Dear Parent/Carer

Captain’s Speeches
On Monday, I had the pleasure of watching Year 5 and Year 9 students present their speeches for the leadership positions of Captain and Mentors at The Rock Central School. The speeches were well prepared and students presented them confidently and they all had a clear passion for the leadership position and representing TRCS. All students should be proud of their achievements and commended for their efforts. Our 2016 Secondary and Primary School Captains and Mentors will be announced at our Presentation Night on Tuesday 8th December.

Life Beyond School
Today, TRCS and community members facilitated ‘Life Beyond School’ workshops for students from Years 5 to 10. Presenters gave thoughtful insights into their chosen careers and the paths that they took to get there. Questions such as: Why did you get into your chosen occupation? What training did you have to complete? What do you enjoy about your occupation? were all answered. Students enjoyed this engaging experience and walked away with a wealth of information.

Primary Guitar Group
In Term 1 2016, Mr Harvey will be facilitating guitar workshops, at lunchtime. This is open to Year 5 and Year 6 students, where they will be given the opportunity to learn a variety of songs and skills based around the acoustic guitar. This weekly workshop is open to a limited number of students, so please return your note promptly to secure your spot. Remember that this is a commitment for the duration of the whole term.

Primary Choir
Each week, at lunchtime, Mr Harvey gives students in Years K-6 singing lessons. This is a fun and engaging experience and is open to all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. The choir is seeking new members to come along, especially students from Years 3-6.

Donations of recycled items
Year 1/2 are looking for donations of recycled items (plastic or cardboard) for their art lessons. If you have any leftover egg cartons, cereal boxes, etc., please send them into Mr Harvey’s class. Please do not send in any toilet paper rolls.

Year 4/5/6 Canberra Excursion
Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australian history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit Canberra, as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and this was able to assist in the overall cost reduction of the excursion.

Jessica Higginson
Assistant Principal
School News

Year 9 Industrial Arts

Congratulations to Year 9 for completing their mini plaster master course. This course is designed so students can learn about building/scaffolding standards, architraves, skirting and employment within the industry. It also includes industrial hazards identification and awareness, such as asbestos. Students were able to demonstrate how to cut and use gyprock and erect it using clouts and plaster to create walls. They also learnt how to professionally repair those nasty looking and expensive-to-fix holes and other plaster damage to interior walls.

Scott Bromley
Industrial Arts Teacher

LOST PROPERTY
Can you please check the Lost Property bin in H Block for any clothing/items, etc. your child may have lost. Any non-labelled items will be washed over the holidays and given to the second hand clothing pool. Thank you.

I would like to thank everyone for helping me collect all of the can tops. I really appreciate it. I am still collecting them, so if you would like to help, you can. Just give them to me or my brother Aaron.

Georgia O’Connor
Year 6

I can... make plans for my future
We are now taking enrolments for 2016
The Rock Preschool currently operates Mon-Thurs 9am -3pm (during School Terms)
We take all children aged between 3 & 5 years old.
Please phone the preschool on 69202455 for an enrolment pack and all information.

Christmas Cake Decorating Demonstrations
Every week, from now until Christmas, Helen and David from HD Cake Decorators (Wagga) will be providing their expertise to customers at EAT LOCAL THURSDAY farmers market at the MTC from 2.30pm—6.30pm. You can bring your own baked goods to decorate or purchase one from HD Cake Decorators. This is great fun for children and adults, so let your creative juices start flowing.

For more information, please call Pennie Scott on 0427 441 107 or visit https://www.facebook.com/EAT-LOCAL-Thursday-farmers-market-Wagga-247349235437263/

The Rock Progress Association 2016 Debutants Ball - 8th April
The Rock Memorial Bowling Club
Interested Debutantes aged 15 years and upwards who would like to make their debut, please contact Ann or Carol at debballapril2016@mail.com by 10th December 2015

KID'S CORNER

... INTRODUCING ...

... (Year)

eager  trier

friendly  creative

What kind of tree can you carry in your hand?

(Year)

(Answer next week)

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#### TERM DATES 2016

**Term 1**
- Wed 27th Jan
- Fri 8th April

**Term 2**
- Tues 26th April
- Fri 1st July

**Term 3**
- Mon 18th July
- Fri 23rd Sept

**Term 4**
- Mon 10th Oct
- Fri 16th Dec

PLEASE NOTE STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS WILL BE ON 27TH JANUARY, 26TH APRIL AND 18TH JULY.

- School fees are NOW OVERDUE.
- Sporting Schools (Active After School) finishes this Thursday.