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Rylstone Review

Term 4, Week 2

Thursday, 20th October 2016

Celebrating our successes:

Congratulations to:

*Will G—State Athletics

*All our students that have jumped up, not just one level but many, in their reading—keep up the great work!

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From the principal's desk...

Variety Bash Grant

I recently applied for a grant from Variety Bash to plant a sensory garden and was delighted to find out it was approved!

We would like to put in a water feature, bench, some mature shady trees and all manner of sensory plants. Ideally, the garden will be put in this term. So watch this space. THANK YOU to the Variety Bash. We are most appreciative of your kind support! The Variety Club Postie Bash will be coming to our school on November 2nd between 12:30 and 2:30pm. So come along and show your support!!

ARP-Y

In an attempt for parents to be able to be at assemblies when their children are receiving their big ARP-Y award and pen, we will now be giving out the 'Y' YOU'RE SUCCEEDING award the next week AFTER your child gets their A,R and P.

The new award structure has proven so successful with many students coming to me

and explaining that they 'are trying really hard for *respect*' or 'learnt to skip by *persevering*'.

Peer Support

This week was our final Peer Support session for the year. Our children have spent time reflecting on the important things they have learned over the past few weeks and making plans on how they are going to apply them in the future. Discuss with your children what goals they have set themselves so you can support and encourage their achievement. Well done to our Peer Support leaders who have demonstrated wonderful leadership skills and maturity.

Enrolment

Don't forget if you know of anyone who is considering Rylstone School for their child's education, please encourage them to get in touch and make an appointment to tour the school. We are always happy for new local enrolments!

Now taking
enrolments
for 2017!

State Representation

Congratulations to William G who competed in the PSSA State Athletics Carnival at Homebush Bay yesterday. He threw a personal best of 26.68m and got to meet some of our Olympians.



Will, Angus & Hilary with Olympian 4x400m runner, Jess Thornton.

Dates for your calendar...



OCTOBER

21st...Yr 6-7 Transition begins

21st...Pink Day—bring a gold coin

24th...P&C Mtg @ 6pm

28th...Bandanna Day

28th...3-4 Milo Cricket

28th...Seedlings Graduation

31st...P&C Fundraising Mtg

NOVEMBER

2nd...Variety Postie Bike Dash

3rd...Infants Sports Day

8th...Touch Gala Day

25th...Final Yr 6-7 Transition

DECEMBER

9th...Presentation Assembly

13th...Presentation Night

16th...Students last day



Will in the discus throwing enclosure.

Please don't hesitate to contact me on Jodee.murrie@det.nsw.edu.au or make an appointment through the office on Ph: 6379 1404
Jodee Burcher
Principal

From around the classrooms....

Kindergarten

We're off and running!! Last week and this week have already been full of learning, fun times and excitement as the end of the year comes closer and closer.

We have been improving in our reading levels, the amount of sight words that we know and the quality of our writing. Kinder wrote some fabulous descriptions of their pets with Mrs Atkins. They were so good that we have published them into a class book!!

In Maths we have been continuing to learn to count forwards and backwards to very large numbers! We have also enjoyed creating patterns, like counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. This week Kinder have also been learning about subtraction. It's a little trickier but we're getting the hang of it.

Infants excursion to Cowra—a drawing activity and flying kites

We skipped to our hearts content (pun intended) yesterday for Jump Rope for Heart. The older kids in our groups were all very helpful in teaching Kinder new ways to skip with a rope and the 'tricks' to staying 'in' longer. We loved the skipping tabloids for sport.

Mrs Suttor



Class 1-2

Everyone is back and full of energy and enthusiasm for learning. This week in Mathematics, we have been looking at ordinal numbers with games, hands on activities and written work. Our writing topic this week was about 'Our Band'. Everyone has made up a band, given it a name and explained which instruments each member plays. We have also painted a beautiful illustration to accompany our stories. Everyone is very proud of their progress in reading, with all children improving in their Benchmark levels. We are learning to play the glockenspiel and there will also be the return of that much loved instrument Yes...the recorder! We have been reviewing the notes B, A and G while adding new ones of C, D and E.

Our Science topic this term is all about sound and it will be fun carrying out our various experiments.

