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Rocky River Public School Newsletter

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TERM 4 WEEK 10 - 17 DECEMBER 2019

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 10!

How my time at Rocky River has flown by with such a wonderful supportive staff and community and fabulous students. Thank you to you all for fulfilling a dream to be part of this wonderful positive learning environment again.

Last week we celebrated our learning success, seeing many of our students recognised for their achievement and commitment to learning and others. Well done to all our students for a great year! We also formally thanked our terrific, dedicated staff whom I can't thank enough for their dedication, support and genuine care they provide each other and our students.

We farewell Miss Brooks, Miss Carter and Ms Macinnis. Thank you ladies for all that you do and have done for the students, staff and community of Rocky River.

Thank you also to the wonderful P&C for all that you do to support our school. A huge thank you to Jaz and Joanne Fletcher for organising Santa and transporting him down from his reindeer.

We finish off our week tomorrow with a huge day!

We start the day with a visit from Santa in the bush anytime from 8:45am. This is a wonderful organised gift giving convoy from Sydney, travelling our area to give gifts to country kids doing it tough in the drought. They will stay for approximately half an hour before moving on to Uralla, Kingstown, Kentucky, Bendemeer, Kootingal and Moonbi before returning to Sydney.

We thank them profusely for their generosity.

We will then set up our Splash and Dash to start straight after recess at 11:30 before it gets too hot! This will be followed by a BBQ at approximately 12:30pm kindly provided free of charge to our students.

The afternoon will be spent watching a Christmas movie and recouping some energy. Students may go home after the BBQ if they (their parents) prefer.

Once again thank you Rocky River! Have a fabulous break and I leave you in Mr Hunt's very capable hands.

Students will return to school Wednesday 29 January 2020.

Merry Christmas. Stay safe and have a wonderful break.

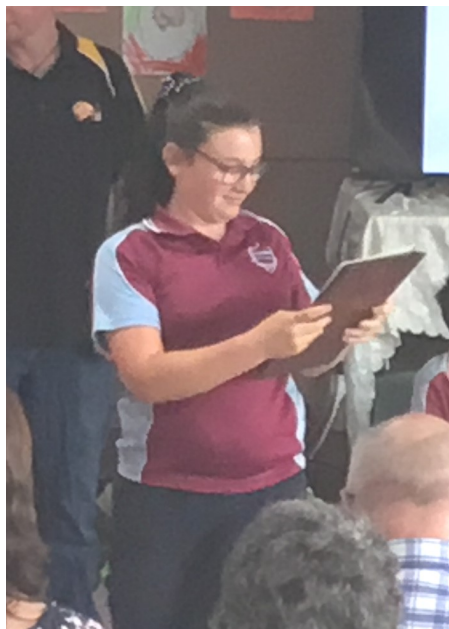


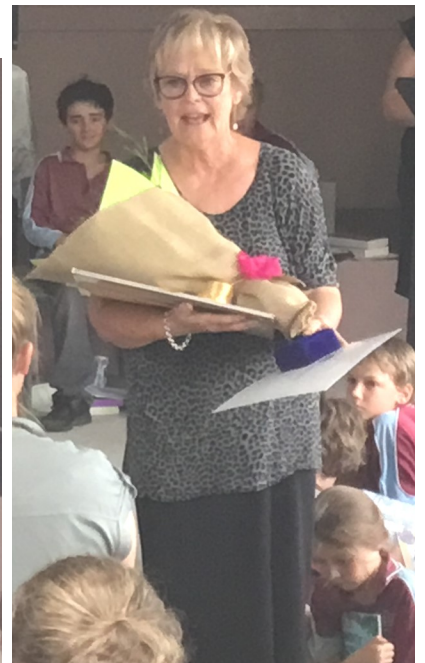
LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL

The students and staff of Rocky River Public School would like to thank the year 6 students for their very creative gift to our school. Josh, Bella, Paicey and Rowena have raised money and worked together to present us with a bird bath. This is located in the garden above the staff car park and is worth taking a look at.



We had a great afternoon last Wednesday, celebrating student achievements with our Presentation Assembly and a visit from Santa.





