Coming Events for Term 2

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Principal’s Report

As I write this message I am aware that the school has been a very busy place this term. Stage 2 and 3 students have enjoyed camps and excursions to the Powerhouse Museum and bowling, stage 1 are off to the Zoo today and Kindergarten will be heading to the farm soon. The Cross Country event showed that we have many fine runners who went on to represent us at the Zone competition. Plus the duck eggs have once again arrived at Ryde to be greeted by many eager students watching and observing them as they break out of their shells and grow quickly over the next few days. All this happens as students continue to work hard in class each day under the skilful care and attention of the great staff at Ryde Public School.

Semester 1 Reports:
All students will receive a comprehensive report at the end of this term which will give parents a clear indication about the progress of their child for the first half of the year. It is important that parents discuss their child’s progress focusing on their achievements and looking for ways support further improvement in terms 3 and 4. Information regarding interview opportunities will be send home closer to the end of the term when parents can discuss their child’s progress with teachers.

Lost Property:
The winter terms seem to attract a larger amount of school clothing deposited in the lost property containers located near the toilet block. Please check this area if your child is missing a jumper or jacket as this is where clothing is sent if found outside of classrooms.

KINDERGARTEN 2013

Below are listed dates for parents/carers interested in enrolling their child/children at Ryde Public School for Kindergarten 2013.

**Monday 23 July 2012**
Parent Information Night @ 6.30pm in School Library.
General Information on starting Kindergarten.

**Wednesday 17 October 2012**
Parent Information Night @ 6.30pm in School Library.
Information night specific to Ryde Public School

**Orientation Days**
Thursday 8 November 2012
Thursday 15 November 2012
Tuesday 27 November 2012
Tuesday 4 December 2012

P & C 2012
Hello Parents, Teachers and Students of Ryde Public School,

On behalf of the 2012 P&C executive committee, we like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the team:

Joint Presidents: Jason Chan and Simone Cunneen
Secretary: Linda Gilford
Treasurer: Susanna Edmonds-Brown
Events Co-ordinator: Connie Tai

The P&C committee was elected to promote the interests of, and facilitate the development and improvement of the school. In 2012 we look forward to working with the school to organise activities that promote Ryde Pride and sense of community participation.

If you have any ideas that will benefit the school or the student’s learning, please do not hesitate to forward your ideas to the team via email on rydepandc@gmail.com.

Finally, I would like to thank the outgoing executive team for their help and contribution to the school in 2011. We look forward to continuing on from your good work.

Yours Sincerely

Jason Chan
President of Ryde P & C

In beautiful autumn weather, the K-2 fun run was held at Ryde Park. The students got a taste of a cross country event and particularly enjoyed running through the fun run arch. Despite a few unconventional dashes from the starting line and encouragement that running around the oval was fun, clear winners emerged by the finish line. Congratulations to the following place getters:

Kindergarten
1. Chelsea KS & Jonathan KS
2. Yiqing KP & Elyas KS
3. Fiona KC & Jason KS

Year One
1. Abbey JM & Ryan JM
2. Braylee JS & Oscar C. JM
3. Melody JS & Adrian JS

Year Two
1. Abi JD & Tai JB
2. Angelina JG & Colin JS
3. Rita JM & Sunny JM

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Listed below are the opening dates and times for our School Uniform Shop for Term 2, 2012. If you are unable to attend the shop to purchase for your child please send in an order form with payment and we will fit your child with the correct sizes. Please be aware that receipts will be sent home with your child within three working days.

TERM 2, 2012 OPENING DATES & TIMES

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Infants Fun Run
Please go to the Ryde Public School website www.ryde-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and follow the instructions if you wish to receive and electronic copy of the newsletter each fortnight.

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

- KC: Elisha D, Faith S, Chris C, Dhau L, Jinan W
- JB: Donelle M, Shantelle S
- JD: Hamze D, Omair A
- JG: Joyce S, Tiffany T, Tae Hyeon K, Thomas P, David L, Dylan O
- JM: Ryan T, George S, Bronson W
- JS: Peculir D, Zechariah R, YiLei S
- MK: Helen G
- MS: Jacob B, ValeriY D, Anthony K, Gabriel F, Assad N, Ricky S, Elijah W, Jessica C, Violet T
- OC5: Stephen P, Jaumanah-Jin A
- OC6: Victoria Z, Yon S
- MSB: Daniel K

LIBRARY NEWS

Short Story School Challenge

Get Creative and help our school win $300 worth of books for the library!
To celebrate the National Year of Reading 2012, Ryde Library Service is running a Short Story School Challenge. The Challenge rules are:

1. The school with the most stories submitted wins.
2. There is no set theme.
3. Stories must be between 200 and 7500 words.
4. The story must be entirely your own work.
5. Entries close 15 June 2012.

