



# Rocky River Public School Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- **5th March - P&C AGM- 6pm**
- **8th March-Country Living Fair**
- **24th-28th March Scholastic Book Fair**
- **11th April-Easter Hat parade**

## TERM 1, WEEK 6 - 5th March 2014

We wish Nick Page good luck as he competes in the NSW PSSA Primary Boys Cricket Championship in Sydney/Central Coast this week. This is an outstanding achievement for Nick. We will wait for the update next week.

This weekend is the Uralla Seasons of New England festivities. The school will have a stall selling giant bubble makers. More helpers are needed for the stall. Please contact the school if you are able to help.

Please don't forget the P&C meeting tonight commencing at 6:00pm. It is the AGM and there are also a number of matters that need to be discussed and organised. Many hands make light work!!

Next Friday we will be holding a Bandaged Bear Day. Students are asked to bring their bandaged teddy bear or others to school with a gold coin to raise money for the Children's Hospital at Westmead. We will have a 'beary' special morning tea to promote our fundraiser.

I am pleased with the great improvement in the behaviour on the school bus. Thank you to everyone who has supported the school in this matter. The Rocky River School Bus is now a much safer bus to travel on for our students.



## CANTEEN

Canteen will be available each Wednesday, please ensure you have the correct money in lunch bags and orders are written clearly. If you are interested in helping out with canteen please contact Jaz Taylor on 0437 957 219. There is a price list in the front foyer of the school and a tote tray provided to place orders into when students arrive.



**We are still  
desperately  
seeking  
volunteers**

## for the Rocky River Stall

at the Country Living Fair to be held at the Uralla Show ground on Saturday 8th March 2014. So far we have only had 3 people respond. If you are able to assist with the running of the stall (no experience necessary) even if only for an hour please let Meagan Page know or let us know at the school. This is a great opportunity to be involved with the school and the P&C.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be held over the week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> March this year.

This is a great opportunity for parents to get involved as well as purchase books for their students while supporting the school. If any parents are interested in assisting with the running of this book fair could they please talk to

Jo or Anne. It would mainly involve the setting up and packing away of items and being available to sell books before and after school for half an hour or so.



## P&C

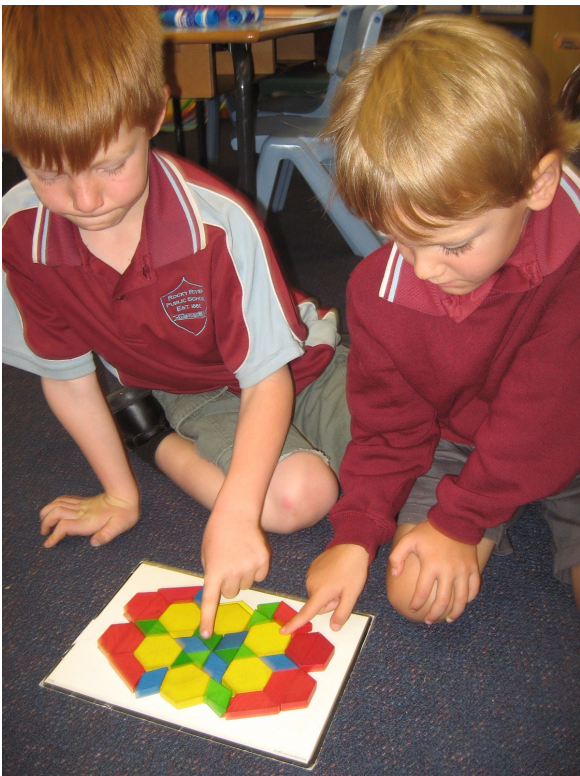
The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday  
**5th March 2014**  
**at 6pm.**  
**This will be our AGM**  
**ALL WELCOME**

## Look what's been happening in Lower Division

Kindergarten students enjoying activities using a variety of coloured shapes and pattern making.  
Serious business but great fun!



Lower Division had a real treat when Kellen had "special" news last Friday. He introduced us to his beautiful rabbit—"Ella Bella"



Our Visitor 28.2.14

To day we had a visitor and it was fluffy soft and furry. ✓ She is grey and white and funny when she runs in the back yard. ✓ She eats carrots, pellets and lettuce. ✓

She sleeps in a cage outside in the back yard. What do she do in side? Inside she can not run around in the house because she is not house trained. What came to our classroom? A cute little bunny rabbit.

Well done!  
Leticia

Leticia

## Look what's happening in Upper Division

### FROM OUR 2014 STUDENT LEADERS



### Woolworth's Earn & Learn Prizes

Today our Earn and Learn prizes arrived!!! These prizes included some art resources and different coloured cultural paint and with some multicultural paint along with some "Our Australia" books. We are all looking forward to using them!!!

Rose Burke, Sophie Byers and Chris Rassatti



### Reading Eggs

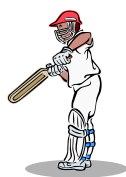
We have just registered in a reading activity called reading eggs, it is an interactive reading program. You can customize your character using golden eggs, you get these eggs by reading books for like this one shown below. To read a book you must go into the library and select a category for example: Myths, once finished you get a certain amount of eggs and one of many collectible cards. To see the cards you need only go to your apartment and go to the trading room. There are five major activities; Comprehension Gym, Library, Mall, Apartment and Stadium. If you go into Mall you may buy lots of things such as trading cards furniture pets and backgrounds, there is also something for little ones. Thank you

By Stelios Charnas

### **NICK THE CRICKET CHAMPION**

Nicolas Page was selected for the New South Wales PSSA Primary Boys Cricket Team at Sydney and he will be gone for a whole 4 days to play 100 over games and he will be representing Rocky River Public School all 100 games. Rocky River Public School is proud of Nick for making it this far and representing our school.

