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School Newsletter

Important Dates

Monday 25/3 – Friday 29/3

Rye Primary School Book Fair

Wednesday 27/3

YR 5/6 Summer Lightning Premiership

Friday 29/3

Out of Uniform Day

Tuesday 2/4

School Photo Day

Thursday 4/4

Prep Dr Seuss Dress up Day

Friday 5/4

Assembly 2.00pm
Easter Raffle drawn.
End of Term 1
2:30pm Finish

Tuesday 23/4

Start Term 2

Thursday 25/4

ANZAC Day

From the Principal's Desk *Lachie Featherston*

Our 2019 School Council met last week for the first meeting of the school council year. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we have a few new members on this year's school council as well as returning members. Elections were conducted for roles of responsibility on School Council and it is with great pleasure that I announce the following- President: Jacqui Salter, Vice President: Mick Findlay, Treasurer: Chantel Waterson, Secretary: Lesley O'Hanlon, School Council Members: Rikki Burgess, Sarah Race, Kane Eagles, Amanda Henderson, Braillen Jennings, Mechelle Cheers, Lauren Eagles, Sandi Emile and Leanne Bainbridge.

As well as school council meetings, councillors will also be attending sub-committee meetings prior to each monthly council meeting. Our sub-committee meetings are in the following categories- Education, Grounds and Facilities, Finance, and Fundraising. The Fundraising sub-committee will connect with our 2019 Parents Club, which are already planning events such as the Easter Raffle, Mother's Day Raffle and Mother's Day Stall. Members of our school community are welcome to attend sub-committee meetings and we are always looking for new members of the Parent Club to assist with events.

I would like to acknowledge and thank outgoing School Council President Mick Findlay for his time, effort and expertise shared in the position. Mick has been the President for 2017 and 2018 and will fill the role of Vice-President this year. Thank you also to Kane Eagles for having the responsibility of Treasurer in 2017 and 2018, this role is a very important part of school council and Kane has done a great job. Elise Pentland was a member of School Council in 2018 who will not be continuing in 2019, Elise was a key member that assisted in delivering our first Spring Gala event and we hope she can be a part of the 2019 Gala too!

I hope that everyone has received their raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle. Please do your best to sell as many tickets as you can and return them to school along with the money by the due date. To assist with generating prizes for the raffle we will be having an out of school uniform day for students. Please make sure your child is still dressed appropriately for school as outlined in the note: no exposed shoulders, sensible shoes etc. Raffles like this one generate always needed funds for our school, please support us!

It has been fantastic to see so many smiling faces throughout the school last week. The Harmony Day assembly showcased some of the exceptional talent and diversity we have here at Rye and celebrated our differences. The grade 3/4s finished the week with an incursion focused on their sustainability unit, the Grade 1/2s had their excursion to the Briars today, and the Grade 5/6s have been practicing for the Summer Lightning Premiership to be held on Wednesday this week. Finally, our Preps have been celebrating the rhyming words by investigating the wild and wacky Dr Seuss! Look out for some Dr Seuss characters around Rye PS on the final Thursday of Term!

Have a great week,

Lachie Featherston

I See, I Care 2019



Hello from the I see, I care ambassadors Mackenzie, Elly, Madi & Milla. On Monday, 18/3/19, we went to the Moonraker at 12:00pm at the Sorrento pier. All of us got our gear and got on board. We were quite nervous at first since we didn't know what to expect. However, we felt better after about 5 minutes, once the boat started going. Some instructions were delivered to the passengers just in case there was an emergency, luckily there wasn't one. Within about 10 minutes, we saw heaps of dolphins! First stop was the shipping channel, where we were split into three groups. In our group, all of us saw heaps of dolphins swimming around us. Some of us even saw a baby! Next stop, Chinaman's Hat. It is called that because from a distance it looks like a traditional hat from China. Instead of groups, we all got in and swam away from the boat. The Chinaman's Hat had tons of Australian fur seals at it as this cool structure was made for them. They had the cutest eyes! It wasn't deep at all, in fact it was about 2.5 meters. There were also manta rays that were bigger than all of us! The dolphins were pretty loud, but the seals were even louder. They were honking, barking and they sounded like they were laughing. The seals were also fighting and shoving each other off the shelter. Once we hopped back on the boat, delicious hot chocolate and assorted muffins were prepared for us. We sped off to the shore near the Portsea pub and this was our last stop of the day. We could barely see the leafy sea dragons amongst the seaweed on the ocean floor. The pressure at the bottom of the water was very strong and made our ears hurt. However, it was such an awesome experience and we learnt so much. We definitely recommend everyone to go on the Moonraker. It was priceless seeing all these cool animals. It just shows we should save our planet. Every minute a full garbage truck goes into our oceans. We hope to tell you more of our fun experiences in the future.



