

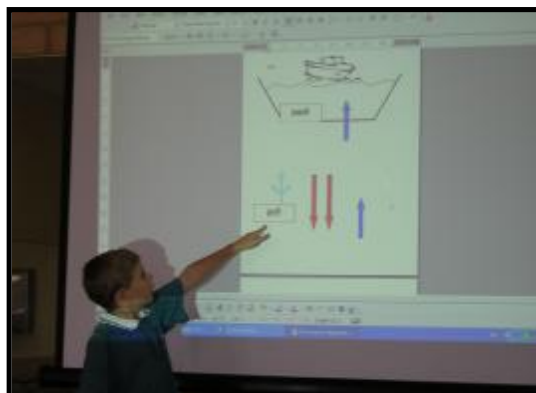
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Rockingham Lakes Primary School is an inclusive, community environment for students where values and the unique talents of each individual child are nurtured and where excellence is encouraged.

Science Takes Off At Rockingham Lakes

Science with Year 1/2 students

Why does a heavy object
feel lighter when it's in
water?



Rockingham Lakes Primary School became involved with the Primary Science Project during 2006. This is an Department of Education and Training initiative whereby a Science Support Teacher works shoulder-to-shoulder with their colleagues to improve the science learning outcomes for students. We have been fortunate to receive a sum of \$6000 from BHP Billiton, presented at our school assembly on 9 March 2007, to assist with this project. The funding will be utilised to purchase

student and teacher resources and equipment which will greatly enhance science learning experiences for all students from K-7. We thank BHP Billiton for their support of our school science program and look forward to building a strong working relationship with them.



From The Principal's Desk

Schools Learning With I.C.T.

It gives me great pleasure to announce that Rockingham Lakes Primary School has been successful in its application to be part of the Schools Learning with I.C.T. project. Thanks to Brad Mitchell for initiating this project and fulfilling the application requirements. Our school was one of 50 across the state chosen to participate in the project.



The project will involve professional learning for staff which will ultimately result in improved teaching and learning outcomes for students. It is imperative that the students at Rockingham Lakes Primary School are provided with opportunities to use I.C.T. as a educative tool across various learning areas. I will continue to keep the community informed on the progress of this project.

Staffing

Kim Morgan will be taking a very well earned long service leave in Term 2. We are currently waiting on the Department of Education & Training to appoint a replacement for Kim. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kim for her valued contribution this year and wish her an enjoyable leave in Term 2. Melanie Luderer has joined her husband on an overseas trip and will be away for the remainder of this term. Her replacement is Karina L'Estrelle.

Kindergarten Timetable

I have been involved in lengthy discussions with the kindergarten teachers on our best timetabling option to prepare students for full time pre-primary in 2008. We have agreed to modify the timetable commencing Term 2, 2007.

Students will attend one full day and two half days per week. The full days will be Wednesday and Thursday and the half days Monday and Friday. This way students attend half days when they are most tired and full days in the middle of the week when they are most receptive to the educational program.

In addition students are becoming accustomed to attending school for three days of the week in preparation for full time attendance in pre-primary. I believe this timetabling adjustment will be beneficial to our students to ensure the best possible educational outcomes.

Be Proud Harmony Day Walk

Yesterday students, staff and some parents participated in the Be Proud Harmony Day Walk. Thanks to the organisation by Lorelle Watson and the Be Proud committee the walk was a resounding success. Students are now encouraged to return their sponsorship money as soon as possible.



No Dogs Allowed

Signage has been placed around the school grounds informing the community that dogs are not permitted on the school premises. Your co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

School Photos

Please remember school photos will be taken next Thursday and Friday. Remember to return the envelope and money on the day.



Kim Kinnear
Principal

What's on for the next two weeks	
Thursday March 22	
Friday March 23	Assembly TB1.1 & TB1.6
Monday March 26	
Tuesday March 27	
Wednesday March 28	
Thursday March 29	School Photos
Friday March 30	School Photos
Monday April 2	Constable Care Kindy - Yr 2
Tuesday April 3	Easter Hat Parade
Wednesday April 4	Assembly TB2.3 Last Day Term 1 Newsletter
School Holidays	
Monday April 23	Day 1 Term 2

Be Proud News

Honour Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following :

Tim Fletcher—Yr 6	Jessica Villafior—Yr 7	Curtis Addinall—Yr 7	Christopher Dillon—Yr 2
Bethany Rees—Yr 1	Candece Gunton—Yr 3	Haydon Chandler—Yr 1	Liam Whiteford—Yr 3
Cohen Fink—PP	Parish Taylor—PP	Brayden Rogers—Yr 1	Katelynn Gibbs—Yr 1
Jasmine West—Yr 4	Chloe Peach—Yr 4	Emily Sanders—Yr 2	

The next assembly will be held on Friday, March 23 and the item will be presented by TB1.1 & TB1.6

This fortnight's recipients of Be Proud certificates from block meetings are:

