



Russell Vale Public School Newsletter

"Think Act Speak Well"

Proud Partner in the Woonona Learning Community

"Strength through Collaboration"

Week 4 Term 3

4th August 2014

Principal's Report

Today is National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day.

This year's theme is Kids in Culture: Strong, Proud, Resilient.

Keeping Aboriginal children abreast of their culture is extremely important and as the slogan states allows them to become stronger as individuals, encourages pride in their individual and family histories and fosters resilience which is a trait all parents want their child to have.

All of our Aboriginal students are proud of their cultural background and keen to understand as much as possible about it.

All students who attended the "Aboriginal for a Day" last Thursday had a wonderful day of art, dance, storytelling and performance.

Western Creation who delivered the experience have a fine reputation and leader Alan Harris has travelled the world performing and meeting the likes of Nelson Mandela and the Dali Lama as well as being involved in Australian curriculum development and political and community groups advocating for Aboriginal issues.

The day was a great success and culminated in a dance performance including many of our students who had learnt aspects of dance during the day.


Principals Conference

I will be attending the Regional Principals Conference at Batemans Bay on Thursday and Friday this week.


I hope all parents will consider attending the Interrelate Human Sexuality evening on Thursday the 11th September 2014. Two sessions will be held the first at 6pm and the second at 7.15pm. This experience was deemed to be outstanding by the parents who attended two years ago. More information will come in the coming weeks

Mark Grierson
Principal

When sexuality is the question...



interrelate has the answers!



Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years experience teaching sexuality education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skilful presenters.

The topic of sexuality will be handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The programs offer an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussion and games. A range of books on sexuality education and parenting will be for sale.

Evening programs provide age-specific sessions of about one hour's duration.

Interrelate will be offering the program at

- Primary 1 session
- Primary 2 session

- **informative**
- **entertaining**
- **family focused**
- **designed to encourage parent/child discussion**

* Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content

interrelate Strengthening family relationships ... since 1926

Congratulations!



BRONZE School Award: Tylah Funnell.

ACADEMIC: Ginger Little, Daniel Crimston, Lucas Hunter, Ron Bowen, Blake Weston, Lucie Squires, Hayley Schoupp, Imogen Clarke.

PD/H/PE: Noah McInerney

CREATIVE ARTS: Jack Harrison, Avah Wooldridge, Mitchell Armour, Payna Evans, Bailey James-Dunn, Kye MacDonald.

Upcoming Events

August

Weds 6 The Gruffalo Excursion
Fri 22 Assembly 9 am
 P & C Meeting 10 am (after assembly)

September

Thurs 11th Interrelate

October

Sat 18 Carnivale Day - 60th Birthday Celebration

Southern Stars Dancers need your help!

Any parents, grandparents, aunts, neighbours, friends who have some dressmaking experience, can you help with our costumes. Maybe you know a dressmaker we could use.



Please talk to Mrs Body for more information.

District Athletics

Congratulations to the all students who represented Russell Vale last Monday and Friday, at the North Wollongong District Athletics Carnival at Beaton Park. Our school was represented by a team of enthusiastic athletes, who strived to do their best.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who battled the cold conditions to support the children. A Special thanks to Sue Joy for assisting with time keeping on both days.

Some Highlights:

Our junior captain ball team and senior tunnel ball team won their novelty events. Well done!

All relay teams qualified for the finals, with the junior girls winning their event.

Many of our students ran well in their heats and progressed to finals.

Amy won the junior girls high jump.

Nikki, Charli, Amy and Jack came second in their finals.

Luke was 3rd place in the junior shot put.
Sienna and Shanaye finished 4th in their finals.

We would like to wish the following children well, as they will travel to Canberra on the 22nd August to participate in the Regional Carnival.

Amy, Nikki, Brinley, Sienna, Jack and Charli. We wish them well.

Mrs Rann, Mrs James, Mrs Bōdy



Kindergarten 2015

If you have a child commencing Kindergarten in 2015, or know of anyone who is, enrolment forms are now available for collection from the school office.

Call for Native Plants

Can parents please consider donating native plants to the Saturday 18 October RVPS Carnivale plant stall?

Plants are available through the Wollongong Council's Botanic Gardens from their Greenplan Nursery. See the flyer at the back of this newsletter for the **four dates** between now and Oct to do this and a location map on how to find them.

As a rate payer you are eligible to 25 CHEAP native plants and FREE botanical advice each year - so maybe you only need 10 plants in your yard and the rest you could donate to the school?