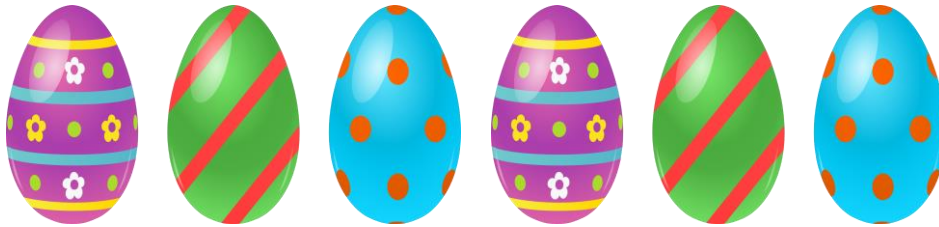
RYE PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 29TH MARCH 2019

As part of the Easter Raffle, Rye PS will be having an
'OUT OF UNIFORM DAY'!

Students are asked to donate an Easter Egg for the Raffle Prizes or a
Gold Coin to be able to wear appropriate out of uniform clothing
for the day.



RYE PRIMARY SCHOOL

AFTER SCHOOL BORROW A BOOK

Every Thursday 3.00pm - 3.30pm.

Leaf through a good book this autumn.

**Come to our library and choose your
adventure to take home.**





RYE P.S. BOOK FAIR

Book Fairs



SCHOLASTIC

Our Book Fair will be held in the School Office from Monday 25/3 – Friday 29/3, at the following times:

Monday	CLOSED	3:00-3:30pm
Tuesday	CLOSED	3:00-3:30pm
Wednesday	8:30-8:50am	3:00-3:30pm
Thursday	8:30-8:50am	3:00-3:30pm
Friday	8:30-8:50am	CLOSED

Noah King Attends State Track & Field

Year 5 student, Noah King recently attended the Victorian State Track & Field competition.

Noah competed in U11's Javelin and placed 6th in the State. He also competed in U11's Discus where he placed 11th. Noah ran the 200m in the U11's and received a place in the top 24 in the State.

Congratulations Noah – we are very proud of your achievements at this level of competition.



MPRGKIDS



SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

Skateboard workshop with Decks for Change

Saturday 13 April, 10am-12pm, ages 9-17

Cost \$35 (take home your own deck) **Venue** MPRG

Work with renowned skate artists and use paints and paint-markers to decorate a refurbished skateboard deck with your own artwork. Enjoy a healthy snack, guidance from experts and all the materials needed to make a skateboard masterpiece.

Decks for Change is a not-for-profit organisation that uses skateboarding as a tool to empower and connect. All proceeds from the workshop go towards skateboarding initiatives in developing countries.

Exhibition entry: adults \$4 concession \$2 children under 5 free
Civic Reserve, Dunns Rd, Mornington ph 5950 1580 mprg.mornpen.vic.gov.au

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"KICKSTART YOUR CAREER" Information Session

Are you:
Looking for your first job?
Looking for a change of occupation?
Looking to return to work/study after a break?
Wanting to improve your skills and confidence?
We can help!

Come along to our information session to find out how.

Meet with staff from Advance College to find out more about our upcoming approved and facilitated "Kickstart Your Career" program, running for five weeks in term two at Seawinds Community Hub, Capel Sound. This upcoming program aims to assist parents to explore their own employment and educational opportunities, and is open to ALL local parents.

We encourage all parents who are considering returning to employment or education to attend our valuable information session and find out how we can support you in your return to work or study.

DATE: Wednesday 3rd April 2019

TIME: 2.00pm - 3.00pm

WHERE: Eastbourne Primary School
Conference Room
Allambi Avenue
Capel Sound

For bookings & enquiries please contact either:
Naomi (Tues-Thurs) on 0438 280 375 or email
naomi.law@anglicarevic.org.au

Annette (Mon-Thurs) on 0499 027 753 or email
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TOMORROWS



Junior Ranger Program Autumn 2019

Southern Peninsula national parks and reserves are offering **FREE** ranger hosted activities these holidays. Get active, get curious and get outdoors in our parks with Junior Ranger fun for kids aged between 6 to 12 years old.

