

# The Vaucluse Newsletter

*NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL*



Vaucluse Public School

~ est. 1858 ~

\*Please see the Sentral School Calendar for dates and information on all school events

# Country Carnival Captivates Community!

Just 7 more sleeps...and it's back!! I am so looking forward to attending my very first Country Carnival at Vacluse Public School next Friday afternoon.

Thanks so much to the amazing VPS P & C, class parents and community for organising this fabulous, fun and family friendly event! School community events are so important because they are:

- Raise the profile of the school within the community
- Bring the community together
- Build school culture: we work together for the benefit of children
- Strengthen home and school links
- great fundraising opportunities

What's not to love? So don the Akubra (or just come as you are) and I'll catch you at the Carnival!

As always – thank you for your support and enjoy a happy and safe weekend!



# What's news at Vaucluse (PS)?

## **Weeks 7 & 8 – recap:**

- I am pleased to report a highly successful evacuation drill – fastest on record! Thank you to teachers and students alike for their prompt and efficient response. Well done!
- NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5) commenced on Wednesday 15th March. Sincere thanks to teachers for all their work in ensuring a smooth experience for students... and thank you to students for giving their best. Year 5 students had a fully online experience this year, including typing their responses to the writing stimulus on Wednesday. Year 3 also did a fantastic job in navigating the new (to them) NAPLAN experience. I am a very proud principal.

## **Week 9 – week commencing 20 March:**

- NAPLAN continues (Years 3 & 5): NAPLAN Numeracy will be held on Monday 20th March. Catch-up assessments held, only as required, throughout the week.
- Parent-teacher meetings start – they will be held throughout weeks 9 and 10. Parents can book via the Sentral Parent Portal. Please contact the school if you have any difficulties booking in.
- **Country Carnival on 24th March (4-7pm)!** I am very excited to be attending my first Country Carnival at VPS next Friday. Thank you SO much to everyone who has been involved with this fun family fundraising initiative. I look forward to seeing you there!

## **Week 10 – week commencing 27 March:**

- Canteen upgrade due to start on Wednesday 29 March. The canteen service will continue to operate out of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden.

## **Week 11- week commencing 3 April:**

- VPS 'Eggs-quisite' Hat Parade with a 'STEM' twist on Thursday 6 April (see more info in this newsletter)
- Last day of Term: Thursday 6 April

**Term 2 commences on Wednesday 26 April for all students.**





**FRIDAY**  
**24**  
**MARCH**  
4pm - 7pm



VAUCLUSE

**COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

PUBLIC SCHOOL

**Come along and enjoy an afternoon of fun  
and thrills! Food, stalls, rides and more!**

**Friday 24th March | 4-7pm**

INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSES • TEACUP RIDE • MELTDOWN  
JUMPING CASTLES • PETTING ZOO • PONY RIDES • LIVE MUSIC  
SNOW CONES • FOOD STALLS • FACE PAINTING • FAKE TATTOOS  
CRAZY HAIR • LOLLIES • LUCKY DIP • ADOPT-A-BEAR • PRE-LOVED BOOKS  
GAMES • CAKE STALL • HOME-MADE JAMS • SHOWBAGS AND MORE...



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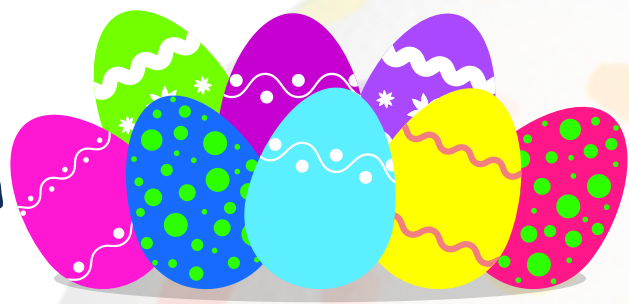
*Bakers Delight*



**MADE ON EARTH**

Vaucluse Public School SRC Initiative

# Easter Donations



PLEASE BRING IN  
YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS  
BY  
4 April, 2023

Help give some chocolate treats to those struggling on the streets, or to those isolated in their homes.



All donations go to the Wayside chapel

Students can Drop off donations at the office

## Eastern Suburbs High Schools Community Consultation

The Department of Education has engaged SEC Newgate to carry out independent, comprehensive community consultation with the aim of understanding parent and student decision-making factors regarding high school enrolment choices in the eastern suburbs and views on a range of proposals for future arrangements at Randwick Boys' and Randwick Girls' high schools.

