

# Rose Bay Public School

## Newsletter

7<sup>th</sup> August 2013



Dear Parents and Caregivers

### *Dates for Your Diary*

#### **August**

- 7 Y4 Incursion CSRIO
- 8 Week of Taste Visitor
- 15 Stewart House Bags
- 12 ICAS Mathematics Competition
- 13 Distict Athletics Carnival
- 13 P&C Meeting
- 14 Working Bee with Costa
- 14 Primary Proms Rehearsal 9am-1:30pm
- 19 Bookweek
- 19 ½ Day District Athletics Carnival 11:30-2:30pm
- 20 Debating
- 21 Science Brain Break
- 26 Kindergarten Farm Excursion
- 26 Stewart House Bags returned
- 26-29 French Breakfast Y1 & 2
- 27 Festival of Music Concert –Violin
- 29 Excursion-Hebrew Students Y4-6
- 30 PSSA Concludes

#### **September**

- 2 5K&5RH Excursion Sydney Olympic Park
- 4 Yr3 CSIRO Incursion
- 4 6J & 6E Excursion Sydney Olympic Park
- 4 Infants Sport Carnival
- 4 Regional Athletics Carnival
- 5 Big Band Bash, Daceyville
- 7 Election Day BBQ
- 10 P&C Meeting
- 10 Senior Choral Rehearsal 9am-1:30pm
- 10 Author Visit-Library
- 11 5/6M Excursion Sydney Olympic Park
- 18 Primary Proms Performance-Jnr Choir
- 20 Last Day of Term 3

#### **October**

- 8 Students Return to School
- 11 PSSA Begins
- 15 Choral Festival Opera House
- 17 Art Show
- 21 Swim School Starts Year2
- 31 Kindergarten Orientation Morning

**Term 4 –Students Return to School**  
**Tuesdav 8<sup>th</sup> October**

**Art Show – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

### **Education Week –Thank you.**

Thank you to all of the grandparents, parents and carers who were able to attend our special assembly and visit classrooms last Tuesday. Our concert and open day really showcased the wonderful teaching and learning happening at Rose Bay Public School. Our School Leaders did a wonderful job of hosting the assembly. Thank you to all the staff who coordinated our performers and worked behind the scenes to organise the assembly. We have received very positive feedback which is greatly appreciated.

### **Term 3 Invoice Payments are now due.**

The term 3 inoice has been sent home to all families. Most of our families now choose to pay on-line. Instructions on how to do this are provided on the invoice **which is included in this Newsletter**.

Other payments can be made on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please include you child's name and class on an envelope.

Prompt payments are appreciated.

### **Kindergarten 2014 Enrolments**

Do you have a child starting school next year? It is now time to get your enrolment form in. We will be sending out the details of our excellent transition program to enrolled families by the end of this term.

If you know of any families in area who are looking to enrol their child for Kindergarten 2014, please let them know that applications need to be in as soon as possible. Our numbers have already reached well over 100. The enrolment committee will be meeting in the next few weeks to process the first round of out of area applications.

Rose Bay Public School P&C invites you and your friends to  
Get glam at our **MONTE CARLO CASINO NIGHT!**

**WHEN:** Saturday 16th November 2013

**WHERE:** Rose Bay RSL

**TICKETS:** \$35- (\$30 with an early bird discount until 11th Oct), including "\$100" of gaming chips.  
Purchase online at <http://www.webticketing.com.au/>.

Come along-test your skill and luck, get down on the dance floor and have some fun!



**For your diaries:** Our next meeting will be 7pm Tuesday 13 August 2013 and we have invited Michelle Rosicky from NSW Teachers Federation to present what the Gonski funding reforms means to our children.

To ensure that we have the right venue (library or hall) organised for our guest speaker can you please RSVP for this meeting at [rosebaypc@gmail.com](mailto:rosebaypc@gmail.com).

*Come and join the fun!!*

Ayse Burke  
P&C President

## Environment Team **UPDATE**



**Costa is starting to get the RBPS garden underway for spring!**

Feel free to come long and join in some gardening in the RBPS garden.

This week students harvested silverbeet, rainbow chard, kale, mint, basil, and chicory for Year 4 Week of Tastes.

Helping hands always needed!



**Next Working Bee:  
Wednesday 14 August at 9.30am**

Kale..... did you know?

