



# Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

*Think Act Speak Well*

**Week 6 Term 3**

**19 August 2013**

## Principal's Report

### Joint Funding Success!

The Department of Education and Communities has a Joint Funding Program in place whereby they match dollar for dollar initiatives undertaken by schools.

I applied for this by submission earlier this year with regard to our playground equipment and am pleased to announce that the Department has funded 50% of our new playground.

This means that the school and P & C receive a \$19 000 refund of purchase costs, making the playground's total cost only \$19 000.

This refunded money will be used to purchase some of our planned Wi Fi upgrade and ongoing technology plans. I see this as a wonderful reward to our P & C who have toiled for many years to provide quality items and support for our school. It is effectively a doubling of value of their outstanding work.

### Community of schools (COS)

Staff from our COS group will be working on developing a scope and sequence of teaching and learning in English, Science and History in weeks 6, 7 and 9 of this term.

All staff are currently trialling a unit of work from the new syllabus and are in the process of writing a unit to be taught in term 4.

A specific unit "Lunchbox" will be taught next term in Year 6 and completed in Year 7 by high school teachers. This initiative will make the transition program particularly meaningful to students across our Community of Schools.

### Terania Street Wetland

Across from the park on the northern side of Terania Street adjacent to the walking track, is a small wetland area that has been revegetated and improved over a number of years by Mrs Patsy Ross and some Year 5 and 6 students.

The area is really progressing and looks so much better than the black, boggy canvas it was at the beginning.

Many thanks to Patsy, who works regularly with our students on this project.

### Relieving Principal

I will return to school in Term 4. I know Mrs Rafferty will do a great job as relieving Principal in my absence and I ask parents to support her whilst in the position.

Mark Grierson  
Principal

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## Upcoming Events

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### August

Thurs 22	Meal Deal day
Fri 23	Jump Rope for Heart
29 Aug – 2 Sept.	Father's Day stalls

### September

Fri 6	School Disco 6 pm – 8.30 pm
Mon 9	Stage 2 Excursion to the Rocks

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## Notes & Money Due

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### August

Mon 19	Meal Deal note & money due
Mon 26	Payment due for The Rocks (\$26.00)

*Congratulations!*



#### **BRONZE School Award**

Tom Feld, Janaya Baroudi, Tylah Funnell, Ethan Jacona, Finlay Smart, Thomas Holliday, Caitlyn Joy, Jasmin Owen, Dean Oldfield, Ella Dunn, Ben Charleworth, Solomon Little, Darby Walsh, Amy Joy

#### **Academic MC**

Zephyr Sinton-Scott, Jackson Armstrong, Emily Norman, Jessica George, Crystal Atkinson, Coen Stein, Dean Oldfield, Finlae Watson, Ginger Little, Bradley Trimboli, Amy Joy, Liam Barkley, Sierra McDonagh

#### **Creative Art MC**

Ella Lakeman, Tom Cambridge

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

Soloman Little, Liam Barkley, Ginger Little, Jack Bell, Jade McDougall, Cooper Rigby, Caitlin Joy, Darcy Rathbone, Kaleb Hocking, Aaron Schoupp

#### **Student Medical Forms**

During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child's health. This is a whole NSW DEC program.

If you have a child with a medical condition, your child will receive a copy of the new forms to bring home and you will need to fill them out and return them to us as soon as you can.

If your child has a medical condition that the school is not aware of, please see the office to collect a form.

The new forms will help us collect your child's important medical information, and the introduction of new systems will mean we'll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call.

#### **Bulli Show Society**

The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Bulli Show will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at the Bulli Showground, Princes Highway, Bulli.

#### **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**

Remember that if you refuse to let people join your games you hurt their feelings.

Look around and see if anyone looks as though they would like to be part of a game. They might show this by asking if they can play or by just standing nearby themselves.

Smile and say something like "Why don't you play too" in a friendly voice.

Find ways to make the game or activity adapt to allow another person to play or take turns.



##### **Don'ts**

Don't ignore people who would like to be included in your game or look lonely.

