PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Here we are in Week 6 already, hard to believe. Last week we had visit from the auditor as well as Phil Jones who was conducting my Principal’s Appraisal Review. Phil spoke highly of the school and commended the students on their manners and friendly welcome.

The visit from the Environmentors was excellent with the students interacting with the program with enthusiasm.

This Friday Sophie Byers, Katahna Griffiths and Rose Burke will accompany me to the International Women’s Day luncheon at the Golf Club to hear the guest speaker Emily Hull speak about her visit to Stockholm last year. The International Women’s Day is global celebration of political, economic and social achievements of women past and present.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

♦ 25th February Hip Hop dance program begins @ school.
♦ 6th March P&C Meeting @ 3.30pm
♦ 8th March Soccer Trials in Armidale. International Womens Day Luncheon @ Uralla Golf Club.
♦ 14th March Crazy Hair Day

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th March at 3.30pm.
All welcome

Canteen

Our students are enjoying our new canteen menu and we will continue to add to it in the coming weeks.

Parents / Caregivers Please Note:

School Jacket orders must be in by this Friday 8th March. Payment can be made on delivery but the P&C will only be placing one order so if your late you will miss out.
Students in Lower Division have been learning about the Water Cycle with Mr Sanders.

Rowena drew this picture after reading the book: The Grasshopper and the Flea, this is a story about a flea jumping all over the place.

Reading with your child at home
When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.


Rowena Willis
Look what's happening in Upper Division

The EnviroMentors Workshops

Students were able to participate in many activities Jackie had for them to do and really enjoyed the experience.

What a great way to learn about looking after our environment.

Emma and Tara’s group were asked to sort out which items on the poster were recyclable and which ones weren’t.

On Thursday 14th March we will be having our Crazy Hair Day

students are encouraged to take part in this very crazy but important fund raising event.

Let’s make a difference.

Please see permission note attached to this newsletter.

IT’S FOR A GOOD CAUSE

The money raised will help the Leukaemia Foundation to look after people with blood cancers. (These are diseases like leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma).

For example, we give families somewhere to live if they have to move house to be nearer to hospital, and we drive them to and from their hospital visits because they aren’t well enough to drive or catch a bus.

We also use some of the money to pay for research so that Australia’s top scientists can try to find better treatments for blood cancer.

This year, over 11,500 Australians will be given the news they have blood cancer. Please help us to care for them and try to find a cure.
Please remember to sign in the attendance record book if you are bringing students in late or collecting them early from school this is a DEC requirement.

We will be once again running the Scholastic Book Club at our school this year. It has proven to be very successful in the past and we have been able to acquire many wonderful new resources for our library through your support. You would have received the first issue for this year last week but for those who have lost them or would like to pass some on to friends/family we do have some spares at the school. These are kept in the front foyer area in the display rack. The orders and payment for the first issue will be due back at the school by 18th February.

GUESS WHAT?!?!... We will be running a Scholastic Book Fair commencing on Monday 25th March and finishing on 28th March so keep these dates in your diary because we will have lots of AMAZING things on offer. Friends and family will be welcome to come along too!

AUTUMN SOCCER DEVELOPMENT SERIES
WHEN:- Five consecutive Tuesdays starting 12th March.
Sessions will run from 5.30pm to 7.00pm, weather permitting.
If one session is washed out we plan to add another session.
The first two sessions will have a registration period from 5.00pm to 5.30pm.
WHERE:- Rologas fields
WHO: - Girls & boys aged 8 to 15
BRING:- Shin Pads, boots, water bottle, hat/sun screen.
COST-$15--
PHONE CONTACT: - 6772-7100

"To measure the man, measure his heart."
Malcolm Stevenson Forbes

Research proves that singing, listening and playing music enhances the development of a child’s confidence, social skills and academic achievement across all areas of learning. Grab a head start this year by joining one of NECOM’s exciting and fun-filled programs –

- Music Foundation Program
  Music skills for K-Yr 2

- Choral Program
  Minisingers (K-Yr 2)
  Cantillena (Yr 3-6)
  New England Singers (Yr 7-12)

- Instrumental & Ensemble Program
  String, Woodwind & Brass lessons
  Junior String and Wind Ensembles
  Armidale String, Wind & Youth Orchestras

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Warx regards Rocky River Students & Staff