



Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

Think Act Speak Well

Week 5 Term 4

5 November 2012

Principal's Report NAPLAN 2012

Results this year were very pleasing indeed.

In Year 5 in every area (Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation and Numeracy) students at Russell Vale performed above the state average.

In Year 3 averages were above in Writing, Spelling and Grammar and Punctuation and just below the state average in Reading and maths.

The professional learning staff have put in over the last 3 years to improve Writing and Spelling skills has definitely borne fruit and I am proud of the intense work staff have done to improve student outcomes.

One of our major focus areas in 2013 will be Numeracy and in coming weeks we will be analysing results across NAPLAN as well as school assessment results to accurately target strategies for next year.

2013 PLANNING

When deciding on the classes for any year, we attempt to obtain as much information as possible to ensure that, given the resources of the school (number of teachers, classroom availability, number of children, etc.) we place the children as best we can.

With the school now at 10 classes rather than 12 a few years ago the task becomes even more difficult.

With this in mind, we would like to know of any factors which could affect the placement of your child in the 2013 classes.

Whilst I cannot assure you that we will be able to meet your requests, I can guarantee you that I will listen to what you have to say and if possible, find a satisfactory solution. Please write a note to the Principal via the Front Office staff and have your envelope marked 'Mr Grierson – CONFIDENTIAL'. I will be able to accept notes until Friday 16th November. (Please be aware that requesting particular teachers for your child is very flattering, but rarely appropriate).

If you are leaving the school or know of someone coming in 2013 please let us know as soon as possible

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jordan Errington who competed in the 2012 State Titles for MotoX. Jordan rode his KTM 65 and had a 1st and three 2nds and came 2nd in the State overall. Great effort Jordan.

Mark Grierson
Principal

Upcoming Events

Nov

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

Dec

Tues 4	Mufti & crazy Hat Day
Mon 17	Presentation Day & Concert
Tue 18	Yr 6 Farewell
Wed 19	Jamberoo, Movies & Party Day

Notes & Money Due

Congratulations!

BRONZE School Award

Lily Hastie, Connor Richardson, Kayla Prokopovich, Bronsen Rostirolla, Mia Real, Gary Bowen, Kodi Tawhai-King, Olivia Smith, Angel Watson, Grace Mellows, Janaya Baroudi, Danielle Roberts

Academic MC

Sienna Broers, Samantha Hallowell, Cameron hart, Olivia Green, Josh Crimston, Noah McInerney, Angus Sorenson, Mia Real, Amy Joy, Dean Oldfield, Kendal Linsley, Kye Linsley

PD/H/PE MC

Saxon bell, Mia Walsh, Jake Smith, Beth O'Brien, Jordy Murray, Georgia Green

Creative Arts MC

Jewel Watson, Keiran Fowler, Grace Mellows

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

HAVING AN INTERESTING CONVERSATION

Take turns and talk about something you are both interested in.

Do's

Look at the other person and smile.

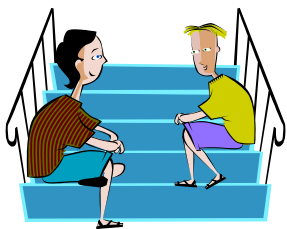
Ask a question or make a comment about something you have in common. Listen carefully when the other person is speaking.

When they stop talking, take your turn, and either ask a good question or say something about the topic. Be positive.

While you are speaking, look to see that the other is interested in what you are saying.

Let them have a turn by pausing and looking in their eyes.

If you run out of thing to say or they seem uninterested, make a comment or ask another question about something else that you have in common.



Don'ts

Don't talk about things that the other person is not interested in.

Don't fidget or let your mind wander.

Don't expect the other person to do all the work in the conversation.

Don't interrupt.

Don't assume that the other person is interested in what you are saying. Check!

Don't hog the conversation.

Don't ask questions all the time. Make some comments.



Jordan Errington – Moto X winner



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 5th 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 13th Nov (due to camp)

Stage 2 – Years 3 and 4

Wednesday 14th Nov

Stage 1 – K to 2

Thursday 15th November

The performance of 'Russell Vale's Got Talent' will be held in Week 7 on Thursday 22nd 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

Canteen News

Pizza Meal Deal orders need to be in by **TOMORROW!!!** No pizza will be sold from the canteen on the day so get your order in so you and your grandparents don't miss out. **Please remember to put your CHILD'S NAME & CLASS on the orders for grandparents.**

The Canteen will be **CLOSED TUESDAY 2nd NOV**, due to Melbourne Cup Day. We still need helpers for the following days:-

1 helper needed

Tuesday 4 December

Thursday 15 November (URGENT)

2 helpers needed:

Tuesday 20 November

Friday 23 November

I'm very sad to say that we still don't have anyone prepared to take over as roster coordinator. The Russell Vale P&C has been running our canteen for over 30 years. If nobody steps forward to help in this position by the **P&C AGM 14th Nov**, then the canteen will have to close. So please if you can:-

- Edit a Word Document
- Send an Email
- Send a Text
- Be available once or twice a term to have a meeting with the committee
- We will even throw in a Pre-Paid Mobile so you don't rack up your own phone bill!!

No longer does the roster coordinator walk around the school approaching people for help. The rest of the canteen committee will be there to help out in any way they can. If you can help in anyway please contact Tamara Johnson on 0412 173 192 or tamarajohnson@live.com.au **OR** Kelly Mills on 0414 851 914 (after 5pm) or kellymills5@bigpond.com.