1. Kale is low in calorie, high in fibre and has zero fat
2. Kale is high in iron and calcium
3. Kale is high Vitamins A, C, & K
4. Kale is filled with powerful antioxidants.
5. Kale is a great anti-inflammatory food
6. Kale is great for cardiovascular support

### **NO UNSUPERVISED STUDENTS BEFORE 8.50 AM**

For safety reasons students must not be at school without adult supervision before 8.50am. There is no teacher on duty in the playground before 8.50am. All students must remain seated on the silver seats until supervision commences. Thank you for your assistance with this important safety matter.

### **Student Attendance**

A reminder to parents that the Education Act requires all students to attend school each day the school is in operation. Good attendance sets up good habits for future success in school and work. Students who miss school can miss some key concepts being taught and then find it difficult to pick up the threads when they return. Students should be at school every day unless they are sick or on approved leave.

# CLOTHING POOL CLOSING DOWN!!!

Now that I have your attention, clothing pool desperately needs your help! The clothing pool/uniform shop has always been run by the parents of RBPS. At the moment we have 2 dedicated groups who open the shop on Mondays and Wednesdays. I would like to thank Daphna Rosen-Tal and Gillian Manley for volunteering to open up on Mondays. The Wednesday volunteers are all leaving RBPS at the end of next year. I would like to thank Lauraine Cussen, Debbie Atkins, and Sandra von der Heyden for giving up their time to help me (Vicki Caldwell) in the shop every Wednesday for the last 4 years. We now need some new volunteers to step up and take on these positions.

## **Coordinator Role: 1 person needed**

- Open up the shop on one of the days (must be on site at least one day a week)
- Get to school at 8:30 to set up the shop
- Open the shop from 8:45am to 9:30am
- Manage the volunteers
- Stock take
- Order stock from suppliers
- Manage back orders
- Sort out customer complaints/returns/queries
- Fill in when volunteers can't do their shift
- Reconcile till and credit card machine (no cash to worry about as the shop is going cashless THIS TERM!)
- Ensure prices reflect supplier price increases
- Keep uniform order form up to date
- Speak at Kindy orientation
- Open up for Kindy orientation
- Commitment to the role for the entire year (longer would be excellent!!)
- I estimate 4 hours a week is needed to fulfil this role
- I will continue to help next year to make the transition to this position easier

## **Helper Role: 5 or 6 needed**

- Help in the shop one day a week, either the Monday or Wednesday.
- Sort out and keep the racks tidy
- Stock the shelves
- Help customers with sizing and questions
- Serve customers
- Help close the shop at the end of the shift
- I estimate 1 ½ hours a week is needed to fulfil this role

Helping in the uniform shop is a great way to meet all the parents at the school and to make new friends. I've really enjoyed being the coordinator these past 4 years and have obtained new skills and friends along the way. I really hope someone takes up this fantastic, challenging, fulfilling role.

Vicki Caldwell (mother of Brock Lopes year 5)

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer email me through the school on [rosebay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rosebay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).



## **Important notice about changes to the afternoon school bus route 606**

Good news! After months of discussions, Sydney Buses is proposing to change the route of the 606 school bus to accommodate parent requests for a broader service, and to service a larger portion of the school's catchment area, including parts of North Rose Bay, Dover Heights and Vaucluse.

### **Background**

Following the survey of school families conducted in 2012, and consultation with the P & C and School Council, the school has been in discussions with Sydney Buses regarding the 606 bus route.

Currently the 606 school special travels to Bondi Junction via North Bondi and Bondi Beach but does not service the areas to the north of the school (ie North Rose Bay, Vaucluse and Dover Heights). Many school families live in those areas. Those areas also encompass a large portion of the school's official catchment zone.

The 2012 survey showed that a much larger number of students would use the bus if the route covered those additional areas.

### **New route**

The new route would involve the bus turning left onto Old South Head Rd from Albemarle Ave, right onto Military Rd, right onto Koboda Rd, left onto Peel St, left onto Lancaster Rd, right onto Military Rd, right onto Lyons Rd, left onto Hardy St, right onto Murrivier Rd, left onto Mitchell, left onto Wairoa Ave, right onto Campbell Pde and then express to Bondi Junction.

