



# Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

*Think Act Speak Well*

**Week 4 Term 4**

**29 October 2012**

## Principal's Report

I would like to acknowledge the very professional and diligent job done by Mrs Rafferty as relieving Principal during my long service leave.

It is comforting to know that I can take leave assured that the school will be managed well and plans and programs continue as normal.

## New Assistant Principal

Ms Leesa James will visit us on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 1.30pm. She will meet staff and students.

Leesa is really looking forward to starting here in 2013.

She will also join us for the School Development Days at the end of the year.

## Grandparents Day 2012

We look forward to welcoming grandparents and friends on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

The plan for the day is:

10:15am Assembly – 5/6L item  
– K-2 singing  
– grandparent acknowledgement

10:50am Remembrance Day ceremony

11 - 11:50am Lunch with visitors. School and classroom visits by students and their visitors if desired, and a visit to the library for the Book Fair.

## Bunning BBQ

A great day was had by all who volunteered. We made a profit of \$1,543.81. A big thank you to all and to Megan Spence for organising the event.

## Working Bee

Many thanks to those who participated on Saturday morning – Michael Reali, Lea & Tony Bowen, Yvonne Woolridge, Wayne Regan, Troy & Kerry Kiefer and Tony Maddox.

A great deal was achieved and everyone's efforts are greatly appreciated.

Our volunteers:

- Moved a mountain of woodchip.

- Pressure washed stairs, canteen deck and ramp.
- Planted new plants.
- Removed metal and other rubbish.
- Trimmed all bushes in front of classrooms.
- Top dressed low grass areas.

Mark Grierson

Principal

## Dates

### Nov

Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Grandparents Day
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Meal Deal
14/15/16th	Stage 3 Camp
Wed 14th	P&C AGM
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Talent Quest

## Notes & Money Due

### Nov

Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	Meal Deal \$5.00
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## Congratulations!

### BRONZE School Award

Charlotte Basham, Caleb Walker, Riley Walker, Jessica George, Brooke Love, Luke Harrison, Ava Hadfield

### Academic MC

Chase Davey, Leah Taylor, Luke Harrison, Ava Hadfield, Colby Barter, Madison McDonald, Thomas Holliday, Isabella Wright, Brianna Roberts, Jacob Amin

### PD/H/PE MC

Jada Barker

### Creative Arts MC

Madison Hughes, Grace Mellows, Tyrone McCrystal, Erin Kaynak

## Friendly Kids, Friendly Classrooms

Students have been learning about positive tracking. Please take time to read the information below and discuss it with your child.

Thank You – G Jones

### ASKING AN ADULT FOR SUPPORT

**Stay cool.  
When all else fails  
You can ask for help.**

#### Do's

Make sure you haven't tried other ways to deal with being given a hard time, *before* you ask an adult for support.

Make sure you really want to stop the annoying behaviour, not just get them into trouble.

Say "If you don't stop, I'll go and ask Mr Brown for support".

Approach a teacher, look in their eyes and stand tall.

In a firm voice, tell them what the problem is and what you have already tried to do to deal with it.

#### Don'ts

Don't ask for adult support until after you've tried to deal with it yourself.

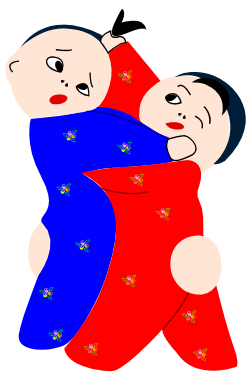
Don't just try to get the other person into trouble.

Don't choose an inconvenient time to talk to the teacher (unless it's an emergency).

Don't look up in the air or down at the ground.

Don't use a whingeing or complaining tone of voice.

Don't keep threatening to ask for support. Just say it once and then do it.



### Russell Vale's Got Talent

Hey kids, do you have a special talent? Can you sing, dance or play an instrument, maybe you can do magic tricks, comedy, drama or maybe some other undiscovered talent. Well, let's see your amazing skills at 'Russell Vale's Got Talent.' The only rules of this contest are that your act must go no longer than two minutes, be safe and if music is used, it must be checked by your parents and be appropriate for school use. Due to time limits, numbers of entries are limited so the below time line has to be followed.

#### Week 5 - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November

All students' names, classes and a performance title must be given to Mr Jones.

**Week 6** – A short practise will be held during first break (11:10am) to make sure that all acts are well prepared. Any music used are be labelled with track numbers on a CD. If children's groups are from different grades, they will be slotted into an available space.

Stage 3 – Years 5 and 6

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov (due to camp)

Stage 2 – Years 3 and 4

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov

Stage 1 – K to 2

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November

The performance of 'Russell Vale's Got Talent' will be held in Week 7 on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November after first break, 12pm in the school hall. All children will watch the impressive talents of their school mates with parents also welcome to attend.

So get practising, it's your time to shine! Don't forget, you have to impress our special guest judges.



