



Dates for Your Diary

March

- 4 SCPSSA District Swimming Carnival
- 5 Field of Mars Excursion Year 3
- 6 Working Bee in the Garden 3:30p.m.
- 10 PSSA Winter Sport Trials
- 10 P&C Meeting 7pm
- 11 Artist in Residence
- 12 Artist in Residence
- 12 Selective Schools Test
- 18 Grandparents Day – Kindergarten only
- 19 School Photos
- 20 Last Day PSSA Sport Term 1
- 20 Canteen Tender Closing Date
- 23 Young Leaders Conference
- 24 School Photos
- 23-27 Parent Teacher Interview Week K-6
- 25 Senior Band Assembly Performance
- 27 Year 4 Science Incursion
- 28 P&C Bric a Brac Markets
- 30-1 Year 6 Canberra Camp

April

- 1 Stewart House Bag Collection
- 1 Junior Band Performance
- 2 Last Day of Term 1
- 21 First Day Term 2

Canteen Tender

**CALL FOR TENDERS
ROSE BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN LICENCE**

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WANDANA Aboriginal Education Program at Rose Bay Public School

'Warra Wayjul' which is a traditional smoking and cleansing ceremony will take place during the whole school assembly on the 11th of March. This Ceremony will open the Artist in Residence program involving staff and students across the school. The ceremony will be performed in traditional dress and an Acknowledgement to Country will also be performed at this time. Following this the Yigi-Yigi, Didgeridoo performance and Creation Story of the instrument will take place where traditional and contemporary sounds, rhythms and stories will be performed. The Rose Bay community are invited to this assembly to watch and be a part of these performances. As part of the workshops students faces may be painted with ochre.

Student Attendance

The NSW DEC policy for Student Attendance in Government School Procedure has been recently updated.

Part day absences:

Doctors, dentists, physiotherapists etc. appointments, when possible, should be made outside of school hours. Students should be accompanied and signed out by a parent or carer.

For late arrivals (and early departures) to school, students should be signed in by a parent or carer. It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to provide an explanation to the school.

Full day absences:

If your child is going to be absent please phone/email the school by 9.30am.

Extended Absences (travel, holiday etc.)

From the beginning of 2015, family holidays and extended travel are no longer considered under the Exemption from School - Procedures . **Travel outside of vacation period is now counted as an absence for statistical purposes.** If your child is going to be absent for an extended period, a departmental form Application for Extended Leave— Travel needs to be completed and returned to the School. Copies are available at the School Office. If the Principal considers that the travel is appropriate during school term and the application is accepted, the absence will be recorded as “L” – Leave.

Travel documentation, such as travel itinerary or e-ticket, is required and should be attached to the application. Please inform the school of your plans ASAP so that the leave can be assessed in plenty of time.

Parents are encouraged to take holidays with their children during school vacation periods.

Application for Exemption from Attendance/Enrolment at School For students participating in the entertainment industry, elite arts or elite sporting programs an Application for Exemption from Attendance/Enrolment at School form must be completed and submitted to the principal for approval prior to commencing the program. Again, please submit your application, as soon as possible.

PSSA

WINTER SPORT TRIALS

The tryouts for PSSA winter sport will be held next Tuesday 10th March. Students in years 3- 6 who have skills in this area will be eligible to try out. This will be a commitment for Terms 2 and 3. The students will be expected to attend all weekly trainings and Friday games.

The sports available are Mixed Soccer, Girls Soccer, Netball, Mixed AFL and Rugby League. Please note that all students must attend the tryouts to be considered for the team.

A Few Safety Reminders

A reminder that the climbing equipment is out of bounds before and after school for all students.

Toddlers and pre-schoolers should not use this equipment at any time as it is designed for older children who must be taught how to use the equipment safely.

We have had a few nasty falls from the equipment during these times and we ask that the community support us in this safety matter.

Similarly students should go straight home when school concludes at 3.20pm There should be no handball or running around.



**Bric a Brac Markets -
Rose Bay Public School
Saturday 28th March, 9-2p.m.**

Market day is fast approaching. There are lots of ways you can contribute and help support the school.

1. You can hire a stall, pay the stall fee and sell your stuff.
2. You can hire a stall and elect to donate your takings to the P&C (no stall fee if this is what you decide to do).
3. Seven stalls are allocated so that each Year group can have a stall. You can take part in organising your child's year group stall. We will organise this through the class parents when they are appointed.
4. You can come along on the day, have fun and support the school.

Get in quick, as stalls are limited. Woollahra Community Markets are organising the day with the support of the P&C and all funds raised through stall hire and donations go directly to the school.

Rotary Rose Bay will be having a sausage sizzle with all proceeds to the school. Kool Kiddz will be there on the day with craft activities. The Secret Retreat have also generously sponsored the day. There will be a selection of great street food stalls as well as an onsite gourmet barrista and fun lemonade truck. Food, music and fun to be had!

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Lisa Cahill
P&C President



**28 March 2015 - NSW State Election
9am - 2pm @ Rose Bay Public School
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a polling booth for NSW State Election**

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DIRECTIONS IN **music** Inspire, Create, Perform

Rose Bay Public School Band Program

Get Practising! Now that band and tutorials are in full swing let's get practising!

