Thursday, 23 May 2024

Rous Public School Newsletter

Term 2 - Upcoming Events



Principal - Krystal Jenkins

Term 2 - Week 4



Week 5	Friday 31 May	Zone PSSA Cross Country	
Week 6	Tuesday 4 June	Sydney/Dubbo Excursion Meeting 4:30 - 5:00pm	
	Wednesday 5 June	SS Choir Rehearsal	
	Thursday 6 June	Small Schools Spelling Bee (nominated students only)	
	Friday 7 June	Assembly 2pm Year 3/4 Assembly Presentation and Performance	
Week 7	Monday 10 June	Public Holiday - King's Birthday	
	Tuesday 11 June	RotaKids - Koala Hospital visit	
Week 8	Wednesday 19 June	K/1 Parent Teacher Interviews	
	Friday 21 June	1/2 Parent Teacher Interviews	
Week 9	Monday 24 June	5/6 Parent Teacher Interviews	
	Wednesday 26 June	3/4 Parent Teacher Interviews	
	Friday 28 June	Bonfire Setup	
	Saturday 29 June	BONFIRE NIGHT!!	
Week 10	Wednesday 3 July	Rous PS Athletics Carnival	

Aboriginal Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Widjabul Wia-bal people of the Bundjalung Nation, the Traditional Owners and ongoing Custodians of the land on which we work and play here at Rous Public School.

We honour the ancestors of our local country and their connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to Elders, past and present and emerging.

Principal's Message

Dear Rous families,

We have had another wonderful week here at Rous. A huge thank you to Miss Amy Craike for organising our first Rous Public School Spelling Bee! I am so proud of all the students who used their courage to challenge themselves during the competition. It was a wonderful morning to showcase our amazing students. Congratulations to our following superstar spellers who won their divisions: Paige G, Odin W and Arlo W. All the hard work in Spelling Mastery is certainly paying off.

This week in our Positive Behaviour for Learning lessons, our students have been discussing their own learning goals in Mathematics. The Number Talks are allowing our students to learn a wide repertoire of efficient strategies when solving numeracy problems. Our teachers, already noticing some improvement in our Numeracy data and students are even communicating that working mathematically is becoming easier.

We are excited to be heading away to Maclean Public School today, for our first mixed netball competition. We have 14 students from Stage 2 and 3 competing. Our students have been training with Miss Murray and myself every Monday and are developing great skills on the court. Most of our students have never played Netball before, and are now looking skilled on the court. It will not matter if we win, what matters is the terrific team-work skills and willingness to give a new sport a go, we are already so proud of you!

On Friday, we also have a number of students heading over to Alstonville High School to compete in the PSSA Soccer. Once again, regardless of the outcome we are proud of all our Rous Public School students.

Our annual P&C Bonfire is just around the corner! I know the P&C are working extremely hard organising this amazing event. A massive thank you to all the parents, who are also contributing and supporting our P&C, without you it would be near impossible to run. We have an amazing Rous community, where I feel so fortune to work every day.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind Regards, Krystal Jenkins



2024 Year 4/5/6 Excursion Medical Permission Note and Information Session

Thank you to all the families that have returned the Excursion Medical Permission note. All details and numbers need to be finalised by Friday, 31 May. If your child will not be attending please notify the office, as soon as possible.

We will be holding an excursion information session on Tuesday 4 June, and invite parents/carers to come along. We will go through the itinerary and there will be an opportunity to ask any questions.

Payment can be made through your School Bytes parent portal. Please note payment can be made in instalments. We will require a 50% deposit paid to secure your child's spot on the excursion and payment will need to be finalised before departure.



Rous Public School Biggest Morning Tea

Rous Public School held a fantastic Biggest Morning Tea event yesterday, to raise some much needed funds to assist NSW Cancer Council studies, research and cure for this dreadful disease.

For the last two months, Rous school leaders joined forces and planned six stalls to sell cup cakes, chocolate crackle, poppers, watermelon, party pies/sausage rolls, popcorn and a sausage sizzle for lunch. Students did an outstanding job preparing the food and setting up the stalls.

A huge thank you to Mr D and Mrs Lord for cooking the sausages and onions, and to the families that generously donated items for the event. This was greatly appreciated.

At the end of the day, RotaKids executive counted the monies taken, and Mrs Duncan proudly donated **\$310.95** to the NSW Cancer Council.

Rous Public School has done it again. Well Done!!



Rous PS Awards

- Class Awards -

- Kindy/1 Rory B
- Year 1/2 Miles R
- Year 3/4 Leo W
- Year 5/6 Joe R

- PBL Awards -

- Kindy/1 Freya C
- Year 1/2 Gemma J
- Year 3/4 Paikea G

• Year 5/6 - Paige G



<u>- Principal Awards -</u>

- Kindy/1 Aster C
- Year 1/2 *Max M*
- Year 3/4 Arahbella C
- Year 5/6 Jessica T

Bronze	Silver	Gold
Aster C Zephyr H Roman C Rarvi A Olive H Levi V Paikea G Mikayla A Tahhi A Connor S Bodhi S Lylah D Quillan G	Miles R Arwin C Nirvana E	



Persuasive writing by some of our amazing Year 6 students!

