PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

On Monday we had 5 prospective kindergarten students arrive for the transition day. They all settled in very quickly and are looking forward to coming again next week. When asked what they had learnt on their first day, one little boy said, “Nothing.” Sophia Willis said, “I learnt that”.

The applications are now open for anyone wishing to apply for placement in a Selective High School for 2017. Please refer to the information further in this newsletter.

I am presently putting together an application for funding from the Commonwealth government to run a Chaplaincy Program for the school. The aim of the program is to provide extra support for students. The provider of the program is Young Life Australia and they meet the rigorous criteria and minimum qualifications required by the Department of Education.

The program aims to support students through the provision of pastoral care and the promotion of strategies to support emotional well-being of the students and the broader school community. Chaplains are not to impose their views or opinions on students but to provide a listening ear and respect, accept and be sensitive to other people’s views, values and beliefs. Participation in the program is voluntary.

There will be some changes in staff next year with Mrs Beal finally hanging up her chalk sticks. Ms Merryn Macinnis will be taking the Lower Division class. Mrs Temoso, Mrs Castle, Miss Miller and Ms Miller will continue as usual. I will be taking leave for terms 1, 2 and 3 of next year. An expression of interest has been put out for a relieving principal but I have not received any news about who the person will be.

This weekend is the Festival of the Forgotten Animals. Please refer to previous newsletters for information. Next Saturday is the Thunderbolt festival. Please support the P&C with home cooking for the stall and manning of the stall.

Important information: Selective High School Applications

- Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement
- Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between 13 October 2015 and 16 November 2015. Applications will not be accepted after 16 November 2015.
- All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 10 March 2016.
LOOK WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING IN LOWER DIVISION

I had the best weekend ever!
On the weekend I helped mum do some cooking with her new thermix. We made lamingtons, coconut biscuits and vanilla biscuits. It was fantastic!
Sarah G

I had the best weekend of fun ever.
On Saturday I went on a walk with Lucy and Madiee. We had lots of fun.
Sarah G

How to Borrow
First I skip to the library and carry my bag with me. Next I would look at all the books and choose my favourite. Then I would take it to the librarian to get.
Claudia

I can see a big:
I am six.
I am doing things.

Claudia

I had the best weekend ever!
My mum put some eggs in the incubator. We hatched two chickens and one duckling. But the duckling died and it was a black duckling. But we are going to bere bear it with a hook.
Claudia

The chickens are yellow and black.

Claudia
Haiku

Haiku is a type of Japanese poetry writing. It has a pattern of 5 syllables then 7 and it finishes with 5. Haiku is usually based on nature. When have been writing Haiku’s and they are fantastic.

By Emma Page

High School Experience Day

Last week we went to Uralla Central to have our second experience day. It was a chance for us to see how High School works. We had lots of fun and learned lots. We made lots of friends and did heaps of lessons.

We had hamburgers for lunch and cookies for morning tea.

By Louisa, Dean and Jackson

Students have started practising our new school musical in readiness for presentation night at the end of term. Lines are being learnt and the singing is sounding lovely.
URALLA TIGERS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

2015 SUMMER LEAGUE TAG

WHEN: Commences Thursday 29 October 2015 and concludes Thursday 3 December 2015, games from 5pm-6pm

WHERE: Uralla Sporting Complex

COST: $20 per Child, with each child receiving a free football

AGES: Girls and boys aged 6-16 years

REGISTRATION: Thursday 15 October & 22 October 2015 from 3.30pm-4.30pm at Uralla Sporting Complex or online at https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/regform.cgi?aiD=23051&pKey=95f3ec1ff2d5d9f77a38a84b1c23dd96&formID=52710

There is no need to nominate an entire team. Children will be allocated teams dependent on ages and numbers of children registered. A limited canteen will be operating during games times.

For further information, please contact CLARE BAKER on 6778 4107 / 0427 705 058 or email: clarelbaker@bigpond.com
FOR YOUR INFORMATION

An idea for the Thunderbolt Festival Stall!

Caramel Popcorn Choc Tops

Ingredients
1 x 100g pkt natural flavour microwave popcorn
2 x 300g pkts soft caramels (such as Pascall Colombines)
300g butter, chopped
10 bought ice-cream cup cones
200g dark cooking chocolate, coarsely chopped

Method
1. Line a baking tray with non-stick baking paper. Cook the popcorn in the microwave following packet directions. Transfer to a large bowl.
2. Place the caramels and butter in a saucepan over medium-low heat. Cook, stirring, for 5 minutes or until smooth.
3. Pour the caramel mixture over the popcorn and stir to coat.
4. Divide the caramel popcorn among the cones and place on the lined tray. Place in the fridge for 1 hour or until set.
5. Place chocolate in a microwave-safe bowl. Heat in the microwave on Medium/500watts/50%, stirring every 30 seconds with a metal spoon, for 1 minute or until the chocolate melts and is smooth.
6. Drizzle a little chocolate over the top of each cone. Place in the fridge for 10 minutes or until set.

Serve.

Warm regards Rocky River Students & Staff.