

Rylstone Review

Term 4, Week 6 Thursday, 17th November 2016

From the principal's desk...

Transition

This week and next week will see our Year 6 attend a full day of transition at Kandos High School. They are becoming quite comfortable about the change to High School as they become more confident with their surrounds and the High School setting in general. Thanks to Mrs Armitage for facilitating this transition and ensuring it goes so smoothly.

Learn to Swim

Our Learn to Swim program begins next week. Please remember this program is for students who CANNOT swim and NOT those who need stroke correction or squad training. The students will leave school at approximately 11:15 to get to the pool by 11:30am. Students will change into their swimmers at school and will take their uniform to change into at the pool.

Swimmers need :

- A school hat
- Sunscreen 30+ & water resis.
- Goggles (if required)
- Towel

Swimmers need to bring their gear everyday despite weather.

There will be NO canteen available at the pool during Learn to Swim time.

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!

StreetFeast Donation

The school would like to thank the StreetFeast committee for their generous donation for our Choir's performance at this year's event. The children love the opportunity to perform in front of an audience.



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10 What Questions to Develop a Growth Mindset in Children

1. What did you do today that made you think hard?
2. What happened today that made you keep on going?
3. What can you learn from this?
4. What mistake did you make that taught you something?
5. What did you try hard at today?
6. What strategy are you going to try now?
7. What will you do to challenge yourself today?
8. What will you do to improve your work?
9. What will you do to improve your talent?
10. What will you do to solve this problem?



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

Dates for your calendar...

NOVEMBER

- 18th ...Whole day transition Yr 6
- 21st...Learn to Swim begins
- 25th...Final Yr 6-7 Transition all day)
- 28th...Last guitar lesson with Bob.
- 29th Year 6 Orientation @KHS

DECEMBER

- 1st...2017 Captains speeches
- 9th...Presentation Assembly
- 9th...Year 6 Farewell Disco
- 13th...Presentation Night
- 14th...Reports go home
- 16th...Students last day & Christmas themed dress up!



Our Christmas Art competition looks fabulous in the foyer.

From around the classrooms....

Kindergarten

Last week we started our Christmas Around the World unit. It's a very exciting time of the year that both Kinder and I love! We have begun decorating our room and each week we will be learning about Christmas traditions, carols and stories from many countries around the world.

I was very proud of Kinder in the lead up to and at their first Remembrance Day assembly on Friday. They were all very respectful and proud of the sacrifice that soldiers have made for Australia to be the "lucky country".

This week Kinder have completed some end of year revision assessments. I am SO proud of them and how much they have learnt this year. Their reading, sight word knowledge, spelling and numeracy skills have continued to improve consistently as the year has progressed. I think they even shock themselves at what they can now achieve.

Learn to Swim starts on Monday. Don't forget to bring your swimmers, rash shirt, towel and sunscreen. It's a busy time of year. Lots of healthy food and good sleep are necessary for us all.

Mrs Suttor



Kinder show how they can write their names on the IWB

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Class 1-2

Everyone has been working very hard in class. We have completed a big Spelling test and the result are fabulous. We surprise ourselves with tricky words we can spell. This week we read *When the King Rides By*. It's all about horses like rat-a-tat-tat! So we have written our own stories with onomatopoeia like brm brm! poppity pop! and bang bang!

In Mathematics we've had fun modelling, sketching and making 3D shapes. We've also looked at different strategies for division. We have started to get excited about Christmas and have painted some fabulous Christmas trees.

Our dance is coming along nicely for the end of year play and we have started to try on our costumes, which are going to be very colourful. Everyone is also excited about swimming lessons which begin next week.

B. Balfort



Just a few of 1/2's Christmas Tree artworks.

Class 3-4

I was AMAZED by the dynamos who are the students in the 3 / 4 class. They learned their class dance for the end of year play in 2 DAYS! Now we only need to practise / fine tune it! (You kids ROCK!) In other (more academic) news, we have been assessing children left, right and centre as report writing comes back into focus for the staff. Many children have improved their scores in numerous subject areas. Ms Burcher did some reading benchmarks on Wednesday and was genuinely impressed by some truly outstanding results and incredible improvements made by some students. All their hard at school as well as all the home reading has become VERY evident when children have moved up by 5 or more reading levels! Speaking of home reading.... record ALL reading the children do at home on their Home Reading sheet and return them weekly so we can work out who will be receiving a Home Reading Gold

Medal. A number of students are only a few hours off reaching this goal. Mrs Atkins is looking forward to listening to some wonderful speeches written by the students. It all kicks off today and will continue into next week.

Mrs D and Mrs Atkins

Class 3/4 love practising their dance for the end of year concert.



Class 5-6

This week Year 6 have been learning about order of operations in Maths and Year 5 have been focusing on number patterns. Almost everyone has now presented their speech in front of the class with all of the students showing improvement in their speech writing and public speaking skills.

We continue to practise our speaking parts for the end of year play and have started to learn our class dance.

This Friday year 6 students going to Kandos High next year will have a full day of transition.

Miss Burns



Samples from 5/6 artworks from last term's unit on multiculturalism

Staff Professional Development

On Monday Ms Burcher went to an iPad Configurator course held at Dubbo.

Ms Grant attended an advanced Excel course in Lithgow on Tuesday.



Library

Flashlight Friday was a smash last week. This week it will be 1-2's turn!

We have really got stuck into robotic lego with the children creating all sorts of great working machines!

Boys and girls have enjoyed building and designing and there has been a lot collaborative planning and discussions.





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CUDGEGONG LEARNING COMMUNITY

SRC

Remember Market Day is on 15th December so it's time to think about what you might like to sell.

Ice blocks and oranges are very popular on Wednesdays especially as the weather warms up. 60c for ice blocks and 20c for frozen orange pieces.

Mrs Balfoort

P & C NEWS

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: 18/11—Leanne N, Kath B & Kristie H; 25/11—From the Preschool

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

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.
- Costumes \$10 per student