



Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

Think Act Speak Well

Week 10 Term 3

17 September 2012

Principal's Report

Industrial Action

Due to industrial action by the Public Service Association over cuts to school administrative and support positions our office ladies will be involved in industrial action on the first Monday of next term (Monday 8th October) between 9.00am and 1.00pm. To enable the ladies to attend the meeting, travelling time will mean the office will be closed from the commencement of day until at least 1pm or later.

400 positions are flagged for removal across NSW.

NAPLAN

Year 3 & 5 parents will receive their child's NAPLAN results this week. Our school did particularly well this year with both grades averages higher than the national average in every area.

Gujarat NRE Donation

A big thank you to this local company who donated \$500 to our school to go towards guided readers.

This company would be asked by lots of groups for money – we appreciate their donation greatly.

DISCO Success

Last Friday's disco was a great success with our students having a wonderful time thanks to the P&C organisation, helpers on the night and a good DJ.

My thanks, in particular, to Julie Hardy for her outstanding organisation of the event.

Southern Stars

There are two boards full of great photos of Southern Stars in our foyer. Please take the time to have a look.

Charity Can Drive

Last year students were asked to support a can drive for people in need around Christmas time.

We would like to do something again for the underprivileged in the local Illawarra area and so we will be holding a mufti day event on Tuesday 16th October with payment for coming in mufti clothes being a can donation.

St Vincent's de Paul will collect the donations and students and staff will have the opportunity to support local people in need.

Thank You

Thank you to Jodie Whitefield who has donated a large number of rugby league balls to our school. Many thanks.

Newsletter

There will be no Newsletter Week 1 of Term 4 due to Industrial Action involving our office ladies.

I hope all students have a relaxing and enjoyable holiday.

Mark Grierson
Principal

Congratulations!

BRONZE School Award

Ben Charlesworth, Jezebel Spence, Angus Cross, Owen Thomas, Brianna Vrtkovski, Lillian Joy, Gemma O'Brien, Samuel Adnum, Kira Small, Riley Walker, Taisa Ridgeway, Fletcher Bowler, Noah McClafferty, Pipah Grubb, Erin Kaynak, Bryson barker, Madison McDonald, Tara Scott, Teliah Court, Leah Taylor, Jack Donnelly

Academic MC

Faith Apps Josh mellows, Amelia Spence, Jordan Phelan, Taya Nye, Travis Lee, James Klein-Essink, Josh Burton, Justin Markham-Williams, Annabelle Smith, Finlae Watson, Dominique De Carli, Evie Feld

PD/H/PE MC

Alexei Rosser, Ethan Larnach, Hayley Moygannon, Penny Small, Kate Luyten, Caleb Sharman

Dates

Sep

Tues 18 Interrelate evening – 6.00pm/7.15pm

Oct

Sat 20 Bunnings BBQ

Notes & Money Due

Oct



Mon 15 Final Camp Payment

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

**IGNORING SOMEONE WHO IS GIVING YOU
A HARD TIME
Stay cool.
Smart people know when
To walk away**

Do's	Don'ts
Stop looking at them.	Don't look at them.
Try to keep all the expression off your face. Look normal.	Don't smile.
Turn your body away.	Don't argue.
Do something else or talk to others near you.	Don't insult back.
If the other person keeps annoying you, STAY COOL AND WALK CALMLY AWAY.	Don't get AGGRO.
If they follow you and keep giving you a hard time you may consider asking an adult for support, but remember they may try to get revenge if you do, so do this only as a last resort.	Don't try to get them into trouble.
	

Canteen News

We are still looking for a roster person. It is so easy now most people are on email to send out the roster 2-3 times a term. You also need to update the roster each week under the COLA and to notify by email the canteen secretary and the school office to put updates on our school website and in the newsletter.

We will get you a phone with a prepaid sim so you don't need to use your own phone, and a lot of the contact is now made via email.

So if you can update a spreadsheet, send and receive emails this could be the perfect role for you.

Well the end of term 3 is fast approaching, and we really need to have the first 3 weeks of Term 4 filled as soon as possible. Kelly will be away first week of Term 4 so cannot be chasing up anyone to do the canteen, so it would be most appreciated if you can let Kelly know what dates you are available. The new Term 4 roster is also under the COLA if you are at the school and want to update it there.

While Kelly is away Tamara will look after anything urgent regarding the roster, i.e. if you are sick or need to change dates - her contact details are; Tamara (m) 0412 173 192 (e) tamarajohnson@live.com.au

Remember if we don't fill the roster by Thurs before then we will announce closure in the newsletter for the day/s not covered.