Mr Jones

### Southern Stars Photographs

MSP Photography Illawarra took group photo of our Southern Stars dancers and our Southern Stars Choir.

The school has been provided with a copy of each photograph which are displayed in the office. If you wish to purchase a copy of either photo for \$12.00, please complete the order form sent home with your child and return it with payment to school by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

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## Canteen News

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The Canteen Committee is happy to announce that, as Grandparents Day falls on Pizza Meal Deal day, the meal deal will be offered to all those visitors to the school. Please get all notes and money in before **TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> NOV.** No late orders will be accepted. **Please remember to put your CHILD'S NAME & CLASS on the orders for grandparents.** No pizza will be sold from the canteen on the day, so get your orders in so you don't miss out.

Thanks to those who have already put their names down on the roster, we still have plenty of vacancies, so if you can help it would be much appreciated. The position of Roster Coordinator is still vacant. If this position doesn't get filled soon the canteen will have to be outsourced = less funds going to school = the kids waiting longer for their playground!!! If you are interested please contact Tamara Johnson on 0412 173 192 or [tamarajohnson@live.com.au](mailto:tamarajohnson@live.com.au) **OR** Kelly Mills on 0414 851 914 (after 5pm) or [kellymills5@bigpond.com](mailto:kellymills5@bigpond.com).

Many thanks,  
Canteen Committee

### Canteen Roster

Mon	29 Oct	Lynette Hando, Lynn Holmes
Tues	30 Oct	Patsy Ross, Nicole Ficker
Wed		<b>CLOSED</b>
Thur	1 Nov	Sue Joy, Katrina McDonagh
Fri	2 Nov	Lara Jones, Ann Wallis

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## P&C News

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### P & C Annual General Meeting 14 November

This is an important night for the ongoing work of the P & C which will take place on Wednesday 14 November at 7pm. It is important that we obtain a quorum of at least 13 financial members, otherwise the meeting cannot proceed. All Committee positions within the P & C will be declared vacant then re-filled by nomination and election. Positions include the P & C President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. We also require members to form sub-committees for the Canteen, Uniform Shop and Tennis Court. If these committees and positions are not filled:

- the P & C can no longer function at RVPS
- no more fundraising = no more new resources
- the canteen will be closed
- school uniforms will be out-sourced to a local retailer (costing more)
- the use and management of the Tennis Court will be handed back to Wollongong Council

While some of our members are happy to be re-nominated for their positions, Julie Hardy will be stepping down from

the Secretary's role and we urgently need a Canteen Roster Person and more help on the Canteen Committee. We ask all parents and carers to consider being actively involved in the P & C for 2013. We average only 2 Wednesday night meetings per term and you decide how your time and talents are given.

All nominees for positions must be current financial members (ie. you have previously paid the \$5 annual membership fee). Please contact Julie H. or a current committee member if you have any questions or would like to express an interest in being nominated for a position. If more than one person is nominated, a secret ballot election will be conducted to ensure privacy during the election process.

A MOTION will be raised at the AGM to transfer all P & C bank accounts to the Bendigo Community Bank Fairy Meadow. A brief General Meeting will follow the AGM after a short break.

### Bunnings BBQ

Held on Saturday 20 October was a huge success and raised a whopping **\$1,523.00!** Some of this money will be used to purchase awards for our end of year Presentation Assembly and the remainder will go towards the new Playground.

A big thank you Eden Jones, Lara Jones, Jenny Heaton, Bronwyn Anderson, Steve Joy, Hayley Rejske, Jeanie King, Jodie Whitefield, Daniel Moygannon, Michael Realí & Andrew Shepherd. Thank you also to Bellambi Hotel for their donation of ice which was a great saving for the P & C.



**P & C Enquiries: Contact Julie Hardy 42 854095**

## Community News

Disclaimer: Russell Vale Public School advertises in this column as a service to parents. Russell Vale Public School does not endorse, sponsor or accept responsibility for the management or organisation of the advertised events or services.

### **RUSSELL VALE TENNIS COACHING**

*By David Macquire*

**At the adjoining Parkview Tennis Court**

**Bookings available for hourly lessons (\$10) conducted before or after school.**

**Phone David's mobile 0422 576 306 or**

**Email: [davidmacquire@hotmail.com](mailto:davidmacquire@hotmail.com)**

### **PARKVIEW TENNIS COURT**

Available for Hire

\$5 per hour or \$15 half day

Phone: Megan 0420 287 521

Court is managed by Russell Vale P & C

All hire moneys received are used to improve the Court for the benefit of our school and the local community.

### **RUSSELL VALE COMMUNITY HALL**

Available for Hire

Phone: **42 84 2799** (business hours) or

**42 84 3742** (after hours)

The Hall is managed by Russell Vale P & C and a discount is available to all P & C Financial Members

### **THE GLOBAL EXPERIENCE – LIVE IT AT HOME**

In January 2013 students from over 20 countries around the world will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 5 or 10 months.

Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

**To hear more about this wonderful opportunity or our student exchange programs out of Australia**

**Call Student Exchange Australia New Zealand on 1300 135 331 or**

**visit [www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student](http://www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student)**

## Looking for something to do after Soccer season?



## Look at Rhee Taekwondo!

**Self Defence, Fitness & Fun  
for all ages and levels.**

**Classes: Wed 6.30-7.30pm  
Fri 6.00-7.00pm**

**Contact: Pushkin Rahman  
0467727134  
42847853**



**First 2 lessons FREE!**

### **BUSH RANGERS FUNDRAISER TO SYDNEY'S FACTORY OUTLETS**

Ladies come & have some fun as we are going to Sydney Factory Outlets for a big day of shopping.

Lots of raffles & prizes.

When: 17<sup>th</sup> November

Meet: We are meeting at Hollymount Park at 6:45am bus leaves at 7:00am.

Price: \$45.00 this includes bus trip, morning and afternoon tea.

Call: Nicole Jones 0423 220 274



**Special People  
Deserve A  
Special Day...**



RVPS would like to invite all nans, pops, grandmas and grandpas to our own

## **Grandparents Day**

on

Friday 9th November.

We will hold a K-6 assembly in the hall, in honour of our grandparents, at 10.15, where students in K-2 will entertain us with some singing.

Then Grandparents are invited to visit their grandchildren's classrooms, where they might assist with some work, or just read a book together.

At 11am a free morning tea will be provided to nourish our seniors! Normal classes will recommence at 11.50am.

We look forward to seeing many of our "elders" at this event!

Many Thanks  
Staff of RVPS



## *Bakes and Cakes for Grandparents Day*

Dear Parents and Carers,

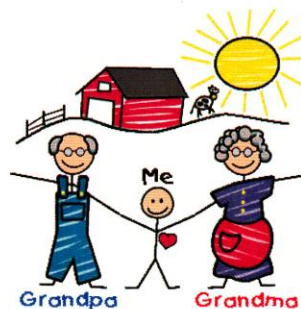
We are asking for donations of cakes, slices, biscuits or other baked goods to offer to our Grandparents on Grandparents Day.

If you could help in this way, please fill in the slip below, and return to Mr Shepherd by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I will be sending to the staffroom on the morning of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November:

- ☐ A cake
- ☐ A slice
- ☐ Muffins
- ☐ Cupcakes
- ☐ Biscuits
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

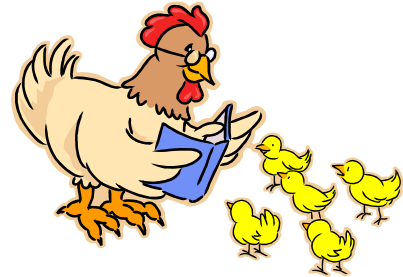


\*For ease of serving please slice any cakes etc prior to bringing in.

# Scholastic Book Fair 2012

## Week 5

It is time for our Annual Book Fair



## It's a Reading Celebration

The Library earns a percentage of total sales to purchase new books and resources for our School.



### Opening times:

Thursday 8/11/12 Before School, Lunch and After School  
Friday 9/11/12 All Day

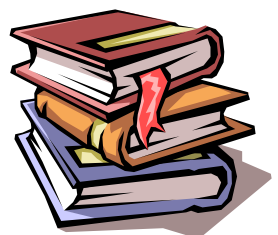
Parents, Grandparents, family members and friends are welcome.

This is a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping.

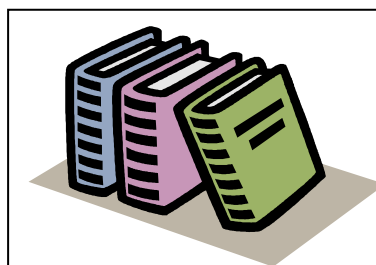
### Donate a book

You can donate a book to the Library on behalf of your child/children.

A certificate or recognition will be placed in the front of the book.



**Please come and support our School Library!!**



# Pizza Meal Deal



**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2012**  
**\$5.00**

Orders & Money must  
 Be at the office by  
3pm Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Nov

**NO LATE ORDERS  
 ACCEPTED**

1 x Pizza (5 inch, classic crust)  
 1 x Jelly Cup  
 1 x Popper OR Bottle of Water 300ml

Child 1		Child 2		Child 3	
Name		Name		Name	
Class		Class		Class	
<b>Please Tick 1</b>		<b>Please Tick 1</b>		<b>Please Tick 1</b>	
Cheese		Cheese		Cheese	
Supreme		Supreme		Supreme	
BBQ Meat lovers		BBQ Meat lovers		BBQ Meat lovers	
Ham & Pineapple		Ham & Pineapple		Ham & Pineapple	
<b>Please Tick 1</b>		<b>Please Tick 1</b>		<b>Please Tick 1</b>	
Orange		Orange		Orange	
Apple		Apple		Apple	
Water		Water		Water	