



Rocky River Public School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- ♦ 25th February Hip Hop dance program begins @ school.
- ♦ 6th March P&C Meeting @ 3.30pm
- ♦ 8th March Soccer Trials in Armidale. International Womens Day Luncheon @ Uralla Golf Club.
- ♦ 14th March Crazy Hair Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Here we are in Week 6 already, hard to believe. Last week we had visit from the auditor as well as Phil Jones who was conducting my Principal's Appraisal Review. Phil spoke highly of the school and commended the students on their manners and friendly welcome.

The visit from the Environmentors was excellent with the students interacting with the program with enthusiasm.

This Friday Sophie Byers, Katahna Griffiths and Rose Burke will accompany me to the International Women's Day luncheon at the Golf Club to hear the guest speaker Emily Hull speak about her visit to Stockholm last year. The International Women's Day is global celebration of political, economic and social achievements of women past and present.

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th March at 3.30pm.

All welcome

Canteen



Our students are enjoying our new canteen menu and we will continue to add to it in the coming weeks.



Students enjoyed participating in the many activities Jackie from EnviroMentors had for them to do.

Parents / Caregivers Please Note:

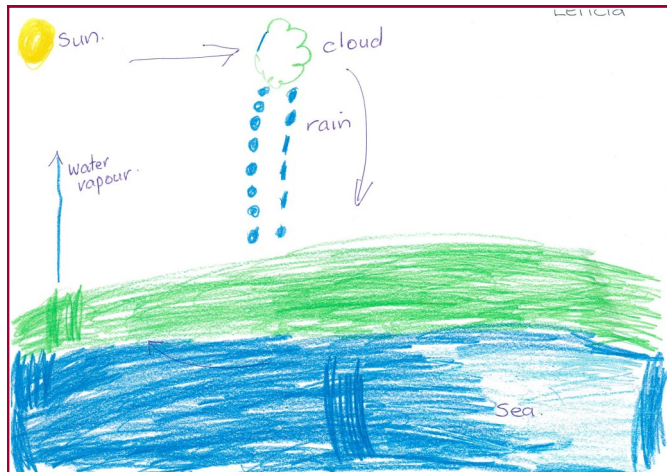


School Jacket orders must be in by this Friday 8th March. Payment can be made on delivery but the P&C will only be placing one order so if your late you will miss out.

Look what's happening in Lower Division



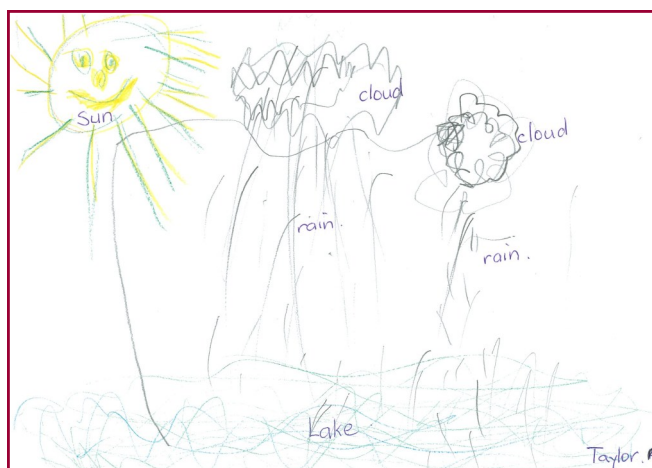
Students in Lower Division have been learning about the Water Cycle with Mr Sanders.



