 7am and 4pm. Anytime you can spare would be appreciated!! We are also looking for donations of sausages, bread, sauce and serviettes. If you are able to help, please contact the office.

We will be holding a Christmas Picnic on Friday 16th December. We are looking for volunteers to sell icy poles, set up, pack up, serve Devonshire tea, face paint, man our Christmas stalls and other small jobs. We are holding our next planning meeting on Monday, 17th October at 9am in the staff room. It would be great to see you!! If you are unable to attend our meeting but would still like to help, please contact the front office. Thank you

Rebecca Hildebrand (President Parents Club)

Rye Primary School Swim Squad
Rye Primary School Swim Squad is running again this term on Thursday mornings between 8 and 8.30am at Peninsula Swimming and Aquatic Centre, Colchester Road, Rosebud.

The children in our squad need to have at least Level 4 swimming ability. They will be trained in stroke technique, endurance and racing procedures.

In Term 4 we prepare for the Interschool Swimming Sports which will be held in February next year. The trials to select the team will be on Wednesday 8th February and are open to all students in grades 3-6.

The cost for squad for this term is $40 for nine training sessions. Parents need to arrange transport to and from the pool for their children. Please fill in a form at the school office or see Lauren Eagles or Lesley O’Hanlon with any questions.
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SCHOOL BAND

Important Dates Term 4:
Monday 17th October - LUNCH TIME Rehearsal
Thursday 20th October - Assembly Performance (2:30PM)
Wednesday 2nd November - Afterschool Rehearsal*
Wednesday 16th November - Afterschool Rehearsal*
Wednesday 30th November - Afterschool Rehearsal*
Wednesday 14th December - Afterschool Rehearsal*
Friday 16th December - Whole School Christmas Picnic
*All afterschool rehearsals I’ll take place in the Music Room from 3:30 - 4:30PM. Remember: practise makes perfect!

RYE PRIMARY SCHOOL SONG

R x Y x E x x We are Rye x x Primary!!!

We are Rye Primary – we’re at the top of our game
Whether in sports or in Maths we will try just the same
Because INTEGRITY it teaches us to do what’s right
If we’re on our own or we’re in the spotlight
And in reading and the Arts we will do our best
Not for fame and not to be ahead of the rest
But in everything we do we will strive to achieve
Because in life we know we can always succeed.

R x Y x E x x We are Rye x x Primary!!!

Rye Primary we are a great, proud school
If a problem comes up we know just the right tool
To get over it, around it or to work it through, we are RESILIENT – Bounce back is really Cool!

We RESPECT ourselves and our teachers too, looking out for each other we will always stay true.

In everything we do we will strive to achieve

Because in life we know we can always succeed.

R x Y x E x x We are Rye x x Primary!!!

This is our new school song
Written by Nat Parker
Well done Nat!!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20th October – Whole School Assembly, 2.30pm
21st October – 2017 Prep Transition 11.45am – 1.15pm.
1st November – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.
3rd November – Whole School Assembly, 2.30pm.
*Our special raffle will be drawn at this Assembly.

THIS WEEK’S AWARD WINNERS.

Values Awards
Prep Fry: Evie
Prep Kent: Leo
Prep Mitchell: Layla
1/2 Bainbridge/Leeder: Levi
3/4 Dowell: Hannah
3/4 McCormick/Venturin: Sara
5/6 Eagles: Ellie
5/6 Carter: Taihere
5/6 Emile: Josie
5/6 English: Lily

Academic Awards
Prep Fry: Marley
Prep Kent: Alexi
Prep Mitchell: Zavier
1/2 Bainbridge/Leeder: Federick
3/4 Dowell: Emma
3/4 McCormick/Venturin: Nelly
5/6 Emile: Elton
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5/6 Eagles: Ashley
5/6 Carter: Sophia
5/6 English: Saxby

Congratulations to everyone.

Hats

Don’t forget to wear your Hat for all of Term 4.
MILO in2CRICKET introduces girls and boys, aged 5 - 8, to Australia’s favourite sport. It’s great fun, kids learn the basic cricket skills and is available for kids of all abilities.

RYE CRICKET CLUB.
STARTS 19.10.16
4:30 - 5:30 pm
$75 inc. pack
Call Sarah on 0402176909
or Register online

Visit PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU/IN2CRICKET to find out more
Walk to School this October and connect with local families

Rye Primary is excited to be taking part in VicHealth’s Walk to School from 3-28 October.

Walk to School encourages primary school students to walk to and from school every day in October to highlight the ways walking improves children’s health and wellbeing. Walking to school is a great way to help kids achieve the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity each day.

We’ll be encouraging families and students to walk to and from school as often as possible during October to help students learn healthy habits for life. Teachers will use classroom calendars to record each time students walk, ride or scoot to and from school. VicHealth offers some great prizes to schools with high participation, and runs fun walking themed competitions for students throughout October.

We’ll be providing parents with an ‘Information sheet for parents and carers’ with all the information you’ll need about Walk to School. You can also visit the Walk to School website for more information: www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au

Not sure how to get started?

There are lots of ways families can get involved. You might like to:

• walk with your child to and from school and enjoy the chance to chat
• connect with other families and friends on your way to school, and share the journey
• part way is ok – if you live a long distance from school or have limited time, drive part of the way to school and walk the rest,
• mix it up – if your child enjoys riding their bike or scooter, that’s great too!
Parent Pipeline

CAFÉ Fluency Strategy: Voracious Reading

Fluency is the ability to read, speak, or write smoothly and with expression. The best way to become a fluent reader is through reading. The amount a child reads has a huge impact on their success in becoming a fluent reader. The strategy of voracious reading is one used with students to increase vocabulary and fluency. Students are taught that voracious means to do a lot of something and still want more of it. They know that by reading, reading, and more reading, they will become smooth readers that are enjoyable to listen to. This will lead to increased comprehension and broadened vocabularies.

How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

1. Encourage your child to read more at home. Start by adding a few minutes to their regular reading time and go from there.

2. Model this strategy for your child by taking out a book of your own and reading.

3. Have your child show you what he/she is reading. Ask the following questions:
   
   - Does this book interest you?
   - Are you able to read most of the words?
   - Do you understand what you are reading?

   Your child should be able to say “yes” to all three questions if he/she is reading a good book to improve fluency and become a voracious reader.

4. Find a genre or style of book your child is interested in. Visit the library or bookstore to provide more books or stories in this area of interest. Tapping into a reader’s interests creates voracious readers.

Thank you for your continued support at home!

- Ideas and strategies are taken from: The CAFE Book, written by Gail Boushey & Joan Moser