**Principal's Report**

Dear Parents/Carers

**Outstanding NAPLAN Results**

A smile is on my face when I think about our 2015 NAPLAN results. The hard work of students has combined with the training, dedication and commitment of the teaching staff to ensure students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 have the skills required, not only for now, but also for the future.

**Year 3**

- In Year 3, no student was below the national minimum standard in Numeracy
- 50% of Year 3 students scored in the top two bands for Reading
- 70% of Year 3 students scored in the top two bands for Writing, Spelling, and Punctuation & Grammar
- 40% of Year 3 students scored in the top two bands for Numeracy

**Year 5**

- On average Year 5 students performed better than the rest of the state (including non-government schools) in Reading, Writing, and Spelling
- No students were below the national minimum standards in Reading, and 53% of students were in the top three bands
- Over 70% of Year 5 students are in the top three bands for Writing
- Over 64% of Year 5 students were in the top three bands for Spelling and Grammar & Punctuation
- Over 68% of Year 5 students were in the top three bands for Numeracy
- In all aspects of NAPLAN, Year 5 students measured greater than or expected growth ranging between 56.3% and 81.3%

**Year 7**

- No Year 7 students were below the national minimum standard for Reading or Numeracy
- 25% of Year 7 students measured greater than or expected growth in Numeracy
- 33.3% of Year 7 students measured greater than or expected growth in Grammar & Punctuation
- 50% of students measured greater than or expected growth in Reading
- No Year 9 students were below the national minimum standards in Numeracy, Spelling and Grammar & Punctuation
- Greater or expected growth occurred in Numeracy, Writing, Spelling and Grammar & Punctuation

Well done to everybody!

Donna Rockley
Principal

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**FATHERS DAY STALL**

Friday
4th September 2015

Gifts: $1, $2 & $5

On sale before school and recess

Donations will be gratefully accepted and can be left in the 3/4 classroom or at the front office.

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**BOOK CLUB IS DUE**

**MONDAY 31ST AUGUST**

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

**2015 ROSTER**

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**THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS**

(both available at recess only)

- Fried Rice $1
- Dolphins in the Sea (fruit) $1
- Soup is no longer available

**NEW MENU**

Please use the 'PINK' winter menu. If you do not have one, copies are available at the canteen or office.

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**SIGNING STUDENTS IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL**

When your child/ren are late to school (arrive after 9am), **THEY MUST BE SIGNED IN BY AN ADULT** at the front office and receive a 'Late' note to take to the teacher. Please do not just drop them off and leave, **PLEASE SIGN THEM IN**.

(This is both a legal and departmental requirement)

Students must be **signed out** at the front office, if they are leaving school before 3pm. The Office staff will collect your child from the classroom, while you wait. Please do not go directly to the classroom.

Your co-operation in making the above run smoothly, would be greatly appreciated.

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**IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

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School News

Middle School Program
After a safety and disk sander tutorial, Group 2 students began working on their iPod/Notebook dock, coined term iPod pad. Great work Erin Hogan, Annabelle Kingston, Luke Golds, Jaiden Burkinshaw and Lucy Bennett.

Sports Report

Touch Football
Last Friday we played Touch Football against Turvey Park in Wagga. Unfortunately our boys were defeated, however, our girls had a fantastic win and will now go on to play Young Public School in Young, this Friday.
I would like to congratulate all our students on their excellent sportsmanship and behaviour and also a big thank you to all the parents who came to watch.

Natalie Malsem
Co-ordinator
School News (cont.)

The Rock Central School is now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Please ring the office on 6920 2132 or call in to the school to collect an enrolment form.

Assembly Awards—Week 6
Kinder  
Amber Payne  
   Jed Manning
Year 1  
Riley Norris  
   Ben Bryon
Year 2  
Ebony Jones  
   David Morgan
Year 3  
Tajah Louttit
Year 4  
Elizabeth Wantling  
   Madeline Wantling
Year 5  
Korbin Barnes  
   Blayne Julian  
   Olivia Kingston  
   Tom Manning  
   Holly Durnan
Year 6  
Annabelle Kingston  
   Emily Chaplin  
   Georgia O’Connor  
   Ned Mazzocchi  
   Jaiden Burkinshaw
Year 7  
Seth van Asperen  
   Cody Tinnock  
   Nathan Turner  
   Bailey Pollard
Year 8  
Nick Gorman-Cervini  
   Toni Richards  
   Scott Feeney  
   Paul Corrigan  
   Leighton Marsh
Year 9  
Matthew Hopkins  
   Jelesp Bootes  
   Bradley Turner  
   Jack Reynolds
Year 10  
Jayden Kirby  
   Shaka Abrahams

Last Friday Years 3-6 attended The Rock CWA International Day at The Rock Hall. The students were entertained by a presentation on the country of study 'Italy' by guest speakers. The students enjoyed the seeing photos of Italy and learning new words in Italian. The winners of the K-2 colouring competition and Year 3-6 Italy projects were announced. They were:

6 Year olds and up
1st Daisy Charters
2nd Baydon Kerin
3rd Riley Norris

Year 5/6 Project
1st Lucy Bennett
2nd Caleb McLean
3rd Katarina Stewart

Congratulations to all students for completing their projects; they were very insightful and well presented. Special congratulations to Lucy Bennett, as her project has been selected to be sent to the State CWA for judging.

We look forward to joining in the CWA International Day in 2016.

Traci Driscoll
Year 5 teacher
**Fruit & Veg Week**

24th August – 18th Sept

By an item from our canteen containing fresh fruit or vegies and receive a sticker. When you have 2 stickers, fill out an entry form (available from the canteen) and go into the draw to win one of the prizes below.

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**Kid’s Corner**

**… Introducing …**

Bradley

(Year 9)

What did the apple skin say to the apple?

*quiet* *funny*

*polite* *inquisitive*

(answer next week)

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Last Week’s Joke: What’s small, furry and bright purple

Answer: A koala holding its breath
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OR

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iPhone, iPad, Android, Windows Phone, Windows

School's name is: the rock CS

When you open your year page, tap on the message for any further information.

If you have not already done so, don’t forget to download the school app today.

This is how the newsletter, notes and messages will be delivered in the future.

The Rock Tennis Club Incorporated

AGM

and General Meeting

Wednesday 9th September 2015

at 7pm at the Tennis Clubhouse

All enquiries: Monique Peschla on 0429203360 or John McLachlan on 0427202173

The High Tea for Hamlin

September 2015

Raise vital funds for women in Ethiopia with childbirth injuries

Hamlin Fistula Ethiopia

Girls Only

Girls Only NAB AFL Auskick

Wagga

WHERE: Bolton Park, Wagga
WHEN: Thursday’s 2.15pm, 11th and 17th Sept
TIME: 4.00pm to 5.00pm
COST: $5.00
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**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS—STUDENTS RETURN TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER**

T4 5 LABOUR DAY 6 Staff and students return 7 Immunisation Yr 7 Kinder Orientation 8 9 Tennis Hot Shots

- School fees are **NOW DUE**.
- Tea towels still available at the front office—$2 each.
- Woolies Earn & Learn stickers for The Rock Pre-school (can be left at our Front Office).