**THE VAUCLUSE WEEKLY**

**5 AUGUST 2014**

VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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*Term three Week four*

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Another very successful Grandparents Day at Vaucluse Public School. With record numbers of Grandparents attending this year.
Dear Parents

It was very good to see so many enthusiastic parents at the P&C meeting this week, particularly as it was a very cold night. It was also very exciting to listen to the great progress the P&C has made this year. We are most appreciative of the support of the P&C as mentioned in last week’s newsletter.

We are also most appreciative of those parents who help in a variety of different ways. Those parents who help daily in classrooms, in the uniform shop, who help in the library and canteen. Those parents who volunteer in the kitchen and come to working bees. Those parents who donate resources. Those parents who cheerfully volunteer to drive students to different schools for enriching activities. The parents that help children other than their own. We especially appreciate those parents who make such an effort to do lots of small things that ensure our students are well supported. When we put the myriad of things that our community contributes in order to help our students we have a very powerful force supporting our children. We have seen many changes to Vaucluse PS in the last few years and it is due to this support.

The Athletics Carnival at Trumper Park was an outstanding success with wonderful examples of sportsmanship throughout the day. We were very fortunate with the weather and the day ran very smoothly. The benefits of the Term 1 Track and Field training program was evident with all our students competent in the skills needed for these events.

In the next few weeks students and teachers are busy preparing activities for Science Week, Bookweek and Fathers’ day. Please watch the newsletter for notification of events.

I will be on Long Service Leave from Tuesday 12 August until Monday 1 September. I will be accompanying my daughter who is participating in a Study Abroad Program at a University in Minnesota. The baby bird is flying the nest and I will be trying my hardest not to be a Tiger Mum. During this time Lesley Abelitis will be relieving as Principal. Cheryl Truskett will be taking Lesley’s class. Tom Styles will step into Lesley’s shoes and relieve as Assistant Principal.

I look forward to seeing you all on my return.

Maureen Hallahan
Principal
More Big Rain is Coming from 1W
A fun night out for all at The Trivia Night 2014
It is growing, its smelly and it is not a welcoming sight ............

**LOST PROPERTY.**

If there are any parents who would kindly volunteer to sort and distribute the lost property it would be greatly appreciated. There are many items that have no names. Many of the unnamed winter jackets are brand new. Please take the time to come and find some of your child’s lost clothing.
Learn Taekwondo at Vaucluse Public School.

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**Group Lesson Timetable Term 2 2014**

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| 4:30 pm   | 5:00 pm | 5:00 pm         | 5:00 pm   | 12:00 pm             |
| Singing   | Creative Art | Art (13 year old and above) | Creative Art | Choose your instrument workshop |

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VOOSC NEWS

Apologies for the lack of news recently, we seem to be so short on time due to all of the exciting, busy things happening in the centre. So to fill in the gaps, we would like to share a little of what is happening in our neck of the woods!!

VACATION CARE

Vacation care seems so long ago but the kids are still talking about the activities. The big hit for Art and Craft day was the Tye Dye t-shirts. The kids produced some really magnificent shirts which had their parents amazed.

It took all of us back quite a few years ...... and for those of you who remember, we were the generation that was "cool" long before the current one!!! We also had the opportunity to go to Imax, which was a first for many and was greatly enjoyed by all. Some of our group were transfixed with the starry space above until the movie started .... then jaws hit knees! It is wonderful that we are able to share a lot of first time experiences with the kids. It's definitely part of what makes what we do so special.

The cartooning workshop was also well received and was made really enjoyable with achievable outcomes for all age groups. Mikes Cartooning World was a great activity and we have noticed lots of drawing tips being used on art work and doodles so far this term. We will be putting together our vacation care program for September very soon, so if you desire being part of the brainstorming team, please feel free to share your ideas!

Also this term our Voosc Team have enjoyed several workshops and training courses. We have been able to introduce the kids to Auslan. Each day we have been signing with the kids and they are so fantastic at it! Most can sign their names and understand what has been signed to them. We have really had to think about our spelling which has also been an added bonus!

We are delighted that our wonderful neighbour, Miss Johnson is there to give us a helping hand if needed. Many of our children didn't really understand that signing is a language for many people.

So we feel this has given them an opportunity to look outside of their little world and also give them a very valuable tool.

VOOSC STARS

Congratulations to the following kids who we have selected as stars for the Wall of Fame.

Bruno 2/1G

We applaud honesty and kindness. Well done to you Bruno for handing in money found on the top pitch. This could have been pocket money, tooth fairy money or change for Mum and Dad. A wonderful value to carry with you throughout life.

Great to see your star up there Bruno!

Poppy KA

Thank you for making a huge effort to remember to put your own things away each day. Packing away the Barbies and your folder so beautifully as well as playing nicely with all of your friends, makes you a true star Pops.

Well done and welcome to our wall of fame!

Annabelle Z 4/5B

A sparkling star for our wall!

Thank you for your sunny smile, your kindness to others is a constant. You are a wonderful role model and friend to everyone. Great leadership quals Annabelle, you should be very proud!

Otto 2M

Mornings are not always good for some, but for you Otts, you are always bright and buzzy!

Thanks for the great effort you have put into being a responsible Year 2 person and being respectful toward others.

Good things never go without notice! Welcome to the wall of fame Otto, keep on shining.

Kind Regards,

VOOSC TEAM

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We are very excited about Kindergarten Orientation Day. Please hand in applications to enrol to Corinne in the office as soon as possible and RSVP to the invitation below. We would like to be well prepared for a delicious morning tea Vaucluse Public School style.

KINDergarten Orientation Day 2014
Wednesday 3 September 2014 - Commencing at 9:30 am
Let Vaucluse Public School take your child on an exciting journey......

In a tranquil, low-traffic area with beautiful gardens, our children enjoy the perfect environment for learning and growing together. Building on a 150 year history, Vaucluse Public School’s creative and inspiring learning environment is the perfect start to your child’s educational journey.

Under the leadership of our Principal, Maureen Halahan, Vaucluse Public School will nurture and encourage your child to achieve his or her true potential.

Vaucluse Public School students perform exceptionally well in all facets of the curriculum – academic tests, in the sporting field, in community and cultural activities, in debating, gardening, music and choir. Vaucluse Public School students are outstanding. Our community invites you and your child to join us on Open Day 2014. We’d love to show you around our beautiful school.

Where children come first......
- Creating new friendships and supporting each other – friends from Kindy to Year 6.
- Discovering the environment through working in our award-winning vegetable gardens.
- Integrated learning with the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden. Children will grow, harvest, prepare and share their delicious produce, building a lasting and respectful relationship with food.
- Stimulating creativity; after school art, dance and drama classes, band, choir, debating, public speaking.
- Outstanding Before and After School and vacation care program.
- Mandarin and Hebrew taught from Kindergarten to Year 6.
- I.E.T.S program before school.
Design your own hat! In the book *Granny Grommet and Me* everyone wears a different hat to the beach. Can you design a hat you would wear to the beach? Originality is encouraged with drawings or 3D entries using old hats, paper, cardboard or recycled materials.

Book prizes will be awarded in 3 age levels:
- Preschool to Year 2
- Year 3 to Year 4
- Year 5 to Year 6

All entrants will be displayed at one of the libraries. Please deliver entries to Double Bay, Watsons Bay or Paddington Library by Friday 14 August 2014.

For more information contact Woollahra Library & Information Service on 9391 7100 or library@woollahra.nsw.gov.au
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