Two Rocks Primary School

An Independent Public School





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Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th March

PP - 6

Further details to follow.

Principal's Pen

We are half way through Term One and everything is running smoothly and according to plan, despite the late start to the school year. The 25th and 26th February were pupil free days and were used by the staff to analyse and discuss the data from the tests that took place in Weeks Two and Three. This enabled us to ensure that all students individual needs are catered for. We also had some extra professional learning in Visible Thinking and Instructional Intelligence.

All of the year levels hosted parent meetings in the Undercover Area so that we could observe social distancing as per the COVID 19 requirements. These meetings were designed to inform parents of the processes and protocols in their children's year level. There was a take home booklet with all the information for those parents who were unable to attend.

School photos which took place in Week Three, went extremely well, a big thank you to Mrs Nolan for organising this event for us. On Entry testing of all of our PP and Year One students is taking place at present. These results are now correlated with the NAPLAN results so that we can monitor all students progress from Year One to Year Six. This testing requires one on one with the students in four different domains. A huge task and a big thank you to the staff who are heavily involved in this individual testing.

Our Transition to Kindergarten program for 2021 commences with Phase 1 on Friday 19th March. The pre-requisite for attendance at these sessions is for parents to attend a pre enrolment information session. The first of these information sessions is this Friday 5th March at 9:00am. This valuable program allows us to give our 2021 Kindergarten students and their families an easy stress free introduction to Two Rocks P.S. This very successful program is run this year by Ms Priddle with assistance from Mrs Nolan and Mrs Hendon.

Our first assembly was held on Wednesday 3rd March, it was hosted by our amazing Year Six students who taught us all about the 16 Habits of the Mind. It was once again live streamed for parents and community members. On Monday 8th March our Year Six students will be running a cake stall at Recess. All students will be able to purchase a cake with proceeds going towards the Year Six camp extra activities. On Friday 19th March we will be honouring and supporting the Blue Day for Asthma. When all students and staff can, with a gold coin donation, come to school wearing a blue top. We have a number of students and staff who are asthma sufferers so we ask everyone to bring in a gold coin donation for this very worthy cause which is being run by our fantastic Year Six students.

Two Rocks Primary School has been appointed as a Mentor School by the Fogarty Foundation. Over the course of the year we will be having staff from other schools visit to watch our excellent teachers in action and to talk to myself and other staff members about the great programs, teaching strategies and the success we are experiencing here at Two Rocks P.S.

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Principal's Pen continued

On the week commencing 29th March the team from SciTech will be here to run robotics workshops for all students from PP-6. These workshops will complement the Digital Technology Curriculum. We are in the process of linking in with the Act Belong Commit Team to help promote positive mental health for our students and staff. Our first activity will be on Thursday 1st April. Mr Schweda has organised an Act Belong Commit sponsored Colour Fun Run for all of our students. The proceeds of which will be going towards the purchase of soccer nets.

The Annual Report has been ratified by the School Board and will be available for downloading on our web site and the Education Departments Schools On Line website. I have recently heard back from Main Roads Department regarding our application for a cross walk attendant for the Sovereign Drive/Lisford Avenue intersection. They have conducted surveys and have forwarded their report to the Children's Crossings and Road Safety Committee for their consideration. Hopefully we will have some positive news in the near future.

In response to the parent's survey last year, which indicated that parents want more information about what is happening in the classrooms, we have purchased the Seesaw App which I believe was explained to parents at the parent meetings. This App enables the teachers and the students to put students work and photos online to share with parents. We are all getting used to it at the moment but I am hopeful that this will provide parents with an insight of what is happening in their child's classroom. As a result of the extensive vandalism that we sustained last year, the school now has the protection of CCTV cameras which have been strategically placed in various locations around the school grounds. Hopefully this in itself will be a deterrent, although at the very least we will be able to immediately identify the culprits.

Exciting things are happening in our Library. As part of the new system that was installed last year there is a Library App that enables our students to access the library from home. We are in the process of providing IDs to all students which will be located in the front of their reading diaries. More information will be sent home in the coming weeks. This is all thanks to the hard work of our wonderful Library Officer, Mrs Walker. Next term we will having online NAPLAN testing for our Year Three and Year Five students. Parent information leaflets will be sent home next week with the relevant students, which will provide all the necessary information.

Regards Elizabeth Wildish

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| 7 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Transition Phase 1 | 20/21 Harmony Day 21/3 |
| 8 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27/28 |
| 9 | 29 | 30 Admin Meeting | 31 Yr 5 Assembly | 1 <mark>WAVE</mark> Fun Run | 2 Good Friday | 3/4 Easter Day 4/4 |
| APR | SCITECH Robotics | | Board Meeting | Last day of Term 1 | | |

Dates for your Diary Term 1, 2021

Year 6 Cake Stall

MONDAY 8 MARCH 2021 - RECESS

Please come along to support our Year Six students raise funds for camp prizes at their upcoming cake stall. Items range from 20c to \$2 and all students from Kindy - Year Six are invited to attend. Please send money with your child if you wish for them to make a purchase. The cake stall will be held in the Poseidon wet area.



