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“The Rocky Review”

TERM 1, WEEK 11, 6 APRIL 2016

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Wow, what an exciting and successful term of learning we have had. Thank you to all of the Rocky River School community for making my first term so enjoyable and reminding me of why I am so passionate about seeing students learn and grow into the future citizens they will become.

Hooray to all the students, teachers and parents who came and danced the afternoon away for our Rocky River disco last Thursday. A great afternoon was enjoyed by all and maybe some of us enjoyed reliving our youth a little too much!! A huge thank you to Jaz Taylor for organising the lights that added that special touch.

On Friday Miss Miller accompanied Emma and Tara to the Uralla International Women's luncheon to listen to Sarah Mills from 'Backtrack'. The girls found this an interesting experience listening to a different way of educating students.

I have watched our students this term work hard in becoming 'Organised' not only at school but also from reports back, at home. In week 1 this term, I outlined that being organised means "Setting goals to do my best in my school work, planning my time so that I'm not rushed, and having all my supplies and things I need ready" and this is certainly what we have observed in our classrooms at Rocky River. Well done everybody!

To celebrate how our students have successfully used their Habits of the Mind to try different ways of becoming organised at home and at school we **encourage students to wear orange to school instead of their school uniform on Friday 8 April.**

This week is a busy week to end the term. On Tuesday students were involved in a cricket skills morning with coaches from **NSW Cricket** coming to teach students a range of skills used when playing cricket. Students thoroughly enjoyed this and look forward to further sessions next term.

On Tuesday afternoon the students participated in the **Chamber Music in Schools** program. This exciting musical trio from the New England Conservatorium of Music (NECOM) performed for students a flute ensemble.

On Thursday we will be honouring all those who have served Australia and commemorating as a school community through our Anzac assembly to be held at Rocky River at 9:15am. Please feel welcome to attend.

I also encourage students to attend the **Uralla Anzac commemorations** on Monday 25 April. Rocky River Public School has always been beautifully represented at this service and I would hope to see this again this year. Students will need to wear full school uniform and meet at the corner of Bridge Street and Salisbury Street at the side of Foodworks at 9:30am ready to march at 9:50am.

Don't forget tonight is the last **P&C meeting** for the term. Please come along and enjoy making your contribution to your child's education. The meeting will begin **at 5:30pm** in the school library.

Term 2 is already shaping up to be a very busy term. In the first week back we have Healthy Harold visiting on Wednesday, Thursday is our Small School Cross Country and Friday, students in years 5 and 6 will be travelling to Tamworth to attend the Spirit of Anzac exhibition. Notes for these events have been sent out and we would like to see those returned prior to the end of this term. Other exciting events that will occur in the term include visits to the school for Responsible Pets, the Zoomobile from Taronga Zoo, GRIP leadership conference, Mother's Day assembly

and Teddy Bears hospital just to name a few.

Thank you again to the ongoing commitment of the staff at Rocky River, the students and parents for making my first term truly rewarding. A special thanks to Todd Cross for the extra hours he puts into our school and the wonderful job he has done on the presentation in our undercover area.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready to learn next term. Staff will return on Tuesday 26 April to participate in professional learning with the small schools in our Alliance that they can implement into the classroom based around Accelerated Literacy and the Targeted Early Numeracy initiative to improve student's skills in Mathematics and writing. **Students return to school Wednesday 27 April 2016.**

Happy and safe Holidays to you all

Peta Deiderick

Relieving Principal.

*You Are The Key To
Your Success
"YOU CAN DO IT!"*



The Mighty John Fowler Steam Engines will be firing on Friday 22 April from 10am-10pm at the PowerStation Museum Tamworth

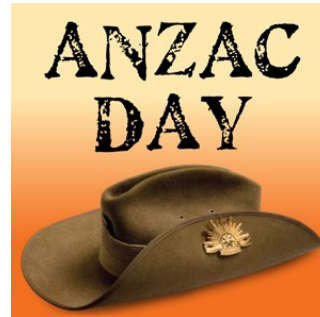


Take a walk down memory lane during Heritage Festival at Tamworth Powerstation Museum at 216 Peel Street Tamworth, next to the Community Centre, with the two John Fowler Steam Engines being fired up for this special event!