Community consultations will start **Monday the 13th of March and end by Friday the 12th of May 2023. This is a 9-week period.**

This consultation aims to:

- Determine parent and student decision-making factors regarding high school enrolment choices in the eastern suburbs,
  - Understand stakeholder and wider community feedback in regard to five proposals (in no order):
    - o retaining single-sex education at Randwick Boys' High School and Randwick Girls' High School.
    - o retaining single-sex education at Randwick Boys' High School and Randwick Girls' High School and, providing all local students an entitlement to enrol at an existing coeducational high school, as designated by the Department.
    - o merging Randwick Boys' High School and Randwick Girls' High School to establish a single co-educational campus in their current location.
    - o retaining single sex education for junior years at Randwick Boys' High School and Randwick Girls' High School, and merging the senior years from each school to provide a co-educational setting.
    - o establishing more shared co-educational classes between Randwick Boys' High School and Randwick Girls' High School from years 7-12 where appropriate.

### Ways to have your say

career survey that are directed at your years 4-6 child. Children's views are important! We ask that you please ask their views and complete the questions.

Primary school parents **Online survey:** please complete the online survey [here](#). Please complete and carers it only once.

If you would like to give further feedback or have any questions about this consultation, please contact the project team at [easternsuburbs@secnewgate.com.au](mailto:easternsuburbs@secnewgate.com.au) or **0415 071 119**.

The NSW Department of Education greatly appreciates your time and support in assisting us to undertake these consultations.

This information will be useful to the Department in a number of ways. Hearing from your school community is important in shaping the thinking and direction of educational offerings for students in years 7-12 in the eastern suburbs.

Yours sincerely,



Alex Lawrance  
**Senior Project Manager, SEC Newgate Engage**





HOME DESIGNED HATS  
MOST WELCOME TO  
JOIN THE 'FREESTYLE'  
PARADE ALSO

# eggs-quisite

VPS

## HAT PARADE

FROM 9:30AM-10:30AM

THURSDAY | 6 APRIL 2023

HATS WILL BE MADE WITH A CRAFTY  
'STEAM' TWIST IN CLASS WEEK 10

CRAFT DONATIONS  
WELCOME

"HOW DO YOU LIKE STEM HATS?"





**Well done to our VPS Magpies! The Year 3/4 team came first in their division for the summer netball competition! Congratulations girls!**



**Our school leaders & Ms Allen had an inspiring day at the National Young Leaders Day Conference**







**Stage 1 have been enjoying their assemblies this term which have been run by the SRC representatives in each class. It's been a great opportunity for students to get together and acknowledge each other's hard work before enjoying singing a song together.**





**Shared learning  
in the Hub!**

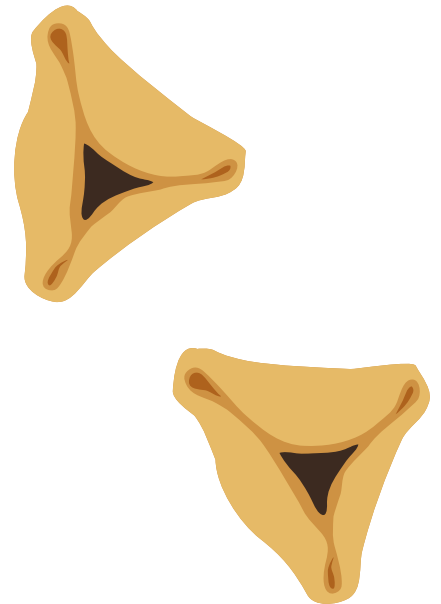




**Purim is a fun and happy holiday, celebrated around the world.  
It was on Tuesday 7th March.**

**Children, and adults dress up, go to Synagogue, give food parcels to friends, eat meals with family and friends. It is also a time to think of those who can't celebrate like we can and to give charity. Of course, we eat triangle biscuits called Hamantashen. Thank you again this year to Shuk Bondi for providing the Hebrew children with a real treat.**