Prices are \$6.70 for 6" pots and \$9.30 for 8" pots.

Council is fine for us to re-sell them or to simply give them away if we wish.

Donated native plants can be delivered to the school and placed in the grassy area behind the canteen from early October. Alternatively, Patsy Nagle will care for them if you want her to collect them from you earlier (M 0448 294 498).

Thank you.

P&C News

Thank you to all of the families who contributed cakes for the cake stall on the Education Week open day, and Thank you to all of the helpers including teachers and staff who helped on the bbq and cake stall, we raised a profit of \$720.00 which will go towards our fundraising goals.

P & C Meeting *** DATE CHANGED ***

Our next P & C Meeting date has been changed and will be on **Friday 22nd August 2014 at 10 am in the Hall** after the week 6 (Term 3) morning assembly. All parents and carers are welcome to come along and find out about the great things happening in our school.

A **Carnivale Day** to celebrate our schools **60th Anniversary** will be held on **Saturday 18th October 2014** and the group organising the day is having another meeting on Wednesday 13 August 2014 at 2pm. If you would like to contribute some ideas and assist with planning the day, please come along and we will meet in the staffroom.

If you have any enquiries regarding the P & C please contact Kelly Mills, P & C Secretary Ph 0414 851 914

Canteen News

Many thanks to all who participated in the sausage sizzle and cake stall on the open day for Education Week, whether it was helping on the day or donating food for the cake stall. A HUGE thanks to the parents & teachers who gave a much-needed impromptu hand during lunch. The morning was a great success with \$720.00 being raised.

In saying that, we will be having another sausage sizzle for the kids on Friday the 22nd August. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Please remember that you can volunteer on these days for any time frame that suits.

If you would like to volunteer for the canteen with a specific person on a day where there is already one name down please let us know as generally we can always shuffle people around to accommodate.

The next 2 weeks roster is listed below, If you would like to volunteer please contact Astrid Jackson 0434 524 950 or astyjack@hotmail.com

If you have any queries/suggestions please contact Karan Cambridge 0347 868 509 or akcambo@yahoo.com.au

Many Thanks the Canteen Committee.

6	Wayne Regan <u>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</u>	<u>CLOSED</u>	Karan Cambridge <u>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</u>	<u>CLOSED</u>	<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>
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Friendly Kids, Friendly Classrooms

Students will be learning about positive behaviours. 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.



WK	Mon 4 th Aug	Tues 5 th Aug	Wed 6 th Aug	Thurs 7 th Aug	Fri 8 th August
5	Wayne Regan Karan Cambridge	<u>CLOSED</u>	Mel Boon Sharon Rigby	<u>CLOSED</u>	Kelly Mills Jodi Burton
WK	Mon 11 th Aug	Tues 12 th Aug	Wed 13 th Aug	Thurs 14 th Aug	Fri 15 th Aug

Community News

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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
or Lara 0403 844 484

Court is managed by Russell Vale Public
School P & C

All hire moneys received are used to improve the Court
for the benefit of
Russell Vale Public School and the local community

RUSSELL VALE COMMUNITY HALL

Available for Hire

Phone: 0487 995 443

(if no answer, please leave a message)

The Hall is managed by Russell Vale P & C and a
discount is available to all P & C Financial

Ray White

The difference is in the detail.....



Ray White Woonona is a long established local business; who are proud of their achievements winning numerous awards for sales & services. Led by principals Rick Taylor & Troy Johnson who boast over 40 years of combined real estate experience. We support numerous local sporting teams, surf life saving clubs & local schools. Our aim is to achieve the highest possible price for your home with the minimum of fuss.

Rick Taylor 0404 305 315 rick.taylor@raywhite.com

Troy Johnson 0411 969 656 troy.johnson@raywhite.com

WOONONA GIRL GUIDES

Would you like to have fun, experience exciting challenges
and make new friends?

Girl Guides is part of an international organisation that offers a
weekly program for girls in
various age groups. They are encouraged to think for themselves and to
gain life and

leadership skills in a safe environment with qualified leaders.

Woonona Dolphin Guides is for girls aged 7-10 years and meets on
Tuesday nights. Woonona Guides is for girls aged 10-14 years and meets on Monday
nights. Both groups meet at Woonona Guide Hall in Strachan Park, Woonona
(between Ball St & Princes Highway).

For more information please contact the District Manager on 0450 632 774, or Girl
Guides NSW membership on 1300GIRLGUIDES (1300 447 548).



