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CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL





Last Thursday the students in Years 2—6 enjoyed the annual Cross Country Carnival down by the water. Fierce competition, sporting talent, enthusiastic participation, great determination and perseverance and supportive encouragement were all on display. It was a very happy and successful day, made possible by the excellent behaviour of the students, the thorough organisation of Claire Rolland and Alden Kwok and

the hard work of teachers and parents.

Students in Kindergarten and Year 1 had their own mini cross country carnival at school. We will share some photos in the next Newsletter.



This Term

Next Week

27/5-31/5

Reconciliation Week

- 28/5 Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm
- 10/6 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- 12/6 Create East Audition Day

25/6-27/7

Boys Vocal Workshop

- 1/7 Stage 3 Excursion to the Rocks
- 3/7 Semester One Reports issued
- 4/7 Year 3 excursion To The Rocks
- 5/7 Last day of term 22/7 School Develop ment Day Staff return for
- Term 3 23/7 First day of Term 3 for Students
- 8/8 Athletics Carnival
- 14/8 Incursion "Big Dreams" for P–2
- 16/8 Book Week Parade
- 21/8-23/8
 - Stage 2 Camp Narrabeen

ROZELLE DEBATERS

On Wednesday of last week, eight members of the Rozelle Stage 3 Debating Team attended a Debating Workshop run by the NSW Department of Education. It was a non-stop, fastpaced day, jam packed with information and tips to share with the rest of our debating team. At the end of the day, students were given an opportunity to practise what they had learned and observe students from other participating schools in a series of modified debates. The attending teachers, Ms Dunn and Ms Moloney, were immensely proud of our Rozelle students. We wish our team the best of luck.



SPORTING SUCCESS

Congratulations to Jack Robertson and Freddie Ball who have both progressed beyond the Zone stage and have been selected to represent Rozelle Public School at the Sydney East Rugby Union PSSA trials. Jack has also been successful in reaching this level for touch football. Well done to both boys.



PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS for 2020

Applications for enrolment into the preschool program have now opened. All the necessary information and application forms are available on the school website at <u>https://rozelle-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/</u> or from the school office. Children are eligible for enrolment in preschool classes from the beginning of the school year if they turn four years of age before July 31 of that year. Applications close at 3:00pm on Friday 28 June 2019.

There is no priority for the order in which enrolments are received by the office. The Preschool Placement panel, consisting of the Principal, the President of the P & C and one of our preschool teachers, considers all applications in accordance with the priorities of the Department of Education and Communities' Preschool Enrolment Policy and the Rozelle Public School Preschool Enrolment and Fee Policy.

MOTHERS' AND FATHERS' DAY STALLS IN 2019

As Angela Svinos mentioned in last fortnight's Newsletter, the Year 6 parents and teachers who traditionally organise the Mothers and Fathers Day stalls to raise funds for the Year 6 Farewell thought they would try something different this year so have opted to hold a Family Breakfast a little later in the year. We have had a bit of feedback both ways on the decision. We will give it a try this year and then, based on feedback from students, parents and staff, make a decision about the stalls for next year.

STAFF NEWS

Ruth Langstaff has joined the staff as the Learning and Support Teacher to replace Doireann Brazil. Ruth is an experienced teacher from the UK who was a teacher at Rozelle about 7 years ago. We have employed Shama Wood two additional days in the office and two days in the library following Lisa Townley's retirement. Mikako Endo has joined us as the preschool Learning Support Officer on Thursday and Friday as Kassey Crowther is working three days per week.

SCHOOL BYTES: NEW PARENT INVOICING AND PAYMENT SYSTEM

Next week we will be launching a new invoicing platform called School Bytes which will do away with paper invoices for parent payments. Statements of account will be emailed to parents, one statement for the whole family, with a unique payment button for each family that links to the current online POP system. It allows us to tailor communication to a particular class, grade or



Stage. This term we will use it for our usual method of payment for each individual activity. Next term we will begin providing a statement for the whole term which parents can opt to pay all at once or through split payments.

Please find the User guide for parents attached with this Newsletter. We will send out further information via email and a Skoolbag alert to ensure you know it is a legitimate invitation from the school to use the system.

