

School Newsletter

Important Dates

Thursday 28/11

Swim Squad 7:45am – 8:15am

Friday 29/11

YR5/6 Golf – selected students

Friday 29/11

Middle School Choir – Rye Sands visit 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Thursday 5/12

Swim Squad 7:45am – 8:15am

Friday 6/12

YR5/6 Golf – selected students

Monday 9/12

YR6 Sailing Day

Monday 9/12

Whole School Assembly – 2:30pm

Monday 9/12

Christmas Carols & Picnic – 5pm-7pm

Tuesday 10/12

YR6 Orientation Day – Secondary Schools

Wednesday 11/12-Friday 13/12

YR6 Waratah Bay Camp

Thursday 12/12

Swim Squad 7:45am – 8:15am

Friday 13/12

Prep Big Goose Excursion

Tuesday 17/12

YR6 Graduation Ceremony

Thursday 19/12

YR5/6 Rye Day

Friday 20/12

YR6 Farewell Assembly – 1:00pm

Last day of Term 4 2019 – 1:30pm Finish

From the Principal's Desk *Lachie Featherston*

We will be releasing our new mobile phone policy in the coming weeks following the reforms put in place by the Minister of Education, James Merlino.

The purpose of the mobile phone policy is to help reduce distraction, tackle cyber bullying and improve learning outcomes for students. Our previous mobile phone policy was already quite comprehensive and information has been updated to reflect specific state guidelines.

Currently, if students bring a mobile phone to school, it must be brought immediately to the administration office where it will be switched off and placed in secure storage. This process remains the same.

New additions to the policy will include more clarity around mobile phone devices such as smart watches and tablet computers.

As technology develops, items such as watches and tablet computers are gaining the same functionality as mobile phones. Whilst smart watches such as Apple watches, Space watches and Fitbits can be useful for monitoring or communicating with your child, they can also be a very big distraction to learning.

Our policy highlights smart watches and the expectation that they should be in 'school mode', hibernation or switched off when at school and not used to communicate. If you ever need a message delivered to your child please contact our office and they will ensure the message is given to the student. We will be monitoring to assess if these devices are a distraction in the classroom. If so we will communicate with parents and adjust our practices and policy accordingly.

Save the date! Our Christmas Carol event will be held on Monday 9th December 4.30pm-6.30pm. This is always a wonderful evening and a great opportunity to connect with our awesome school community. The event will be held on our school oval, weather permitting. We look forward to seeing you there!

As you will be aware, our spring gala was held earlier this term. It is with excitement that we announce the final tally raised through fundraising:

\$6,200!

This is a great achievement and will be put to good use re-developing the fence at the front corner of the school. Again, thank you to everyone who participated in the event and supported our wonderful school.

Have a great week,

Lachie Featherston

RYE PRIMARY SCHOOLS RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS

This week our random act of kindness is about a wonderful Year 1 student, Havanna Vella-Boyle from Ange Johnston's grade. One of the students in their grade was a little upset last week and Havanna made sure that she was all right. She held her hand throughout assembly and supported her. Thank you Havanna for this wonderful random act of kindness.

Have a great week!

Lauren Eagles

Acting Assistant Principal

RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS 2019 WALL OF FAME

Term 3 Week 2: Zesos

Term 3 Week 3: Karinda

Term 3 Week 4: Thato

Term 3 Week 5: Brooklyn

Term 3 Week 6: Bedford

Term 3 Week 7: Tom

Term 3 Week 9: Cat

Term 3 Week 10: Sonny

Term 4 Week 3: Rafael

Term 4 Week 7: Ruby

Term 4 Week 8: Havanna

Please note that the Canteen will be CLOSED on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th November.

Snacks/Lunch orders will not be available.

The Canteen will re-open on Thursday 5th December for business as usual. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Thank you

Grade 3/4 Choir will have an excursion to Japara this Friday 29th November. We will walk to Japara @ Rye Sands Aged Care Facility at around 2.10PM. Parents are welcome to attend (must have current working with children check).

Performing Arts News

What a busy year it has been in the Music Room! Earlier in the year, I told the students that my goal this year was to use **feedback** more effectively. When I give feedback to the students, I aim for it to be meaningful, timely and specific. Most often, this is oral feedback during class but we also have reports coming out soon which highlight some of the topics we have covered in Music this semester. Feedback is something that helps all of us on our learning journey. I have just completed a course this year with the leadership branch of the Department of Education called Bastow. I learnt a lot about developing myself and others as a leader. I hope to continue to improve my practice as an educator and put many new ideas into the Performing Arts Program at Rye Primary School in the coming years.

I encourage everyone to take as many opportunities that you can in supporting and participating in the Arts. There are some amazing musicians and artists, performances and concerts happening in our community over the Summer months, many of which are free. Please 'like' the **Mornington Peninsula Shire Council's Arts and Culture Page** on Facebook to be informed of Arts events on the Peninsula.

Peninsula Youth Music School – stay tuned for information to come on this annual music camp based in Frankston.

YouTube clip <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nxpRHDsTOI4> I'm loving **Visual Musical Minds** for interactive learning and playing graphic scores this year. This clip takes the famous folk song in Spanish, *La Bamba* and shows guitar chords, recorder as well as some tuned percussion/piano.