WOLLONGONG CITY LITTLE ATHLETICS
Registrations open on the 1st of August 2014

Costs:
Season 2014/2015 Registration Fee \$130
Early-Bird On-line only \$115 (Early Bird closes at 5pm on Tuesday 19th August)
On-line registration commences August 1 Wollongong City LAC encourages all new and returning athletes to register and pay on line.
Registration Days:
Wednesday August 20th (4:00pm-6:00pm) and
Sunday August 31st (10:00am-3:00pm)

FREE Aboriginal Family Mornings



- Come for a Yarn and morning tea @

Bellambi Public School
10-12 on Tuesdays (during school term)



Kids Time

SUPPORTED PLAYGROUPS

Bellambi Neighbourhood centre
10-12 Mondays (During school term)

- Morning tea provided
- Craft and Play activities
- All welcome





BOOK WEEK 2014

CONNECT TO READING

To help celebrate Book Week this year our school will be holding a Book Parade. This is where students are encouraged to think of a book they have enjoyed reading and to dress-up as their favourite character. All students from Kinder to Year 6 are invited to participate.

There will be a prize for the most creatively dressed student in each class.

The parade will take place on Friday 22 August at approximately 12.00 pm. Families are encouraged to come along and enjoy the parade.

See you there!

Mrs Rosa
Teacher Librarian

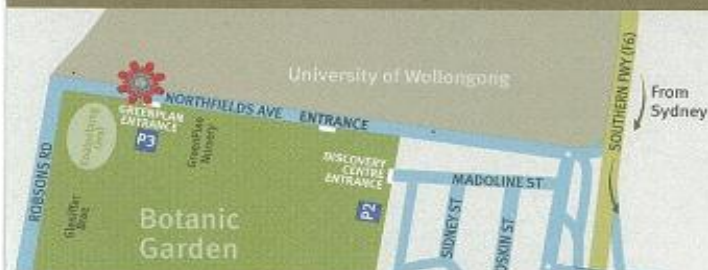


Wollongong Botanic Garden Greenplan Nursery Native Plant Sales

The Wollongong Botanic Garden
Greenplan Nursery is located on
Northfields Avenue, Keiraville.

When travelling from the north or south, take the F6 Freeway and
exit at the Keiraville exit, then travel down Northfields Avenue,
Keiraville. You will see the Botanic Garden on your left and the
University of Wollongong on your right.

After the second roundabout turn left into the Nursery
carpark indicated with the Greenplan flags, just before the
Kooloobong Oval soccer fields.



Wollongong Botanic Garden Greenplan Nursery Native Plant Sales

The Botanic Garden Greenplan Nursery
has an extensive range of trees, shrubs,
ground covers and grasses, as well as
worm farms and compost bins for sale.

Nursery Open Days

The Greenplan Nursery is open on the third Friday of
every month (excluding Dec) between 7.30am and 2.30pm.

Friday 18 Jul | 15 Aug | 19 Sep | 17 Oct | 21 Nov 2014
16 Jan | 20 Feb | 20 Mar | 17 Apr | 15 May | 19 Jun 2015

Sale Days

Friday 31 Oct | 12 Dec | 6 Feb
7.30am to 2.30pm

*The Friends of Wollongong Botanic Garden will be raising funds
to support Botanic Garden projects with the sale of exotic species
that have been propagated throughout the year.*

Blue Light DISCO

15.08.14
PCYC BULLI
Princes Highway, Bulli
6.00-8.00PM

**Ages 5 - 12
GET YOUR TICKETS NOW**

Giveaways and Prizes To Be Won
Tickets \$5 available from PCYC Bulli

NO ALCOHOL | NO DRUGS | NO PASSOUTS
All Blue Light events are drug and alcohol free and supervised
by officers of the NSW Police Force.
www.pcyctnsw.org.au



Russell Vale Junior Football Club Social Night!!!!

Russell Vale Junior Football Club is hosting a social night as their fundraiser for 2014.

All funds raised from this event go into keeping our registration fees low ensuring football is affordable to everyone.