There would be no change to the bus's current departure time from the school (ie 3.32 pm daily). However, the trip will take longer. Sydney Buses anticipates that the bus will arrive in the Bondi Basin and at Bondi Junction Interchange approximately 16-18 minutes later than the current arrival times.

The new route will cover most of the existing route, as well as the additional areas outlined above. The only areas which will not be covered by the new route are Old South Head Rd between Albemarle Ave and Murrivier Rd, and the western end of Murrivier Rd. Students wishing to travel to Old South Head Rd south of Albemarle Ave, or who wish to make a quicker journey to Bondi Junction via Birriga Rd, will be able to use the existing 633 school special route. That bus stops outside the school every afternoon and takes a more direct route to Bondi Junction. The route for the 633 bus will not be altered.

### **Supervision**

A teacher is currently rostered on each afternoon to supervise students as they wait for and board the 606 bus. This arrangement will continue when the new 606 route is implemented. Teachers will not be able to supervise students wishing to use the 633 route or any other government buses.

### **Timing**

The school has not yet been notified of the proposed start date of the new route but we are hopeful it will be before the end of the 2013 school year. We will keep parents informed of progress.

### **Bus fares**

Children who live more than 1.6km from the school (radial distance) and all children in K-2 are entitled to a free school bus pass. Application forms are at the office. Children not eligible for free travel are welcome to use the bus as fare payers. Term bus passes are available from State Transit for \$50.00. Alternatively, students can pay per trip or use a "Travel Ten" bus ticket. Paying adults may accompany a child using the school bus.

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This is a wonderful development which will directly assist many school families, and will also help alleviate the growing traffic pressures around the school.



# 2013 Term 3 Invoice

**Please pay on-line by Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2013.**

**On-Line Payment Instructions:**

- Go to Rose Bay Public School Website.
- Find the \$ Make a payment link on the front page of the website.
  - Follow the instructions.
- **You do not need to enter a student registration number.**
  - **Each child needs a separate on-line payment.**

The costs below are for activities during Term 3, 2013. Please make sure all invoices are paid in full or alternatively you can make an appointment with the Principal to discuss a payment plan.

Permission notes will be sent out separately for each excursion. Please ensure they are signed and returned to their class teacher before the due date so that your child is allowed to attend the excursion.

ACTIVITY	DATE	COST	KN KS KD KE KH	1J 1W 1Z 1T	1/2P 2H 2C 2T	3G 3M 3S	4D 4M 4L	5HR 5K	5/6M 6E 6J
Primary Athletics Carnival	17 <sup>th</sup> July	\$10.00			\$10.00 all who attended athletics carnival	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Gymnastics	8 weeks	\$35.00			\$35.00				
Art by the Bay		\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Yr 5 & 6 Excursion Sydney Olympic Park	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept or 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept or 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	\$27.00						\$27.00	\$27.00
Puppet Making Materials	In class	\$5.00		\$5.00					
Athletics	8 weeks	\$15.00		\$15.00					
Calmsley City Farm	26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	\$25.00	\$25.00						
Yr 4 CSIRO	7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	\$8.00					\$8.00		
Yr 3 CSIRO	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	\$8.00				\$8.00			
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$45.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$55.00 or \$65.00 athletics carnival</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>\$57.00</b>	<b>\$57.00</b>

**PAYMENT IS DUE BY THURSDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2013**

Should you wish to round the amount off, all extra money will be donated to Stewart House, the official charity of the NSW Department of Education and Training.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