On the last Thursday of Term 3 all children from Kindergarten and 1/2 had a fabulous

time on our Cowra excursion. Children enjoyed seeing all the things they had learnt about over the term and they impressed themselves with the amount of knowledge they had acquired about Japan. The children were a pleasure to take on our excursion with many compliments about their behaviour. They certainly were great ambassadors for our ARPY school expectations of Respect and Application! We've included some photos of our great expedition in the newsletter. A big thanks to our wonderful parent helpers, Adam Smith, Stacey Philpot, Libby Varcoe, Rachel Maher and Matt Kane. They certainly were wonderful and helped make it a memorable experience for our children.

We have begun to practise our sporting skills in readiness for our Combined Infants Sports Carnival which is being hosted by Kandos Public this year on Thursday 3rd November. A permission note with more information will be sent home with their homework on Monday.

B. Balfort

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Class 3-4

Everyone must have had a wonderful holiday because they have all returned to school with renewed energy, health and enthusiasm. The children have settled very quickly and are working hard in all subject areas. So far this term we have been developing our understanding of multiplication and division. Year 3 have been problem solving using their times tables and Year 4 have been working on inverse operations! Both grades have been learning about money with Mrs Atkins. The children have also begun a second lot of literacy groups in addition to their current reading groups. These ones have a writing focus and also emphasise collaborative learning amongst their peer group. As a whole class the children will learn how to write a correctly structured book review. They will also be learning how to write a speech that they will then present to the class later in the term. We have also begun a

Science unit focussing on built environments, and a history unit delving into the historical reasons why Australian's celebrate particular days each calendar year.

Mrs D and Mrs Atkins

Action from yesterday's Jump Rope For Heart activities.



Class 5-6

We have all returned to school well rested and ready for a busy and exciting term. In class we have been doing some revision of maths topics we covered last term. We have also started our science unit on micro-organisms and begun investigating the function of micro-organisms in the production of food and medicine.

Students have continued to practise their public speaking skills in front of the class with some students preparing a speech for the Roger Wotton public speaking competition.

This Friday Year 6 students going to Kandos High School next year will have their first transition day which they are all very excited about. Due to the

majority of Year 6 being out for the next few Fridays Year 5 students will have the opportunity to run our Friday morning assemblies. I have developed a roster so that students who wish to have a turn know which Friday they will be on.

Miss Burns



Representing RPS at the Mudjee Mathematical Minds Challenge were Matilda, Max, Ty and Brayden. This was a very challenging competition but they had a fun day.

Staff Professional Development

19-21 OCT...Ms Burcher attending the Primary Principals Annual Conference in Sydney

24th OCT...Ms Burns and Mrs Suttor continue their training in PLP at Mudjee.



Library

We have finally switched over to our new Library computer system 'Oliver'. Students are now back to borrowing and returning books as normal. The library is open every lunch time (unless noted otherwise). Next week sees us introduce an odd / even week system for using the **robotic Lego** ...EVEN weeks will be grades 4-5 & 6 and ODD weeks will be grades K-1-2 & 3.

FRIDAYS will now be '**FLASHLIGHT Fridays**' where any grade can come and read using a flashlight and there will be no Lego.





P & C N E W S

SRC

They're at it again—organising more ways to make children's days at Rylstone even more fun! The fete was a great success last term and the children raised a profit of approximately \$1500. At our recent meeting the members decided to put this money to good use. They voted to improve the bike/ scooter shed, buy new wet weather games for each classroom and they also purchased a sewing machine for our school. This will be fabulous for our end of year costumes. Next week they will run a basketball competition for Primary

children who wish to participate, and the week after, there will be a lunchtime disco for children from Kindergarten and Year 1/2. They have also decided that the annual market day will be held on Thursday 15th December and the Talent Quest on Friday 16th December. More information will follow closer to the dates.

Also they will be selling ice blocks for 60cents and orange pieces for 20 cents at lunchtimes on Wednesdays for children who wish to purchase them.

Mrs Balfoort



P & C News

Meeting & Fundraising

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 24th October at 6pm and future meetings will be held every 4th Monday of the month, unless otherwise notified.

Don't forget the fundraising meeting will be held in two weeks time on Monday 31st October at 6pm, to plan fundraising options for the 2017 calendar.