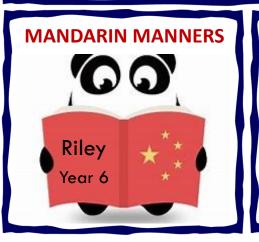
| LIBRARY CLASS TIMES | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | | | |
| Pre Primary DRAGON- FLIES | Pre Primary LADYBIRDS | Year Four | Pre Primary BUTTER- FLIES | | | |
| Year One | Year Three | Year Six | Year Two | | | |
| Year Five | | | | | | |

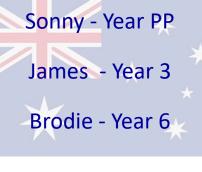


| Congratulations to each of our recipients | | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| Pre - Primary | Olivia Jace Harry Chase Eason Emily | | | | |
| Year 1 | Rocco Eve Sakura Nell | | | | |
| Year 2 | J <mark>ada</mark> Ph <mark>oen</mark> ix Lyla Madison | | | | |
| Year 3 | Bella Jack Jakob Rio Leyla T Charlotte | | | | |
| Year 4 | Abiga <mark>il Kaiden Sta</mark> cey Reeve | | | | |
| Year 5 | Adessa Charlie Kaia Leah | | | | |
| Year 6 | Alexis H Taj Makayla Owen Alexis M | | | | |

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AUSSIES OF THE MONTH



Please ensure your child has fresh fruit or vegetables to snack on each day during crunch & sip time.

What's Happening



Pre-Primary

The Pre-Primary students have been settling into the new routines of school and learning all about the different groups they are in for each subject. In English we have begun our Soundwaves program which focuses on teaching us the sounds of the alphabet. During Mathematics our focus has been on revising our number recognition and counting as well as learning how to sort items into groups. We are learning all about living things during Science and have planted some seeds and explored what living things need. We were very excited to see our seeds sprout and start to grow!



Year One

In Year One we have had a great and busy start to the year! We are settling into our routines and learning independence with our own pencil cases and having a different playground to use each week. We have started recounts in Literacy and are learning all about the world around us in Geography. The Garden has been a new addition this year and all the students have been having a blast!

We look forward to a great 2021.

Year Two

We have had a very exciting start to Year Two! In Maths we have been refreshing our knowledge on place value, and we used MAB blocks to spell out our names and work out how much our name is worth. In Science, we learned about how people change and grow over time and we had so much fun



turning ourselves into old people! We have liked learning how to use SeeSaw in Digital Technologies and enjoyed uploading our first piece of work from Science.

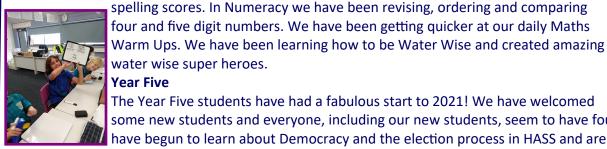
Year Three

The Year Three students have had a fabulous start to the year. We can't believe we are now in upper primary! In Literacy we have been learning to use English Stars, which is a new program for us this year. In Maths we have been using rows of equal length to



represent multiplication situations. We have really enjoyed spending some time in the garden, weeding and planting new seeds. We have also begun to learn kitchen skills, preparing us to start cooking later in the term. **Year Four**

In Literacy we have been learning to write a personal recount using past tense verbs. We have also been impressing our teachers with our amazing



water wise super heroes. Year Five

The Year Five students have had a fabulous start to 2021! We have welcomed some new students and everyone, including our new students, seem to have found their groove. We have begun to learn about Democracy and the election process in HASS and are looking at different

adaptations that various animals have made over time in order to survive in their environments in Science. The students are starting to collect items for their diorama in Science, which may include such things as shoe boxes, leaves, stones, twigs and coloured paper etc.

Year Six

In English, we have started our Individual Novel Studies which we are really enjoying and writing interesting procedural texts. In Maths, we have been exploring decimal fractions and are starting to solve difficult worded problems using a new strategy the Bar Model Method. In Science, we have been learning about how the growth and survival of living things are affected by physical conditions of their environment. We are planning an experiment where we are looking at the conditions that yeast needs to grow.











School Information



Advertisements

School Information & Community Notices



Annual Voluntary School Contribution & Library Fund charges are now due.

Payments may be made direct to Administration in cash or Eftpos form. Alternatively payment may be made directly to the following bank account:

> Two Rocks Primary School BSB: 036 231 ACC: 263056 **Ref: Student Name**



Wanneroo

I February to 17 May 2021 WALK INTO RAC Every Monday 8.30am - 4pm

Services include:

-City payments - credit card and EFTPOS only* -Animal registrations -Program bookings -Support with lodging building & planning applications JP Service (every Tuesday 9.30-11.30am)





FOOTY IN YANCHEP FOR 2-5 YEAR OLDS!

This year we are hoping to have a footy program in Yanchep for children not yet old enough to join Auskick. If we can register enough interest, Footy Fundamentals, will run a program specially designed for the smallest of footy superstars, alongside our Auskick program on Saturday mornings. The program will cost \$110 for the term.

Don't miss out, register your interest NOW:

Email auskickcoordinator@redhawksifc.com.au with your child's name, age and your contact phone number; or phone 0439 459 705 for more information.



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Open from

For the ongoing donations of seedlings for our **Two Rocks Primary School** Kitchen Garden.