Vaucluse Public School fathers lining up for the delicious Father’s Day Big BBQ Breakfast yesterday while Ava from 2F and dad Andrew watch on.
Dear Parents

This week at Vaucluse PS we have had a week of parent activities. On Tuesday night a large number of enthusiastic parents braved the night to attend the Term 3 P&C meeting. At this meeting Stephanie Atkinson stepped down as president. Stephanie has led the P&C for the last two years and has been responsible for coordinating a rich variety of P&C events. The school has benefitted in many ways from Stephanie’s coordination of a very hard working team who have been clearly focused on improving many aspects of our school for all students. On behalf of the school community we thank Stephanie for all her efforts and commitment to making Vaucluse PS a better place for all children. In Term 4 the Annual General Meeting will be held to elect a new executive for 2016. Please keep a look out for information on this. We will publish information about the different roles of the P&C in the following newsletters and you may wish to consider one for 2016.

At the P&C Meeting it was approved for the P&C to fund the installation of WiFi throughout the school. The funds raised from the Walkathon will go towards the cost of the installation. In the body of the newsletter is information about the Walkathon. Please note the date has changed from Friday 18 September to Friday 9 October 2015. This gives everyone time to gather as many sponsors as possible. We will be holding the Walkathon in the school playground. Everyone is asked to come dressed as their favourite sports star. Please look out for information from your class parent as we will need volunteers to manage stands to stamp and give out fruit. Watch out next week for the Sponsor Sheets as they will come home in your child’s bag.

On Wednesday 2015 Kindergarten parents and students did a magnificent job in welcoming 60 new families for 2016 Kindergarten. Kindergarten Orientation was extremely successful. Members of our community including our school leaders, Lee White from VOOSC, Sarah Still from the P&C, Jo Little from the uniform shop and our very own David Todd and Laura Caesar all contributed to putting on our best for the new parents. A delightful morning tea was prepared and served by this year’s Kindergarten parents while the little ones enjoyed a morning at big school. This was capably led by Karla Aspden and the K-2 team. Thank you to all who contributed to this morning. We have some very enthusiastic families who are very keen to come to our school. It was very interesting talking to many of them. They are all able to articulate what they love about the school. The feedback is always about the harmony of our school and a wonderful feeling that emanates from our students. We were thrilled to hear wonderful things about our Year 6 who welcomed the newcomers at the gate. In Term 4 they will all be back again for three Play and Stay sessions as part of our Kindergarten Transition Program.

On Thursday morning the staff at Vaucluse PS were at school at the crack of dawn to prepare and begin cooking for the Father’s Day Big Breakfast. I know that my corporate buddies pay big money for team building activities but the exercise of cooking breakfast for over two hundred dads and their precious ones is a brilliant team building one. If ever any of us have to give up the day job we will have no trouble finding jobs as breakfast chefs. We scrambled 25 dozen eggs and cooked 400 sausages. It was a magnificent morning with so many happy families. Dads clearly enjoyed brekkie with their dear ones and lovingly received their gifts from the classrooms. Many dads took the opportunity to visit the library and we had over one thousand dollars worth of books donated. Thank you dads. As Claire Villata our school captain said to me this morning, “You can never have too many books in the library, Miss Hallahan.” We are thrilled and overwhelmed with the generosity of our dads.
The Father’s Day gift stall was also a huge success. We raised two thousand dollars and this money is going towards the purchase of Indigenous books for our library. This year Father’s day has been a huge success for the library.

Finally, on Thursday 16 September at 9.45 am in the school library I will hold an information morning for parents to discuss the 2015 NAPLAN results. Margaret Nay our Learning and Support Teacher will also present information on the school program that supports student learning. Please watch out for a separate note about this information session.

This week at Vaucluse PS we have seen wonderful support from our parents for our school. On behalf of all staff and students we thank those parents who go out of their way to make our school the great place it is.

Maureen Hallahan
It’s that time again: the annual VPS Walkathon is just around the corner: **Friday, October 9th, 2015** (Friday of first week in Term 4).

The walkathon is traditionally one of the P&C’s biggest fundraisers of the year, and we hope everyone participates to make this year’s event the most successful yet!

