IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Education Week 27th–31st July.
- 29th July- Community Musical Evening
- 30th July- Assembly 2pm.
- 5th August-Rugby Day at the Uralla Sporting Complex.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Last Thursday was a fantastic get together with Kentucky, Kingstown and Kellys Plains schools. We had over 100 laughing happy kids playing together and having fun. The weather was kind to us and we were able to complete the ballgames and have the presentation and still have time to eat lunch and play together. A big thank you to Emma Carter, Charmaine and Nick Endacott, Jocelyn Reynolds, Erica Peterson, Todd Cross and Glenn Vickery for their assistance to make the day a success. I would also like to thank all staff who worked together to organise the carnival to its completion. For the results of the carnival you can read the report from our sports captains.

We have been invited to join with Uralla Central School and community groups to participate in a musical evening on Wednesday evening commencing at 5:30 pm at the Uniting Church Hall. Please refer to the note that was sent home on Friday.

This week is Education Week, a time to celebrate Public Education in NSW. We are holding an assembly on Thursday 30th July at 2:00pm. Please wear appropriate footwear to enable you to be involved in the games which will follow the assembly. We will conclude the afternoon with afternoon tea. Everyone is invited to join us in celebrating Public Education.

It is a legal requirement that all absences are explained whether they are full day or partial days. If you drop your child off late or collect them early please sign the book in the front foyer area of the school.
Congratulations to Tilly who competed in the PSSA Gymnastics competition on Monday. She scored an average of 4 out of 5 across all apparatus earning her a silver ribbon.

We extend a huge thank you to Jocelyn and Joshua Reynolds for installing our new seating during the school holidays, the students are loving it.

It looks like we might have some nice artworks coming up in the Lower Division Classroom!
LOOK WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING IN UPPER DIVISION

Best Excursion Ever

Thalgarrah a wonderland of fun and education. Located just outside of Armidale. No more weary long drives. For only 38$ per day you get a mix of games lessons and delicious and nutritious food.

Should we go back? Ask the six dorms, five star eating, friendly staff, beautiful scenery and brilliant education facility. Now the food was excellent, our chef was Maree a wonderous cook. Her crispy chicken will move you to Mexico. Her delicious shepherd’s pie will send you to England and her wraps are beyond compare.

I have been on a lot of excursions and this would have had to have been one of the best. Thalgarrah was brilliant. They taught me so many new things. They taught me water colour techniques, how to use a microscope, how to judge the quality of a river’s water, how to orienteer and how to read a map plus a great deal about the Aboriginal culture. At Thalgarrah I met people and had experiences I won’t forget for the rest of my life.

As well as all the things we learnt we had UNBELIEVABLE FUN! There were games galore. Including tribes and territories, mosquito bites, handball, dragon egg and murderer.

I’ve thought a lot about this report and I’ve known what I was going to say. but if there is one thing I’m not sure of it’s what the best thing was at Thalgarrah. There were so many great people and amazing things, I can’t decide what’s the best which is why I want to go back and why you should go!

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Ball Games

Last Thursday we held the ball games afternoon. We played captain ball, tunnel ball, over & under and pass ball. The other schools that participated were Kentucky, Kelly’s Plains and Kings own. We all had a fabulous time with each other.

From your sports captains, Tara Vickery, Toby Endacott, Emma Page and Jacob Cross

Congratulations to Kentucky Public School who won

A great hand writing sample by Toby Endacott.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Book Week Assembly
2015 Thursday 27th August 9am

Lower Division:
Students in lower division are to choose a book and come to school dressed as a character. Students will have the opportunity to briefly describe their book at the assembly. This is to be organised at home but students may use a library book or a book from home.

Upper Division:
Students in Upper Division will be completing a character study as part of their library lessons. They are to come to school dressed as their character and describe their character at the assembly.

If you have any questions please contact me at school on Wednesdays or Thursdays Ph: 67784122 or via email samantha.pye2@det.nsw.edu.au

Thanks,
Samantha Temoso

Out of the Frame - paintings come alive!

Paintings come alive when 16 works from NERAM’s collections jump out of the frame and onto the stage in a fun-filled performance. This is a great event for adults and children alike and is a one-time chance to find out what's really going on in your favourite paintings!

When: Saturday 8 August
Times: 3pm Matinee - $10pp
7pm Gala Performance - $20 (arrive at 6:30pm for drinks and nibbles)
Where: TAS Hoskins Centre
Bookings Online at:
http://www.trybooking.com/IGHW

5 TIPS FOR SCREEN TIME AT HOME

Are you having trouble getting your child off technology or watching television?

Try some of these ideas to reduce the amount of screen time your child has each day:

- Go screen free for weekdays
- Try technology free Tuesdays
- Try imagination Wednesdays
- Restrict times when your child has access such as “no screen time before dinner”
- Provide seven ½ hour vouchers on a Friday afternoon to last for the week. When your child watches the television or has other screen time e.g. computer, video games etc. they hand a voucher back. This limits the child to 3.5 hours of screen time during the week.

Source: Hunter New England Local Health District

The Far Side®

“Now, in this slide we can see how the cornered cat has seemed to suddenly grow bigger. ... Trickery! Trickery! Trickery!”

Warm regards Rocky River Students &