



Rocky River Public School

Newsletter

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TERM 3, WEEK 6 - 21st AUGUST 2013

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday 19th to Friday 23rd August - Book Week.
- Thursday 5th September - School photos.
- Friday 6th September - Rugby Day
- Saturday 14th September - Bingo Night



TO RETURN THE FOLLOWING NOTES IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY DONE SO:

- PERMISSION TO PUBLISH
- MEDICAL INFO
- UD EXCURSION EOI

P&C

**The next P&C meeting
will be held this evening
Wednesday 4th
September at 3.30 pm.
All Welcome**

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

This week is Book Week and we will be celebrating this Thursday. Please refer to last week's newsletter for details.

School photos will be taken on 5th September after recess. Students will need to be dressed in full school uniform with SHORT sleeve shirts and black shoes. Girls need to wear long navy pants and white socks and boys grey shorts and grey socks. I need a parent to volunteer to be at school when photos are taken to ensure the photos run smoothly.

There has been an alarming number of students dropped off at school as early as 8:10 am. School does not open until 8:30. Although I am often here at 7:30 to do preparation and administrative work, teachers are not required on duty until 8:30. It is departmental policy that there should be at least 2 adults on site when there are students at school. I am aware there may be times when parents need to be somewhere early and I am quite prepared to allow students to come into the school however, prior notice is needed to ensure someone will be here. I am bringing this to your attention for the safety of students.

Our students have begun to learn signing with Mrs Page this will be beneficial and fun for all of us.

There are a large number of jumpers in our lost property without names, please remember to put names on all items so that they can easily be returned to their rightful owners.

TO GIVE AWAY

We have some old gym mats at the school to give away if anyone is interested, they would make great dog beds !

P&C BINGO NIGHT

The P&C will be holding a Bingo night at the Uralla Bowling Club on 14th September commencing at 6:00 pm. If you are able to donate prizes for the night please leave your donation at the school. The P&C are also asking for donations of spoons, serviettes, coffee cups with lids, milk and sugar to help with fundraising when catering at farm sales etc. If you are able to help out in this way please leave your donations at school.

Look what's been happening in Lower Division



My Bunyip 21.8.13
He has black fur, ~~and~~ brown claws, ~~and~~ white teeth ~~and~~ yellow eyes. He lives in a cave and he eats other buniys. He only comes out at night. He is a very angry bunyip.

GOOD WORK

Harrison



My bunyip 21.8.13
She is brown and gray. ~~and~~
She has shiny teeth ~~and~~
and a fluffy tail
She is happy. ~~to~~ She
lives ~~in~~ ~~a~~ on a rainbow
~~if~~ ~~and~~ eats lollipops and jam ~~that's~~ ~~tarts~~
Her name is bunny. She
likes to jump on mushrooms
She picks ~~flowers~~ and she
likes swins. She has ~~lightening~~
storms beca^{use} of the lightning
and thunder. Her ~~fav~~ ~~or~~ favorite
~~colour~~ is brown.

Abby



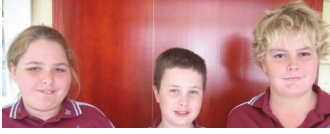
Rowena

my Bunyip
she is orange and
has yellow ears. ~~she~~
She likes to eat crunchy
carrots. She lives in a tent.

Beautiful writing
Rowena

Look what's happening in Upper Division

FROM OUR STUDENT LEADERS



BOOK WEEK

Tomorrow afternoon we will be having a book week celebration and all of the parents are invited .

Students have been paired up to say something about their book. There are many great books

By Harry Rowbottom yr.6



SIGN LANGUAGE

Upper division and lower division are learning Auslan sign language so they can learn how to speak to people who are hard of hearing or who can't talk. Our teacher is Mrs Page and we would like to thank her.

By Joseph Feitz Year 6



This Peace Poem is by Rose Burke

World Of Peace

I dream of a world which has peace.

A world that we can all share.

A world with no guns or bombs, a world with people who care.

We need to stop shooting the dove,

And let him live happily.

We'll open his cage, let him spread out his wings

And then we will let him fly free.

Racism needs to be band!

And all countries will be united!

We'll forget about murder we'll forget about death

And forget about wars that we've fought.

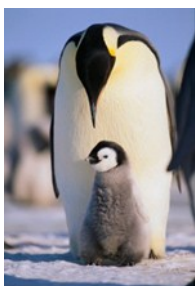
I dream of a world we won't be scared of!

A world where everyone's happy

A world which God will watch over

A world where the dove can be free.

ANTARCTICA WORK



Upper Division have been doing work on Antarctica. We have been doing artwork and reports, sheets and experiments and they have been lots of fun. We know where Antarctica is and what animals are there. Did you know that 90% of an iceberg is under the water !

By Katahna Griffiths Yr 6





Essay writing structure

Structuring an essay is easy when you know how. There are many different types of essays (or responses) and they can have many purposes, but the basic structure is the same. This fact sheet let's you in on the secret. Find out more:

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4116.pdf>

Benefits of under-scheduling your child

With the very best of intentions, when you're rushing to fit in soccer training, swimming and music lessons, it can be hard to keep hold of the magic stare-into-space, muck-about moments in children's lives.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/benefits-of-underscheduling-your-child>

Staying private on Facebook

Do you know how to untag photos and keep your Facebook page private? Read this and share with your kids.

Find out more: <http://www.smh.com.au/digital-life/consumer-security/how-to-stay-private-on-facebook-20130730-2qvn1.html>



SCHOOL BANKING HAS ARRIVED AT ROCKY RIVER PUBLIC SCHOOL !!

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program includes an exciting Rewards Program designed to encourage children to get into the habit of making regular saving. Every time your child makes a deposit at school they receive a silver coloured Dollarmites token. The first token will be received upon the first deposit at school. Once your child has individually saved 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive Dollarmites reward item. Students will have lots of fun saving their tokens for these cool rewards items. School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. The school receives \$5 when children make their first deposit at school and a commission on every deposit made through the School Banking program.

Taking Part in School Banking is easy. If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week using their Dollarmites deposit wallet. If your child has misplaced their Dollarmites deposit book or deposit wallet, they can request a new one from either the local branch or contact the School Banking Co-ordinator.

If your child does not have a Youthsaver account, you can open one at any Commonwealth Bank branch, no forms to fill in! Alternatively, if you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer with access to NetBank you can apply online. Another option is to download a paper-based application form from commbank.com.au/schoolbanking. Please note this option may take up to 2 weeks before a Dollamites wallet and deposit book is sent to your home address to start banking at school.



Warm regards Rocky River Students & Staff.