This year the P & C are excited to announce that the proceeds from the Walkathon will be going towards having WiFi installed throughout the school. The WiFi will enable our children to use the available digital devices in their classrooms without waiting for access to the library. The cost of this package is $10,500. Last year the walkathon raised in excess of $11,000 and we would like to reach that target or better again in 2015.

We would ask that all parents help our children in getting commitments from friends, grandparents, relatives, your work colleagues and neighbours. Sponsorship forms will be sent home with the children shortly. Please contact your class parent if you have not received a copy and they will arrange to get one to you.

The class that raises the most funds will be awarded an afternoon of movies and paddle pops!

The walking course will be within the beautiful school grounds but we will be looking for volunteers to assist in running the event. A note will go out to parents shortly with details. If you are able to be involved in any way, it is a great event to enjoy with your children.
The Father's Day Big BBQ Breakfast
Another wonderful Father’s Day Breakfast.

A lot of smiling faces and satisfied tummies.
400 sausages, 25 loaves of bread, 25 dozen eggs, 3 kilos of fresh coffee and…. the rest.

The Vaucluse Public School teachers and staff started cooking at the crack of dawn yesterday morning!
Kindergarten at the Wildlife Zoo today!
Introducing The Free Range Foodie:

Are you too tired to cook after a long day?
Bored of the same old take away?
Want organic and chemical free home cooked food for your family?
Want affordable, organic, delicious meals delivered to your door?

Let The Free Range Foodie take the hassle out of weeknight meals:

You can get a delicious 3 day menu delivered straight to your door! All meals are chemical free, organic and local wherever possible.

The menu is seasonal and changes weekly, orders need to be in by Wednesday evening for delivery the following Monday.

Check out this week’s menu on The Free Range Foodie facebook page or email me at thefreerangefoodie@gmail.com with any queries.
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**VACATION SEPTEMBER 2015**

Please collect your child's lunch when making your booking.

BOOKINGS:
- 14/09/15 MONDAY
- Please book carefully due to daily staff requirements and pre-booked activities.
- Please book as early as possible due to limited availability.

**NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS:**
- Please send no nuts or nut products.

**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- Monday 21/09/15

**CARE SC SCHEELSBURG**
- Phone: 077 291 3131
- Business hours only
- Annual Registration 2015

**DEPART FROM VOOSC**
- Daily fee: $11
- Return fee: $10
- Please collect: your child's lunch when making your booking.

**RETURN SPAN**
- Daily fee: $11
- Return fee: $10
- Please collect: your child's lunch when making your booking.

**RETURN FROM VOOSC**
- Daily fee: $11
- Return fee: $10
- Please collect: your child's lunch when making your booking.
VOOSC

Registrations for 2016

As advised in the newsletter last week, Registrations for all families requiring positions for their children in 2016, opened on 02/09/15.

As no currently held bookings will automatically roll over into a new year, it is your responsibility to collect your new enrolment forms and organise care for the coming year.

No doubt there will be some families who are upset by this process and we do apologise however it is the only way to keep this process fair and provide equal opportunity for everyone.

When we receive your completed forms they are dated, when the positions are full your childrens names are placed on a waiting list for the required days.

Currently we are full for all afternoon sessions and have limited on the Am session.

Please bear in mind that family situations can change and positions can become available, so get those forms in regardless.

Also in an emergency situation or casual attendance, we cannot take your children if you have not pre registered.

We will be working in line with Priority of Access Guidelines. All families who have currently handed in paperwork for 2016 will be advised prior to the end of Term 4, 2015 about their requested days.

Vacation Care

Vacation care bookings are open. Please pick up you permission slips and itineraries from VOOSC. Bookings close 14/09/15.

Term Fees

There are some outstanding term fees that need urgent attention please. Contact Lee to discuss your payments please.

Thank you to families who have kept on top of this all term and communicated when needed, it makes life smoother for all concerned.

VOOSC STARS

Sparklers for the Wall of Fame this week are:

Max V
For excellent manners and team skills during play. Well done, a true champion! Congratulations Max.

Lilly G
For kindness, caring and being a good friend to all! Also a great team player during board games. Welcome to the Wall of Fame Lilly.

Yahm
For being responsible and getting on top of homework each week, well done Yahm! Good to see you star on the Wall of Fame Yahm

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