



Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

Think Act Speak Well

Week 1 Term 1

1 February 2013

Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students

Welcome to the 2013 school year!

All staff hope you had a wonderful Christmas and wish you the very best for the year ahead

The school year has begun very smoothly with all students settling in well.

We look forward to a productive and enjoyable year of teaching and learning.

Staffing 2013

Mrs Leesa James joins us as Assistant Principal.

Mrs Kerry Wrice joins us a teacher 3 days permanent part time.

Mr Gavin Jones has taken a year off teaching and will be replaced by Mrs Melinda Brancourt 3 days and Ms Shaye Love 2 days.

Classes have been formed as follows:

- KR Mrs Michelle Rafferty Assistant Principal
KC Mrs Jeanette Cleall
1VL Mrs Sue Vorobieff 3 days, Mrs Jan Lawson 2 days
1/2K Mrs Jeannie King
2/3S Mr Andrew Shepherd
3WB Mrs Kerry Wrice 3 days, Mrs Danielle Bryant 2 days
4C Mr Paul Cuthbertson Assistant Principal
4/5B Mrs Di Body
5/6L Mrs Melinda Brancourt 3 days, Ms Shaye Love 2 days
6J Mrs Leesa James Assistant Principal

Other staff include:

- Mrs Deborah Rosa Teacher Librarian (T.W.Th)
- Mrs Debbie Carter) School Learning Support Teachers
- Mrs Judy Markham) " "
- Mrs Kathy Stewart School Administrative Manager
- Mrs Margaret Fallo School Admin Officer (W,Th Fr)
- Mrs Narelle Stanbridge School Admin Officer (Mon Tu)
- Mrs Joy Della Vedova School Learning Support Officer
- Mrs Jodie Dunning " " " "
- Mrs Natalie Phillips " " " "
- Mrs Alison Hand " " " "
- Mr Noel Evans General Assistant

Staff will meet with parents in coming weeks (to be advised) to inform parents of the year ahead. Please make the effort to attend these meetings.

School Contributions

It is hoped all parents will send these to school as soon as possible.

\$20.00 each for first two children, \$10.00 for every child thereafter.

Thank you in advance for your support in this regard.

Swimming Carnival

Will be held Thursday 7th February 2013. A note has already gone home about this.

It is hoped lots of parents will attend and perhaps be able to assist with timekeeping and judging.

Wollongong H.S of the Performing Arts

Applications for auditions for 2014 enrolment are due by 8th March. Areas include Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Arts.

A package of information is available at our school office if interested.

School Photos

Will be taken on Wednesday 20th February.

School Newsletter

The School Newsletter will be emailed on Mondays except for this first week. If you have not already done so, please see the office for a form to submit your email address.

Mr Philip Hearn

It is with great sadness that I report that Phil Hearn lost his battle with cancer during the school holidays.

Originally given 18 months to live he achieved just over 3 years, testament to his inner strength.

He was Assistant Principal here for a short period before health issues intervened.

All staff are saddened by his passing.

Mark Grierson
Principal

Upcoming Events

Feb

Thurs 7 th	School Swimming Carnival
Mon 18 th	District Swimming Carnival
Wed 20 th	School Photos (payment of the day)
Wed 6 th	Sport In Schools – 10 wk prg

Notes & Money Due

Feb

Now due	Swimming Carnival
Fri 15 th	Work Books/Magazines
Wed 20 th	\$45 per child, \$90 family (2 or more)
Or	
Wed 20 th March if paying in instalments	
ASAP	School Contributions
	\$20.00 first two children
	\$10.00 thereafter

Sport in Schools Australia

The Program commences on Wednesday 6 February for 10 weeks. Children are asked to wear their sports uniform and appropriate footwear.

Payments to the Office

There are 3 secure letter boxes in the office foyer to collect any payments due, One for School payments, one for P&C payments and fundraising and one for the uniform shop.

Where possible, please include correct money in envelope to avoid sending change home with your child. The school provides payment envelopes so see the office when you run out. Please mark on the envelope if you require a receipt.

Thankyou
Office Staff

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 –

INCLUDING OTHERS Including others makes everyone feel good

DO'S	DON'TS
Comment on the other players' good moves	Don't comment on other people's bad moves or bad luck.
Wait for your turn	Don't play when it's not your turn.
Get started and pay attention.	Don't muck around before start.
Have your go reasonably quickly when it's your turn.	Don't put unfair pressure on people to hurry when it's their turn.
Allow other players to have a reasonable amount of time for their turn.	Don't cheat.
Play by the rules	Don't grizzle or complain if you have bad luck.
If you have bad luck, just accept it, e.g. if you keep getting a "one" on the dice or if the ball bounces unevenly.	
<i>"That's a good Catch"</i>	

Canteen News

Welcome back to an exciting year! And a big welcome to all of our new kindy parents!! The canteen will be kicking off with our summer menu which you will find attached to the newsletter.

