Dear Parents/Carers

Rowville Primary School has been working with Ms Sally Warren, a consultant from Marsh Consulting, since the beginning of this year to improve our compliance around occupational health and safety management. We are making great progress and are 75% compliant. During the recent visit Ms Warren noted that we would not be able to reach 100% compliance without a traffic management plan for our staff car park. It was recommended that the workplace:

- Completes a traffic management plan.
- Communicates their traffic management plan and controls to all employees and members of the school community.
- Reviews the traffic management plan annually so that it accurately reflects the traffic environment of the school.
- Schedules a review of the traffic management plan in the OHS activities calendar.

We have met with the leaders from Rowville Secondary College and as part of the review process new line marking was made during the holiday break. It needs to be noted that the car park is a staff car park and traffic management plan will involve developing strategies to improve safety. As part of the OHS process as recommended by Ms Warren, School Council will form a traffic management subcommittee. I invite members of the school community to express interest on being part of this subcommittee. Meanwhile we respectfully ask members of our school community to avoid using our staff car park for drop off and collection of students.

Yesterday, Mr Boyle and I attended a workshop with Mr Peter Goss from the Grattan Institute. The topic was Targeted Teaching and it provided us with more information around the current research on the individualisation of student learning. He reiterated that there is a huge spread of achievement in any classroom. For example, research has shown that in a typical year four class there is a six year spread, our challenge as educators is to teach in the spread in one go. Success in education is about progress. We know that it feels good when we are making progress.

If students are to be able to identify if they are making progress then it is important that they are able to identify their personal learning goals. Personal learning goals empower all of us to become independent learners and motivate us to learn more and more. I met with a random group of students from across the school to research what our students were able to articulate about their learning goal and progress:

Cooper (Yr 2) is working on improving his spelling so that other people can read his writing. He knows he is improving because he is finding it easier to read his own writing.

Hayley (Yr 4) is working on developing her skill of writing interesting and descriptive poems. She is practising using figurative language. Hayley knows she is getting better because when other people read her poems they tell her that they are interesting.

Evelyn (Foundation) is working on learning how to write numbers after 100 correctly. She knows that she is getting better because she can identify the ones that are wrong and correct them.

Madeline (Yr 3) is working on improving her vocabulary and the strategy that she is using is to identify the words in her reading that are challenging and note them in her reflection journal.

Vivian (Yr 6) has a goal to improve her performance skills in performing arts. She is pushing herself to smile and sharpen her techniques during dance.

Sianne (Yr 3) is trying to improve her punctuation in her writing. She knows that she is improving because she is able to identify mistakes in her own writing.

From these conversations I was able to conclude that our students across our school are becoming active participants in the learning process.

Anne Babich
Principal
Congratulations to the following students who were presented with an award at our Monday morning assembly. These awards were given to students who have made significant achievements in Classroom participation – Writing: Ideas.

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<td>Using his experiences to create an idea for writing. Ray consistently works on his goals to improve his writing.</td>
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<td>Lauren K</td>
<td>Taking control over her learning within the writing workshop. Lauren uses her ideas book to produce a great writing piece. Well done Lauren!</td>
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<td>Taking risks in her writing and creating an exciting piece for the reader to enjoy.</td>
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<td>Carefully selecting his ideas and word choice so that he can write thoughtful and inspired poetry.</td>
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<td>Developing original ideas in her Writer’s Notebook and crafting them into interesting and engaging pieces of writing.</td>
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<td>Arian F</td>
<td>His amazing topic ideas for his cinquain poems. Arian’s poems were detailed with great word use, interesting adjectives and verbs.</td>
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<td>Always coming up with interesting ideas to write about in her Writer’s Notebook.</td>
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<td>Thinking of interesting and engaging ideas for his writing pieces and working on his writing independently.</td>
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<td>Caleb O</td>
<td>Brainstorming interesting ideas for his expository text and showing a great enthusiasm when writing about our Inquiry topic.</td>
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<td>Planning, drafting and publishing a series of books with a common theme, using mentor texts to get her ideas and assist her with developing her storyline.</td>
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<td>Using a wide variety of descriptive language to add detail to her writing.</td>
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<td>Having outstanding ideas in writing. Tahlia skilfully uses a range of writing techniques to produce varied and interesting pieces of writing.</td>
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<td>Bradley B</td>
<td>Being a creative thinker when writing and communicating his ideas to his audience in an engaging manner.</td>
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**Knox Division Athletics Championships**

Well done to all the Rowville Primary School students who competed in the Knox Division Athletics Carnival last Wednesday 5th October in very cold and bleak conditions!

