



Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

"Think Act Speak Well"

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"Strength through Collaboration"

Week 7 Term 4

18 November 2013

Principal's Report

Please note that the Canteen will be closed tomorrow – Tuesday 19 December.

P & C Executive 2014

The P & C Annual General Meeting was held last Wednesday night and elections were held for all positions.

I am pleased to announce that the Executive remain the same, and I look forward to working with all members again in 2014.

Congratulations to:

Jill McCorkell President
Natalie Walker Vice President
Kelly Mills Secretary
Darren Broers Treasurer

All staff greatly appreciate the work that all of the P & C Executive and Members do for our school.

Volunteers Morning Tea

It is hoped that all parents who have assisted our school in 2013 will be able to attend a 'thank you morning tea' on Tuesday 17 December at 11 am. Parents have assisted on the P & C and its associated committees, on excursions, with reading groups and in other ways in classrooms and different events the school holds.

All staff hope to see parent helpers on this day as we greatly appreciate all of the assistance we receive.

Captains 2014

Year 5 students who aspire to our leadership positions in 2014 will give their speeches today and students will vote tomorrow. The Captains and Vice Captains will be announced at the Presentation Day Assembly on Monday, 16 December.

Year 5/6 Camp

Students in these years will travel to Narrabeen Sport and Recreation Camp next week. I really appreciate Mrs James, Mrs Body and Mrs Brancourt giving up the entire week away from family to give our students this excellent excursion experience.

Mark Grierson
Principal

Congratulations!



Academic MC

Isaac Carter, Jasmin Deece, Mark Harrison, Tom Feld, Olivia Smith, Ryan Sweeney, Crystal Atkinson, Ethan Johnson, Finlae Watson, Solomon Little, Amy Regan, Jarrod Phelan.

PD/H/PE

Jeremy Armour, Mia Reali, Lily Hastie, Kyra Owens.

Creative Art

Beau Jackson, Trent Carter, Jack Bell, Fletcher Sutton, Kai Johnson, Kirsten Owen.

Bronze

Nikki Taylor, Adelaide Davis-Soar, Angus Sorensen, Dominic De Carli, Cameron Bengé, Jesse McCorkell, Keeley, Adelaide Davis-Soar, Nikki Taylor, Bradley Trimboli.

Upcoming Events

November

18 Talent Quest Auditions Year 5 & 6
19 Talent Quest Auditions Year 3 & 4
20 Talent Question Auditions Year 1 & 2
21 Talent Question Auditions Kindergarten
22 Any student that ran out of time or were absent
25 to 29 Stage 3 Camp to Narrabeen Academy of Sport

December

2 Christmas Scripture Assembly 9.30 am
3 Mufti & Crazy Hat Day
9 Talent Quest Final

9	Spider Day (Year 6 Fundraiser)
16	Presentation Day
16	Carols (Carols, Hip Hop plus Winner of Talent Quest)
17	Year 6 Farewell Assembly 9.15 am (hall)
17	Volunteers Morning Tea 11 am
17	Year 6 Formal 6 to 8.30 School Hall
18	Movie Day/ Bowling Stage 2
18	Party Day Stage 1
18	Year 6 Fun Day at Jamberoo Recreation Park
18	Last Day of Term

Talent Quest

It is that time of year again – Talent Quest Time! This week (18/11-22/11) we are holding auditions for students to come and share with us their special talents, be it singing, dancing, playing musical instruments, skipping etc. Options are endless and only limited by the students' imagination and talent. All students are invited to audition on their respective days (see important dates at a glance) and all students who make it through to the Talent Quest Final (9th December - Monday of Week 10) will have their names published in an upcoming newsletter. The winners from each stage will perform at our Carols on the 16th December.

To help the auditions run smoothly we are asking that all acts:

- be no longer than 2 minutes.
- do not involve skateboards, bikes, scooters or dangerous tricks.
- have their music/instruments brought to school with them on the day of their audition and lyrics be checked to ensure there is no inappropriate language.

We are so excited to see all our students try out and perform. Should be a fun filled few weeks.

Mrs L James (on behalf of the SRC)

Salvation Army Bushfire Appeal Mufti Day

Last Thursday students K-6 were invited to come to school dressed in red clothing and in exchange donate a gold coin in support of the Salvation Army's Bushfire Appeal. We had a sea of red clothing and due to the generous support of our school community we were able to raise \$337.10! Thank you all so much for supporting such a worthy community cause. This money will be donated on behalf of Russell Vale Public School students and will help go towards assisting those affected by the recent bush fires. Well done everyone!