Don't think that your group of friends will be wrecked if you invite someone else to join your games sometimes.



## Canteen News

Our next meal deal will be held on Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August - see flyer attached. It's really important that all forms be returned to the office by Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> August so all involved can be organised. There will also be a flyer sent home with all children. It should be a great day and something exciting for the kids as we are offering cheeseburgers and chips!

If anyone would like to volunteer for the Meal Deal day or for any of the remaining canteen days this term (listed below), please contact Karan Cambridge on 0437 868 509 or [akcambo@yahoo.com.au](mailto:akcambo@yahoo.com.au). Alternatively you can also write your name down on the canteen roster at school.

A quick reminder - all Meal Deal info & payment needs to be handed into the office by Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> August.

Members of the Canteen Committee attended the Canteen Network Meeting on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August at Figtree Primary School. It was a great morning, very informative and really interesting to see how other school canteens are run, their menu plans, problems they face and healthy changes they have made to their canteen menus. It gave us some great ideas and will be extremely helpful when we change the current menu at the end of term for spring/summer.

Dates for remaining canteen days this term are:

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 1 volunteer needed**  
**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2 volunteers needed**  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2 volunteers needed**  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2 volunteers needed**  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2 volunteers needed**

We are always after new and friendly faces to help out in the canteen. It's a great social way to be involved in the school community and an important source of fundraising for our school. Any new parent, grandparent or friend wishing to volunteer in anyway please contact Karan Cambridge on 0437868509 or [akcambo@yahoo.com.au](mailto:akcambo@yahoo.com.au)

Many thanks, from the Canteen Committee.

W K	Mon 19 Aug	Tues 20 Aug	Wed 21 Aug	Thurs 22 Aug	Fri 23 Aug
6	Lynette Hando Lynne Holmes	Patsy Ross	Karan Cambridg e Sharon Rigby	<u>Meal Deal</u>	Tanya Love Katrina Donag h
W K	Mon 26 Aug	Tues 27 Aug	Wed 28 Aug	Thurs 29 Aug	Fri 30 Aug
7	Donna McCrysta l Val Thurston	Sharo n Rigby Mel Boon	Karan Cambridg e Ahmed Baroudi	Trace y Deale Angie Taylor	Bill Heaton Megan Spence

## P&C News

The next P & C meeting will be on **Wednesday 11 September at 7 pm** in the staffroom. All welcome, and tea and coffee provided.

### Father's Day Stalls

Father's Day stalls will be held last week in August, in time for Father's Day on Sunday 1 September.

- Children are invited to bring along a gift suitable for sale to the value of AT LEAST \$5.
- The gift should be wrapped in CLEAR CELLOPHANE and handed to each class teacher.
- The teacher will mark the student's name off on a class list and only those children who bring in a gift will have the opportunity to purchase a gift for \$3
- More than 1 gift may be sent in if desired and the corresponding number of gifts may then be purchased (at \$3 each)
- Please help staff by providing the exact money on stall day

This is a P & C fundraising activity and all proceeds raised will go towards the purchase of new resources for our school.

### Gift ideas include:

Pen sets, organisers, clocks, torches, mini tool sets, gardening items, computer supplies, BBQ aprons & utensils, books, caps, cooler bags, boxed or wrapped confectionary, car wash items, surf wallets & key rings.

### RVPS Disco

Will be held on **Friday 6 September** at the Woonona-Bulli RSL from 6.00pm-8.30pm. Tickets will be \$10 per child (includes 3 glow bracelets). All details are on the Ticket Order Form which will be handed out this week.

### Volunteers Needed

On the Election Day Saturday 7 September we are in need of a coordinator and 12 volunteers (2 per hour) to help from 7.30am – 2.00pm. We will be having a sausage sizzle and cake stall, since the funds will be coming from outside the school community it will be a great fundraising opportunity. Please see Kelly Mills A.S.A.P if you are available so a roster can be organized.

### Fundraising Goal

The P & C have decided that our fundraising activities will be aimed at "Bringing Technology into the Classroom."

Stage One will see funds being put towards providing wireless internet in the classrooms with the aim of giving students access to portable technology (eg laptops) at a later date.