3.1—Emma Ferrell	3.2 - Jarrad Barron	3.5—Aiden Lewis	3.6—Zoey O'Connor
2.4—Joshua Traynor	D8—Ashlyn Seuren	2.3—Ashleigh Kalinowsky	D6—Aiden Wylie
2.2—Mathias Zver	D7—Levent Doruk	2.1—Ciara Eagleton	2.4—Hope Glossop
2.4—Joshua Traynor			

Second Hand Uniform News

Thank you to everyone who continues to donate to the second hand uniform stall. The uniform racks are located in the alcove of block 1 each assembly Friday morning before school. Prices range from 50c up to \$10.00. Funds raised help provide your children with resources. If you have any donations of clean uniforms can you please send them to TB3.6 or leave them at the office.

Snack Shack Meal Winners

The winners of the uniform raffle for the previous fortnight were Josh Traynor—2.4 and Hope Glossop McStravick—D8. Congratulations - BE PROUD and continue to wear school uniform.

BE PROUD Harmony Walk

On Wednesday Rockingham Lakes Campus held our annual Be Proud walk. It was a great success and everyone had lots of fun. A big thankyou to

- Wooldridges A & M for their \$100 donation towards the purchase of a bicycle,
- 'Safeman' – Safety Equipment and Work Wear for their donation of caps which were given as spot prizes and
- Spud Shed, Mandurah for the delicious apples which were enjoyed by all the happy walkers.



It is now time to bring in sponsorship money. \$10.00 raised results in your child's name being entered into the raffle once and for \$20.00 or more their name is entered twice. Monies need to be bought in by Tuesday, April 2nd as the raffle will be drawn at assembly on Wednesday, April 3rd. Prizes on offer for the raffle are a \$150.00 voucher for a bicycle and 2 x \$50.00 vouchers for Rockingham City Shopping Centre. The money raised from the Be Proud Harmony walk will be used to purchase a stage for school performances.

Qualities

We have begun a qualities program within our campus. A quality will be introduced each fortnight at our Be Proud Block Meetings and developed over the fortnight. The first quality introduced is 'Commitment'. Commitment involves sticking with something and giving it your best effort. Your child's teacher will engage your child in discussion and activities relating to this quality. It would be fantastic if you would also talk about 'being committed' with your child.

Lorelle Watson—Co-ordinator Be Proud





Happy Hoppin' Easter Raffle

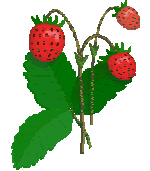
At the end of Term 1 the year 7's are celebrating Easter and to make Easter more exhilarating we are going to have an Easter bonnet parade and an Easter raffle draw. The Easter bunny will be going around with some friends to the classes but will be also selling Easter raffle tickets in the undercover area every morning, recess and lunch. The tickets will be sold at 50 cents each or 3 for \$1. Please buy lots of tickets because you might be a lucky winner! Please donate Easter eggs for the Year 7 Easter raffle by Friday, March 30. The raffle drawn will be at the conclusion of the Easter hat parade on Tuesday, April 3. Thank you.

Aden, Bec, Jack & Jess—Year 7 students

Strawberry Plants Wanted

D1 and TB1.2 are currently seeking donations of strawberry plants for the beginning of term 2. These plants will help us to run an engaging series of lessons, covering a range of learning areas including Society and Environment and Science. If you can help, please bring the plants to room D1 or TB1.2. Thank you.

Tarryn Murray & Donnah Buxton—Classroom Teachers



Delicates Wanted

Unwanted stockings and panty hose are required for a Year 5/6 art experience (preferably washed please). If you have any hosiery available for donation could you please drop it into the Art room in Block 2. Thank you for your kind support!

Ms Annukka Thwaites—Art Specialist



Intergenerational Program

Residents from Bethanie Waters came across to TB3.6 to share games and afternoon tea in a getting to know you session for the start of the 2007 Intergenerational program.



Department of Health—Communicable Disease Control Directorate

Come along to a Free Head Lice Information Session

Where: Grace Vaughan House, 227 Stubbs Terrace, Shenton Park

When: Tuesday, March 27, 2007—12.30pm to 2.30pm or

Thursday, March 29, 2007—10.30am—12.30pm

RSVP to Emily Furzer on 9388 4863.

Detailed head lice information can be found at www.health.wa.gov.au/headlice

Bring Home a Brother or a Sister

Opportunities exist to act as a host family to international students, aged 15-18 years, in a volunteer /unpaid capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis.

For more information call Student Exchange Australia on 1300 135 331 or visit

www.studentexchange.org.au

Rockingham Amateur Swimming and Life Saving Club—Rockingham

Home of the "Stingrays" - "All Schools Splash for Cash"

Sunday, March 25, 2006 at Aqua Jetty Warnbro

Entry forms available at the school office.

Any enquiries—please call 9593 4000 or Sharon Russell on 0431 200 450.

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