We are always after new and friendly faces to help out in the canteen, so if you can spare a couple of hours, we would greatly appreciate your help.

Please if you can help in anyway please contact Tamara Johnson on 0412 173 192 or tamarajohnson@live.com.au
OR Paula Paulo on 0405 064 250 or paulaandallan@gmail.com

Many thanks,
Canteen Committee

Canteen Roster

Mon	4 Feb	Donna McCrystal & Mum
Tues	5 Feb	Wayne Regan, Patsy Ross
Wed	6 Feb	Scott Taylor Volunteer needed
Thur	7 Feb	Volunteers needed
Fri	8 Feb	Steve Joy, Wayne Regan
Mon	11 Feb	Lynette Hando, Charleen Lee
Tue	12 Feb	Patsy Ross
Wed	13 Feb	Volunteers needed
Thur	14 Feb	Simon Owen, Peta Deece
Fri	15 Feb	Volunteers needed

P&C News

The Russell Vale Public School P & C extends a warm welcome to all parents, carers, staff and students for 2013.

As you may remember our 2012 End of Year Presentation Day and Party Day was a wonderful success, and congratulations to all the students and staff for an entertaining day.

The Christmas Raffle, Sausage Sizzle Barbecue and the Tea, Coffee, Cake Stall were all well supported and we raised over \$2,750 which will assist towards our fundraising for the new playground equipment.

A huge Thank You to all of the people who sold raffle tickets and to everyone who helped out on the day.

Our first **P & C Meeting for 2013** will be held on **Wednesday 13 February at 7.00 pm**, in the Staffroom (eastern end of main building). Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month and we aim to finish by 9.00pm. We will be discussing fundraising goals for the year so please join us for a cuppa and help make 2013 a great year to improve our school.

□ The P & C requires as many financial members as possible so it can represent the whole school community. Individual membership is also a legal requirement under the P & C Constitution.

□ Annual P & C Membership fee of \$5 covers you for insurance purposes in the event of any accident while volunteering for school based activities (eg Canteen, Sports & Reading Groups)

□ P & C Membership entitles you to voting rights at general meetings to decide how fund-raised money should be spent and other important issues concerning the school

□ You may raise any relevant topic for discussion at P & C Meetings by making a brief note in the Agenda Item Book available at the Office (at least 3 days prior to the meeting)

P & C Membership

Please support our P & C Association by becoming a "Financial Member" for only \$5. Also, if you wish to help out with Canteen, Classroom or Sport Groups, then we recommend you join which will automatically cover you for insurance purposes in the event of an accident.

Membership does not mean that you must attend P & C Meetings, but if you wish to do so, you will be entitled to

Voting Rights on important issues. Please complete the payment slip below, enclose \$5 and return to the Office. A receipt will be returned to the child and class noted on the payment slip. A compulsory insurance premium (\$650) is paid each year by the P & C to cover parent volunteers and all events organized by the P & C. This premium is not paid by the School and your membership fees help to cover this substantial amount each year.

If you have any enquiries regarding the P & C please contact **Kelly Mills, Ph 42851914 P & C Secretary**

P&C MEMBERSHIP

PARENT NAME / Child's Name / Class - \$5 enclosed

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Please return to P&C Letter box located in office foyer

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

Woonona Bulli Bushrangers Registration 2013

Date: Sat 2 Feb & Sun 10 Feb 2013

Time: 10.00am – 1.00pm

@ Hollymount Park Woonona

OR

Date: Sun 24 Feb @ Bulli Bowlo where you can join in the family fun with Barefoot Bowls (\$5.00 cost)

Cost: Still only \$65.00 – includes fees plus a club t-shirt & new players get a kit bag too!

Ages: 5 to 16 yrs – boys & girls

Players Under 6's are FREE

(all new players need to bring Birth Certificate & payment)

Further details contact Andrew on 0413 835 381 or email registrar@woononajrffc.or.au



Registrations for Russell Vale Junior Football Club are now being taken on line. Full details can be found on our website rvjfc.com.au.

Simply register online and then visit Russell Vale Community Hall on 2nd and 9th February between 10am and 2pm to confirm and pay for registration.

Cost is Under 6's and Under 7's - \$60.00 and Under 8 to

Under 18's - \$100. New registrations receive Club shorts, socks and drink bottle. Family discounts for multiple children apply. For further

Info please contact Steve Smart on 0413 594 112 or Michael Benn on 0426 955 795.