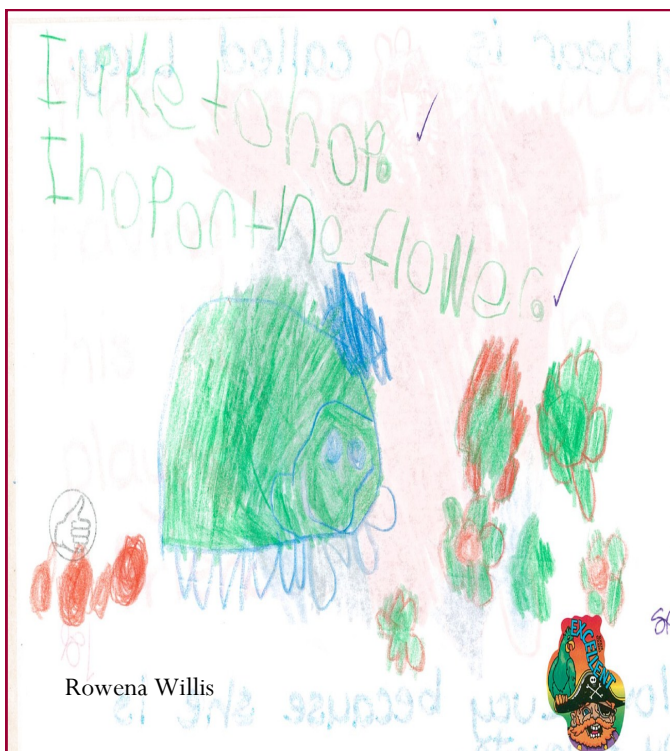
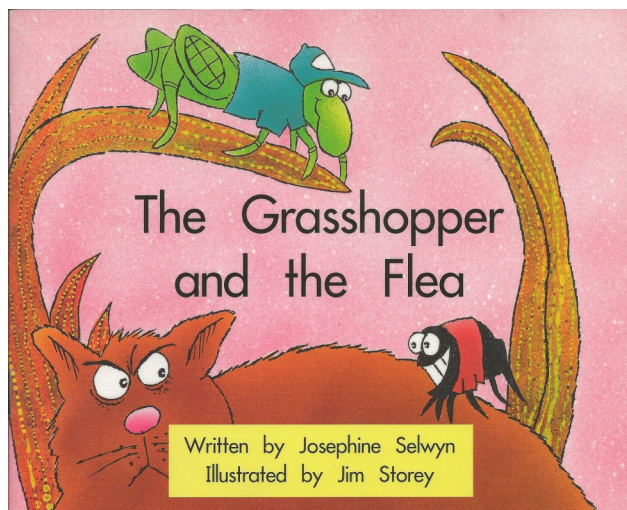
Reading with your child at home

When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/reading-with-your-child-at-home>



Rowena drew this picture after reading the book: The Grasshopper and the Flea, this is a story about a flea jumping all over the place.



Look what's happening in Upper Division



Emma and Tara's group were asked to sort out which items on the poster were recyclable and which ones weren't.

The EnviroMentors Workshops

Students were able to participate in many activities Jackie had for them to do and really enjoyed the experience.

What a great way to learn about looking after our environment.

Jackie was asking the students in what order recycling takes place eg. Drink can goes in the recycling bin, then the garbage truck picks it up, then it goes to a factory for sorting, then gets crushed into bales then goes on to begin a new life as a bike!



On Thursday 14th March we will be having our

Crazy Hair Day

students are encouraged to take part in this very crazy but important fund raising event.

Let's make a difference.

Please see permission note attached to this newsletter.

IT'S FOR A GOOD CAUSE

The money raised will help the Leukaemia Foundation to look after people with blood cancers. (These are diseases like leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma).

For example, we give families somewhere to live if they have to move house to be nearer to hospital, and we drive them to and from their hospital visits because they aren't well enough to drive or catch a bus.

We also use some of the money to pay for research so that Australia's top scientists can try to find better treatments for blood cancer.

This year, over 11,500 Australians will be given the news they have blood cancer. Please help us to care for them and try to find a cure.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Please remember to sign in the attendance record book if you are bringing students in late or collecting them early from school this is a DEC requirement.

We will be once again running the **Scholastic Book Club** at our school this year. It has proven to be very successful in the past and we have been able to acquire many wonderful new resources for our library through your support. You would have received the first issue for this year last week but for those who have lost them or would like to pass some on to friends/family we do have some spares at the school. These are kept in the front foyer area in the display rack. The orders and payment for the first issue will be due back at the school by 18th February.

GUESS WHAT!!!... We will be running a **Scholastic Book Fair** commencing on Monday 25th March and finishing on 28th March so keep these dates in your diary because we will have lots of **AMAZING** things on offer. Friends and family will be welcome to come along too!



AUTUMN SOCCER DEVELOPMENT SERIES

WHEN:- Five consecutive Tuesdays starting 12th March .

Sessions will run from 5.30pm to 7.00pm, weather permitting.

If one session is washed out we plan to add another session.

The first two sessions will have a registration period from 5.00pm to 5.30pm.

WHERE:- Rologas fields

WHO:- Girls & boys aged 8 to 15

BRING:- Shin Pads, boots, water bottle, hat/sun screen.

COST-\$15--

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*"To measure the man,
measure his heart."*

Malcolm Stevenson Forbes

NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC

*Music is the greatest gift
you can give your child!*



Research proves that singing, listening and playing music enhances the development of a child's confidence, social skills and academic achievement across all areas of learning. Grab a head start this year by joining one of NECOM's exciting and fun-filled programs –

- **Music Foundation Program**
Music skills for K-Yr 2
- **Choral Program**
Minisingers (K-Yr 2)
Cantilena (Yr 3-6)
New England Singers (Yr 7-12)
- **Instrumental & Ensemble Program**
String, Woodwind & Brass lessons
Junior String and Wind Ensembles
Armidale String, Wind & Youth Orchestras



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music speaks volumes

*Warm regards Rocky River Students
& Staff*