Both Junior and Senior Band have now had a great couple of rehearsals, with all the tutorials underway. Senior Band have all of their music for term one and have just been entered in the NSW Band Festival for Term 3.

All Junior Band students have been going really well and have had their music set by their tutors and Band Conductor.

Everyone should have a book and instrument now. If for some reason you still do not have a book or an instrument please don't hesitate to contact me so we can fix this ASAP.

Upcoming performance!

- The Great Hot Cross Bun Festival – Junior Band – 1st April

What to practise!

- **Junior Band** – Junior Band are focusing on the notes concert D, Eb and F on Page 6 of your Tradition of Excellence book.
- **Senior Band** – Monster Rock, Procession of Heroes and Somewhere Out There!

Practice tip – Never forget your finger exercises and warm-ups.

Finger exercises and other forms of warm-ups are crucial if you want to be a good player. Not only will it make your hands and fingers more flexible, it will also reduce the danger of injuries. Every instrument player must do warm-ups first before playing or performing. You won't run a marathon without stretching first, right? The same principle applies to playing an instrument.

Section of the week!

This week it goes to the.....**Low Brass section!!!**

Richard Sandham

RBPS Program Manager



Removing head lice and nits

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits>

Volunteers Needed

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The traffic committee is asking for parent volunteers to help oversee the pick up zone on Wilberforce Ave. This would involve only 15 minutes of your time one afternoon a week (ie 3.15 to 3.30) on a day that suits you. Volunteers receive a full briefing and work in pairs. Please help support this important safety initiative. If you can assist, please contact Mimi by email at mimi@nexon.com.au



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Every Wednesday



Rose Bay Public School - Artist in residence program



11TH & 12TH March

WANDANA WILL COLLABORATE WITH THE STAFF AND STUDENTS AT ROSE BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL TO CREATE AN AUTHENTIC ARTWORK ILLUSTRATING THE CULTURE AND VALUES OF THE SCHOOL. ALL STUDENTS WILL PLAY A PART IN CONNECTING WITH AND CONSTRUCTING THE UNIQUE PIECE OF ART. PROGRAMS WILL RUN OVER TWO DAYS WHERE STUDENTS WILL LEARN ABOUT AND EXPLORE ABORIGINAL IDENTITY, ITS PEOPLE IN SONG, DANCE, DIDGERIDOO, HISTORY & STORYTELLING.



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Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





"I wish I could be a real archaeologist!" Maddie 1H

"It was interesting because we saw lots of artefacts from the past." Hayley 1T

DOLL'S
arm



Year 1 Students were adventurous archaeologists at 'The Big Dig' and 'The Rocks Discovery Museum' on Wednesday 25th February! Even the wet weather could not dampen their excitement!



CUP

DOLL'S
hair

KEY



"Digging was so much fun!" Joseph 1H

"We saw a lot of broken artefacts at the museum. They were very beautiful." Suraya 1H

BRUSH

"My favourite part of the excursion was when Gaz told us about the Foy Family. It was really interesting!" Talia 1B

"The excursion was epic." Demi 1P

"I thought it was very interesting to see where the Foy family lived. The children's bedroom was really small." Bronte 1B

ball



ceramic

Pig's knuckle

"We dug up different kinds of things. I first found a little baby shoe. I also found a broken piece of plate. I found nothing else but I still had fun digging to find other things." Azure 1Z

"We went to the museum. I saw bottles, plates, spears and rocks with numbers. I tried to fix the things that were broken in my head." Sara 1Z

spoon

"We dug in sand to find old artefacts. I found three artefacts. Two were dice and a thing that they used to sew with (a thimble)!" Asher 1Z

"I felt like I learnt new things. It was super duper fun." Gemma 1P

wooden train

"My favourite part of the excursion was digging for artefacts with my spade. I found three artefacts." Lee 1B

dominoes

plate

"The excursion was very interesting. I had a great time and I learnt that the olden days were not the same as now, especially the bath and the toilet." Saskia 1P

jug

"At the museum you pushed up the flap when it said 'Discover More.' We learnt information from long ago." Zac 1T

"I liked being an archaeologist because I found big and small artefacts in a patch of sand". Joshua 1T





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- Further develop existing skills
- Engage with their peers in a fun setting
- Succeed

With who? Mrs Mills – Qualified Physical Education Teacher with a Bachelor Degree in Human Movement and Health Education.

Where? The RBPS school hall

When?

Mondays	Grades 3 and 4	3.20pm – 5.00pm	Week 2 – Week 10
Thursdays	Grades 1 and 2	3.20pm – 5.00pm	Week 1 – Week 10

N.B - Monday sessions begin in Week 2 as Monday Week 1 is a Staff Development Day

Cost? \$50 non-refundable registration fee – this will guarantee your child's place for the term.

\$20 per session (1 hour and 40 minutes) payable at each session.

Reservations? Grades 1 & 2 (Thursdays) <http://www.trybooking.com/124966>
Grades 3 & 4 (Mondays) <http://www.trybooking.com/124968>

Reservations can be made from Monday March 9th at 7.00am. There are a limited number of participants per session to ensure maximum involvement.

Contact?

For all enquiries, please contact Mrs Mills at rbmultisports@gmail.com.

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