

The Vacluse Weekly

VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

Week 8

2 December - VPS Netball Cupcake Fundraiser

Week 9

8 December - K-2 Principal's Award Lunch

9 December - 3-6 Principal's Award Lunch

10 December - Presentation Day

Week 10

14 December - Year 6 Farewell

16 December - Last Day of 2020!

Vacluse Public School

~ est. 1858 ~

Principal's Report

Dear Parents

Thank you for the support you have all given to the Colour Run. Nadia Kaye and the P&C have been busily working behind the scenes with Philippa Allen and her team to ensure today's Colour Run goes successfully. Our students are very excited about the event. We have had so very little of these types of activities. They are really looking forward to just having fun. As I write the newsletter they are all preparing to go out for their sausage sizzle lunch and I can hear such a hum of excitement. Thank you to all those families who have made a decision to donate their prizes for the fund raiser to children's Christmas charities. I know these will be very gratefully received.

On Wednesday afternoon after 4.00pm of this week, we welcomed some of our 2021 Kindergarten students and their parents into the school. They had to complete a Kinder Scavenger Hunt. Activities included meet the chickens in the garden, find the fairy garden, visit the library, make a friend and meet the Principal. It was a wonderful, relaxing and harmonious afternoon. It was so successful we are thinking of adopting it as our Kindergarten Orientation model for the future. On 9 December we will repeat the afternoon for the other half of kindergarten. Needless to say the parents of our new Kindergarten students were overwhelmed with the school. They loved the library, the kitchen garden and the space. *What a secret treasure – we never knew all this was here.* Was a common response on Wednesday afternoon.

A reminder to parents to ensure they communicate afternoon arrangements each day especially if they change. The office staff have had to manage many last minute changes to pick up arrangements of late. While they do not mind helping, what becomes a real challenge is managing these changes when there are several students involved and they are last minute. There are only three staff members in the office and when you are trying to coordinate students to be picked up at two gates we simply do not have enough staff. Please also be mindful of pick-ups at recess and lunch time. We suggest you coordinate these pick-ups before or after breaks as it is often impossible to find students quickly when they are on the playground. We would also ask that when you ring you speak kindly, patiently and respectfully to our office staff. Corinne, Ruth and Giselle always do their best to support parents. While they are answering the phone and coordinating pick-ups and drop offs they are also doing other jobs such as supporting sick students, supporting teachers, and also a myriad of administration tasks. Of late we have had many disgruntled and impatient phone calls and it is taking a toll.

Next Thursday, December 3 is International Day of Disability and we at Vacluse Public School will be participating in many classroom activities to raise our awareness of how we can be more inclusive. It is a day to celebrate difference. It is a day to become more aware. The theme for IDPwD 2020 is "Building Back Better: toward a disability-inclusive, accessible and sustainable post COVID-19 World". The ABC are running many activities and we would hope that as families you may share these with your children and have some productive conversations.

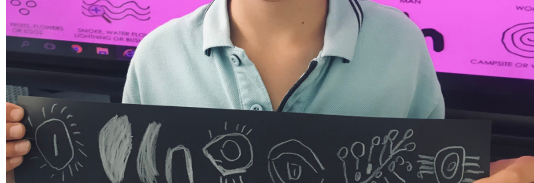
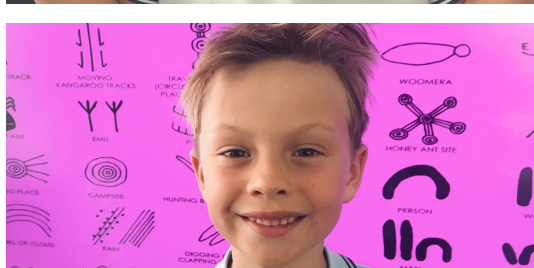
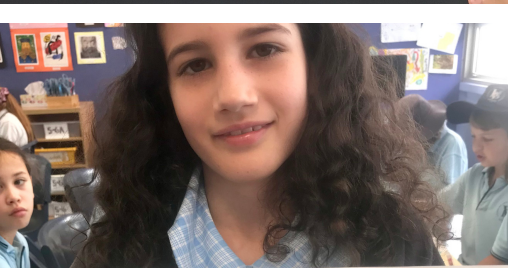
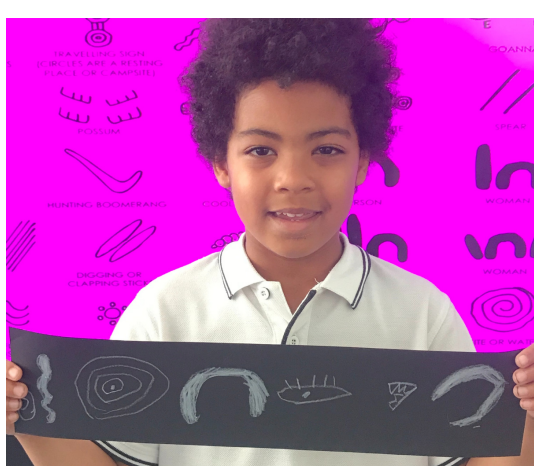
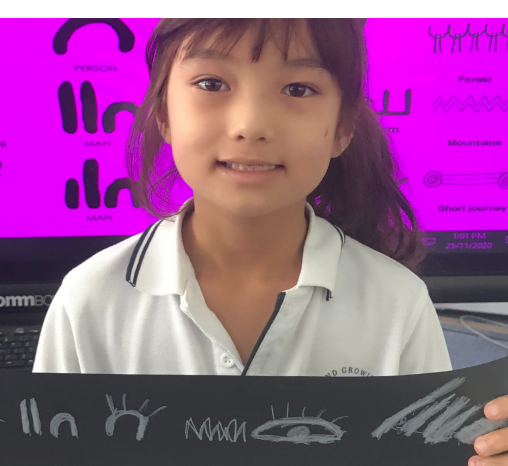
Maureen Hallahan