Many thanks,
Canteen Committee

Canteen Roster

Mon	5 Nov	Steve Joy, Scott Taylor
Tues	6 Nov	CLOSED – Melbourne Cup
Wed	7 Nov	CLOSED
Thur	8 Nov	Scott Taylor, Angie Taylor
Fri	9 Nov	Meal Deal/Grandparents Day Kelly M, Debbie P, Kristy E, Donna Mc, Jodi B.
Mon	12 Nov	Lynnette Hando, Karen Linsley
Tue	13 Nov	Brooke Smart, Sue Furlong
Wed	14 Nov	CLOSED
Thur	15 Nov	Julie Sweeney 1 Helper needed
Fri	16 Nov	Paulo Paulo, Susie & Gail Anderson

P&C News

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

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 then follow the AGM.

Mufti & Crazy Hat Day

In support of P & C's final fundraiser for the year, students are invited to take part in a Mufti & Crazy Hat day on Tuesday 4 December in exchange for a donation of items to the P & C Christmas Hamper Raffle. Collection boxes will be placed under the COLA on that day and all donations will gratefully be received. See all the details in the Notice attached to this Newsletter.

Donations of large cane baskets would also be appreciated. Please leave in the Uniform Shop for collection.

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

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 Lions Club of Woonona Inc. World Festival of Magic Show

***Free Entry – If you cannot obtain a ticket
from your school or organisation, get one
at the door – all welcome***

Date: 15 November 2012

Time: 12:30pm, 4:30pm, or 7:30pm

**Location: Woonona Bulli RSL
Auditorium**

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: 17th November

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

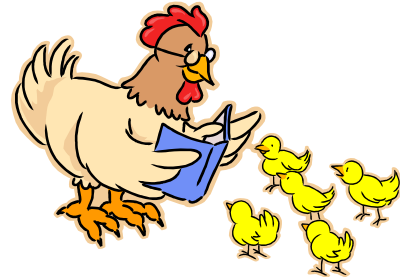
Price: \$45.00 this includes bus trip, morning and afternoon tea.

Call: Nicole Jones 0423 220 274

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

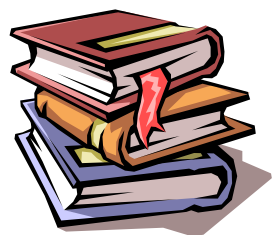
Parents, Grandparents, family members and friends are welcome.

This is a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping.

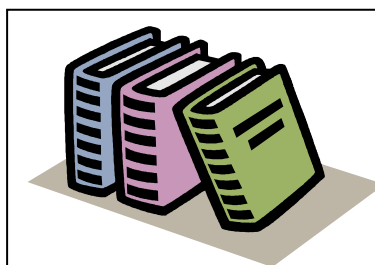
Donate a book

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!!



MUFTI & CRAZY HAT DAY !

IN SUPPORT OF CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE - 2012

Please support the P & C in our final fundraiser for the year - a huge Christmas Hamper Raffle! All money raised will go towards the new playground and we need the whole school community to be involved by donating items to fill the hampers. If every family could donate one or two items, we will have enough stock to make several large hampers. Children are encouraged to be involved in a special Mufti & Crazy Hat Day on Tuesday 4 December 2012, in exchange for the donation of food items. Collection boxes will be placed under the COLA. Hampers will then be prepared by our volunteers and raffle tickets will be sold under the COLA for 50c in the weeks leading up to the *End of Year Concert*.



All donated products need to be properly sealed, packaged, bottled or tinned. Any fresh foods, out-of-date products, dented/rusty cans and items requiring refrigeration ARE NOT SUITABLE. The winning families will take home a wonderful supply of treats to enjoy over the festive period. So that we do not have an over-supply of the same items, a guideline for each class is listed below. This is a suggestion only, so please feel free to make your own choice.

- KR **Christmas Novelties** - house & tree decorations, Christmas Cards, novelty items, Christmas crackers, serviettes, melamine dinnerware, paper plates & cups
- K-1V **Christmas Goodies** - fruit cake, puddings, shortbread, chocolate coated nuts and sultanas
- 1RL **Chocolates** - bars, boxed assortments, mint creams, family blocks, Freddo, Kit Kat etc packs
- 1-2K **Sweets & Confectionery** - packets of Minties, Fantails, Sherbies etc, lollipops, jubes & jellies
- 2-3S **Desserts** – cake/dessert/pancake mixes, waffles, icecream cones, wafers, toppings & sprinkles
- 3-4C **Snacks & Munchies** - chips, Twisties, Pringles, CC's , pretzels, nuts, rice crackers & popcorn
- 4J **Tinned Fruit** – tins and snack-packs of peaches, apricots, diced fruit, berries, apples, pineapple
- 5B **Jams/Spreads/Sauces** - tomato/BBQ/sweet-chilli sauces, BBQ marinades, salad dressings, Vegemite, honey, peanut butter, jams and marmalades
- 5-6L **Biscuits & Crackers** – assortment of sweet, cream & savoury biscuits, Shapes, crisp breads, cheese/water/rice crackers & cream wafers
- 6C **Drinks & Beverages** – soft drink, juices, cordials, Milo, coffee, tea, ciders, mineral & soda water



***RUSSELL VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL
P & C VOLUNTEERS***



2012 END OF YEAR DINNER

If you volunteer at our school in the canteen, reading,
sports, maths groups or other school activities,
please come along to an end of year dinner at the

***The Breeze Restaurant in the
Towradgi Bowls and Recreation Club
near the beach end of
Towradgi Road Towradgi***

Thursday 22th November 2012 at 7 pm

**** Pay for your own meal and drinks – NOT BYO ****

**RSVP by 20th November 2012 to Kelly Mills
SMS to 0414 851 914 or
Email "kellymills5@bigpond.com" or**

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RSVP (to school office – P&C Box):

.....(your name)

will be attending the P & C Volunteers Dinner.

Your contact Phone number:

Child/s Name..... Class.....