StreetFeast is one of our major fundraisers. We are still needing 8 people to set up and 8 to pull down (approx. 1-2hrs) at StreetFeast. Please come forward and offer to help by phoning Alisa on 6379 1476 or Bec Guilfoyle on 0477 953 166. The P&C will also be running a craft stall at StreetFeast and selling raffle tickets for the Spring raffle, to be drawn at StreetFeast. Keep selling those tickets—remember there is a prize for the most tickets sold. So if you have something crafty to add please call Bec on 0477 953 166, otherwise come along on the day with your shopping bag in support of Rylstone Public School P&C.

Jolly Joker

Rylstone Public School P&C and the Rylstone Kandos Preschool are the beneficiaries of this fundraiser held each Friday evening at The Globe. This fortnight's ticket sellers are: 21/10—Sheree R, Tammy M & Mel M; 19/8—Shannon M, Sandra S & Carolyn W.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open on **Thursday afternoons** from 3pm-3.20pm. Payment is required at the time of purchase and if you are unable to visit in person on Thursday afternoon just drop your order and payment at the office during the week and I will fill it when I come in on the Thursday.

Tammy, Uniform Co-ordinator



Play Costumes

It's that time of year already! The school is a buzz with play fever. The play is written, parts chosen and now the work begins on the costumes. Our first Working Bee will be on Tuesday at 2.00pm. So if you're interested in helping you are welcome to come along. Thank you to those mums who have already 'volunteered' their services. Each year we supply the main part of each costume with parents paying towards the cost and also having to find a few small items for their child. **This year we thought we would charge each child \$10 for costumes and we will supply everything** which we hope will be easier for all.

Mrs Balfort



Book Club

The Book Club forms should come home today (or tomorrow). If you / your child would like to order from this edition of Book Club, please have the completed forms returned to school by **NEXT FRIDAY, 28th October**. If you would like to order / pick the books up from school without little people knowing, please indicate this on your returned form so I can arrange this.

Mrs D'Ilio

StreetFeast

The choir has been asked to perform a set of songs of our choice at Street Feast again this year. We have been learning a few new songs in preparation. I will send a separate note home with more detail, but if your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and would like to participate in this community event, we will be performing on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th** at 12 noon for approximately 20 mins. It would be wonderful to see as many children there as possible. They do make a 'beautiful noise' when they perform as a group.

Mrs D'Ilio



Bandanna Day

Thank you to everyone who has bought their bandanna already in preparation for Bandanna Day this year. The playground is looking very bright and cheerful with lots of colourful bandannas on hats and heads. CanTeen is very appreciative of the support they receive from Australians and it fabulous that RPS is able to contribute to their fundraising efforts with such a positive spirit. Emma and Natasha will continue to sell bandannas daily for \$4 (until sold out).

Mrs D'Ilio





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Skoolbag app: available from App Store, Play Store & Windows Store



Haylee—An Australian Squash Champion!

Congratulation to Haylee!

During the last school holidays Haylee went with her sister, Jemma and family to compete in the Australian Junior Squash Championships. Haylee competes in the under 11s and successfully won her division, crowning her the Under 11s Girls Australian Champion. What a fabulous achievement! Her sister, Jemma, was also very successful, coming 3rd in her Under 13s division.

Mrs Atkins

*Haylee proudly displays her
Squash Gold Medal*



Reminders


- Have you paid your School Voluntary Contribution?
Just over 50% of families have paid (32 of 59).
- ALL arrivals and departures during school hours
(9.20am—3.20pm) **MUST** be recorded at the office.
- Please return an absence note, written or via
school app, to the school immediately after an
absence **or before if you know in advance**.
- Term 4 Guitar tuition fees are due now and will be
\$100 this term.
- 3-4 Milo Cricket Note due Monday 24th October
- Costumes \$10 per student

Rylstone Pink Ribbon Day

In support of the Rylstone Pink Ribbon Day on 21st October, children are invited to wear pink to school. They can donate a gold coin to this campaign for breast cancer research.



B. Balfourt



Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive lessons

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.



The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are \$70 for school-aged children and \$50 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).

For more information or to make a booking, visit sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 13 13 02





Aurora College

The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.

Applications for entry to Year 7 in 2018
OPEN 11th OCTOBER 2016 AND
CLOSE ON 14th NOVEMBER 2016

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