



# Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

*Think Act Speak Well*

**Week 6 Term 1**

**4 March 2013**

## **Principal's Report**

### **Leaders**

It was great to see our Sporting Leaders and Student Representative Council Leaders presented with their badges at Friday's assembly.

Student leadership can take many forms and all of them contribute to improving and enhancing positive school culture. I feel sure that our leaders will make a real difference to Russell Vale in 2013. Congratulations to all elected students.

### **Clean Up Australia**

Due to the bad weather on Friday our Clean Up day was postponed until Monday 4 March.

### **Year 7 Visit**

Woonona High School Year 7 students will speak with Year 5 & 6 pupils today about their experiences in the first few weeks and months of beginning high school.

The level of Yr 6 transition support now in place by our Woonona Community of Schools is now at an extraordinary level compared to my own experience of knowing where Narwee Boys HS was geographically but walking into the school on day one of year 7 was my first ever experience.

Students now visit up to eight times as part of a very comfortable, comforting transition process.

### **Congratulations to ...**

Zara Sharman who has reached the GOLD Award level.

Mark Grierson

Principal

### **School Volunteers**

Prohibited Declaration Forms - these forms need to be done each year by all volunteers within the school (canteen, readers, sport etc).

This is a Department policy. The forms can be obtained from the office.

## *Congratulations!*

### **BRONZE School Award**

Payton Brown, Zara Sharman, Shanaye Jones, Sienna McClafferty, Jocelyn Bray, Jessica Bray, Olivia Green

### **Academic MC**

Riley Walker, Olivia Green, Jessica George, Joshua Crimston, Lucie Squires, Bailey Walker, Jasmin Deece, Ella Lakeman, Joshua Goodwin, Charlotte McIntyre, Jordan Broers, Finn Ainsworth, Cooper Rigby, Jordan Barker, Zara Sharman, Lillian Ritchie, Bailey Leadbitter, Solomon Little, Taisa Ridgway

### **Creative Art MC**

Nehemiah Mandranis, Serena Banasiak, Carrie Walker, Tyler Kirby, Skye Steele

### **PD/H/PE MC**

Brody Armour, Ben Charlesworth, Jack Bell, Coen Stein, Bronte Sweeny

## **Upcoming Events**

### **March**

Monday 4th	Clean Up Australia
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 7 to visit Yr 5 & 6
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Community of Schools Numeracy Day Yr 6
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Woonona High School Open Night
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Hat Parade 11.45am to 1 pm
	Combined Easter Scripture 2 – 2.45 pm

## **Notes & Money Due**


ASAP	Work Books/Magazines
	Sport in Schools \$45 per child, \$90 family (2 or more)
ASAP	School Contributions
	\$20.00 first two children
	\$10.00 thereafter
25 March	\$50 Year 5 & 6 Camp Deposit

## 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 –

### GIVING AND RECEIVING COMPLIMENTS

Good mates look for the good things about others

<b>Giving Compliments</b>	<b>Giving compliments</b>
<b>DO'S</b>	<b>DON'TS</b>
Look for anything about another person that you genuinely like or appreciate.	Don't give a compliment that isn't true.
Look in their eyes and smile	Don't give too many compliments.
<b>Receiving Compliments</b>	<b>Receiving Compliments</b>
<b>DO'S</b>	<b>DON'TS</b>
Wait till the person finishes giving you the compliment.	Don't laugh or say something silly.
Look in their eyes and smile.	Don't look away.
Say "thank you" and perhaps add an interesting positive comment (e.g. Thank you – I've worked hard on it.)	Don't say something which suggests they're wrong. (Don't say "No, it's not one of my best efforts")
	

### Sports News!

Congratulations to Chloe Reali who has been selected to represent North Wollongong in Tennis in Batemans Bay on 11<sup>th</sup> March.

Congratulations to Harrison Benn on being selected in the Northern Zone Cricket team. He is off to regional trials on 15<sup>th</sup> March.

### District Swimming Carnival

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February, 30 excited and nervous swimmers represented Russell Vale Public School at the North Wollongong District Swimming Carnival. The behaviour and enthusiasm of our team was exemplary.

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who supported the children and also helped with timekeeping.

Congratulations and thank you to Ben Charlesworth, Brody Armour and Jack Bell who helped as runners all day.

Teachers and parents from other schools recognized and commented on their outstanding efforts too!

Russell Vale finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall and equal 3<sup>rd</sup> on the trophy, which is a very commendable effort. Zara Sharman was named 11 years Girls Champion after winning the 100m freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 50m freestyle, 50m butterfly and 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m Senior Medley.

Other high achievers were:

Ryan Sweeney: 2<sup>nd</sup> in 11 years 50m Backstroke, 50m freestyle and 50m butterfly.