A HUGE congratulations to the follow students who have now qualified for the Eastern Metropolitan Region Athletics Championships this Thursday:

Charlize – 1st 800m  Evie – 2nd Shot put  Georgia – 2nd Long Jump

Also a special mention to the Girls 9/10 years relay team (Charlize, Kelsie, Disha and Chloe) who came 3rd and just missed out on 2nd place by 1/100th of a second!

Go Rowville Primary School!

Sue Macdonald and Liz Balfour

Physical Education Specialist
Over the next four weeks, Jonathon, our environmental sustainability intern and I will be running a series of short films and discussions on sustainability in the kitchen during Monday lunchtimes. In our first week, we watched a film on food wastage. These are the students’ thoughts on it:

Every week, 40% of food at supermarkets is thrown out due to the simple fact that it does not pass a ‘beauty’ test. On top of that, 20% of food that is prepared at home is thrown out. This means that a staggering approximate of 52% of produce from farms is thrown away every single day. One of the ways to fix this at our school is to provide organics bins and motivation to fill them. Depending on the class, students will receive points if they help fill the compost bins. With this approach we hope to stop students throwing uneaten food out into the rubbish.

Gareth, Evie, Emily and Calem

Our composting will at least feed the soil!

Jodie Wood
Kitchen Garden Specialist
**Upcoming Events**

The following events are on Compass for your approval, please log in to Compass [http://rowvilleps.vic.jdlf.com.au](http://rowvilleps.vic.jdlf.com.au) to pay for and consent to your child attending.

**Year 5 Swimming:** commencing for 2 weeks from 17th October  Cost $110 - consent due by 12th October

**Year 2 Swimming:** commencing for 2 weeks from 17th October  Cost $110 - consent due by 12th October

**Year 6A Pizza Party Reward for Language Perfect:** Cost NIL - consent due by 18th October

**Year 6 Beyond Boundaries Balance:** Cost $420.00 - consent due by 31st October

**Year 4 Beyond Boundaries Balance:** Cost $220.00 - consent due by 2nd November

**Year 3 Beyond Boundaries Balance:** Cost $220.00 - consent due by 31st October

**Year 2 Beyond Boundaries:** payment and consent due by 6th November

**Year 1 Beyond Boundaries:** payment and consent due by 11th November

**Foundation Beyond Boundaries:** payment and consent due by 3rd November

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**Rowville Kids Café News**

**Specials Menu**

**POPCORN MONDAY**
Freshly Popped Popcorn $1.00

**SUSHI HANDROLL TUESDAY**
Lunch order only
- Crispy Chicken $3.20
- Tuna and Avocado (GF) $3.20
- Avocado & Cucumber (V, GF) $3.20
- Teriyaki Chicken $3.20

*Soy Sauce will only be provided on request – please note on order*

**Wacky WEDNESDAY**
Lunch order only
- Chicken Chippies (bag of 6) $3.00 a bag

A copy of the full café menu is available on the website: [rowville.ps.vic.edu.au](http://rowville.ps.vic.edu.au)

**Thank you to our helpers for Term 4**

Monday 17th October  N. Thomson
Tuesday 18th October  L. McConnochie
Wednesday 19th October  A. Diab
Thursday 20th October  L. Kruger
Friday 21st October  K. Forster

Bronwyn Richards & Cindy Gardiner
Canteen Team

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**Attendance Matters**

Please make regular checks to ensure your child has all absences and late arrivals to school approved on Compass.

Parents are notified on the top right section of the Compass home page in the new feed if there are late arrivals or absences to be approved.

**My News**

**Attendance: Attendance Note/Approval Required**
was recorded as ‘not present’ or ‘late’ without explanation.
[Click here for more information](http://rowvilleps.vic.jdlf.com.au)

Absences can be entered in advance on Compass by Parents. Once an absence is entered, there is no need to telephone the school to notify us that your child is absent for the day.

