IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday 26th August - Teddy Bear Hospital visit.
- 4th September - School Photos
- 5th September - Rugby Day at Uralla Sporting Complex.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

I have had a visit from Richard Smith who is a piano teacher from Armidale. He is offering to teach students the piano at school during school time. He will take students from K-6 for a half hour lesson once a week at the cost of $25. If you are interested in your child learning the piano please contact the school on 67784122.

We now have sufficient numbers to run the excursion to Green Valley Farm. You are able to make payments over the term with full payment due on or before the last day of term 3, Friday 19th September.

We will be having a visit from the Teddy Hospital on Tuesday 26th August. The classroom will be set up as a set of consultation rooms where the students can bring in their injured teddy or similar animal to be treated by the doctors and nurses. The aim of the program is to allay students’ fears when visiting the doctor or hospital. All students from K-6 can participate if they would like.

CANTEEN

Price List:
- Pizza Singles............ $3
- Chicken Nuggets (4).... $2
- Hot Dog. ............... $2.50
- Beef Lasagne .......... $3
- Spaghetti Bolognaise... $3
- Sausage Roll .......... $2.50
- Pie ..................... $2.50
- Banana Bread .......... $1
- Ice Cream ............. $1.50
- Popper ................. $1.50
- Devondale Smoothie... $1.50
- Devondale Plain Milk.. $1

Canteen Volunteer Roster
- *27th August - Meagan Page
- * 3rd September - Jaz Taylor

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd September at 5.30 ALL WELCOME

RSPCA

Cup Cake Day
will be held on Tuesday 9th September. The cakes will be $2 each and all money raised will go to the RSPCA.

Our 2015 KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM will be held on 13th, 20th & 27th October from 9am-1pm and the final day will be on 3rd November and will run for a full day from 9am – 3pm. Please contact Jo Thornton at the school for further information. 6778 4122 or rockyriver-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Look what’s been happening in Lower Division

We are looking forward to SPRING and all the wonderful things that happen during this season and so we made these endearing artworks to remind us that it is not too far away.

In Lower Division the students have been thinking about and discussing which animals make good pets. They chose to write about cats. These examples are from year 2 and kindergarten students.

Rowena

Tori-Lee

Sarah

Bella

Cats are good pets because they have paws so they can climb places and they are very playful. Cats are good pets because they like to stay at home in the cold. Cats are good pets because they are very playful and they can be fed on any type of timetable. I like cats because they are very friendly. Well done, Rowena.

Cats are good pets and see me warm.

Cats are good pets because they keep you company.

Cats are good pets because they are friendly. They help you. They like to play with you.

I don’t have a cat but I like playing with Anthony’s cat, Doris.
We have some special students that will be participating in the North West Athletics Carnival in Tamworth on Friday 29th August. The students representing our school are Chris Rassatti, Nick Page, Dean Vickery, Tara Vickery and Louisa Rassatti. We wish them luck.

The Upper Division students have been doing some artworks on different shapes and patterns and some of these artworks are on display at school and there are some below on this page.

Upper division have spent time discussing the importance of anti-bullying. We have learnt that bullying comes in a variety of forms and we are all aware of the need to prevent bullying.

By Chris Rassatti, Nick Page and Sophie Byers.
FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Warm regards Rocky River Students & Staff.

FOR SALE
We currently have six laptop bags for sale for $15 each. They have multiple pockets and are in as new condition. Please enquire at the school office if you would like to purchase one.

RELAY FOR LIFE
Trivia Night
- Uralla Bowling Club
- Saturday 30th August
- 6.30 for 7pm Start
- $10 per head / 8 per table
- Quiz Master - Ken MacDonald
- Contact Theo Groen for Bookings on 0403 683 314

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LIBRARY DAY
Please remember that Wednesday is Library Day for Lower Division students. Unfortunately if they don't remember to return books or bring a library bag they won't be able to borrow.

The Teddy Bear Hospital will be visiting Rocky River Public School on Tuesday 26th August.

What is a Teddy Bear Hospital?
The University of Newcastle - Department of Rural Health (UoNDRH) and its medical students conduct Teddy Hospitals in rural communities. The Teddy Hospitals are considered to be a fun initiative helping to reduce the uncertainty and fear that a child may associate with a visit to the doctor.

The children will be provided with a free teddy bear and are then invited to present their 'Sick Teddy' to the Teddy Bear Hospital where they will relate their problem to a teddy doctor (medical student). The Teddy Doctors examine the "sick teddies" and perform diagnostic tests, then delivers appropriate medical treatment such as bandaging etc. with a recommendation for the child to administer lots of cuddles, tickles, to drink lots of water and eat more fruit and vegies.

The project aims to encourage a positive relationship between children and healthcare providers and remove the fears that children face when visiting the doctor or hospital. The children become the carers, and the bears the patients. There is generally lots of excitement as their bears are x-rayed by a radiographer in the special 'x ray' machine and treated with band aids and bandages where necessary. The children are encouraged to comfort their teddies with cuddles as needed.

At the end of the consultation the children, as carers, are issued with a medical certificate with a treatment plan as well as a teddy bear patient wrist band, similar to that given to a hospital patient.
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### Walk for Life
**Saturday 23rd August**
- **Uralla Landfill and Recycling, Tip Rd**
- **Start 7am**

### Tenterfield 
**Wednesday 13 August**
- Tenterfield Waste Transfer Station, Sunnyvale Loop Rd

### Glen Innes
**Thursday 14 August**
- Glen Innes Works Depot, 103 Lang St

### Inverell
**Friday 15 August**
- Inverell Waste Depot, Burtons Head Rd

### Armidale
**Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 August**
- Armidale Council Waste Transfer Station, 108 Long Swamp Rd

### Guyra
**Wednesday 20 August**
- Guyra Shire Works Depot, Byranda St

### Uralla
**Thursday 21 August**
- Uralla Landfill and Recycling, Tip Rd

### Walcha
**Friday 22 August**
- Walcha Council Works Depot, 12/1 North St

### Tamworth
**Saturday 23 August**
- Tamworth Waste Management Facility, Forest Rd