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★ Newsletter

From the Principal

Dear parents

Welcome back to Rukenvale PS to all our students and families. I hope you all had a relaxing holiday with your children. I would like to warmly welcome the new Kindergarten students to our school community - Ethan, James, Patrick, Shelby, Timmy and Una. We look forward to getting to know their families and continue our long relationship with current families.

The first few days have been extremely hot and we have been lucky to have our lovely air-conditioned classrooms to work in. All the students were excited to see their friends again and share their holiday news. They are all working well and have shown their lovely manners. We have already begun many units of work and the students are slowly getting back into their good work routines. The Kinder students have all settled into school life beautifully and are being supported by their buddies. A special mention to all the "buddies" who have been a wonderful support and help to the Kinder students as they learn all the new things that go with "big" school.

Staff

This year we have Ms Sawford working with us again on Wednesdays and Thursdays. She will be teaching the Primary students, and then will teach Library K-6 on Wednesday and Art in the afternoon. On Thursday she will have some release and teach Science K-6 Thursday afternoon. Ms Bendall joins our staff this year working on Tuesdays with the Primary students until lunch and then will teach History in the afternoon session with the K-6 group. Mr Nolan will return joining our staff for half a day on Fridays, he will teach music to two groups K-2 and 3-6 prior to recess and then senior guitar group after recess. I will teach the whole group on Mondays with Ms Bertier as a School Learning Support Officer assisting. I will also teach the juniors, K-2 Tuesday, Wednesday

and Thursday until lunch. I look forward to working with Ms Sawford, Ms Bendall, Ms Bertier and Mr Nolan this year.

Sport

Sport will be each Friday this term and we will be practising our throwing, catching and striking skills. We will focus on cricket in weeks 2-6, then tennis in weeks 6-11.

Mobile Library

The mobile library returned to Rukenvale last Friday and the Kinder students had a visit into the large truck. Next time the mobile library visits they should be able to borrow as their library forms were given to the mobile library last week. The mobile library will visit odd weeks (Fridays) and the students **do require a library bag** to protect the books from spills in their bag.

Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival will be on Friday, 12th February at the Kyogle pool. As the carnival doesn't begin until 10am and generally ends at 2pm travel will be by private transport. All families are welcome to join us and cheer on our swimmers. There are some activities for the Kindergarten students in the little pool but these normally are completed by 11/11.30am. It is a good opportunity for the kinder students to have an early day and rest. Please speak to me if you have any questions.

P & C

Our next P & C meeting will be on Monday, 15th February at 4pm in the Library. All are welcome and it would be lovely to see some of our new families there.

Kind regards

Kerry Flick



Mem Fox's Ten Read-Aloud Commandments



1. Spend at least ten wildly happy minutes *every single day* reading aloud.
2. Read at least three stories a day: it may be the same story three times. Children need to hear a thousand stories before they can begin to learn to read.
3. Read aloud with animation. Listen to your own voice and don't be dull, or flat, or boring. Hang loose and be loud, have fun and laugh a lot.
4. Read with joy and enjoyment: real enjoyment for yourself and great joy for the listeners.
5. Read the stories that the kids love, over and over and over again, and always read in the same 'tune' for each book: i.e. with the same intonations on each page, each time.
6. Let children hear lots of language by talking to them constantly about the pictures, or anything else connected to the book; or sing any old song that you can remember; or say nursery rhymes in a bouncy way; or be noisy together doing clapping games.
7. Look for rhyme, rhythm or repetition in books for young children, and make sure the books are really short.
8. Play games with the things that you and the child can see on the page, such as letting kids finish rhymes, and finding the letters that start the child's name and yours, remembering that it's never work, it's always a fabulous game.
9. Never ever teach reading, or get tense around books.
10. Read aloud every day because you just love being with your child, not because it's the right thing to do. This is as important for fathers as it is for mothers!

LIBRARY AND ART NEWS

Library in 2016 will be weekly on Wednesdays. Students will have the opportunity to borrow and return books on this day. Please remind your child to bring library books on this day in a library bag. (This can be an enviro bag or material bag) We will be talking in class on ways to care for books at home. Please help your child to do this so that all books can be enjoyed by all students.

Students need to return outstanding books before they can borrow new ones. This is a great opportunity to help your child engage in books.

"There is no substitute for books in the life of a child."

K-6 Art will be held on Wednesday afternoons this year. To prevent "accidents" with uniforms please ensure your child has a paint shirt at school. If any parent would be interested in coming to help on Wednesday afternoon art to assist with equipment and help in the classroom from 2.15-3pm please contact the school.

Many Thanks
Abby Sawford

Term 1 Dates

Friday 12th February -
COLOURSS Swimming Carnival
Monday 15th February - P&C
meeting
Friday 26th February - Tuckshop
Monday 21st March - Harmony
Day
Friday 1st April - Tuckshop

REMINDER

Wednesdays is REST day for Kinders.
Please feel free to keep your child at home
as they can be quite tired by Friday

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Issue 1 Book Club orders will be due back to school by 18th February.
For new families: fill in the order form in the book club brochure and return to school with money. The school will submit the order. Please see Anne in the office for any enquiries.

Community News

KJRL will be holding 2016 season sign on days on Saturday 6th and Saturday 13th of February from 10am - 12pm at the club house. Please remember to bring cash as there are no eftpos facilities available.

Current fees are:

Minis = \$90

Mods = \$110

(All paid members will receive 1 pair of club shorts and 1 pair of club socks. Please retain voucher and present closer to first game to collect these. Apologies, They have not arrived to our club yet)

We ask that all new members bring their birth certificate on sign on as proof of identity. Remember: NO PAY, NO PLAY!!

****FIRST GAME****

The first group 1 game is scheduled for the 2nd of April.

PLEASE NOTE: no official game times or locations have been released as of yet, we will pass this information on once received. This is just a heads up so u are aware when the season will be kicking off.

We look forward to seeing all our past players and would like to welcome any new turkeys to come and join our fabulous club!! Here's to a happy and successful year here at the Turkeys den!

KJRL Committee

Mandy Boocock KJRL Secretary 0422 696 001

Kyogle Soccer - Season 2016

Calling all soccer players young and old, our season is about to start.

Senior training has commenced on Tuesdays and Thursdays 6pm.

Junior training will start on Wednesday 16th March at 4pm for 6s, 8s and both 12s teams.

Our 7s and 10s teams will start training on Thursday 17th March at 4pm.

All training is at High School fields.

Players should register online using the "My Football Club" website.

Any questions can be directed to kyoglefc@ffnc.net.au or to Glenn Rose on 0418 264 968

Our Kinders