By Louisa Rassatti our house captain.



### **Uralla Soccer Registration Days**

will be held at the Uralla Bowling Club on

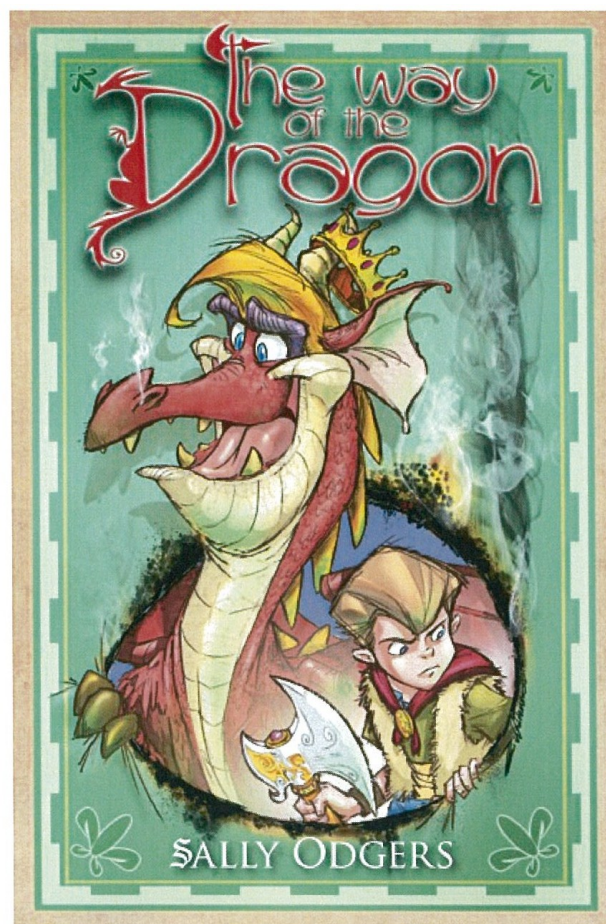
\* Saturday 8th March from 10am to 12pm

\* Sunday 30th March  
from 12pm to 2pm.

All ages are welcome.

Enquiries to Quinten

Dillon P: 6778 4953





1,2,3.....Come and try Rugby

The Armidale Junior Blues invite you to  
"Coach & Play RUGBY"

Age Groups: Under 6, 8, 10, 12 & 14

When: Friday Evenings @ 5.30pm

21<sup>st</sup> March, 28<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> April & 11<sup>th</sup> April 2014

Coach & Play Cost: \$30.00 / child (includes ball, cap & stickers)

Central North Season Cost: \$70.00 / child (Includes shorts & socks)

Pay for both Coach & Play and Junior Blues Membership for the

Central North Season on 21<sup>st</sup> March for a total of \$80.00 (Save \$20)

Sibling discounts also available for Junior Blues Membership

Location: Moran Oval



Everyone plays a part.

Smart Rugby Accredited Coaches

BBQ & Canteen Available  
Parents BYO light refreshments

Register online [www.rugby.com.au/tryrugby](http://www.rugby.com.au/tryrugby)

(follow the links to Armidale Try Rugby)

For those wanting to take advantage of the \$20 discount and register for the Blues season please be at Moran at 5pm on 21<sup>st</sup> March.



Enquires to John Beynon: T 0447 787 120

Facebook: Armidale Junior Blues Rugby Union

[www.armidalerugby.com.au](http://www.armidalerugby.com.au)



## Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

Have you  
missed out  
on thousands  
of dollars?

**ACT NOW!  
DEADLINE  
JUNE 2014**

In 2001 the Government introduced the 'First Child Tax Offset' and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have **ANY** child that was born between **1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004** you may be eligible to receive up to \$12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email [childoffset@twelve.com.au](mailto:childoffset@twelve.com.au) today to receive more information.

Twelve Chartered Accountants ABN 61 712 659 747

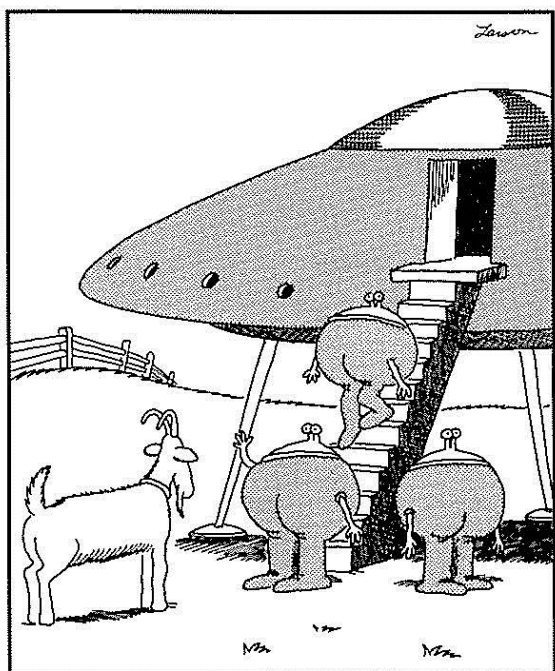
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## The Far Side®



When worlds collide

### Great books for tweens to read

Favourite books from the Premier's Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between nine and 13 to read read read!

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/hu/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/helping-tweens-to-love-reading/ideal-books-for-tweens-to-read>

### Developing resilience

We often hear complaints of "That's not fair!" from our kids when things don't go their way. Teachers talk about how you can help your child develop the skills to bounce back from everyday disappointments.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/developing-resilience-in-your-child>

### When older kids struggle with reading

If your child is struggling with reading, it's important to act on it immediately. Find out what you can do to help.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/when-older-kids-struggle-with-reading>

Warm regards Rocky River Students & Staff.