Dear parents/carers

Last week, Mrs Megan Clarke accepted a two year contract as an Instructional Leader at a local school. Mrs Clarke retains her right of return to Ruse Public School in 2017. We congratulate Mrs Clarke and wish her every success in her new journey. The relieving Assistant Principal position has been advertised in Schoolbiz and we hope to fill this position in a temporary capacity until Mrs Clarke returns to Ruse Public School.

Parents and carers are reminded to book an interview with their child’s teacher to discuss individual goals for 2015. We look forward to seeing you at the interviews.

Book your parent/teacher interviews online
Interviews will be held on Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st March, 2015. To book interviews times go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the school event code 6JSWP.

Stage 3 Leadership Camp at Wedderburn
On Monday 9th March, the Stage 3 extended leadership team went on a one day challenge camp to Wedderburn. We were accompanied by Mrs O’Neill, Mrs McPhee, Mr McGillicuddy and Ms Wheatley. We completed a variety of fun activities, including a competitive game of H2O Skirmish, a frightening abseil which really took us out of our comfort zone and a 2.5km bush walk up and down steep hills and over rocks.

All the activities really got us thinking, especially the H2O Skirmish because we had to come up with a game plan in order to defeat our opponent. The instructors were very friendly and made everything clear and enjoyable. They motivated us to do our best which helped us complete the tougher challenges.

We had a refreshing swim and a delicious evening meal to finish off the day. We were very impressed by the standards offered by the camp. We are excited to now continue with our Ruse Leadership Medal Challenge.

Jayde P and Sarah W
On behalf of the 2015 extended leadership team
Grandparents Day
We have had another excellent response to our annual Grandparent’s Day to be held next Thursday, 26th March. RSVPs are now officially closed. Classes have been working hard practising their performances and we are looking forward to seeing the grandparents and grandfriends on the day.

Ms T Rogers
Coordinator

Early Stage One News
Kindergarten students have settled in to their new classes and are learning about being safe, respectful learners. In reading, students have been focussing on making predictions about what will happen in a story and making connections between the story and experiences in their own lives. Kindergarten students are using sight words, environmental print and their sound knowledge to construct a variety of sentences. They are also sharing experiences about themselves and their family during lessons on the topic “This is Me”. Homework and home reading commenced in Week 5 and it is great to see students participating in this on a weekly basis.

Mrs K Cohen
Stage Supervisor

Voluntary Contributions.
Voluntary contributions are now due.
Congratulations to Simone Spence who has won a $100 Coles Myer Voucher courtesy of the schoolparents.com team

P&C News

Fundraising information

Thank you to all families that ordered the Stickybeaks lunch wallets. We have now placed our order and delivery is expected within 2 weeks. We have ordered a few extra lunch wallets for people who may still be interested in purchasing one. Please see Janiene or Pam to place your request. We have some in the colours Black/Pink or Black/Blue.

We have some early birds who have already started to return their Easter Raffle tickets! Thank you. Please remember to continue to forward your sold raffle tickets in as soon as possible.

Canteen News

The Canteen is currently looking for volunteers to help with our Election Day BBQ which will be held on Saturday 28th March to help raise money for the school. If you think you could spare an hour or two please see the ladies in the canteen or give your name at the office.

Thank you to the three ladies who have recently volunteered for the canteen. We are very grateful for your support. If there are any other mums, dads or grandparents who are able to help out in the canteen, please see Kylee or Annette or leave your details at the office and we will contact you.

Our new product - nacho dippers - is being sold and the response from the children is very positive. Banana and blueberry muffins are being made daily and we will explore other flavours as the term progresses.

Book Club

Book club is due back by the 18th March. No late orders can be accepted. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic Australia NOT RUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL. If paying online with Scholastic please do not use the loop system.

Sport

PSSA News

The next Gala Day is this Friday 20th March, 2015. Students need to bring plenty to drink and eat as we can not guarantee canteens will be available at all venues on the day. All students MUST HAVE A SCHOOL HAT to participate.

T Ball Gala Day

Congratulations to all the Stage 2 students who came along to our first Gala Day of the year for T Ball. These students displayed great teamwork and excellent sportsmanship towards their opponents. Both teams should be commended for their exemplary behaviour. The boys team won all three of their games and the girls drew the first game and won the next two. All of the students put in a tremendous effort and all their hard work in training is paying off.

Thank you to the parents and families who came to cheer us on!

Can't wait until the next game!
Softball
Senior softball had a great day at their first Gala Day in Week 6. The boys team played well, resulting in a draw and a win out of their three games. The girls played three great matches also, winning two. We are looking forward to our next Gala Day this week.

Cricket
Both the junior and senior cricket teams played enthusiastically on their first Gala Day for 2015. For many juniors, it was not only their first Gala Day but their first try at competitive cricket. The juniors won the last of their three games, while the seniors took two from three. Well done to all involved.

Zone Swimming
13 students attended the PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival last Tuesday, 10th March at The Gordon Fetterplace Swimming Centre at Bradbury. It was an extremely successful carnival with 11 students making finals and 6 children qualified for the Regional Carnival. Congratulations to the following students who representing the Zone at the Regional Carnival today, Lucy M, Shontelle C, Sophie D, Mason M, Sarah P and Isaiah P. Special congratulations to Sophie D who was named Aged Champion at the carnival.

Mrs McPhee
Assistant Principal

Annette O'Neill
Principal

Community News