With thanks,
Mrs L. James and SRC

Kindy Play and Orientation

Kindy Play

9.15 am to 10.15 am on Wednesday 13 November
Wednesday 20 November
Wednesday 27 November

Orientation Dates

9.30 am to 10.45 am on Wednesday 4 December
Wednesday 11 December

An information day for parents will be held during the Orientation Session on Wednesday 4 December at 9.30 am. Please meet under the COLA.

New enrolments who have been notified of missing information on their enrolment forms, please bring to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Christmas Scripture Assembly

Monday 2 December from 9.30am til about 10.45am (come along parents and children!)

We are very lucky to have Natalie Miller (an internationally recognised ventriloquist puppeteer) perform for us again right here in our school hall. If that's not enough, some of our locally grown Russell Vale talents will also perform for us too! 1 / 2K and 1VL Protestant students are performing items, and a handful of keen Year 6 students from Catholic and Protestant Scripture will perform an item and help host the assembly.

All students have been practising (or will soon) Colin Buchanan's "Christ, The King of Christmas" song so we can all join in for this one.

Come and join us for some Christmas fun where we celebrate the birth of Jesus, sing and laugh together.

Thanks very much.

Carinya Barkley



Please Vote Online
Russell Vale Public School – 4C
Voting closes 5pm Tuesday November 19




You can vote as many times as you want!

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	Don'ts
Look at the other person and smile.	Don't talk about things that the other person is not interested in.
Ask a question or make a comment about something you have in common. Listen carefully when the other person is speaking.	Don't fidget or let your mind wander.
When they stop talking, take your turn, and either ask a good question or say something about the topic. Be positive.	Don't expect the other person to do all the work in the conversation.
While you are speaking, look to see that the other is interested in what you are saying.	Don't interrupt.
Let them have a turn by pausing and looking in their eyes.	Don't assume that the other person is interested in what you are saying. Check!
If you run out of things to say or they seem uninterested, make a comment or ask another question about something else that you have in common.	Don't hog the conversation.
	Don't ask questions all the time. Make some comments.
	

Canteen News

Many thanks to all who volunteered on Friday for the last Meal Deal of 2013. 167 kids ordered and a profit of \$275 was made. It was a great morning - thanks again.

Welcome to the two new Canteen Committee Members, Astrid Jackson and Lara Sinton. Astrid will be taking over the Canteen Roster and her details will be listed below.

The roster for Term 1 2014 is now up at school. It would be nice if we could have the first few weeks filled. If you know that you will have some spare time next year it would be a great help if you could volunteer.

The Canteen Roster for the remainder of the year is listed below. It would be great if we could fill the remaining few days. Remember that grandparents & friends are very welcome.

If anyone would like to volunteer or if you need to change or cancel a morning, please contact Karan Cambridge on 0437 868 509 or akcambo@yahoo.com.au.

Many thanks.

The Canteen Committee

W K	Mon 18 Nov	Tues 19 Nov	Wed 20 Nov	Thurs 21 Nov	Fri 22 Nov
7	Kelly Mills Heidi Luyten	Closed	Karan Cambridge Sharon Rigby	Closed	Julie Hardy Vanessa Bowler
W K	Mon 25 Nov	Tues 26 Nov	Wed 27 Nov	Thurs 28 Nov	Fri 29 Nov
8	Lynne Holmes Donna McCrystal	Mel Boon Sharon Rigby	Karan Cambridge Lara Sinton	Closed	Paula Phelan Steve Joy
W K	Mon 2 Dec	Tues 3 Dec	Weds 4 Dec	Thurs 5 Dec	Fri 6 Dec
9	Donna McCrystal Val Thurston	Volunteer Needed Steve Joy	Karan Cambridge Volunteer Needed	Closed	Tracy Brown Neville Denham
W K	Mon 9 Dec	Tues 10 Dec	Weds 11 Dec	Thurs 12 Dec	Fri 13 Dec
10	Lynette Hando Lynne Holmes	Mel Boon Sharon Rigby	Karan Cambridge Lara Sinton	Closed	Donna McCrystal

P&C News

P & C Annual General Meeting

Thank you to all members for a great turnout to our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday night. We wish to announce and congratulate our newly elected Committee for 2014.