**N.B. If paying at school, money collection days are Tuesdays and Thursdays.**

# Costa and Kinkee come clucking into Kindergarten!



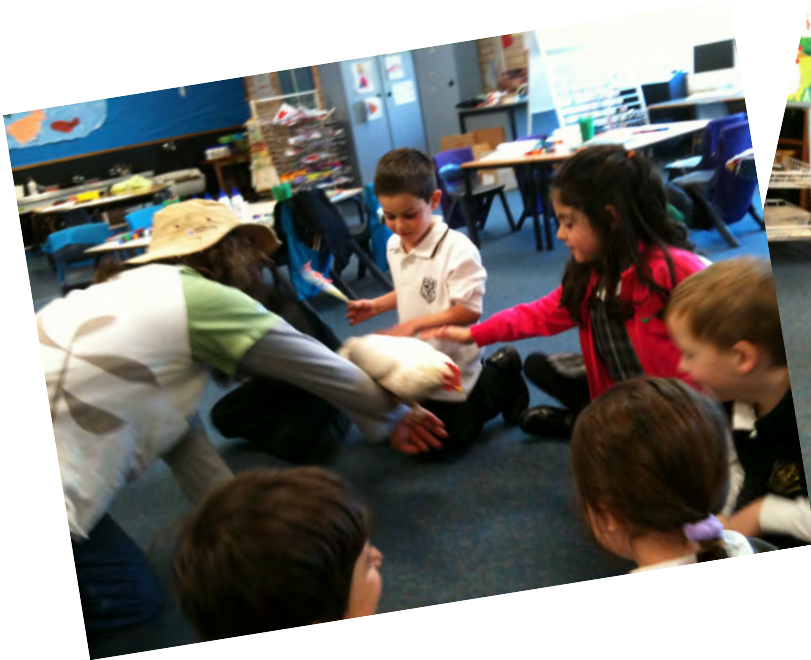
Kindergarten are excited to be learning all about chickens and the farm this term!

We were treated to a visit from Costa and his friendly chickens Kinkee, the brown Rhode Island Red and Sally the White Longhorn



We loved to stroke Kinkee's soft, smooth feathers! We also learnt about what chickens like to eat. Kinkee's favourites were sunflower seeds! Yum.





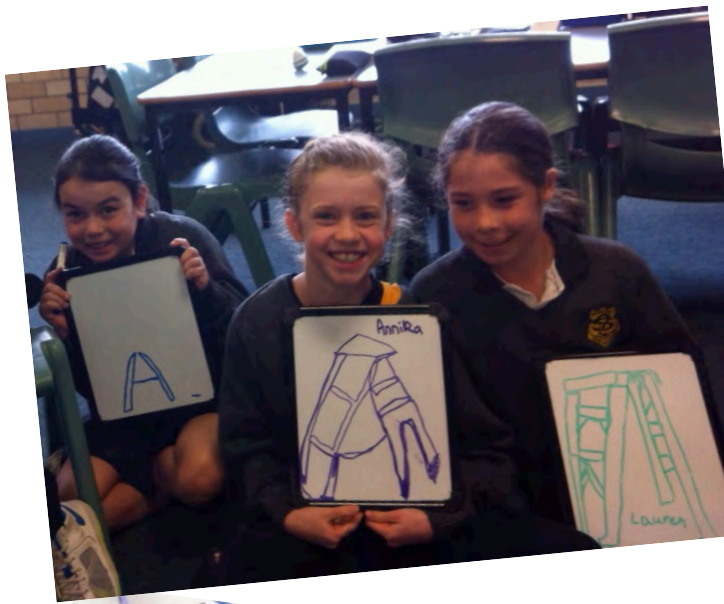




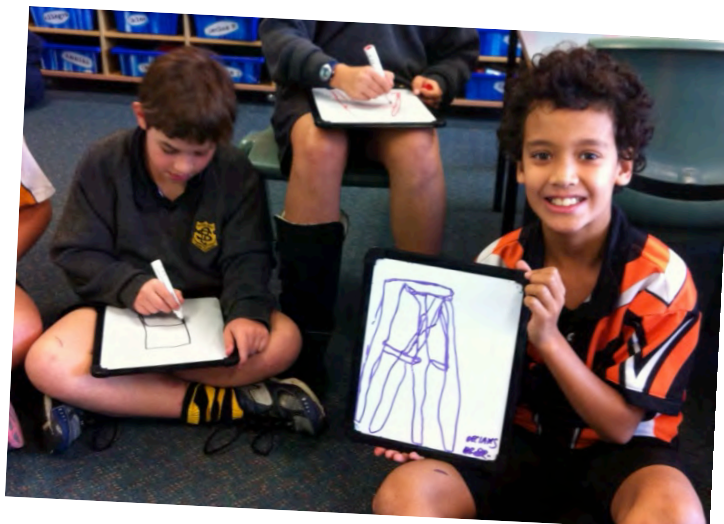
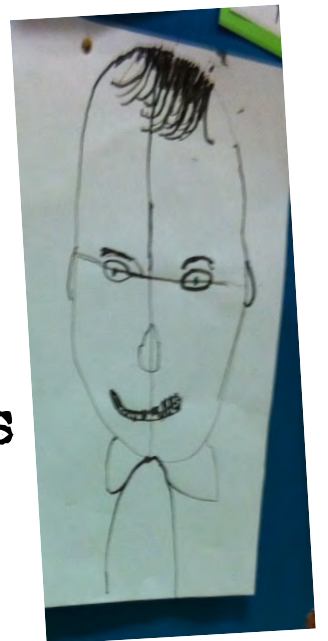
COSTA HAS BEEN HELPING KINDERGARTEN WITH GROWING VEGETABLES AND HERBS. THE CLASSES LOVED LEARNING ABOUT COSTA'S CHICKENS.







