School Newsletter
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Coming Events for Term 3

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Principal's Report
Thank you all for the welcome wishes. It is great to back at Ryde Public School. In the last two weeks I have been involved in many of the things that make Ryde such a great place to be. The Athletics Carnival last week was a great success with many of our students representing the school as well as yesterday at Regional Carnival events. Monday last week was also very exciting with our school band winning a 1st in the Ryde Eisteddfod. What impressed me even more than the win was the obvious enjoyment of the students and their real connection with music. Our other musical groups, choir, recorder ensemble and string ensemble are all preparing for a range of both in school and external performances. I am also looking forward to the junior school’s grand performance this afternoon. I got a sneak peak at the dress rehearsal yesterday and know they will be even more polished on the day.
Our debating team is competing against Gladesville Public School on Thursday and I am sure they will do a great job.
Next Monday the school site is being reviewed for wireless connection to the internet. This will greatly improve our ability to access technology and allow us to be far more innovative with the use of technology. Later next week Steve Russo, Robert Ryan, Ann Arnott and Angie Taylor will visit Neutral Bay Public School and Hampden Park Public School to look at how wireless is being used and the also the use of laptops and ipads in classrooms. I will report back on their visit and ideas generated later in the term.

Michelle Collyer
Principal
Ryde Zone PSSA

Congratulations to the students who attended the Ryde Zone Athletics Carnival yesterday for receiving the Ryde Zone PSSA Athletics Sportsmanship award. WELL DONE!!

Achievement Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have been presented with an Achievement Award for earning five Ryde Rewards:

KC Elisha D, Graciella L, Mia K, Nadia T
KP Dana A, Alice F, Amelie M, Ava S, Yiqing Z, Jerome, Lachlan M
JB Michelle O, Shantelle S, Sanobar N, Lana S, Farham D, Layanga V, Sarah F, Chanhee Y
JD Bilal B, Tariq R
JM Sofya S, George S
JS Emily L
MK Martin L
MR Lachlan C, Pearline H, Shara S, Anne T, Damian N, Takunda T, Henry T
MS Sana P, Gabriel F, Sadaf O, Violet T
SB Arquiel K, Kate E, Yash R, Rhyne F, Tyxsun S
SC Natalie I, Timothy H, Lucy W, Nazeef H
SM Joshua A, Livia W, Marco T, Dejana O, Franchette M, Keanu E, Anthony D, Armand P
OC5 Percy H, Janette P, Sophie X
MSD Ryan E, Thalia S, Jamie C, Pop C, Beau S, Mesut T
MSB Daniel K, Stephen N, Rosie E, Anthony R

LIBRARY NEWS

RYDE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

Ryde Public School will be hosting a “Carnival Books” Book Fair in the school library on Wednesday 22 August and Thursday 23 August 2012. This coincides with Book Week. The Fair provides the opportunity for our students to buy good quality Australian and overseas children’s books at discounted prices (mostly between $5 and $20). Prices are rounded down to the nearest 50c or to the dollar. In addition, the school benefits by receiving a commission on sales which is used to purchase further books for the library.

Parents are encouraged to visit the Book Fair before and after school on open days. Students will have an opportunity to purchase books at various times during the Fair if they have brought money to school. The money must be in an envelope clearly labelled “Book Fair” with the child’s name and class.

Credit cards are accepted - VISA and MASTERCARD only. Students are not to bring large sums of money to school. A preview day will be held on Monday 20 August 2012 which is for viewing only.

Dates and times are:

VIEWING ONLY FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS
will be on Monday 20 August 2012 between 11.30am and 4.00pm.

STUDENT PURCHASING
On Wednesday 22 August 2012 and Thursday 23 August 2012 between 9.00am and 3.00pm with their class or second half lunch.

PARENT PURCHASING TIMES
Parents will be able to attend with their child/children between 8.30am and 9.00am and 3.00pm and 3.30pm only on Wednesday 22 August 2012 and Thursday 23 August 2012.

BOOK FAIR HELPERS
If you are available to assist on Wednesday 22 or Thursday 23 August at the “Book Fair’ could you please call the school office. You don’t have to be available for the whole day, an hour or two would be much appreciated.

Steve Lawson
Teacher/Librarian

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property box if overflowing with jackets, hats, track pants and track jackets. If your child has mislaid any of these items, could they please check the lost property box which is situated outside the laundry near the girls toilets.
You are invited to a **Fathers’ Day Breakfast**

At Ryde Public School

_Dear Fathers, Grandfathers and Carers_

To celebrate Fathers’ Day and the important role you have in your children’s lives, we are inviting Fathers, Grandfathers or Carers to a special Fathers’ Day breakfast.

A delicious cooked breakfast will be served on **Tuesday, 28th August, 2012**, commencing at 7:45am in the courtyard area. A vegetarian selection will be offered.

The children would be very excited if you could make it to this breakfast with them, so please try to come along!

To assist with catering, please complete the reply slip below and return it to the class teacher by **Friday, 24th August, 2012**. As our special guests, there is no cost involved. We really hope you can make it!

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**REPLY SLIP** - 1 reply slip per family

(Please return to the class teacher by Friday 24th August, 2012)

Yes! I will be at the Fathers’ Day Breakfast on **Tuesday, 28th August, 2012**, at 7:45am.

_NAME:_

CHILD(REN)’S NAME(S):

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CLASS ____________

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CLASS ____________

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CLASS ____________

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Piano Lessons**

- Qualified Classical Piano Teacher
- 13 years experience
- Beginners to advanced, piano and theory
- $30 per ½ hour lesson
- Based in Rhodes

_Call Lindsey Cooke C.T.mus.A_ 0432 429 084

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**TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER**

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, Canada and the U.S.A. will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at [https://staffowa.det.nsw.edu.au/owa/redir.aspx?C=40122add8a2842eda8d0e107732c5d4a&URL=mailto%3a%2fsccceau%40sccce.com.au] or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our little booklets of international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!
Happy Chinese School cordially invites…
Chinese Cultural Day 2012

Would you like to have an experience with Chinese culture? Come to the “Chinese Cultural Experience Day” for a unique opportunity that is too good to miss. Principals, teachers, friends, students and parents of Ryde Public School are invited to participate in our fun & games stalls, enjoy Chinese food or to find out more about learning Chinese at Happy Chinese School.

Free Entry to All Activities
Date: Saturday, 18 August 2012

Time: 9.00AM~4.00PM,
Venue: Newington Public School, Newington BVD, Newington

Stalls: Calligraphy, Paper cutting crafts, Shuttlecock,
Spinning Top competition, Chinese Chess, Chinese Knotting and Chinese Yo-Yo

If you have any enquiries, please email Grace on happychineseschool@gmail.com

This activities is proudly supported by the Overseas Compatriot Affairs Commission, R.O.C. (Taiwan) (OCAC)

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Western Suburbs Little Athletics Centre
Season
2012—2013

REGISTRATION NIGHT
Friday 24th August 2012
Athletes Foot Store at Westfield’s
Burwood
6pm to 8pm

“Family, Fun & Fitness”
Boys and Girls from 4 years of age
Season starts Friday night,
September 7th
St Luke’s Oval, Stanley Street
Concord
For further information telephone
0418-083-781
Uniform purchased from the Centre
Proof of age required