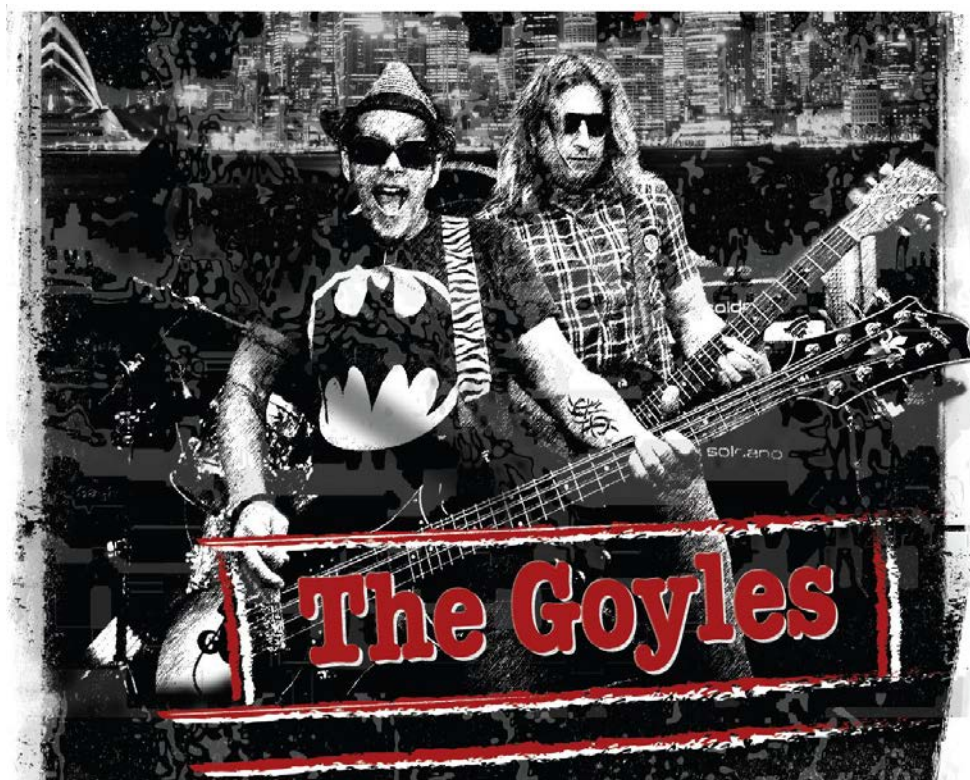
Please bring your friends and family to support our night by enjoying the band THE GOYLES!

Tickets available prior to evening from Woonona Bowling Club 42844753 or call Renae 0418289697

**WHEN: Saturday 9th August
2014 COST: \$20 per person**

**WHERE: Woonona Bowling Club
TIME: 7.30pm**

**WHATS HAPPENING: THE
GOYLES!!!!**



ART FOR KIDS

Thursdays, 4 - 5.30pm
\$162 for 9 week term, ages 5-7yrs

Art for Kids will be fun class where children will learn the basics in colour mixing, shading and perspective. The class will include drawing, painting, printmaking and collage. An excellent opportunity to learn and meet new kids!

Russell Vale Community Hall, Keerong Avenue

for more info m: 0413 494 529 w: zuzaz.com.au e: z_zuza@hotmail.com



BE PREPARED TO BELIEVE IN SOUTHERN STARS 2014

With the recent media launch of Southern Stars for 2014 we are happy to announce the theme for this year's show is **#webelieve2014**.

The show's theme is about a child's journey through to adulthood – believing in magic and fantasy in the early years, believing in themselves, and through education, believing in a better world.

The show is divided into three segments and each investigates a different aspect of believing, starting with childhood then working through the turbulent teenage years to adulthood.

Again almost 2,800 students will take part in the show which will be full of music, dancing, colour and emotion.

Community support of Southern Stars is vital to ensure its success and future and with that in mind we encourage everyone to support Southern Stars by going to see one of the shows.

It doesn't matter if you know anyone performing in the show or not – Southern Stars is a high energy arena style show which provides great entertainment for people of all ages.

Over 12,000 people are expected to attend the four performances at the WIN Entertainment Centre on Friday August 29 and Saturday August 30 - make sure you are one of them!

Get together a group of friends, or your family, and make sure you get to the show.

Tickets are on sale through Ticketmaster priced as follows: Adult \$48, Pensioner and student over 12 \$38, Student/Child under 12 \$27 and Family pass \$140.



Woonona High School 1964—2014

50th Anniversary

Celebrate 50 Years of Public Education at
Woonona High School on August 15, 2014
with an Open Day at the school—9:00am—2:30pm
followed by an evening of reminiscing and dinner at
Woonona Bulli RSL at 6:00pm

Two course dinner, memorabilia and entertainment.
Bar facilities will be available.

Ticket Prices: \$50.00 single \$80.00 couple

See our facebook page www.facebook.com/whs50th;
school website www.woonona-h.schools.nsw.edu.au or
contact the school 4284 1513 (Liz or Sue) for further details.