Darby Walsh: 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Backstroke.

Georgia Green: 4<sup>th</sup> Senior Backstroke.

Caleb Sharman: 3<sup>rd</sup> 50m Freestyle.

Luke Sweeney: 4<sup>th</sup> 50m Freestyle.

Bronte Sweeny: 4<sup>th</sup> Senior Butterfly.

Junior boys relay: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Senior girls relay 3rd

Good luck to Zara, Ryan and our Junior Boys Relay Team: Thomas Joy, Luke Sweeney, Anakin Hughes and Caleb Sharman who are competing at the Regional Carnival on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

### Swimming Ribbons

The swimming ribbons from our school carnival were awarded at last Friday's assembly. Congratulations to all. Congratulations to Brokers, the winning House for 2013.

### Cross Country

Our Cross Country carnival will be on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April, (Week 10) after our whole school assembly. More information will be available soon.

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## Canteen News

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**CANTEEN CLOSED – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**, due to not enough volunteers coming forward. Thanks to those who helped out on our very rainy sausage sizzle day. I think the kids really enjoyed having a nice warm sausage sandwich in their tummies on such a cold, wet day. New volunteer sheets will be attached to the display roster at the school. If you are interested in helping out, please fill one in and hand it back to the office.

We still have plenty of days to fill for the rest of the term, so if you can spare a morning to help that would be great. We are always after new and friendly faces to help out in the canteen. Any new parent or friend wishing to volunteer in anyway please contact Tamara Johnson on 0412 173 192 or [tamarajohnson@live.com.au](mailto:tamarajohnson@live.com.au) OR Paula Paulo on 0405 064 250 or [paulaandallan@gmail.com](mailto:paulaandallan@gmail.com)

Many thanks,  
Canteen Committee

## Canteen Roster

Mon	4 Mar	Michelle Graham, Debbie Reali
Tues	5 Mar	Donna McCrystal, Natalie Benje
Wed	6 Mar	<b>CLOSED</b>
Thur	7 Mar	Sharon Rigby, Melissa Boon
Fri	8 Mar	Mel Feld, Vee Baroudi
Mon	11 Mar	Lynette Hando, Lynne Holmes
Tue	12 Mar	Patsy Ross, Michelle Graham
Wed	13 Mar	Karen Cambridge, <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Thur	14 Mar	Donna McCrystal
Fri	15 Mar	Cherryl Harrison, <b>Volunteer Needed</b>

## P&C News

### P & C

At present we only have received payment of \$5 from 35 P & C members.

We would like to encourage someone from every family at RVPS to come along to a P & C Meeting in 2013.

So note your diary for the next meeting, which will take place on **Wednesday 13 March** at 7pm.

We will be planning our 2013 fundraising activities, and we would love to hear any about ideas you may have.

It's also a great way to find out what is happening in our school and enjoy a cuppa.

- 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)

Please complete the payment slip below, enclose with \$5 in an envelope and place it into the P & C Box in the School 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.

### 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 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](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.

**KUMON**

### Every child can shine

Kumon's maths and English programmes work to support your child in building confidence while developing a thorough skill-set to foster a love of learning for life. Contact your local Kumon Centre to find out more today.

Visit <http://au.kumonglobal.com>

### COME & TRY RUGBY LEAGUE

Join in & see how much fun you can have  
playing rugby league

Any Thursday in March  
4.30pm  
@ Hollymount Park  
Princes Highway Woonona

AGES: 5 to 16 years - boys & girls

For further details about registration,  
contact Andrew on 0413 835381 or  
email [registrar@woononajrlfc.org.au](mailto:registrar@woononajrlfc.org.au)

**\*\*\*UNDER 6'S GET FREE REGO!\*\*\***

The Bushrangers, your local team @  
Hollymount Park a fun place where  
every child gets a game!

## This year do something different...



# do RHEE TAEKWONDO!

Self Defence, Fitness & Fun  
for all ages and levels



Classes: Woonona SLSC  
Wed 6.30-7.30pm  
Fri 6.00-7.00pm

Contact: Pushkin Rahman  
0467727134  
42847853

1<sup>st</sup> week & uniform

**FREE**

this month only







# Woonona High School

Excellence

Innovation

Success

## Open Night 2013

Are you considering Woonona High School as your choice of secondary school? If so, come to our Open Evening and discover the exceptional and innovative educational opportunities available at our school. Take a tour of our school, speak to staff, students and parents and enjoy sample lessons, activities and demonstrations.



**Date:** Monday, 11th March 2013

**Time:** 6:30-8:30pm (arrive 6:15pm for 6:30pm start in WHS hall)

**Location:** Woonona High School

We look forward to meeting you and discussing your child's educational future.