Tamworth PowerStation Museum's two John Fowler steam driven engines which will be running are the only two of their type operating in the world! This simulation of power generation of earlier days is a reminder of how electricity has changed our lives. Tamworth boasts the status of the first town in the Southern Hemisphere to have municipally funded electric street lighting and the Museum has won numerous awards for its contribution to heritage. The displays at the museum document the entire history of electricity in Australia and its impact in shaping our modern world.

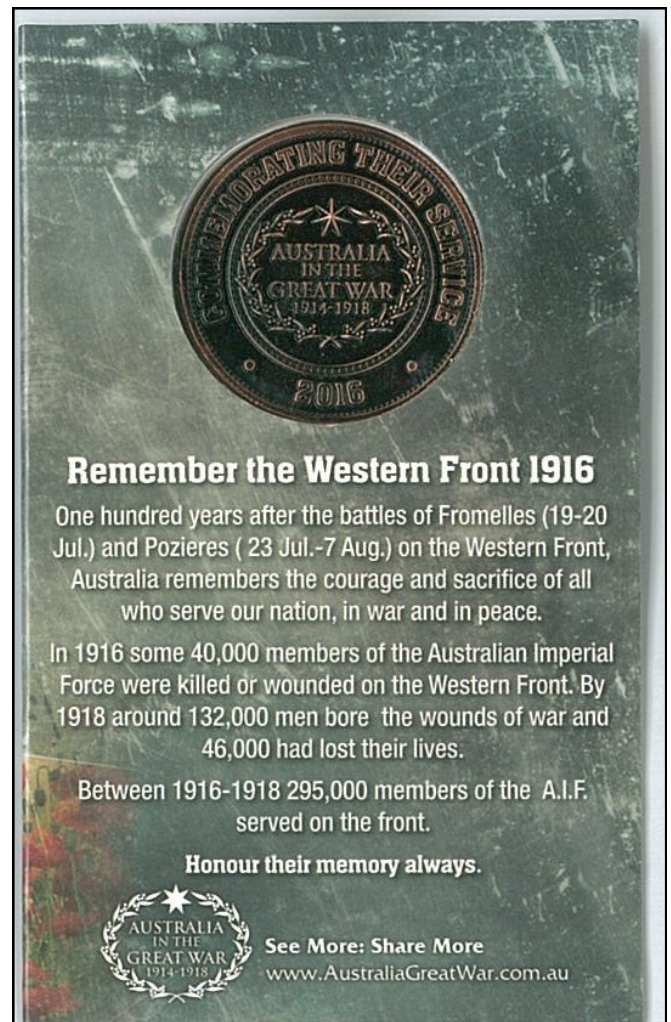
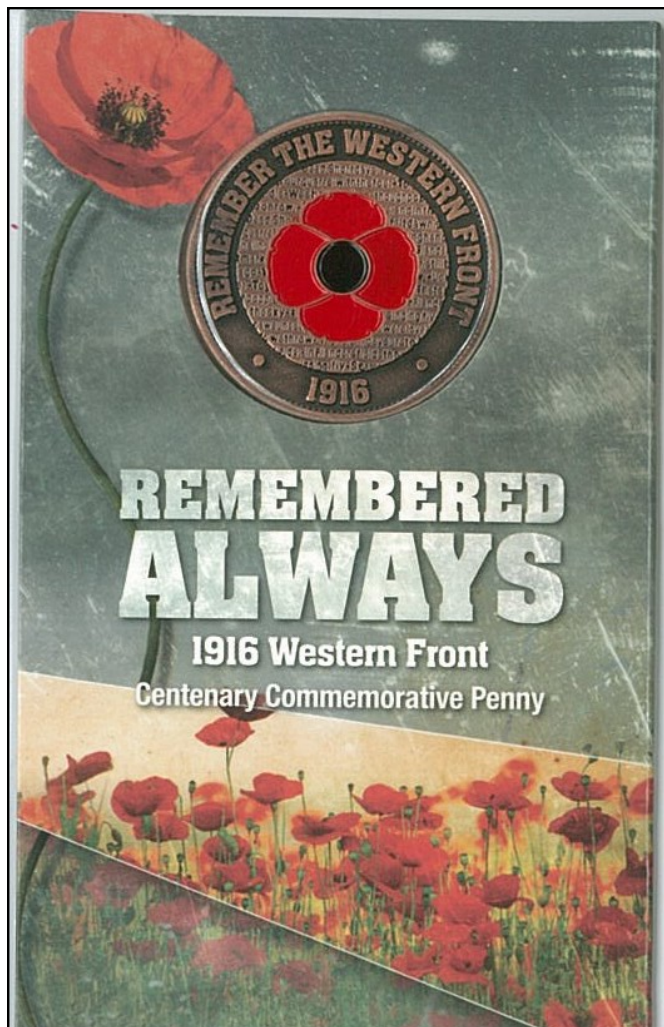
2016 ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION ACTIVITIES

