Dear Parent/Carer

Finishing the term strong
As I walk around the school, it is clearly evident that the students are engaged in their learning and displaying fantastic behaviour. Engagement in learning is the key to achieving their personal best. We often promote the idea that we 'treat others the way we want to be treated' in our actions and words. It is very pleasing that our students are exhibiting these values when they interact with their peers.

Cold Weather
With the cold weather upon us, we have noticed quite a few students arriving at school in just t-shirts. In many cases they have been taking off their jumpers on the way to school. Could you please reinforce with your children the importance of staying warm, as we don't want them to get a cold.

Sick Bay slip
We have introduced a Sick Bay slip to inform you when your child has received treatment in the sick bay. If you receive a slip from here and would like further information, please contact the school office on 69202132.

Absence Notes
With the winter months here, more of our students are getting the sniffles and coughs. Please remember to send an absent note in on the first day your child returns to the school after each absence. Providing an explanation for any absence is a legislative requirement and your assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Before and After School Care Survey
The Lockhart Shire has mailed out a before and after school survey to all residents of The Rock. Please take the time to fill this in, as it would be a fantastic facility for our parents and community members to utilise. If you require another survey they are available from The Rock Post Office.

Representative Shirts
If your child still has a Rock Central School numbered representative shirt at home, please return it to the school ASAP. We still have a few outstanding.

Education Week Open Day – Claiming the date
This year Education Week will be celebrated in Term 3, Week 3 (27th – 31st July). 2015’s theme is ‘Celebrating Local Heroes’. The Rock Central School will be celebrating Education Week with an 'Open Day' on Wednesday 29th July, which will involve open classrooms, a whole school assembly, parent workshops and a family picnic lunch.

Reminder to label clothing
We are still finding clothing that is not labelled. Can you please put names on hats, jumpers, etc.

Jessica Higginson
Relieving Principal

School News

NAIDOC Mural
This mural is an indigenous art appreciation exercise, where both indigenous and non-indigenous students have been collaborating on a mural focussing on this years NAIDOC emphasis being “Sacredness of Land’. It is great that this exercise was completed during ‘Reconciliation Week’ finishing last Friday and is now proudly displayed in the school COLA.

Gavin Price-Jones
Art Teacher

DISCO TONIGHT
THE ROCK HALL
6.30—6.30PM
PRESCHOOL TO YEAR 2 – $2.50 ea
6.30—8PM
YEARS 3 TO 10 – $3 ea
Soft drinks – $1.50
Water – $1
Chips – $1.50
Chocolates/lollies – $1

NOW AVAILABLE
Chicken & Corn Soup
$3 or $3.50 with roll
(available Thurs, & Fri)
Freshly squeezed Orange Juice
(using school grown oranges)
.50c cup
(available Thurs & Fri)
Leadership Camp

On Wednesday 3rd June, we went to a leadership camp at North Wagga Public School to learn leadership skills. When we first got there we worked on our handshakes, making sure they were good and strong. By making new friends, we learnt how to cope better and get along with others. After recess, all schools planned their environmental projects. We decided to make a peaceful garden for the whole school to relax in while others did worm farms and power saving. We played a few games like flicking the ping pong ball off a bottle, which we all found was hard to do.

If you are kind enough to donate flower seeds or tree stumps for the seats, it would be a great pleasure for us to put this great plan into action. Thank you.

(l-r) by Tom Manning, Sophie Bruckner, Noah Vennell, Holly Durnan

My dog

My dog
My dog is a big dog
It loves to play
It loves to play a good game of golf on Fridays...
So go and play golf with him.

by Cody Tinnock, Year 8

Welcome to Week 8!! We have been super busy in the Science Club and in the afternoon session for our Young Scientist Awards. We have also officially moved into our new home, just behind the Admin Office. The number of students attending the lunchtime session are still constant, but I would like to see a few more students from the middle and upper schools attend.

Last week we looked at bouncing sultanas. The kids were super excited to watch them jump up and down. Most of the experiments I do within the Science Club are ones that can be done at home with household ingredients, so don’t be surprised if you are asked for some strange items. The children love to explore.

The afternoon session last week yielded some fantastic results with a number of projects. I am proud to say we will have a number of solid entries for this competition. Next week I will give you a snapshot of these projects, so stay tuned.

Please note, due to staff development training, the afternoon session of the Science Club will be postponed. I am happy to move it to Wednesday afternoon if you are available and interested. Please contact the school to let me know whether you would like to attend.

Next week can students please bring a glass jar with a closed lid to Science Club. We are going to look at the germs on our hands and why it is so important to wash them regularly.

Until next week.

Jade Tinney
Science Club co-ordinator.
Year 7 Design & Technology
Andrew Hardman (top left) and Bailey Pollard (bottom left) have researched, designed, created workshop drawings and started construction of their recycled timber block toy project. Andrew is constructing a helicopter and Bailey a bi-plane. Well done to all students in the design technology class for their enthusiasm and pride of workmanship. A class that is a pleasure to teach!
Scott Bromley
Industrial Arts teacher

Responsible Pet Program

Last Friday, K-2 attended responsible pet ownership program. It was aimed to help young children learn about responsible pet ownership and living safely with dogs. Owning pets can be a lot of fun, and pets can provide us with company, stress relief and unconditional love. Pet ownership also teaches children responsibility and helps them develop their social and nurturing skills.

In our photos below, Co-ordinator Carmen McGill show our students how to approach her dog, Vita

Natalie Malsem
K/1 Teacher
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**EDUCATION WEEK**

- School fees are NOW DUE.
- Book Club due Wed 17th June
- Some tea towels still available at the front office—$2 each