- * Learn about coastal critters on rockpool rambles
- * Super sleuth on a park or beach treasure hunt
- * Uncover the secret to identifying plant and animal species
- * Tread lightly and learn about the plight of the plover
- * Discover colours, textures and patterns hidden in our parks of a family treasure hunt or bush walk
- * Unlock the military history of Point Nepean
- * Learn about the nocturnal life of a bandicoot

All activities are free. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Bookings essential.

www.juniorrangers.com.au



The Very Big Bushwalk

Explore your local park with a Parks Victoria Ranger

Ever wanted to try a family bushwalk but don't know where to start? Keen to meet new people so you can explore your local parks and have fun together?

Why not join a Parks Victoria Ranger for an easy grade, short (<3km) bushwalk suitable for the whole family?

To celebrate Premiers Active April, Nature Play Week, and Parks Victoria's Junior Ranger program, Parks Victoria will host the Very Big Bushwalk - a selection of short bushwalks held simultaneously at numerous locations around the State.

When: Thursday April 18th, 10:00am - 11:00am

Where: A selection of parks including Mornington Peninsula National Park, Cape Schanck and Coolart Wetlands and Homestead, Somers

Who: Suitable for families with primary and/or preschool aged children. Some walk locations will be all abilities accessible and pram friendly.

Bookings: Bookings are essential and can be made via the Parks Victoria Junior Ranger website, <http://www.juniorrangers.com.au/whats-on/>

More Information
Ph: 13 1963



Quarantine Station Heritage Tours

Australian Heritage Festival 18 April - 19 May 2019



Connecting People, Place and Past - Join a Ranger on a guided tour revealing the complex and intriguing history of the Quarantine Station in Portsea. This informative tour will explain the many uses of the site since opening in 1852, including the quarantine process. Following the tour, come and try heritage games on the Parade Ground.

Dates: April - Tue 23, Sun 28, Tue 30

May - Sun 5, Sun 12, Tue 14, Sun 19

Where: Point Nepean National Park, Portsea. (Meet at Information Centre in Quarantine Station)

Times: Two sessions per day
10:30am - 12:00pm OR 1:30pm - 3:00pm

This guided walking tour will cover 3km on relatively flat land - hard surfaces, grassed areas and inside buildings - over approximately 1.5 hours. Suitable for those in wheelchairs and with prams - some assistance may be required at hilly locations. The closest visitor parking is available at the Quarantine Station Car Park. Tours are free, however, places are limited to 30 people per group and online bookings are essential.

Bookings
<https://nepeanquarantine.eventbrite.com.au>

More Information
Point Nepean Information Centre (03) 8427 2299



Coolart Wetlands & Homestead Heritage Tours

Australian Heritage Festival 18 April - 19 May 2019



Connecting People, Place and Past - Join our experienced volunteer guides who will share stories about early European settlement on the Mornington Peninsula as you visit the stables, shearing shed, old machinery shed and stroll around the charming garden of the historic Coolart Homestead precinct. Due to restoration works, the homestead building will not be accessible, however, visitors can still enjoy hearing about its rich history and viewing this grand residence from the outside.

Dates: April - Tue 23, Wed 24, Tue 30

May - Wed 1, Tue 7, Wed 8, Tue 14, Wed 15

Where: Coolart Wetlands and Homestead, Somers. (Meet at Visitor Centre)

Times: Two sessions per day
10:30am - 11:30am OR 2:00pm - 3:00pm

This guided walking tour will cover 2km on relatively flat land - hard surfaces, grassed areas - over approximately 1 hour. Suitable for those in wheelchairs and with prams - some assistance may be required at hilly locations. Make a day of it and pack your own picnic lunch to enjoy in this picturesque location. Please wear suitable walking clothing and footwear, and ensure you are protected from the sun. The closest visitor parking is available adjacent to the Visitor Centre. Tours are free, no bookings required.