Please support our fundraising during the year so we can raise an initial amount of \$5,500 to assist with providing this technology to students.

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

## 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](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.

### **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

## **Fire Phoenix Martial Arts**

### **MARTIAL ARTS CLASSES FOR ALL AGES!**

Fire Phoenix Martial Arts offers classes in traditional martial arts for children as young as 2 years old through to adults.

Students are taught in a family friendly, supportive environment in age specific classes.

**TWO WEEKS FREE TRIAL OF UNLIMITED CLASSES**

**QUOTE WAPS01FREE**

355 Princes Highway Woonona

Ph 4284 3078

[www.firephoenixmartialarts.com](http://www.firephoenixmartialarts.com)



## 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>

## **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> two lessons

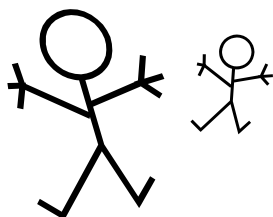
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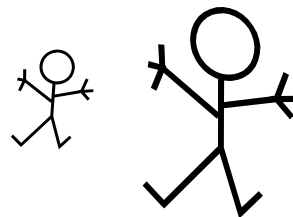
Northern Pirates Junior Baseball Club would like to invite girls and boys aged 5 to 15 years to play baseball during the 2013/2014 summer season for our T-ball, Zooka ball and Pitch ball sides. FreeTry Baseball and registration days are scheduled for Saturday the 17th and 24th of August between 11am and 1pm. Venue Thomas Dalton Park baseball field, Carters Lane, Fairy Meadow.

For further information contact: Marc Smith (President) **Mob: 0418 423 927** or email: [pirates.jnr.baseball@gmail.com](mailto:pirates.jnr.baseball@gmail.com)

**R.V SCHOOL DISCO - 2013**



**Friday 6 September 2013**  
**Woonona Bulli RSL Club**  
**6.00pm – 8.30pm**  
**\$10.00 per ticket**  
**(includes 3 Glow Bracelets on arrival)**



- \* The RSL auditorium has been booked for the exclusive use of Russell Vale Students
- \* Return the ticket order slip below with money to the Office by **Friday 30 August 2013**
- \* Tickets purchased before 30 August include 3 glow bracelets on arrival (random colours)
- \* Tickets will be distributed to all students during class in the days leading up to Disco Night
- \* For security purposes, tickets must be presented at the door on arrival.
- \* Dress neat & tidy casual. Shoes **MUST** be worn at all times

Enter the RSL main door (northern side). Walk past reception counter and follow the tiled pathway to the auditorium. **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SIGNED-IN BY AN ADULT ON ARRIVAL AND SIGNED-OUT BY AN ADULT ON DEPARTURE.** Parents may drop off and pick up children at any time during this time-frame. Club regulations do not permit alcohol, hot food or coffee inside the auditorium. For those adults who wish to catch up with friends and enjoy a meal in the bistro, Woonona Bulli RSL Restaurant will be open from 5.30pm to 9.00pm. Please note food is not included in the disco ticket price but children will be able to purchase drinks & packets of chips within the auditorium, and we will be selling extra glow bracelets for 50c each.

**KINDERGARTEN – YEAR 2 PARENTS** are most welcome to stay and join in the fun. If you do leave the auditorium for a meal, please remember to make regular checks as young children need frequent reassurance amongst the noise and excitement.

***PLEASE DON'T DROP AND RUN !***

**PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** This is a “*whole school event*” and has been organised by R.V P & C Association. Staff participation is voluntary and *most* supervision will be conducted by parent volunteers under the direction of RVPS Staff, who will be present on the night. Please check Newsletters for any information updates.