To submit a story:
Email to rydelibrary@ryde.nsw.gov.au
Make sure you include your name, school and year.
Or hand it in at Ryde, Gladesville, Eastwood, North Ryde or West Ryde Libraries in an envelope titled ‘Short Story Challenge’.
The contact person for this Challenge is Gabrielle Wyllie telephone 9952 8367.
Parents should check with their class teacher to find out if the Challenge is being undertaken as a class exercise.

Steve Lawson
Teacher-Librarian

Ryde Before & After School Care

Ryde BASC is holding a working bee on Saturday 2nd June 8:00am -12pm. All families are welcome! There will be coffee and muffins from Gossip Café for all involved. Please let Ellie know if you are attending by Wednesday 30th May via email.

The July Vacation Care program will be available from Monday 4th June from the Centre or on the Ryde Public School Website. Please note bookings are on a “first in, first served” basis as we have limited places available. I look forward to seeing you there.

Ryde BASC

COMMUNITY NEWS
The Global Experience

In June-July 2012 students from over 20 countries around the world will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 5 or 10 months. Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

To hear more about this wonderful opportunity or our student exchange programs out of Australia Call Student Exchange Australia New Zealand on 1300 135 331 or visit www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student

MultiLit

Does Your Child Need Extra Help Reading?

MultiLit, a research-based initiative of Macquarie University addresses the literacy needs of low progress readers with proven programs that improve reading accuracy, fluency, comprehension and spelling.

Conveniently located at Macquarie Park, Level 3, 75 Talavera Road, the MultiLit Reading Centre is open from 7am - 7pm Mon - Fri and 9am - 3pm Sat.

Our Programs

Reading Tutor Program
Suitable for: Year 2 through to 1st half of Year 8, adults and EFL/ESL. An online program is now available.

Word Attack Skills Extension Program
Suitable for: 2nd half of Year 3 through to Year 12, adults and EFL/ESL.

MiniLit Program
Suitable for: Year 1, may also be appropriate for “at risk” Kindergarten, and some struggling Year 2 students.

Comprehension Program
Suitable for: 1st half of Year 1 through to Year 12 and adults.

For further information or to book a literacy assessment www.multilit.com or call 1300 55 99 19

2012 is 150 years of Policing in NSW

HELP CELEBRATE WITH THE GLADESVILLE POLICE BY COMING TO OUR SEA OF BLUE
BLUE LIGHT DISCO
FOR KINDY TO YEAR 6 STUDENTS

Wear something blue

Where: North Ryde RSL Club, Cnr Pittwater Road & Magdala Road North Ryde
When: Saturday the 23rd June 2012
Time: Kindy to Year 3 5.00pm to 6.30pm Year 4 to Year 6 7.30pm – 9.30pm
Cost: Gold coin donation. Donations will go towards Giant Steps Gladesville
DJ: Hey DJ Andy will be playing all the latest tunes and dance moves

There will be lucky door prizes and prizes for the best dressed.
Raising Competent Children

Free seminars conducted in Cantonese
(with Mandarin interpretation)

How do you best help your child shine in the family and at school in the midst of the diverse Australian culture?

First session: Nurturing without spoiling your child
Date: 23/5/2012 (Wednesday)
Time: 10 am - 12:30 noon
Venue: West Ryde Hall (New), Cnr Anthony Road & Reserve Street, West Ryde, NSW 2114

Second session: Understanding and communicating effectively with your teenagers
Date: 20/6/2012 (Wednesday)
Time: 10 am - 12 noon
Venue: West Ryde Hall (New), Cnr Anthony Road & Reserve Street, West Ryde, NSW 2114

Enquiries:
Relationships Australia
Tel: 9211 9888
Email: education@firstlightcare.org.au

This program is jointly organised by: Relationships Australia & First Light Care Association Inc.