Humans only create a positive impact on the environment.

I disagree with this, because humans love money and I mean LOVE money cause we can be greedy. When we find a new species we think about what we could use it for and if it involves money we kill it. It's really hurting the environment. Koalas' homes are being destroyed and soon they will all be homeless with nowhere to go.

There is no way that humans have a positive impact on the environment. Let me give you an example, so you know the Sydney Harbour Bridge? The water under it is flooded with litter and us humans aren't doing anything to fix it. I know this because I went there and its terrible!

What about the creeks and the rivers and worst of all the ocean. Millions of animals are being damaged by our human ways and we need to stop.

Instead of cutting down trees we could use bamboo. Did you know that bamboo is the fastest growing plant in the world? Let's say if you were to cut down a piece that was 3 meters high, in a month's time it would double that size. I mean we would still need wood for houses but it would be less and we could use bricks or something else. We could use bamboo for toothbrushes, toilet paper, fences, paper, pens, bags and a whole lot more.

By Bella V

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I disagree with this statement because humans totally demolished Macquarie Island. First, they released rabbits for food and then the rabbits ate all the grass and that's where it all started. Then humans killed the Elephant seals for their oil, then once all the seals were gone they started to kill penguins for their fur! They did all of that just for MONEY!

And none of that would have happened if the island was just left alone, but don't worry most of the island is restored.

And if they keep cutting down trees then we won't be able to breathe! Can't they just use other materials for houses?

Also, there is littering/rubbish and oils and sunscreen and the climate change that's why all the coral in the Great Barrier Reef is all white and dead.

What could you do to help? Well there's so many things you could do to help put rubbish in the bin and plant more trees. If you see someone on the streets and they throw something on the ground like rubbish or something you could go and tell them nicely to put their rubbish in the bin!!!

But make sure to tell them nicely. Just that little bit of help will help the world.

P&C News

Next P&C Meeting

Tuesday, 11 June 2024 6:30pm at The Federal Hotel, Alstonville

All Welcome! Bonfire Stall holders are encouraged to attend.



There are still some dates that need to be filled for the Canteen Roster - please reach out to Kirby Johnston on 0401 929 085 if you're able to help.

Term 2 - Canteen Roster

Week	Helper 1	Helper 2
Week 4 - 24 May	Libby S	Nicola B
Week 5 - 31 May	April C	Kirby J
Week 6 – 7 June	Gabi S	Maz
Week 7 – 14 June		
Week 8 – 21 June		
Week 9 - 28 June	NO CANTEEN - Bonfire Set up	
Week 10 – 5 July	Kirby J	Maz

ROUS PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS THE 43RD ANNUAL

BONFIRE NIGHT & Fireworks Display

SATURDAY 29 JUNE 2024 5 - 8.30 PM A GREAT NIGHT OF FAMILY FUN!!

- ENTERTAINMENT
- FOOD
- RIDES
- STALLS

Rous Public School 248 Rous Road, Rous

ENTRY: SINGLE \$5 FAMILY \$15 (2 ADULTS 2 KIDS)

2024 Annual P&C Bonfire Saturday, 29 June

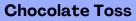
We are asking for everyone's support to make this year's whole school fundraiser a success.

Stall holders would greatly appreciate donations of the below items.

We are also seeking a Raffle Co-ordinator and a Music Co-ordinator to assist with this year's Bonfire night.

Donations

If you are able to assist with donations, please bring them in to the office. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.



Blocks of chocolate for prizes.



Craft and Produce Stall

Any knitters or Jam makers out there?? The produce stall would appreciate donations of jams, pickles, sewing/craft

items or farm produce.



Trash'n'Treasure Stall Donations of clothing, and bric-a-brac



Café de Rous

Donations of cakes, slices and biscuits to sell on the night.



Wheel of Fortune Stall New or unwanted items in good condition.

Please drop off plant donations

Plant Stall

closer to the date.





Book Stall Any new or unwanted books in good condition.

From the community



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Community Announcement 20 May 2024



Temporary Closure of Ballina War Memorial Swimming Pool

Ballina Shire Council will close the Ballina War Memorial Pool for the month of June and the Alstonville Aquatic Centre for the month of July for essential annual maintenance.

Ballina War Memorial Pool will be closed from Saturday 1 June to Sunday 30 June 2024. Alstonville Aquatic Centre will remain open during this period.

The Alstonville Aquatic Centre will be closed from Monday 1 July to Wednesday 31 July 2024. The Ballina Memorial Pool will remain open during this period.

Pass holders are reminded that they can access both the Alstonville and Ballina pool facilities.

For the latest information visit: ballina.nsw.gov.au/community-swimming-pools