*Further enquiries contact Kelly Mills on 42 851914 or Megan Spence 42 83 5836*



**SCHOOL DISCO TICKET ORDER FORM - RETURN BY FRIDAY**



STUDENT NAME	CLASS	AMOUNT
		\$10.00

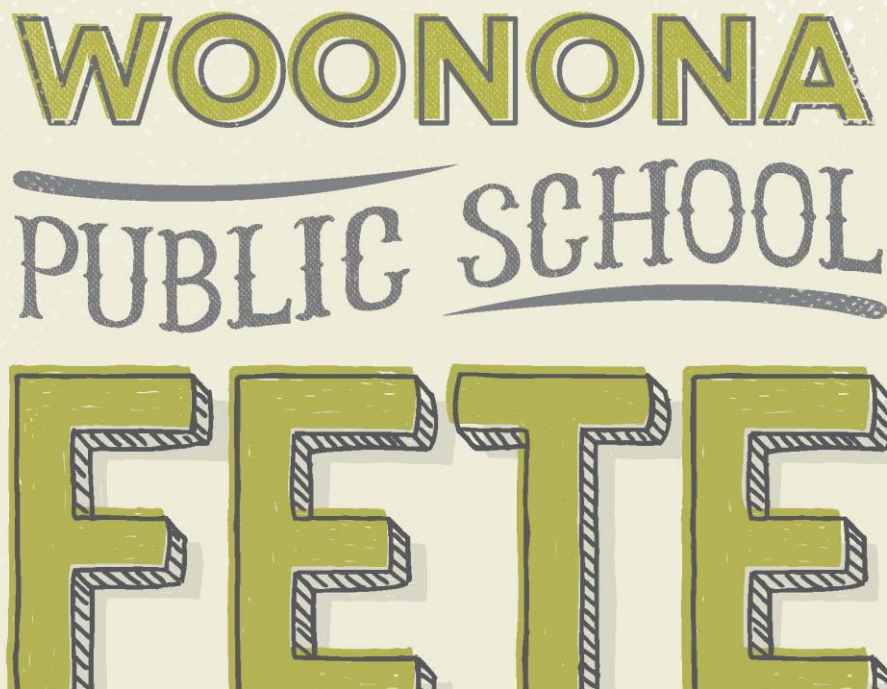

I give permission for my child/ren to attend the Russell Vale School Disco on Friday 6 September 2013 at Woonona Bulli RSL Memorial Club. I understand and agree to the terms and conditions above.  
Please make cheques in favour of “Russell Vale P & C Association”.

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Parent/Caregiver

Date

TOTAL ENCLOSED



# WOONONA PUBLIC SCHOOL FETE

SATURDAY 24 AUGUST, 10AM-3PM

All funds raised will be used to buy resources for the children of Woonona Public School

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE

## *Fun Activities*

- ★ Dodgems ★ Rides ★ Hairdressing
- ★ Remote Control Cars
- ★ Cup Cake Decorating
- ★ Fun Photo Booth

## *Amazing Prizes*

- ★ Scenic Flight
- ★ Bar Fridge
- ★ Tablet PCs
- ★ Hampers

## *Great Entertainment*

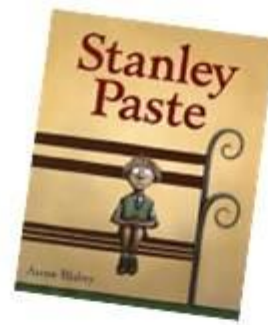
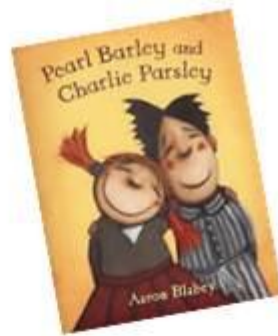
- ★ Dance Groups ★ Choirs
- ★ Art Work

## *Fantastic Stalls*

- ★ Craft ★ Condiments ★ Plants
- ★ Candles ★ Pre-loved books
- ★ Jewellery ★ Showbags

## *Delicious Food*

- ★ BBQ ★ Pizza ★ Indian ★ Ice Creams
- ★ Devonshire Tea



**Coming to RVPS  
Wednesday  
18<sup>th</sup> September**

**Author,  
Illustrator,  
Actor and Artist**



# **Aaron Blabey**

**His first book Charley Parsley (2007)  
won the 2008 CBCA Book of the Year  
Award!**