Calendar of Events - TERM 4 2019

Month	Week	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat/Sun
Dec	10	16 Safety Day	17	18 Splash & Dash No canteen BBQ lunch Last day for students Santa for the Bush Christmas gift visit 8.45am	19	20	21/22

Calendar of Events - TERM 1 2020

Jan/ Feb	1	27	28 Staff Development Day	29 Term 1 commences for all students	30	31	1/2
Feb	2	3	4	5 P&C Meeting 5.30pm ALL WELCOME	6	7	8/9
Feb	3	10	11	12	13 Small Schools Twilight Swimming Carnival 2pm-7pm	14	15/16
Feb	4	17	18	19	20	21	22/23

*Term 1, Week 1 2020 will begin for students on Wednesday 29 January

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CANTEEN

Every Wednesday

Price List:

Macaroni & Cheese.....	\$3
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.....	\$1.50
Fruit Icy Pole.....	\$1

Canteen duty

December 18—Sausage sizzle

KEEPING UP WITH THE P&C

Christmas Raffle- Thank you to everybody who supported our Christmas raffle this year. It was a great success, raising close to \$400! Hamper winners—

1st Sarah page, 2nd Tarnya Swan, 3rd Harrison Miller.



ROCKY RIVER P&C

NEXT MEETING -

5 FEB

5.30pm

ALL WELCOME!

BBQ lunch Wednesday 18— The P&C will be providing a FREE sausage sizzle for the students on our last day of term 4 2019.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The NSW Government, through Training Services NSW, is subsidising skills training for young people impacted by the drought to support youth engagement and increase employability skills during January 2020. The initiative is one within a package of government programs available to support farmers, their families and rural communities.

The initiative aims to provide support to young people effected by the drought during the Christmas/ January holiday period.

A wide range of training is available, including:

- Animal Studies
- Chemicals
- Community Services
- Construction - White card
- Drone Operations
- First Aid
- Hospitality Essentials
- Individual Support
- Life Saving / Pool life guard
- Meat Processing
- Robotics and Coding
- Shearing / Wool Handling
- Work Health & Safety

To be eligible an applicant must be:

- aged between 15 to 24 years old (including school students)
- living or working in NSW
- an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident, humanitarian visa holder or New Zealand citizen. And,
- reside in a drought affected area in, Western, North Western and Far Western NSW.**

For further information and FAQs please visit https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/news/articles/youth_in_drought_training.html or contact Training Services NSW regional offices in Tamworth Ph: (02) 6763

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

2020 Small School Swimming Carnival - **Important Information reminder**



Our small school's 2020 swimming carnival will be a little different from previous years. We will be holding a twilight swimming carnival on Thursday 13th February at the Uralla Swimming Pool from 2.00pm - 7.00pm. Parents or caregivers must be present to collect students from the pool at the completion of the carnival.

Students will come to school as normal on the Thursday morning and then travel to the pool for an extended school day to complete the carnival. This will mean that students do not attend school the day after, on Friday 14th February. Staff will attend a combined professional learning workshop with our small school cluster of schools. We hope all parents can come along and watch their children swim and compete. We also hope that this helps to keep students out of the sun for a full day. If you have any questions, please come and see me and don't forget to add this event into your calendars. We will provide more information early next year.



We extend a big thank you to Ballyhooly Civil who organised the 'Water run Sydney to Armidale' and Rotary for donating bottled water to our school. If anyone in our school community could use some we will be giving it away to families tomorrow afternoon

WEDNESDAY 17 December. There is no limit, if you need bottled water please come out to the school and grab what you need!

Bottled water is also available at Uralla Metal, Pursehouse Rural Uralla and Lempriere, Fox & Lillie and at the Invergowrie and Kentucky Stores, pallets have also been taken to Bundarra where the CWA will ensure availability & accessibility.

Uralla Rotary Club are also giving out the water at the Ural Motorcycles shed at 119 Bridge St Uralla on Saturday 7 December from 9am-1pm and Tuesday 10 December from 1-4pm

It's been a tough year for our farmers, with Australia currently experiencing the worst drought in recorded history, and now the horrific bushfires. Due to tight budgets, many parents will struggle to keep the magic of Christmas alive for their kids this year.

Santa for the Bush initiative to make sure that Santa visits all kids in rural areas this year.

These wonderful people will visit Rocky River public School with gifts for students currently enrolled in Kindergarten to Year 6. Please feel free to come by and give them a huge shout out!!

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Autumn is the time to plant spring bulbs, broccoli, herbs etc., and order trees.

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 Wed to Sat 9 am - 5 pm
 Sunday 9 am - 3 pm

Visit us also on our Facebook page.

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Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:30pm
 Saturday 9am - 12pm
 116 Bridge Street, Uralla

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**Barry Blair
Media**

Rocky River P&C would like to thank Toby and Trish from the Bushranger Motel for kindly donating their return and earn recycling bottles to our school.



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*Warm regards Rocky River
Students & Staff.*