



# Rocky River Public School

## Newsletter

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**TERM 4 WEEK 3 24th October 2012**

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- ◆ 2nd November:  
Upper Division  
Assembly
- ◆ 16th November:  
Lower Division  
Assembly
- ◆ 19th –21st  
November:  
Lake Keepit  
Excursion
- ◆ Swim School  
3rd-14th December
- ◆ Presentation Day  
12th December

### TUCK SHOP



**31st October:**

**Cooking:** Kerrie Roylance

**Serving:** Jaz Taylor

**7th November:**

**Cooking:** Jaz Taylor

**Serving:** Jodie Spinks

### P&C

There will be an extra ordinary P&C Meeting on 31st October at 3.30pm. with Josh from Hunter New England Health coming to speak to us re: Live Life Well and our Canteen. There will be a general P&C Meeting on 7th November at 3.30pm.

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

**We are seeking donations** for the December street stall raffle of non-perishable items, they can be left at the school.

**We will be marching** in the Thunderbolt Festival parade on Saturday. Students should be in full school uniform with hats please. We will meet near the Anglican church at 10.45am.

**Cake Mixes** have been donated for cooking for our stall at the Festival, anyone who is able to cook, please call in and collect some. All cooking should have the list of ingredients attached please.

**Lake Keepit**– Deposits for the Lake Keepit excursion were due in on Friday 12th October, at present there are still some outstanding, please have these paid ASAP. We cannot proceed with the excursion if we don't have everyone's commitment.

**Anyone wishing to apply for a Selective Schools Placement** for 2014 need to apply to sit for the test.

Applications are open until the 19th November. To learn more about the Selective High Schools Process go to:

[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6/assessments/shsplacement/index.\\_php](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6/assessments/shsplacement/index._php)

**WE ARE URGENTLY SEEKING DONATIONS** for prizes and raffles at our Annual Golf Day to be held on Sunday 9th December at the Uralla Golf Club. If anyone has an RSA Certificate and is able to help out on the day this would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



### WE ARE NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2013

#### OUR TRANSITION PROGRAM

Commenced on Monday 15<sup>TH</sup> October starting at 9am and finishing at 1pm for 3 weeks and will conclude on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November with students attending from 9:00am – 3:00pm on that day.

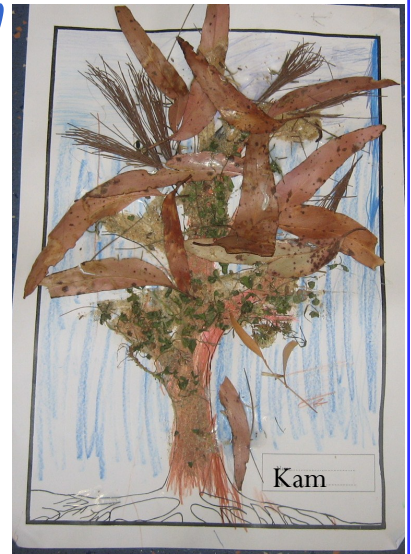


## FROM THE CLASSROOM

### LOWER DIVISION

Here are some examples of Lower Division's outstanding artworks. These environmental collages were created after each student was given a picture and then a container in which to gather items from around the play ground to glue onto their pictures.

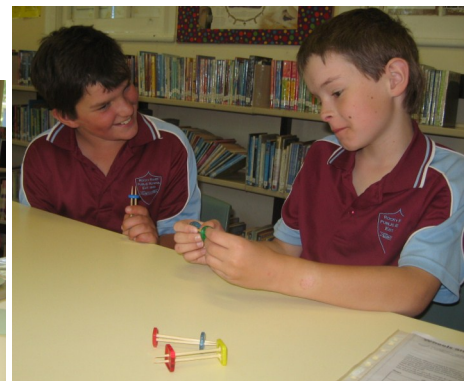
Well Done students and a big thank you to Jaz for her assistance with this activity.



### UPPER DIVISION

Upper Division Students have been experimenting with simple machines.

We know about wedges, inclined planes, pulleys, wheels and axles.







## School Banking is coming soon!

Every child must eventually learn that Mum and Dad are not the bank! The good news is Rocky River Public School will soon be participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to help develop these important savings skills. School Banking also includes a fantastic Rewards Program to encourage good individual saving habits. Look out for further information being announced soon !!



Our Transition Students joined in the fun of feeding some pet lambs this week. Thank you to Jaz and Donna for bringing them in.

### Movies and books

Is your child a reluctant reader? Why not try helping them find the book that goes with a movie or DVD they've enjoyed, or are about to see. Encouraging your child to read can help them to build their imagination.

For tips and ideas: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/how-movies-can-inspire-kids-to-read>

### Working children

Is your child under 16 and about to be employed in some form of modelling, entertainment or photography work? You will need to know about the employer's obligations.

Find out more: <http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/children-s-employment-1>

### Rainforest creatures

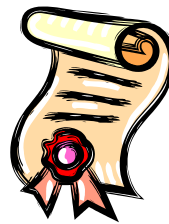
Experience Taronga Zoo's stunning Wild Asia rainforest trail guided by volunteer researcher Heidi Greentree. Rainforest Heroes is a new, free iPad app that lets students capture their discoveries, on location at the zoo or from home, and then make a field report.

Find out more about the app: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/taronga-zoo-rainforest-heroes/id558373157?ls=1&mt=8>

### Fitter, healthier, happier

Go4Fun is a free lifestyle program being run across NSW towns. For 7-13 year-old children who are above a healthy weight, activities aim for a long-lasting and healthy approach to living and are suitable for both kids and their families.

To make an enquiry: <http://healthykids.nsw.gov.au/campaigns-programs/go4fun%C2%AE-program.aspx>



Some very happy award recipients.  
Well done students!



"Luck is when  
preparation  
meets  
opportunity

Paul Fargis

Warm regards  
Rocky River Students  
& Staff