



# Rocky River Public School Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- ♦ 20th March P&C AGM @ 6pm
- ♦ 24th March Melanoma March for a Cure 9.30am @ Alma Park Uralla.
- ♦ 25th-28th March Scholastic Book Fair
- ♦ 28th March Easter Hat Parade 2.30pm
- ♦ 29th March-1st April

## P&C

The next P&C meeting will be the AGM held on Wednesday 20th March at 6pm.

**All welcome**



## Canteen

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

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

What a wonderfully crazy hair day we had on Thursday. We raised a total of \$193.50. Many thanks for allowing your children to participate in such a worthy cause.

The P&C AGM is on this Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 6:00pm. An ordinary P&C meeting will take place immediately after the AGM.

I will be away at a Principals' Conference on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March in Tamworth and both Sam and I will be at a Professional Learning workshop on introducing the new English curriculum on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March the school will be taking part in the Melanoma March. Please see the attached flyer. If any Rocky River parents register online to join the march, their child's entry will be paid for. This will only apply to Rocky River school children.

Mr Sanders is away until the 27th of May and he is being replaced by Mrs Donna Jewell. We wish him a safe trip.

## EASTER RAFFLE

We are still seeking donations for our Easter Egg raffle and please don't forget to return your tickets to the school by Friday 22nd March as the raffle will be drawn on Thursday 28th March.



## IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN !!

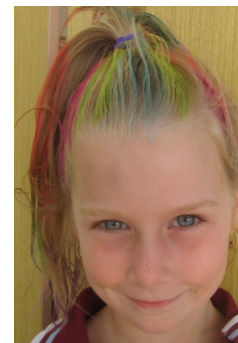
Please bring in materials to decorate our Easter hats. If you have an old hat you would like to decorate bring it in.

We will start this Thursday.





# Look what's happening in Lower Division

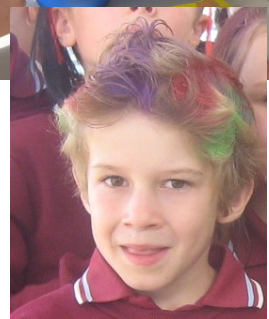
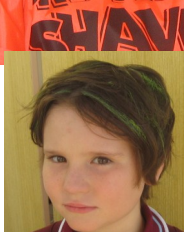


A collection of photo's from our Crazy Hair Day. Thank you to all students and parent helpers, we were able to raise a total of \$193.50 and have lots of fun along the way !!!  
Mrs Thornton's Dog, Terry also joined in the fun.





## *Look what's happening in Upper Division*







**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!



## Science starters

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life's mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/10-scientific-facts-your-child-needs-to-know>

## Facts about fractions

If you've forgotten 3/5 of primary school maths and 7/8 of high school maths, what's left? Ah ha! Kids need help learning how to add fractions too. The only thing left is to print these fact sheets.

Find our more: <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4013.pdf>

## Amazing art

Autumn's the perfect season to take a trip to a gallery. The popular ArtExpress exhibition connects us to the inner lives and self-expression of high school students. Amazing works are on show throughout NSW. Check out the calendar.

Find out more: <http://artexpress.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/>

## Primary school

### Sounding out aloud

Making phonics fun. Help your child learn to read by sounding out their words. Here are some tips to help your child gain confidence reading.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/phonics-helping-your-child-with-letters-and-sounds>

## High school

### Fitness for the family

Michelle Bridges talks about how to make fitness a priority for the whole family - and the start of a lifetime habit for your kids. Try out tips to keep your kids healthy, active and out of the pantry.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/fitness/fitness-for-the-whole-family>



## Melanoma March - Uralla/Armidale NSW

Unite with the New England community for our first ever Melanoma March! This is an opportunity for us to raise awareness of melanoma in the local community and to unite together to march for a cure. A breakfast BBQ will be put on by Rotary, and we'll have market stalls, a jumping castle, a remembrance ceremony and all-day entertainment.

Join us in Uralla as we march for a cure for melanoma.

Date: Sunday 24th March 2013

Time: Arrive at 9am. March commences at 9:30am sharp.

Start and finish: Alma Park, Queen St, Uralla

Walking track: Approximately 4km from Alma Park to Mt Mutton and back. Mostly flat walk.

Registration costs: (note: online registration closes 12noon on Friday 22nd March)

- \* Note: Kids under 5 are free.
- \* Individuals - \$25 each
- \* Students and Pensioners - \$20 each
- \* Pairs - \$40
- \* Families (2 adults; up to 2 kids) - \$60
- \* Teams and corporates (5 people min) - \$100 (additional people \$20 each)

**Tribute:** If you are marching in honour of a loved one who has lost their battle with melanoma, you may like to bring a small photo of them on the day of the March. You can place it on our tribute canvas and write a message from the heart. We will also hold a brief remembrance ceremony.

**Merchandise:** Merchandise (hats, waterbottles, t-shirts and wristbands) will be available to purchase on the day. All proceeds support melanoma research and education.

**Fundraising:** Help our researchers get one step closer to a cure. Create your own online fundraising page and encourage your friends and family to support you. If you are marching in honour of a loved one, this is a great opportunity to provide a tribute to them with your own photos or text.

*"We must use time wisely and forever realise that the time is always ripe to do right."*

Nelson Mandela

*Warm regards Rocky River Students  
& Staff*