More Information
www.nationaltrust.org.au
Parks Victoria 13 1963



JUNIOR RANGERS



Southern Peninsula Autumn School Holiday Program 2019

DATE	TIME	DETAILS
Mon 8 Apr	9:30am – 10:30am	Tread Lightly...Hoodies Nesting
	11:00am – 12:00pm	Join a Ranger on a guided walk through Hooded Plover territory. These endangered shorebirds live and breed on our ocean beaches throughout Southern Australia. Learn the plight of the plover, including its habitat, breeding cycle, threats, population monitoring and why they need our protection. With less than 600 Hooded Plovers left in all of Victoria...let's tread carefully. <i>Mornington Peninsula National Park, Rye Ocean Beach</i>
Tue 9 Apr	10:30am – 11:30am	Bouncing Bandicoots
	1:30pm – 2:30pm	Bandicoots are nocturnal, solitary marsupial mammals that bounce around the bush but are often hard to find. With the help of Ranger and fun games, learn about the life of a Bandicoot, including its habitat, predators, diet, what they look like and why they are protected. <i>Quarantine Station, Point Nepean National Park, Portsea</i>
Wed 10 Apr	9:30am – 10:30am	Wildlife Detectives
	11:00am – 12:00pm	Be a watchful traveller by learning about tracks and scats (footprints and poo!), burrows and other marks left by animals. Try some birdwatching and bird ID. Bring binoculars along if you have them!
Wed 17 Apr	9:30am – 10:30am 11:00am – 12:00pm	<i>Coolart Wetlands and Homestead, Somers</i>
Wed 10 Apr	1:00pm – 2:00pm 2:30pm – 3:30pm	Flora Explorers
		Australia has some amazing native plants. Learn how to identify common native plants and discover some of the 200 species found at Coolart. <i>Coolart Wetlands and Homestead, Somers</i>
Wed 17 Apr	1:00pm – 2:00pm 2:30pm – 3:30pm	
Thu 11 Apr	9:00am – 10:00am	Rockpool Ramble - Portsea
		Find out who and what lives on our rocky shores. With the help of a Ranger, you will get up close and personal to discover the colourful and strange creatures that lurk in the rock pools of coastal Victoria. Sturdy shoes required that might get wet (no thongs). <i>Mornington Peninsula National Park London Bridge, Portsea</i>
Thu 11 Apr	10:30am – 11:30am	Beach Treasure Hunt - Portsea
		Exploring outdoors is good fun, good for our health and easy to do. Join Parks Victoria for a beach nature treasure hunt and discover colours, patterns and textures of Portsea Beach. <i>London Bridge, Mornington Peninsula National Park, Portsea</i>
Thu 11 Apr	10:30am – 12:00pm	Walk Talk & War
		This Ranger led 3km walking tour between Gunners Cottage and Cheviot Hill looks at the significant Indigenous and introduced flora of this coastal area. Learn about the WWII Cheviot Hill gun emplacement and observation post that was named after a shipwreck, and hear the stories of where Prime Minister Harold Holt went missing while swimming nearby 50 years ago. <i>Gunners Cottage, Point Nepean National Park, Portsea</i>
Thu 11 Apr	1:30pm – 3:00pm	Inside Outside eeeewww!
		Super sleuth with a Ranger as we identify the bones, fur and even poo – eeeewww!!! - of animals in the wild! <i>Quarantine Station, Point Nepean National Park, Portsea</i>
Fri 12 Apr	9:00am – 10:00am	Rockpool Ramble – Flinders
		Find out who and what lives on our rocky shores. With the help of a Ranger, you will get up close and personal to discover the colourful and strange creatures that lurk in the rock pools of coastal Victoria. Sturdy shoes required that might get wet (no thongs). Meet at viewing platform at the middle car park. <i>Mushroom Reef Marine Sanctuary, Flinders</i>
Fri 12 Apr	10:30am – 11:30am	Beach Treasure Hunt – Flinders
		Exploring the outdoors is good fun, good for our health and fun to do. This activity is ideal for family and friends to work together as a team and discover colours, textures, and patterns found along the ocean beach coastline at Mornington Peninsula National Park. <i>Mushroom Reef Marine Sanctuary, Flinders</i>
Wed 17 Apr	10:30am – 12:00pm	Family Treasure Hunt
		Be part of Nature Play Week . Exploring the outdoors is good fun, good for our health and easy to do. Bring along your friends and family and get active on a nature and history based treasure hunt in the Quarantine Station - discover colours, patterns, textures and historical artefacts in your local environment. A Ranger will be on hand to help you find the treasures using an activity worksheet. <i>Quarantine Station, Point Nepean National Park, Portsea</i>
Thu 18 Apr	10:00am – 11:30am 2:00pm – 3:30pm	The Very Big Bushwalk
		To celebrate Premier's Active April and Nature Play Week , Parks Victoria is hosting the Very Big Bushwalk - a range of short bushwalks to be held simultaneously at numerous locations right around the State! Join a Parks Victoria Ranger for a family friendly 3km guided walk along the Cape Schanck loop track and then through the Lighthouse Precinct and Museum (no access inside the lighthouse) learning about the history and natural features of this park. <i>Mornington Peninsula National Park - Cape Schanck</i>
	10:00am – 11:00am	Join a Parks Victoria Ranger for a family friendly 3km guided walk through the wetlands and homestead. <i>Coolart Wetlands and Homestead, Somers</i>

All Junior Ranger activities are free, and are suitable for children aged 6-12 years. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. Bookings are essential. Visit www.juniorrangers.com.au