**Morah Miriam**

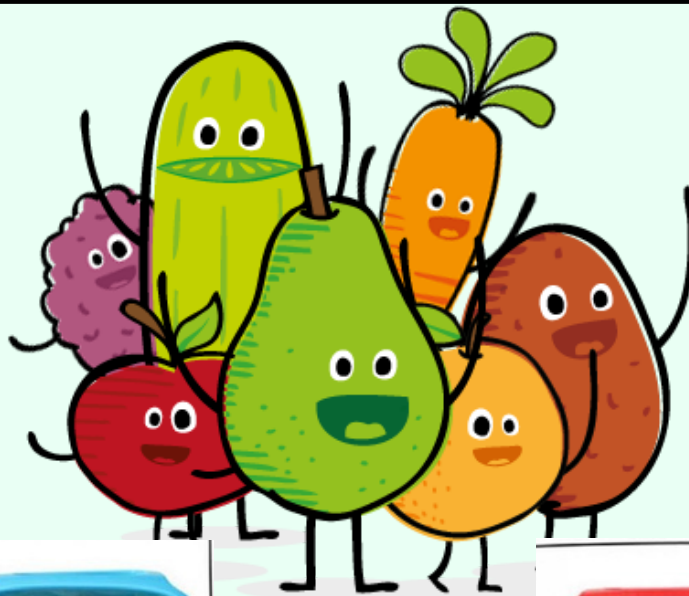


**= HAPPY =  
PURIM =**



# NUDE FOOD WEDNESDAY

Please pack your students food that is not wrapped in foil, plastic or commercial packaging.



THE PBL TEAM WILL BE HANDING OUT  
TOKENS TO STUDENTS THAT HAVE A  
WRAPPER FREE LUNCH!





# NUDE FOOD DAY

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

### What is Nude Food?

Nude Food is simply food that is not wrapped in foil, plastic or commercial packaging.

The best type of nude food consists mainly of fresh food, so that it is healthy and nutritious PLUS environmentally friendly.

Promoting Nude Food empowers students to make conscious choices about what they eat, and encourages them to think about their impact on the environment (and their health). You might be amazed with how enthused your child can become on this...

- ✓ To pack a Nude Food Lunch or Snack, you will need:
- Cutlery from home is better than throwaway plastic ones
  - Plastic or metal drink bottles are recommended for refilling with water
  - Reusable containers for putting all of your food, snacks and drinks into
    - Lunch boxes that have lots of separate sections can be useful to avoid lost lids or containers

- ✗ Try to avoid:
- Zip lock or plastic bags, plastic wrap or aluminium foil
  - Tetra packed drinks, single serve yoghurts and cheese
  - Single use plastic forks and spoons
  - Prepackaged food, i.e. biscuits, snack bars and chips

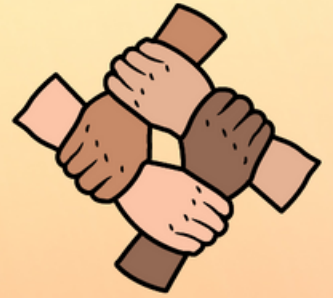
### Tips for Packing Nude Food Lunches:

- Try to involve the kids in helping decide what to take. This will help to avoid uneaten foods being thrown out, plus will save your family money as well. Also, remember to praise your child if they do eat something healthy which is new for them.
- Try to pack the lunches the night before and store in the fridge overnight to avoid the mad rush in the morning.
- If your child normally enjoys chips, yoghurt or other prepackaged snacks, buy these in a larger format and you can decant these into smaller reusable containers or lunchbox.
- If your child does enjoy chips, why not try making your own veggie versions using sliced beetroot, parsnip or sweet potato and baking in the oven?
- Try to use fruit and vegetables that are in season. Seasonal produce is friendly to the environment as well as to your budget, as less fuels are used to transport it into your supermarket.
- Go to [www.nudefoodday.com.au/resources](http://www.nudefoodday.com.au/resources) for Nude Food recipe ideas.

NUDE FOOD  
WARRIOR



# HARMONY DAY



*Celebrating Our Cultural Diversity*

"EVERYONE BELONGS"

**TUESDAY, 21ST  
MARCH 2023**



**REMEMBER TO WEAR  
ORANGE CLOTHES**



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# OPEN NIGHT 2023

**Tue 21 MARCH 23**

**3:30pm - 5:30pm**

**34a Hardy St Dover Heights**

**RSVP via this link:**

**<https://events.humanitix.com/rose-bay-secondary-college-open-night-2023>**

**School Tours – 10am Tuesdays and Thursdays**

**Bookings can be made on 9301 0300**



# ONE WAVE

BONDI  
BEACH

PRESENTS

## 10TH BDAY FLURO WAVE FOR MENTAL HEALTH

REGISTER AT: [ONEWAVEISALLITAKES.COM](http://ONEWAVEISALLITAKES.COM)

### EVENT SCHEDULE

*Meet in front of Bondi Pavilion from 6am*

**6AM** - 440 fluro run // **6.25AM** - Salties swim

**6.30AM** - Mental health talks with OneWave, WOW, Salties, 440 & Deb Sarah

**7AM** - Create Fluro Wave along Bondi Beach

**7.30AM** - Saltwater therapy + breathwork and ice bath session with Deb Sarah

FRI 24  
MAR

7AM  
CREATE  
FLURO  
WAVE



THE 440

DEB SARAH  
Breathe | Move | Flourish