We thank you for your assistance in this matter and ask you to telephone the school should you have any queries regarding this process.

Next week we will send home a letter detailing any unapproved absences remaining on Compass.

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**FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS 2017**

Rowville Primary School is now accepting enrolments for 2017. Children who turn five by April 30th of the enrolment year are eligible to attend school. When transferring from interstate, overseas or from a local school it is helpful if a written report is available at the time of enrolment. Group tour information will be available soon.

Enrolment forms are available online or from the office.
On Friday 7th October, hundreds of our students came along to dance the night away at our annual disco. Many thanks to the FORPS committee who together, with our parent volunteers and staff, organised a fun and exciting event for our students.
Scholastic Bookclub

The brochures for Scholastic Bookclub issue 7 were distributed to all grades this week. Issue 7 has some great choices. The new Aaron Blabey picture book would be great for Christmas it’s called Pig the Elf ($15.00). Also by Aaron Blabey is the new release from The Bad Guys series Apocalypse Meow ($9.00). Clever Kids Book of Fun ($10.00) is jam packed with amazing activities and colouring challenges. Morris Gleitzman’s new book Toad Delight is available for $14.50. There are many others to choose from and don’t forget the Gold Coin books which are great value for a good read. There is something for everyone.

Orders are due back Monday 17th October, 2016. Please be mindful of the “due date” for orders. Many students are bringing orders back up to two weeks late which means the ordering process is repeated three or four times instead of once and the delivery of orders is impacted. The brochures are distributed on a Monday and are due back the following Monday. Please do your best to get your orders in on time. Thank you.

Australian Children’s Laureate: Leigh Hobbs

Last week we had a look at books written and illustrated by Leigh Hobbs. Leigh created the well-known characters Old Tom, Fiona the Pig, Mr Badger, Mr Chicken and Horrible Harriet. Leigh Hobbs is Australia’s current Children’s Laureate 2016 - 2017. It is the Children’s Laureates job to “enrich the lives of young Australians through the power of story.” The theme for Leigh’s two year term as Australian Children’s Laureate will be “to champion creative opportunities for children and to highlight the essential role libraries play in nurturing our creative lives.” Leigh said that ‘libraries have played an enormous role in my life. Reading and exploring history and art is something I have been able to do because of libraries. I’m passionately interested in histories and cultures and I hope that through my work I can encourage children to explore and experience these things too.” (Source: http://www.childrenslaureate.org.au/)

Leigh visited our school back in November 2009. He was a very interesting speaker who showed our students how to draw Old Tom and discussed the writing/illustrating process with us. He spoke about having a go at drawing even if you don’t think you can and that ideas for stories are all around us. Keep persevering because we all can do it!

Eastern Regional Libraries

I have had some requests this week for student membership forms for the Eastern Regional Libraries. If any students would like to become members I have paper copies of the application form or you can go online, or visit the Rowville (Stud Park) library to register. It only takes a few minutes to process the application form and everything is free to access. If anyone would like more information or questions answered please come and see me or visit the Eastern Regional Libraries website : http://www.erl.vic.gov.au

Jackie Hicks

Library Technician
No Hat No Play - 1st September to 30th April

Part of our Sun Smart Policy at Rowville Primary School is that students should wear the official school uniform, wide brimmed hat, when outdoors from 1st September to the 30th April. Students are also encouraged to apply sunscreen (SPF 30 + 20 mins prior to outdoor activity) provided by parents. Please place the students name on the sunscreen container.

Please encourage your children to have their hat at school each day. Hats are available from our uniform supplier Klad Sport, 8 Macro Court, Rowville.

ROWVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL
UNIFORM PRICE LIST AS AT 1/9/2015
KLAD SPORT PTY LTD
ABN 92 191 499 563
FACTORY 8 MACRO COURT, ROWVILLE VIC 3178  TELEPHONE: 9763 0266

Opening Hours:
Monday to Thursday 8.30am-5.00pm, Friday 8.30am-4.30pm & Saturday 10.00am-1.00pm

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ROWVILLE KID'S CAFÉ MENU

SPECIAL DAYS

MUNCHY MONDAY
✓ Freshly Popped Popcorn $1.00

TASTY TUESDAY
Lunch order only
✓ Crispy Chicken $3.20
✓ Tuna and Avocado (GF) $3.20
✓ Avocado & Cucumber (V, GF) $3.20
✓ Teriyaki Chicken $3.20

SOY SAUCE will only be provided on request — please note on order

WACKY WEDNESDAY
Lunch order only
✓ Chicken Chippies (bag of 6) $3.00

SANDWICHES & ROLLS
Lunch order only
Wholemeal unless specified
✓ Buttered Bread $2.00
✓ Tuna, Ham or Tomato $3.00
✓ Cheese $3.00
✓ Roast Chicken $3.00
✓ Salad (regular): $4.50
✓ Ham, Chicken, Beefsteak, Pineapple, Cucumber

DRINKS
Lunch Order or Over the Counter
✓ Big M Milk (long life) $2.50
✓ Chocolate or Strawberry $2.50
✓ Just Juice - Orange, Apple, Orange/Mango, Paradise Punch Apple/Blackcurrant $2.50
✓ Bottled Water 600ml $2.50

MEAL DEALS
✓ Oodles of Noodles Meal Deal $5.50
✓ Tasty Toastie Meal Deal $5.50
✓ Luscious Lasagne Meal Deal $6.50
✓ Happy Hot Dog Meal Deal $6.50
✓ Chicken Little Meal Deal $6.50
✓ Delish Fish Burger Meal $7.00

FROZEN TREATS
Lunch Order or Over the Counter
✓ Frozen Big M (UMT) - Chocolate or Strawberry $2.50
✓ Frozen Fruit In Season $0.50
✓ Frozen Just Juice $2.50
✓ Frozen Juice Blocks $0.10
✓ Paddle Pop - Rainbow, Chocolate, Banana or Tropical Yogurt $1.50
✓ Fruit Tube $0.50
✓ Calippo $1.00
✓ Ice Twist $1.00
✓ Frozen Yogurt in a tub - Strawberry $2.00
✓ Sunnyboys $1.00

SNACKS
Lunch Order or Over the Counter
✓ Crunchy Carrot Sticks (each) $0.05
✓ Weetbix Bites (each) $0.05
✓ Savoury Crackers (each) $0.05
✓ Crackers & Cheese $0.50
✓ Fruit (in season) $1.00
✓ Classic Popcorn - Cheese, Butter or Salt & Vinegar $1.00
✓ JJ Noodle Snack - Chicken $1.00
✓ Red Rock Dell Chips - Honey Soy Chicken or Sea Salt $1.00

COOKIES
Lunch Order or Over the Counter
✓ Cookielish $1.00
✓ Banana Bread Slice $2.00
✓ Muffinator Muffin $1.00

Lunch Order Bags 5 cents each
Commonwealth Bank School Banking
School Banking is every Friday at Rowville Primary School

Please remember to order your rewards when your child has collected 10 silver tokens.
The following rewards are very limited and will finish soon as stock runs out.

- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and skip rope
- 2015 Galaxy Gliders
- New Item now available to order
- Bush Fly Fan & Wriggly Glow Worm

The second hand uniform shop is open every second Wednesday from 3:00pm – 3:30pm. It is located adjacent to the Foundation class rooms.

Our in-house second hand uniform shop sells donated second hand school uniform items. If you have uniform items you would like to donate please forward them to the school office. The shop is staffed by a parent volunteer; thank you.

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School Savers Charity Group

A group of year 10 students from the MSA Academy at Rowville Secondary College, Western Campus, would like to promote a charity project, School Savers, which they are involved with. School Savers is a charity group run by the Rowville Lysterfield Interact Club. We aim to collect school supplies (such as notebooks, novels, pens, pencils etc.) and send them over to a school in a remote country area in South Africa.

We invite our school community to donate stationary items which can be left at the Rowville Primary School office and these will be passed onto the students organising this event.

Walk to School Month

October 2016

Walking to school and home again this October is a great way to get fit and healthy and spend more time with family and friends! Schools with the highest participation levels in each region will be eligible for some great prizes - so each time your child walks, they’ll also be increasing their school’s chances!

Children who take part will be building healthy habits for life – and could win some great prizes for their family and their school.

For more information please see Mrs Searl.