P & C Executive Committee

President – Jill McCorkell
Vice President – Natalie Walker
Secretary – Kelly Mills
Treasurer – Darren Broers

Canteen Committee

Karan Cambridge
Larissa Barter
Donna McCrystal
Astrid Jackson
Lara Sinton

Uniform Shop Committee

Megan Spence
Jodi Whitefield
Bronwyn Anderson

Tennis Court Committee

Megan Spence
Lara Sinton

Russell Vale Community Hall Committee

Irma Martin
Julie Montgomery
Roslyn Jones

Mufit- & Crazy Hat Day – Tuesday 3rd December

In support of the P & C's final fundraiser for the year, students are invited to take part in a Mufti & Crazy Hat day on Tuesday 3 December in exchange for a donation of items to the P & C Christmas Hamper Raffle. Items are to be taken to the Hall on that day and all donations will be gratefully received. For further details please refer to the notice attached to this Newsletter.

If you have any enquiries regarding the P & C, please contact Kelly Mills PhL 4285 1914 P & C Secretary.

Community News

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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

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



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MUFTI & CRAZY HAT DAY!

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE - 2013

Tuesday 3 December

Please support the P & C in our final fundraiser for the year - a huge Christmas Raffle! All money raised will go towards upgrading the schools facilities.

Children are encouraged to be involved in a special Mufti & Crazy Hat Day on Tuesday 3 December 2013, in exchange for the donation of food items.



Hamper

- All donated products need to be properly sealed, packaged, bottled or tinned.
- Please **NO** fresh foods, out-of-date products, dented/rusty cans and items requiring refrigeration.
- If every family could donate **one or two items**, we will have enough stock to make several large hampers.

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 - Decorations, Christmas Cards, Christmas Crackers, Serviettes, Paper Plates & Cups
- KC** Christmas Goodies - Fruit Cake, Puddings, Shortbread, Chocolate Coated Nuts & Sultanas
- 1VL** Chocolates - Bars, Boxed Assortments, Mint Creams, Family Blocks & Share Packs
- 1-2K** Sweets & Confectionery - Minties, Fantails, Sherbies, Lollipops, Jubes & Jelly Lollies
- 2-3S** Desserts – Cake/Dessert/Pancake Mixes, Ice-cream Cones, Wafers, Toppings & Sprinkles
- 3W** Snacks & Munchies - Chips, Twisties, Pringles, CC's, Pretzels, Nuts & Popcorn
- 4C** Tinned Fruit – Tins and Snack-Packs of Peaches, Apricots, Diced fruit, Berries, Apples, etc.
- 4-5B** Jams/Spreads/Sauces - Tomato/BBQ/Sweet-Chilli sauces, Marinades, Salad Dressings, Vegemite, Honey, Peanut butter, Jams & Marmalades
- 5-6B** Biscuits & Crackers – Sweet, Cream & Savory Biscuits, Shapes, Cream Wafers & Water/Rice Crackers
- 6J** Drinks & Beverages – Soft Drink, Juices, Cordials, Milo, Coffee, Tea, Mineral & Soda Water

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*.

RUSSELL VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

VOLUNTEER AND PARENT HELPERS END OF YEAR DINNER - 2013



If you volunteer at Russell Vale School for canteen, reading, sports, maths groups, P & C or other school activities, please come along to an end of year dinner to celebrate a successful 2013.

WHEN: Thursday 28th November, 7pm

WHERE: Oscars Bar and Grill - Towradgi Beach Hotel

RSVP by 26th Nov 2013 to Kylie Elliott

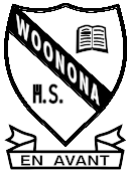
Phone/SMS 0408840043

Email: kylie.elliott74@hotmail.com



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

Past Russell Vale parents also welcome, please pass this invite on!



PURSUING EXCELLENCE

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Dear Parents / Caregivers

BOOK PACK FOR YEAR 7 2014

This year at Woonona High School we have decided to put together a book pack for Year 7 2014 which will contain books and other necessary items that students will need for the start of the 2014 academic year. The book pack will cost \$55.00 which can be paid for and collected on Orientation Day. We strongly recommend that all Year 7 students purchase these book packs as they contain the equipment recommended by each individual Faculty at the school.

Included in the book pack will be:

- Music book
- Visual Arts Diary
- Maths Grid book, Maths set and scientific calculator
- 4 x 128p exercise books
- 2 x 198 p exercise books
- Pens
- Pencils
- Coloured pencils
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Sharpener
- USB stick for use in all subjects

We expect to have the book packs here to be picked up on 4th December, during Orientation Day. The preferred method of payment is cash, but eftpos facilities will be available on the day.

We would like to thank you in anticipation of your co-operation.

Yours faithfully

Mr M de Main
Year 7 Student Adviser 2014