Canteen Roster as at the 10th September, 2012:

Mon	17 Sep	Kristy Elliott, Karen Linsley
Tue	18 Sep	Nicole Ficker, Patsy Ross
Wed	19 Sep	Closed
Thu	20 Sep	Vanessa Bowler, Julie Hardy
Fri	21 Sep	2 Helpers Required

P&C News

P & C Meeting

Give A Gonski - Great turn-out by parents to last week's P & C Meeting. Thanks to Di Body & Michelle Rafferty for explaining The Gonski Review which recommends that schools should receive extra funding of \$1,500 PER STUDENT PER YEAR. That means RVPS would be entitled to an additional sum of \$372,000 PER YEAR. Imagine what we could do with that! The Gillard Government has indicated it will support such recommendations but can't explain how it will be able to fund such a massive increase from the budget and that the extra funding will not be fully implemented until the year 2025. How old will your children be in 2025? Now is the time for our whole school community to rally and tell politicians that funding should happen now. *Give a Gonski* and go to the website: <http://igiveagonski.com.au/> and register your support for funding to happen now! It only takes a moment and your individual response could make a big difference.

Local School Local Decisions - is another uncertain change introduced by the current State Government. All parents and carers are invited to attend a Community Forum at Dapto Leagues Club this Wednesday night (6.00pm-7.30pm) which will help to explain how *Local Schools Local Decisions* will directly affect all students.

State Government Education Cuts - were announced last week. This means a reduction in 1,800 staff currently employed in administrative and regional roles across the state as well as 400 administrative positions. This proposal is being heralded as the largest ever cut to education services by a State Government. Please take notice of developments and keep watching the news.

Playground Equipment - on a brighter note, P & C last night agreed to assist the school to purchase new playground equipment to be constructed within the school grounds. Playgrounds of this nature do not come cheaply, and we are looking at approximately \$25,000-\$30,000 for something substantial. Due to the success of recent fundraisers such as the Cadbury Chocolate Drive and sausage sizzles, P & C have kick started the fundraising drive with a \$10,000 donation. Please continue to support all fundraising efforts over the coming months as every cent raised will go towards the new playground. Remember, the Canteen has the best potential to raise the most money. Please become a canteen helper and all profits raised from sales will be directed back to the playground.

Bunnings BBQ Saturday 22 October
There has been a great response already to our Bunnings BBQ Roster. We only need 2 more people to complete the roster who can work from 11am to 1pm. If you are available please phone Megan Spence on 0420 287 521. Another way that you can support this fundraiser is to tell family and friends to visit Bunnings on Saturday 22 October and buy a sausage sandwich for RVPS! All proceeds raised will of course go towards the new playground.

School Disco

Wow what a night! Fantastic response to the disco with over 215 tickets sold! We are so fortunate at RVPS to be able to hold such a large event without any incident. Our children behaved beyond expectations while having a great time. Thank you to all those parents and staff members who gave up their Friday night to help with supervision. Thank you also to Woonona Bulli RSL and Bodyrock Disco for their help and support.

P & C Enquiries: Contact Julie Hardy 42 854095

Community News

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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!

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

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.

RVPS CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4, 2012 as at 13 Sept.

2 Helpers needed everyday.

Please phone Kelly Mills Ph 0414851914

or email kellymills5@bigpond.com

MON 8 Oct	TUES 9 Oct	WED	THURS 11 Oct	FRI 12 Oct
Canteen Closed	Canteen Closed		Donna McCrystal & Mum (Val)	
MON 15 Oct	TUES 16 Oct	<i>C</i>	THURS 18 Oct	FRI 19 Oct
	Patsy Ross Nicole Ficker	<i>L</i>	Tracey Brown Neville Denham	Tanya Love Steve Joy
MON 22 Oct	TUES 23 Oct	<i>O</i>	THURS 25 Oct	FRI 26 Oct
Debbi Reali	Karen Dunn Megan Spence	<i>S</i>		
MON 29 Oct	TUES 30 Oct	<i>E</i>	THURS 1 Nov	FRI 2 Nov
	Patsy Ross Nicole Ficker	<i>D</i>	Sue Joy	Lara Jones Ann Wallis
MON 5 Nov	TUES 6 Nov		THURS 8 Nov	FRI 9 Nov
		<i>W</i>		Meal Deal : 8 to help Kelly Mills, Kristy Elliott
MON 12 Nov	TUES 13 Nov	<i>E</i>	THURS 15 Nov	FRI 16 Nov
	Brooke Smart Sue Furlong	<i>D</i>		
MON 19 Nov	TUES 20 Nov	<i>N</i>	THURS 22 Nov	FRI 23 Nov
Debbi Reali		<i>E</i>	Julie Hardy Vanessa Bowler	
MON 26 Nov	TUES 27 Nov	<i>S</i>	THURS 29 Nov	FRI 30 Nov
Kristy Elliott Karen Linsley	Patsy Ross Nicole Ficker	<i>D</i>	Sue Joy	
MON 3 Dec	TUES 4 Dec	<i>A</i>	THURS 6 Dec	FRI 7 Dec
		<i>Y</i>	Julie Hardy Vanessa Bowler	Tracey Brown Neville Denham
MON 10 Dec	TUES 11 Dec	<i>E</i>	THURS 13 Dec	FRI 14 Dec
	Patsy Ross Nicole Ficker			
MON 17 Dec	TUES 18 Dec	<i>S</i>	THURS 20 Dec	FRI 21 Dec
Canteen closed	Canteen Closed		Canteen Closed	Canteen Closed