**The 2013 Art Show is underway. Students across all classes are beginning their art theory and technique lessons in preparation for their art works. Here is a sneak peak.**







THE LEADERS AND COSTA ON  
NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY





### Debating News Term 3 2013

Year 5 and Year 6 students competed against Clovelly Public School in the second round of the Bondi District Debating Competition on Thursday afternoon. The topic for year 5 was 'That books are better than movies' and the topic for the year 6 team was 'That reality T.V. is dumbing us down'. We were the negative for both debates, which means we disagreed with the topics. The students debated really well and the seniors had a win. Well done to Brock L, April L, Arabella C, Tommy B in the year 5 team. Congratulations to Dahlia P, Ella S, Jade S and Josh S from year 6.

Rose Bay seniors have won both debates so far this year, which is an outstanding achievement and the juniors have won one debate.

Miss Metwally  
Debating & Public Speaking Coordinator





# Open Day 2013

Congratulations to all the students  
for their wonderful performances  
and effort in class.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY

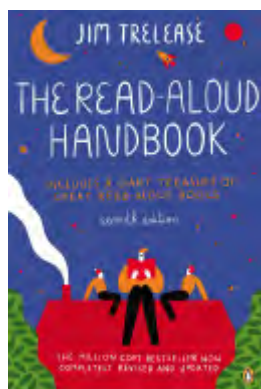
### Dates for your diary!

17 August – 23 August	CBCA Children's Book Week – <i>Read Across the Universe</i> . <b>Book Swap at lunchtimes</b> during book week to promote and raise funds and books for <a href="#">Indigenous Literacy Day</a> . Please donate books in good condition for this worthwhile cause. Students will donate a gold coin in exchange for the right to choose a book.
KOALA Winners announced  30 October	<b>KOALA Awards</b> - <a href="http://www.koalansw.org.au/">http://www.koalansw.org.au/</a> Every year, young readers from all over New South Wales judge their very own literary awards. By voting in the KOALA awards they can reward the Australian children's books that have most inspired, amused, terrified, enlightened and engaged them.
10 September	Author Visit – <a href="#">Oliver Phommavanh</a>
28 October	International School Libraries Day

### News

A **library blog** is now up and running. Please ask your children to log on to their student portal to show you 😊 Students are being encouraged and to post reviews or recommended websites they have used for their research.

### Recommended Read:



**The Read-Aloud Handbook** by by Jim Trelease. "This updated edition of *The Read-Aloud Handbook* discusses the benefits, the rewards, and the importance of reading aloud to children of a new generation. Supported by delightful anecdotes as well as the latest research (including the good and bad news on digital learning), *The Read-Aloud Handbook* offers proven techniques and strategies for helping children discover the pleasures of reading and setting them on the road to becoming lifelong readers." It includes a 'Treasury of Read-Alouds' – a starter book list for books that are great read-aloud titles. **This book is available for parents to borrow from the library!**

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Reminder: **World Book Online** - which students and you can access 24/7!

Weblink: [worldbookonline.com](http://worldbookonline.com)

User name: rbps2029

Password: wbook



# Waste Free Wednesday

Rose Bay Public School would like to introduce **Waste Free Wednesday** as an initiative from the SRC (Student Representative Committee). Waste Free lunches are where you pack your food using small containers without using packaging or wrapping. Waste free lunches are often cheaper and in most cases a lot healthier too! Please support this fabulous idea as every effort, be it big or small, plays it's part in saving our environment.

We will be commencing Waste Free Wednesdays in Week 6, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August.

Here are some examples of lunch boxes that are suited to Waste Free Wednesday as it keeps food separated and fresh.



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