The Dawn service will commence at 5.45am at the Alma Park Memorial Gates. On the corner of Queen St and Hill St. The main Anzac Day parade will form up at the corner of Bridge and Salisbury Streets so any students participating in the march will need to be outside Foodworks/McCrossins Mill by 9.30am dressed in full school uniform.



Rocky River commemorates the 2015 first centenary-year of Australia's war on the Western Front, the little red poppy holds even more significance. It is over 100 years since the first Australians fought and fell in the fields where the poppies grew. And it was there the first services for Gallipoli were held on 25 April – our first Anzac Day.

These medals are currently for sale at the school at a cost of \$5 each. We only have 40 to sell so if you would like please see Ms. Miller or Mrs. Deiderick





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Interested in playing Soccer in 2016

Although registration days have already been held
you can still register to play soccer this year by
contacting Anne no later than Wednesday 13th April on:
67784437 (home) or
0427784437 (mobile)

Fees:

5-7 years - \$95.00

8-11 years - \$110.00

12 - 17 years \$120.00

Juniors playing senior soccer \$150.00

Seniors \$220.00

Shorts (\$20) and socks (\$10) are available for purchase from the club

Also seeking coaches for all grades.

If you are interested please contact Peter Ellston 0477 490 107

Hope to see you there!!!

Are you eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme?

Families who receive tax benefit A or B may be eligible to use \$1000 per child over a two year period for dental visits to private practices.

Please contact your preferred local dentist to see if this service is available to you.

This scheme may not be renewed at the next budget, so take advantage of this service and keep it going.

Go to change.org for more information

MISSING

A pencil case with "FROZEN" theme. If found please return to the school office.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

CANTEEN Every Wednesday

Price List:

Pizza Singles....\$3
Chicken Nuggets (4)...	\$2
Beef Lasagne.....	\$3
Spaghetti Bolognaise...	\$3
Sausage Roll.....	\$2.50
Pie	\$2.50
Ice Cream	\$1.50
Popper	\$1.50
Milk Straw.....	\$1.50

Canteen Roster

- **27 April– Leanne Waters**
- **4 May– Nath & Melissa Swan**

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- **P&C Meeting 6 April 5.30**
- **Anzac Assembly 7 April 9.30**
- **Life education 27 April**

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be on Wednesday 6 April 2016
5.30pm ALL WELCOME



Winter is fast approaching.
- If you wish to purchase a School Jacket for your child please get your orders in to the office ASAP. Order forms are available at the office.

DO YOU WANT TO TRY GOLF IN THE HOLIDAYS?

A clinic will be held at Uralla Golf Club on Sunday April 17th from 10am well into the afternoon. Lunch is provided for participants. If you have clubs, bring them – if not, we'll lend you some.

For more information contact Bruce McMullen on 0419013560.

Warm regards Rocky River Students & Staff.