

# School Newsletter

## Important Dates

### Wednesday 24/7

Parent Teacher  
Conferences

### Wednesday 24/7

Jarrad Lees Student  
Instrumental Music  
Evening

### Thursday 25/7

Parent Teacher  
Conferences

### Thursday 27/7

Kids Teaching Kids Visit

### Monday 29/7-Friday

### 2/8 – NAIDOC WEEK

### ACTIVITIES

### Monday 29/7 – Friday

### 2/8 – WOORABINDA

### CAMP

### Friday 2/9

Smoking Ceremony, Bush  
Foods, & Stick activity  
with Lionel Lauch

### Monday 5/8

Whole School Assembly –  
2:30pm

### Tuesday 13/8

Rye Kinder visit

### Wednesday 14/8

Rye Kinder visit  
Prep Pet Owners Incursion  
YR3-6 House Athletics Day

### Monday 19/8-Friday

### 23/8 – BOOK WEEK

### Monday 19/8

Book Character Dress Up  
Day – **Special Whole**

**School Assembly 9am.**

### Wednesday 21/8

YR5/6 McClelland Park  
Excursion

**Toddler & Pre-School  
Story time**

**is presented by  
Val Smith in our school  
library every Wednesday  
10:00-10:45am.**

**Please sign in at the  
office.**

## From the Principal's Desk *Lauren Eagles*

What a busy start to term 3! Firstly, the staff and community at Rye Primary School would like to congratulate Lachie Featherston and his wife Kristy on the safe arrival of their third baby girl, Eadie Featherston! We are looking forward to a visit in the coming weeks!

We would like to extend a huge thanks to Bob Cooper from the Rye Yacht Club who came to our school assembly on Monday. Bob has yet again been very generous and has awarded the following students with sailing scholarships: Max Fahey, Leilani Hauf, Fotis Katsanos, Jacob Houston Walsh, Elly Sheard, Madison Sheard, Nina Treadwell, Phoebe Lambden, Edward Danielson, Luca Ruggiero, Henry Jackman, and Jaxon Caravias. Huge congratulations to these students for their determination, motivation and commitment during the grade 6 sailing program.

Our staff are looking forward to meeting with parents and having valuable discussions during our parent teacher conferences this week. If you have not already booked a time, please book through Compass. All our communication is now through Compass, not FlexiBuzz. It is crucial you have access to Compass and check it on a regular basis. If you have any questions about Compass please ring or come and see our super talented office staff who will assist you.

It was wonderful to see our playground open last Tuesday. Mrs Carter and I were amazed that 400 students could fit on the new playground surface!

### WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30% of our parents will be randomly invited via email to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. The survey will be conducted online, only takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. If you receive the email, we would really appreciate you completing the survey before Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August.

## From the Principal's Desk, continued...

### **RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS:**

At Rye Primary School, the students always blow me away with their kindness and support of each other and our staff. Rye Primary students embrace difference and are the most inclusive students in the universe who are a privilege to teach.

We are creating a new section in the newsletter titled, "Random Act of Kindness" where we would love to share a story.... So here goes the first entry...

"We have had many new students start at our school this year. As you can imagine, starting at a new school can be a very nervous time, especially when you have travelled from another country! I would like to thank **Zesos** for how she made a student and her family feel so welcome in our school community through her kindness and warm welcome – Zesos you are a true friend and a star!"

Have a great week,

Lauren Eagles  
Acting Assistant Principal



# Help your child become a better **READER**

Questions to ask your child while reading  
fiction text.



- Who is the main character?
- What is the setting in the story? Does the setting change?
- What was the problem in the story and how was it solved?
- Did the character change during the story? How?
- How are you like the main character? How are you different?
- What do you predict will happen next in the story?
- Why do you think the author chose this title for the story?
- Do you like the title of the story? Why or why not?
- Can you think of a different title for the story?
- Which character from the story would you choose to be your friend? Why?
- Which part of the story was the most exciting? Why?
- Did you like the end of the story? Why or why not?
- Which parts in the story could really happen? Which parts could not really happen?

[fun-in-first.blogspot.com](http://fun-in-first.blogspot.com)

## **2020 PREP ENROLMENTS**

If you have a Prep starting school in 2020 now is the time to get your enrolment forms submitted to the Administration office.  
POP transition sessions begin August 30<sup>th</sup>; students are required to be enrolled to participate in the POP program.





It has been great to have the students back in the art room. I hope you all had a relaxing break. We got straight into our Indigenous theme last week. This unit includes all year levels in preparation for Lionel from Living Culture coming next Friday. The preps have been learning about Aboriginal symbols and created some beautiful designs on gum leaves. The 1/2s have been learning all about the Tjanpi Desert Weavers and have begun creating Australian animal sculptures out of grass.



The 5/6s have been very excited to be doing clay this term. We looked at a few local bush foods and their uses and the students created tiles by printing the plants into the clay. These will be used in the Peace Garden.

Finally, the 3/4s will be learning about Bundjil and working on a collaborative mural for the Peace Garden over the next couple of weeks.

*Katie Wettenhall*

### **COLLECTING!!**

Sticks for Bundjils nest

Wool

Glass beads/gems



**2019  
NAIDOC  
WEEK**



**BUNDJIL'S**



**NEST**

*In recognition of NAIDOC Week and our 'Bush Foods Garden' we are asking all students and staff to bring in a stick approximately 30-50 cm long. This will be decorated and placed in Bundjil's Nest as part of our whole school 'Living Culture' incursion.*

**LIONEL  
LAUCH  
FRIDAY  
2ND  
AUGUST**



**RYE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**CELEBRATES**  
**2019**  
**BOOK WEEK**



READING IS MY  
SUPER POWER!



To kick off our exciting week come dressed as your favourite book character or super hero on **Monday August 19th**.

All parents are welcome to join us for a special assembly at **9am** in the hall.