



# ROSE BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

16<sup>th</sup> March 2016

### *Dates for Your Diary*

#### March

- 17 School Photos  
(Groups & Year 6)
- 18 PSSA Alternate Venue
- 18 Garden Working Bee
- 21 - 23 Year 6 Canberra  
Excursion
- 22 School Photos (K-5)
- 24 Bookings Close  
Parent/Teacher  
Interviews
- 25 Good Friday
- 28 Easter Monday
- 29 - 1 Parent/Teacher  
Interview Week
- 30 Yr 1 Excursion to the  
Rocks 1P & 1Z
- 31 Harmony Day

#### April

- 1 PSSA Concludes
- 1 Stewart House Bag  
Collection
- 8 Last Day of Term 1
- 27 First Day of Term 2

#### May

- 6 Mother's Day  
Afternoon Tea

**Last Day of Term 1  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

**First Day of Term 2  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April**



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## SCHOOL INTERVIEWS

Dear Parents of Rose Bay PS,  
Parent/Teacher interviews will be held in Week 10 from Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Interviews are strictly 15 mins and spaces are limited. Log on to  
[www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

**BOOKINGS CLOSE THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> of March at 4pm. CODE- zff42**

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You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews - until the bookings close on 11<sup>th</sup> March at 4pm

If you don't have internet access, please contact the school and they will help you book on line.

You may change your bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 93714884



### National Day of Action Against Bullying

The sixth National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is being held on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

This annual day is Australia's key anti-bullying event for schools, and encourages all students to 'take a stand together' against bullying and violence in schools, the classroom and beyond.

Our school will help deliver a powerful message that bullying and violence is never okay.



### Entering the School

A reminder to parents and caregivers about being on school premises during school hours. It is essential that all visitors go to the front office for 'late' drop off or 'early' pick up from school. Parents or caregivers working in some capacity around the school are required to sign in as a visitor and wear a visitor's badge, as part of our Work Health and Safety procedures.

#### SIGN IN

Please be reminded that all visitors to our school must sign in at the office on arrival.

*Thank You*

## ROSE BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

**THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH (Siblings, Leaders, Band, Violin Group and Year 6)**

**TUESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH (K-5)**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by advanced life Photography. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) using our school's unique **9 digit Online Order Code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. **Sibling photos will be taken on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March.** Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to [enquiries@advancedlife.com.au](mailto:enquiries@advancedlife.com.au)



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## CANTEEN CORNER

- Did you know sushi is usually made with sugar added to the rice? Our brown rice hand rolls are made to order on Wednesday mornings, by our sushi Chef (minus the sugar of course!)
- Please try to order before 5pm on Tuesdays to ensure your order can be fulfilled. Please note that this year the sushi is a single hand roll for \$3.50, so you may like to order two for those with a healthy appetite.
- Another Asian-inspired offering on our menu is Oodles of Noodles, made with thin glass noodles, grated vegetables, edamame & chicken with a dash of gluten-free soy sauce.
- We also have two Japanese inspired snacks which are proving very popular with children and teachers alike, Seaweed Snacks and Edamame in a Cup, both for \$1.50.

### DAILY SPECIALS - \$5.00 -

Monday Mexican Madness (SF)  
Bean Nachos with Corn Chips,  
Avocado & Cheddar Cheese

Tuesday  
Asian Vegetable Fried-Like Rice (SF)

Wednesday Turning Japanese  
Salmon & Avocado, Veggie Sushi,  
Chicken & Lettuce (SF, DF, GF)

Thursday  
Monster Macaroni Summer Pesto Pasta (SF, nut free)

Friday  
Happy Hamburger (SF, GF)



Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It celebrates inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Rose Bay Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day on Thursday 31st March, 2016. Classes will participate in activities focused on living in harmony with others. Students will also participate in a whole school activity to celebrate diversity within our school.

Students are asked to dress in orange or harmonious coloured clothes (see below) on this day. They need to wear appropriate clothing for school and closed shoes. The students are kindly asked to bring in a gold coin donation. All money raised will be donated to Stewart House. Stewart House is an important charity that supports public school children in need in both NSW and ACT.

We are looking forward to celebrating Harmony Day with all students.



**We are getting ready for  
Harmony Day!**





### Student Feedback Survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 21<sup>st</sup> March and 21<sup>st</sup> April. Participation in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the consent form to school by **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. The FAQs and copies of the consent form, including translated consent forms, are available from the website above.



### ROSE BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOTHING COLLECTION

Every year Stewart House benefits financially from collections of clothing in schools.

The Smith Family generously provides bags, undertakes the collection and pays Stewart House for each kilogram received.

About \$25,000 is raised each year from this collection.

**Please return your bag of clothing to the school hall by Friday 1st April.**

This is a great opportunity to clear out the wardrobe and contribute to a great cause at the same time.

Thank you for your support.





## ***FRIENDLY REMINDER***

All invoices are now due to be paid. Prompt payment is appreciated.

