Coming Events for Term 3

Date        Event
22/8/2012   BOOK WEEK
24/8/2012   Multicultural Day
            Shadow Puppet Show K-4
            Puppets and Masks of Italy 5/6
27/8/2012   Instrumental Music Strings &
            Recorder Concert
27/8/2012   Intensive Swimming Scheme
            to
7/9/2012    

Principal’s Report

Next week will be another busy and community focussed week at Ryde Public School. The P&C will run the Father’s Day stall and the School Chaplains will host the Father’s Day Breakfast.

On Monday Night our recorder and string ensembles will perform in the Acacia Concert at the Opera House as part of the Festival of Instrumental Music. The recorder ensemble has nine students participating and the strings twelve. A highlight for the evening will be the solo performance of Annabel from Year 6. Congratulations to Annabel what an honour to be selected for a solo performance on the Opera House stage at just 12. A big thank you to Miss Mee for preparing the students to perform in the ensembles and this wonderful opportunity to showcase their talents.

I have prepared a school survey that will go out to all families this week that will ask about activities your children participate in out of school time. The survey will provide us with a wealth of information about what our students are interested in, what experiences they have and how busy their lives are away from school. It will help us to plan learning that is interest based and student focussed and also extra curricula activities that compliment and supplement home based interests.

Remember it is Book Week and the library has a book fair that is offering a large range of quality books. It is also a great time to visit Ryde Library and enjoy their fabulous showcase of Book Week activities - what better way to spend an afternoon with your child than borrowing a bundle of books and sitting and enjoying them together in the winter sunshine.

Have a great week and Happy Father’s Day to all the Dads for next week!

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

KP  Dana A, Nicole C, Jacinta E, Siyeon K, Chimedregze D, Samir K, Shafin K
KS  Chelsea S, Elyas B
JB  Michelle O, Justin K, Chang S, Takudzwa T, Jonathan H, Charm F
JS  Adrian H, Corey L, Bella Z, Zechariah R, Daye C, Emily L
MK  Chen Ming F, Aseem N, Nadia T
MR  Raphael M, Darrel C, Kevin H, Alex H
MS  Jessie W, Tiana H, Xiao Wei H, Alisha W, Alexander I
SB  Macy W, Naimah F, Jessica M
SM  Angela L, Jessie Z, Livia W
OC5 Rachel W
OC6 Yon S, Vanessa R
MSD Damian M
MSR Samuel S

Mathletics Help
If your child has forgotten their Mathletics username and/or password or the level of the work they are receiving is not appropriate, please contact your child's class teacher.

However, if you are having difficulty accessing the website or error messages occur, please contact the Mathletics service line on 1300 850 331 so they can assist you.

Assisting your child with Mathematics
Next term the school will be holding some parent information sessions to assist parents in understanding the Mathematics curriculum and to help parents support their children at home. To ensure the sessions are worthwhile, if you are interested in participating in the sessions, please complete the survey attached and return to the school by Friday 7 September.

Parent Sessions in ‘Primary School Mathematics’ Survey
Please tick all relevant items

Time I would be able to attend:

- Morning sessions from 9:10 – 10:15 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (delete days that you cannot attend)
- Afternoon sessions from 2:00 – 3:00 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (delete days that you cannot attend)
- Evening sessions from 6:30 – 8:30 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (delete days that you cannot attend)

Information I would be interested in:

- Activities and games I can use to assist my child at home
- What is trading? How is 2 digit addition, subtraction, multiplication and division taught at school?
- What are 10s frames and how do they support single digit addition and subtraction?
- Mental strategies in number: jump method, split method, compensation, bridging to 10
- The Language of Mathematics
- What are the expected achievement outcomes for each grade? Explanation of reporting levels.
- Getting the most out of Mathletics and other Internet sites

Other topics: please specify

Year/s of schooling my child/ren is/are in:

- Kindergarten
- Year 1
- Year 2
- Year 3
- Year 4
- Year 5
- Year 6

Additional comments/queries:
Music Program Update
The Ryde Public School RFF and Extra-curricula Music Program continues to expand and flourish.

The school band began last term. It has 10 very talented and committed members and two new additions this week who are led by our enthusiastic conductor, Mr Gav. After only 10 weeks of rehearsal, the band took first prize in their section of the 2012 Ryde Eisteddfod. The adjudicator commented that although small, they were powerful and precise in their presentation. A fantastic reward for their dedication. Their next performance will be at the school primary performance of Annie.

Next Monday, 21 members of the recorder and string ensembles will perform at the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Opera House. This year Annabel from SPAM has been selected by the organisers to perform the recorder solo. She gave a confident preview at assembly last week, amazing the audience with her grace notes and ascending scales. Both ensembles have worked very hard to reach a satisfactory standard and to learn their pieces from memory.

Our school website contains additional information about the school music programs under the class pages (Special Programs) and Curriculum (Arts) sections. If you would like your child to learn a band or string instrument at school, information about lessons can be found on the website or on notes collected from the music room door. Alternately you can contact Miss Mee at alice.mee@det.nsw.edu.au

Say ‘thanks’ to Dad this Fathers’ Day.......

Treat him just a little........

Show him what he means to you.......

Pick up something for Dad from the P&C Fathers’ Day stall....

Wednesday 29th of August
Under the COLA at recess & lunchtime
Gifts from $2.00 to $10.00
Bring your money on the day!
COMMUNITY NEWS

CUMBERLAND HIGH SCHOOL TURNS 50
Join us in Celebrating Cumberland High Schools 50th Anniversary on 1st September 2012

Anniversary Open Day 11am-2pm

The school will be open to past and present families, students and staff

(Spread the word!!!)

This will be followed by:

Celebration Dinner - 7pm at Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club

Cost: $60 payable to the school via phone or in person (credit card facilities available)

RSVP 17/8/2012
via website & Facebook
www.cumberland-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/
http://www.facebook.com/cumberlandhighschool
Advertisements placed in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by the school
BECOME A STANDOUT SPEAKER!

24th Sep – 5th Oct
Year 3-6
Spring Holiday Programs:
- Public Speaking & Drama
- Debating
- Mock Trial
  Pymble Location