MAINTENANCE AND REFURBISHMENT WORKS TO COMMENCE SHORTLY

Using school funds we will shortly have six very old air conditioning units replaced and a ducted system installed in the other half of the library. We will then work with a representative of the department to look at getting all other classrooms air conditioned and more solar panels installed to offset our emissions footprint. This will probably require a two-year project using school and P & C funds.

We are also getting the soft fall under the play equipment and near the hall replaced using school funds.

The Department is funding some further improvements to the preschool outdoor area and extensive internal and external painting works throughout the school.

We will also be undertaking a refurbishment of the area around the big tree near the hall and are gradually completing the refurbishment of the office area.

Stephanie Searle Principal

P & C News

Year 3 Cake Stall keeping voters happy this Saturday

We have a Cake Stall this Saturday, which is voting day. Lots of people will be coming to our school. Year 3 will be running the event but if you are able to help with baking that would be wonderful. I know it may not be your year's turn to bake, but last voting day the Band sold out very quickly of yummy goodies...Any help would be much appreciated.

The canteen will be open on Friday afternoon if you would like to drop any baked goodies off or bring it with you early Saturday morning when voting.

Thank you for your support.

2019 FUNDRAISER UPDATE GOOD SPORTS, BAD SPORTS NIGHT 25TH MAY 2019 from 7:00pm

Ticket sales

Great news! Tickets are on sale via Flexischools and in the school playground each morning for the biggest social event of the year - our 2019 annual fundraiser, which kicks off on Saturday 25th May at 7:00pm.

This year's theme is 'Good Sports, Bad Sports', which leaves the field wide open...

It's a great night out and it's for a good cause: all funds raised are used by the P&C to enhance the learning environment at school.

That's the spirit!

There are amazing hampers to be won on the night. We've sourced some ah-mazing gifts but could still use a little help. We'd love it if you could donate any of the following:

Bottles of quality wine Spirits Craft Beer Unwanted gifts Chocolates and candies Small toys & knick knacks Fancy salts, oils and kitchen condiment packets Valid Gift vouchers Empty Hamper Baskets or wooden boxes Cellophane, ribbon and hamper stuffing

You can drop off your donations on Tuesday or Friday mornings, between 8.45am - 9.15am at the Canteen Uniform Shop. Donations can also be left with the team at Big Osh Club (above the hall) during drop off or pick up.

If you have any larger items or corporate sponsors that can help, please contact our donations team leader Claire Goldsmith via email at <u>clairegoldsmith@yahoo.com.au</u> or phone/SMS 0458 570 202.

Watch this space

Keep an eye out for event updates via your class reps and the school newsletter. Please return all sold and unsold raffle tickets to school as soon as possible.

Instrumental Music Program

Band Committee Meeting - This coming Tuesday 21st May 2019 at 7pm in Staff Room

We will be holding our next Band Committee meeting this coming Tuesday 21st May, at 7pm in the staff room. All parents are welcome and encouraged to join the committee to learn about the exciting things we have planned for band this year. Please come and join us!

Tutor Lesson Reminder

All tutor lessons have begun. Please remind your child to bring their instrument, music folder and lesson book to every lesson. Please remember to let Helen (h.crimmins@tccservices.com.au) and your tutor know if your child is absent on the day of their lesson. If you have any lesson schedule changes or conflicts please email Veronique (v.garside@tccservices.com.au).

Community News



Registrations still open - Youth Girls age 9, 10, 11 Cmon down, give AFL a go! Canada Bay Cannons Girls only team No experience necessary, full coaching provided Training – Thursday 5.30-6.30pm. St Lukes Oval Concord Games – Sunday Home ground Drummoyne Oval and St Lukes Oval Contact: Susan O'Donovan 0420-507 792

CONCILIENT

Circle of Security Attachment-based parenting program



This six-week group will help parents to build a secure relationship with their child through understanding their child's emotional world and 'reading' their emotional needs.

While course material is designed for the parents of infants and toddlers, the underlying principles and tools relate to parenting children of all ages.

Anglicare group programs are funded through sources including the Australian Government Department of Social Services and NSW Family and Community Services.

Dates

Tuesdays 21st May to 25th June 2019

Time 10:00am - 12:00pm

Location **Rozelle Community Centre** 756 Darling Street, Rozelle 2039

Bookings and information

Melissa Ward 9798 1400

This is a free course.

Childcare is not provided (children under six months are welcome to attend)