Gift Ideas: Ukuleles are a fantastic present for kids this Christmas (they're not too loud) and ukes are taught in Music classes from Grades 3-6. Don't forget the music store when you're thinking of gifts this year! Just a reminder that I am happy to tune guitars and ukuleles every recess in the Music Room for the students. **The Music Room is 'open' Monday – Thursday for the first half of recess.**

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Family Christmas Carols & Picnic

Monday 9th December will be our wonderful family event for Christmas! Students will be performing a song or two each!

Thanks Everyone,

Nat Parker

Performing Arts Teacher

Reading Makes Your Mind Blossom



After school library borrowing

Every Thursday

3.15 – 3.45



Foundation The pots have been fired! The Preps are very excited to paint their pinch pots and wrap them up as a Christmas present for someone very special.

Grade 1/2 Frida Kahlo inspired faces are coming along. The students will be designing and decorating Mexican folk art picture frames to present them in.

Grade 3/4 I hope many of you were presented with a beautiful felt flower last week. I particularly loved teaching and learning this process along with the students and was so happy and impressed by how they turned out.



Grade 5/6 We have moved on to learning about Picasso and preparing the backgrounds for

abstract faces. The balsa wood eyes they have made will form part of these creations. I'm looking forward to seeing what the children produce. They are welcome to find or

make something at home for this project. If anyone has any spare nails, screws, nuts, bolts, etc. please feel free to send them in with your child for them to use for this project.

Lastly, I am so excited to see the botanical clay tiles installed in the Peace Garden. The clay mask project will be started this week and the mural will be installed very soon. Watch this space!



Katie Wettenhall



JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
MERRIMENT AT



RYE PRIMARY'S CHRISTMAS CAROLS & CELEBRATION

Monday December 9th

4.30 - 6.30pm

Rye Primary School

Santa

Lions BBQ

Face Painting

Uniform Swap

Raffle

& Carols of course!



FREE netball clinic



**The Rye Netball Club is running a free
netball try out on**

Wed 27th Nov 3:30-4pm

Any primary school children welcome

Boys and Girls

Come and give netball a try!

**Please arrive at the Rye Primary School
courts at 3:30pm**

**For more information please email
[ryenetballclub@gmail](mailto:ryenetballclub@gmail.com)**

SPOTLIGHT

Book Club
ISSUE 8 2019

GET TO KNOW GRAPHIC NOVELS!

FUN FACT

Humans have been telling stories through pictures for thousands of years, like the hieroglyphics of the Ancient Egyptians and the cave paintings from the Ice Age!



Images from
Wings of Fire.

- Did you know that graphic novels are similar to comic books, but graphic novels are longer and can be more complex and the story, like a novel, has a middle, beginning and an end?
- Graphic novels are made up of words, pictures, panels, speech and thought balloons, and sound effects like STOMP!
- Graphic novels are for all reading abilities. They are especially great if you find large blocks of words on a page a bit daunting.
- How do you read a graphic novel? It might seem like a funny skill at first, but it is important to read the words and look at the pictures together.
- Working out what the picture is trying to tell you and then joining that with the words, helps you to understand the story.

AGES 3+

Super Bear to the rescue!

Can The Very Super Bear and his sidekick, Bruce the Goose, save the jungle from the cranky, yellow monster?

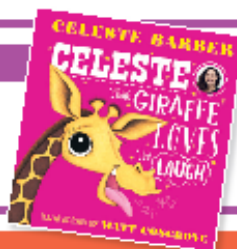
The Very Super Bear
Nick Bland
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AGES 4+

Celeste Loves to Laugh

Join Celeste the Giraffe on her hilarious journey as she finds out what it is that makes her unique.



Celeste the Giraffe Loves to Laugh
Celeste Barber
Item 004—Page 1

AGES 10+

The Hidden Kingdom

Glory and the dragonets are determined to find the missing dragons, even if it drags the peaceful RainWing kingdom where they never wanted to be - into the middle of the war.

Wings of Fire: The Hidden Kingdom
Tui T. Sutherland
Item 025—Page 3



AGES 10+

It's Renovation Madness!

An unexpected inheritance gives the Heffley family a chance to renovate their home. But they soon find that construction isn't all it's cracked up to be.



Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Wrecking Ball
Jeff Kinney
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SCHOLASTIC

MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR
ORDERS BACK TO SCHOOL BY:

Please place your Book Club Orders by 4/12/19.

SEASIDE SCAVENGE

TRASH | TUNES | TREASURE | BEACH CLEANUP

RYE 2020
FORESHORE
10AM - 2PM

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY



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JANUARY 12TH

WATCH SAND SCULPTING OF SMOOTH RAY



FOR THE FULL PROGRAM AND FESTIVAL INFORMATION GO TO

WWW.SEASIDESCAVENGE.ORG/UPCOMING-SCAVENGES

Come clean the beach and trade the trash you collect for pre-loved clothes, food, drinks and more.

Soak up the sweet sounds of Matt Katsis, watch a Smooth Ray carved from sand or try making a smoothie on a bike. Come meet Captain Trash, join a workshop, enter the Sculpture and Arts competition with some rad prizes from local businesses there's face painting too! Let's spread the reuse love and learn about a #Zerowaste lifestyle



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