PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

As we move further into the school year we see more and more great things going on at Reece High School. Before writing the Principal's Report, I was reading over the already completed items and it really stood out to me all the wonderful opportunities students are able to access here at school.

Staff are also very busy at the moment. Not only are they continually looking at new and improved ways to support student learning they are reporting on it. Teachers are currently deep into the mid-year reporting process and I know they have been spending many hours collating marks, reading over assessment pieces and then translating that into the informative comments you will receive at the end of the term. It is a huge process and I would like to thank all staff for the time taken to complete their reports. As such, I urge all parents/carers and students to take the opportunity to participate in the 3-Way Conference to gain a better understanding of your child’s progress.

One of the keys to a successful education is attending school for the greatest amount of time possible. We all know there are many factors that sometimes get in the way of students attending school such as illness etc. The more time students spend in classrooms taking advantage of the expertise of teachers and working with other students, the more likely they are to develop skills, qualities and knowledge that will allow them to become successful and lifelong learners. For this reason, where possible, it is requested that appointments etc are made for hours outside of school time. As with any absence, please ensure that the office or Principal Teacher are made aware of this via a note, phone call or email so we can keep our information up to date. We look forward to your ongoing support in relation to your child’s attendance.

Trent Graham
Acting Principal
7E Ecosystem Fundraiser

Our Mission:

To create awareness in our local community about protecting our Ecosystems. By doing this, we will raise money for communities somewhere else in the world. To achieve our goal we will sell plants to our community and our school. The money we hope fully raise will go towards helping countries less fortunate than us.

PLANTS FOR SALE!

Plants will be delivered to students from Friday the 13th of June, or will be available for pick up from the school office. The plants will be selected from a lucky dip and the species may be unknown. Please forward order form and payment to the school office, or directly to 7E. Plant your plant to help the environment and watch it grow!

Cost: 1 for $3.00 or 2 for $5.00

Name: ............................................  pick up / deliver  
(please circle)

Class: ...............   Number of plants: ..................

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!

By Isabella Burk and Nikayla Wicks 7E
Inter-High – RHS compete in the NWSSSA at Ulverstone Park
Reece High Meets Cheery
On the 22nd of May, five grade 9 students stayed back after school to take part in a Skype session with a class of 7-10 year olds from Kenya. The students were from the Cheery Education Centre which lies deep within the Kibera Slum of Nairobi, Kenya. We talked to the class for an hour, asking them about their culture and teaching them about ours. One interesting point that surprised us was that the students enjoyed eating things such as hotdogs, pizza and rice. Lots of rice. The students explained the meaning and spoke in detail of the stories behind the Kenyan flag before singing songs in Swahili, their native language, and some others in English. We made an impromptu attempt at singing the Australian National Anthem to them, which they showed their appreciation through a round of applause. Livingstone, the teacher, gave us an insight into the infrastructure of the slum, and we were able to see how the semi-permanent structures were built. A combination of mud and tree branches and a piece of corrugated iron were the basis for the buildings in their area. We are now currently discussing ideas for how we can make an ongoing positive influence in these students’ lives.

RYDA – Grade 10 Students
Last Thursday, the grade 10 year group attended the RYDA program at Camp Clayton. RYDA stands for Rotary Youth Driver Awareness. This program taught us about road safety, how drugs, alcohol and fatigue can affect driving, braking distances, the costs associated with owning and maintaining a car and hazards and risks both inside and outside the car. This program was taught in an enjoyable yet informative way and we all came away knowing a bit more about the dangers associated with driving.

By Ruby Collins and Nick Richardson

SPECIAL
LONG GREY SCHOOL TROUSERS
$20.00 each
Welcome back Mitch and Josh!

On the 10th of June, at lunch time, we will be welcoming back Mitch Blake and Josh Baker to perform. Students are invited to come along, sit back and enjoy the tunes of our past Reece High School’s musical talents, Mitch and Josh. There will be reserved comfy seating (couches, beanbags, cushions and chairs) in the canteen court yard for 2 representatives from each Integrated class who have been displaying the Reece High School value of ‘Connectedness’. In addition, there will be a BBQ provided to raise money for cancer research.

Dodge Ball
There will be a Dodge ball match against Devonport High School next Wednesday the 11th at lunchtime in the gym. Students are invited to come along and support the Prefects in their mission to take out the tournament this year.
Mid-Year Reports and 3-Way Conferences

Reece High School invites all families and their child to attend 3-way Conferences between Monday 30th June and Thursday 3rd July, 2014

Teachers are available for interviews during school hours on particular days of the week. See times below for particular grades.

**Wednesday afternoon on 2nd July between 4pm-6pm all Principal Teachers will be available for interviews at East Devonport Primary School. Bookings must be made through the Reece High School office prior to the day.**

Appointments for the week can be made at the school reception desk or by phone (64208100) from Monday 16th June. To assist the school organisation we request appointments to be made by the close of business Friday 27th June. Appointments made after the 27th June will need to be made at least 24 hours prior to the interview taking place.

As a general rule, **all teachers** will be available for appointments at the following times:

**Grade 7 – 10 Teachers**
- Monday 30th June 3.00pm – 6.00pm
- Tuesday 1st July 3.00pm – 5.00pm
- Wednesday 2nd July 4.00pm – 6.00pm (All interviews at East Devonport Primary School)
- Thursday 3rd July 3.00pm – 5.00pm

**Grade 7 Principal Teachers only**
- Monday 30th June 8.45am – 12.05pm

**Grade 8 Principal Teachers only**
- Thursday 3rd July 8.45am – 12.05pm

**Grade 9 Principal Teachers only**
- Wednesday 2nd July 8.45am – 12.05pm

**Grade 10 Principal Teachers only**
- Tuesday 1st July 10.45am – 2.40pm

Mid-Year reports will be distributed at 3-way conferences. Students will not be issued their reports to take home.

Please contact the Principal on 6420 8100 should you have any difficulty organising an appointment.

Trent Graham
A/Principal
That 70s Social!

Thursday 19th of June
Dress Up $3  Drinks $2
Casual $4  Chocolates $5

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