***Thank You!***

### *Newtown High School of the Performing Arts*

#### **Year 7 Entry of Students**

##### **Dance, Drama and Music Selection Procedures**

Newtown High School of the Performing Arts provides specialist education at the highest level to students having outstanding potential and/or achievement in, and commitment to, Dance, Drama or Music.

Students currently in Year 6 or Year 10 2016 enrolled in public or non-government schools who are seeking entrance into Year 7 or Year 11 in 2017 in Dance, Drama or Music at Newtown High School of the Performing Arts, must participate in audition workshops.

##### **Year 7 Audition Dates:**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Initial registration for an audition is required online via our website [www.nhspa.nsw.edu.au](http://www.nhspa.nsw.edu.au)

*Closing date for registration is 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016*



Can you believe we are nearing the end of Term 1! Thanks to all of those who have supported the P&C so far this year. It is wonderful to see so many new families getting involved.

We are so delighted that the families who organised the camping trip have so generously donated over \$4000 in funds raised to the P&C. While this was not a P&C or school event, it was very much a Rose Bay parent community initiative and all those involved deserve a big thanks.

In Term 2 we will have a Mother's Day afternoon tea on Friday 6 May straight after school. This will be for all mums and children to enjoy a celebration together. Stay tuned for more details.

Later in Term 2 will be the big event that all the children love, the Olympics of Rose Bay, the Sportathon!

If you would like to sign up to the P&C email database please email your details to [rosebaypc@gmail.com](mailto:rosebaypc@gmail.com).

**Lisa Cahill**  
**P&C President**

*On behalf of the Rose Bay families who organised the community camping trip we thank the following local businesses and families for donating some amazing gifts and services: La Galleria Cafe, Bar Doppio, Paul Trachtenberg & Kate Timmins "Boheme", Tiffany & Saul Cohen Plenty Kitchen & Tableware, David Collins Universal Pictures, Kickeroos /Active8kids gymnastics, Yoga with Jo Britton, Jackie's Studio, The Havas Family, The Mikler Family, Ecoplant Australia & Barrel Bloke, Hurricanes Darling Harbour, House of Alexandra, Caltex North Bondi, Hotel Rose Bay, Rose Bay Liquor Store, HarperCollins Books & Auburn Meadow Meats*  
*As a direct result of your generosity and support they raised over \$1200 that will be donated to the P&C to support school initiatives throughout the year.*

## National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2016

### LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 10-12 May 2016.

TUESDAY 10 MAY	WEDNESDAY 11 MAY	THURSDAY 12 MAY
<b>Language Conventions</b> (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)  <b>Writing</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Numeracy</b>

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

**Friday 13 May** – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at [www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent\\_Carer\\_support/index.html](http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html).

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2016 SRC REPRESENTATIVES!

<b>1H</b>	Audrey B	James A
<b>1S</b>	Riley C	Axel S
<b>1P</b>	Tilly T	Riley S
<b>1Z</b>	Daniella M	Robbie B
<b>2B</b>	Gemma O	Thomas B
<b>2D</b>	Lilah R	Rofi V
<b>2M</b>	Sofia M	Josh B
<b>2T</b>	Jessica H	Asher W
<b>3H</b>	Kitty C	Eden P
<b>3T</b>	Josie D	Saul C
<b>3W</b>	Sadie A	Fox S
<b>3/4S</b>	Angelique A	Declan M
<b>4H</b>	Emmaline S	Reece C
<b>4S</b>	Olivia D	Marcus Z
<b>4W</b>	Sofia W	Finn F
<b>5D</b>	Sara Z	Jack C
<b>5E</b>	Scarlett K-B	Hugo I
<b>5/6C</b>	Jemima S	Jack B
<b>6E</b>	Maygol S	Coby S
<b>6J</b>	Alicia F	Oscar D



# Vaocluse House



The Year Two Students took a step back in time this term! They were historians when they visited the Wentworth family's house!



My favourite thing on the excursion was the hula hoop game. It was fun but hard to play. Jayden 2B



I thought Vaocluse House was great because it helped me learn about my past so I know about my future.

Maddie 2T



If you are relaxing and you don't want to get out of bed and make yourself a cup of tea, you just ring a bell. The servant makes you tea.

Jason 2M



Vaughan house was very old. I liked it because I like old things. I love history. **Asher W. 2T**



I loved the fancy drawing room because I imagined myself being back in the past lounging on the furniture. **Rafi 2D**



I learned that in the olden days that the servants took water from the wells. **Shannon 2M**



My favourite thing at the excursion was when we dressed up in old-fashion clothes. I also liked playing the games.

**Gemma 2B**



My favourite thing was when we saw the bed. The adult's beds had three layers of mattresses. They had to use stairs to get into bed.

**Lilah 2D**



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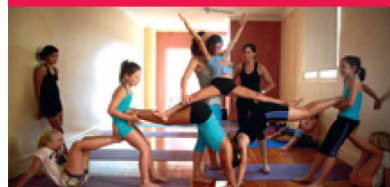
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