2020 DEBATING











MOSQUITO REPELLENT WRISTBANDS



It's that time of year - mosquito season! Our school's abundance of green space comes with an unfortunate side effect - mozzies!

If your little one keeps getting those pesky bites at school, you can purchase a mosquito repellent wrist band from the front office for a gold coin. These wrist bands are non-toxic, deet free and lasts for up to 240 hours.

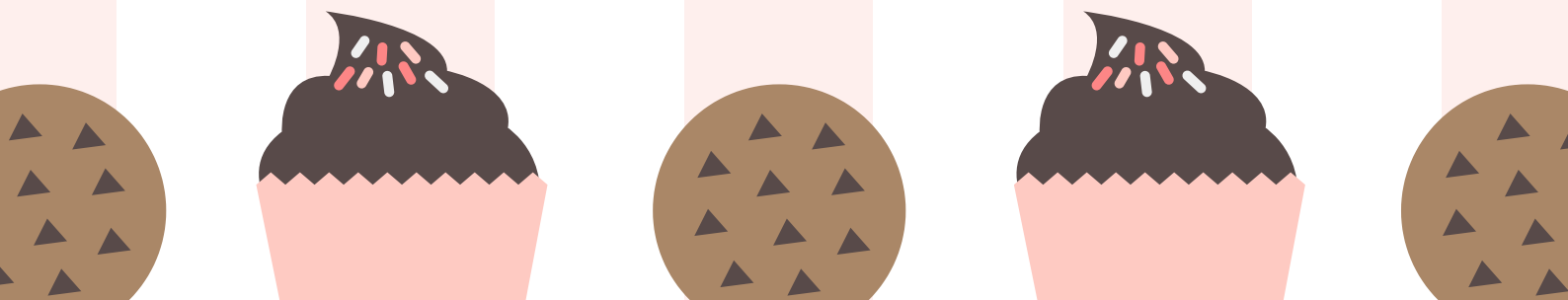
All funds raised will be used to purchase new resources for the Library.

VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL
NETBALL TEAM

Cupcake Fundraiser

WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER
LUNCH
\$2 PER CUPCAKE

HELP US RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR VAUCLUSE PUBLIC
SCHOOL NETBALL TEAM!



We are pleased to invite
you to join us for a

Cyber Safety Webinar

For Parents

Presented by



ySafe

Australia's leading provider
of cyber safety education.

**If you missed the Cyber Safety Webinar, you can
view the full session copying and pasting the
following link:**

<https://bit.ly/3IMzUPD>

**Filled with real-world and relevant information, this
session provides strategy-rich and practical content
that can be implemented immediately to promote
safer online environments. You can also visit the
ySafe parent hub:**

<https://vaocluseps.cybersafetyhub.com.au/>

VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL COVID SAFE GUIDELINES

Morning Drop-Off

You can drop your child off at either gate starting at 8:50am.

Members of staff will be supervising both gates. **Please do not enter the school grounds.**

Late Arrivals

If you are bringing your child to school after 9:20, please call the front office and wait outside the Cambridge Ave gate. A member of staff will meet you there and bring your child to the classroom.

Early Pick-Up

If you need to pick up your child early, please call the office and wait outside the Cambridge Ave gate. A member of staff will bring your child to meet you at the gate.

Away From School

If your child is unwell, they must stay home from school. If they have any flu or cold symptoms, **you must provide a negative COVID-19 test** before returning to school. Please email or use the SkoolBag app to notify the school of an absence.



Please do not enter the school grounds.

VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL COVID SAFE GUIDELINES

Pick-Up: Kindy & Years 1-2

Students in K-2 will finish school at 3pm. Kindy and Year 1 will be collected at the Village High Road gate. Students in Year 2 will be collected from the Cambridge Ave gate. Teachers will supervise students meeting their parents at the gate.

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Pick-Up: Years 3-6

Students in Years 3-6 will finish school at 3:20pm. Year 3 & 4 will be collected from the Cambridge Ave gates. Years 5 & 6 will be collected from from the Village High Road Gates. Teachers will supervise students meeting their parents at the gate.

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Siblings, Bikes and Late Pick-Ups

Students with siblings in multiple years will exit from the youngest sibling's nominated exit gate. Students in Years 3-6 who walk or cycle home will self-nominate the appropriate gate. If you are running late please contact the office.

Thank You

These procedures are in accordance with the Department of Educations current COVID-Safe guidelines. If you have any questions please contact the office at **vaocluse-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au** or **9337 2672**.



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STITCH WILL HAVE A STALL AT
THE ULTIMATE CHRISTMAS
MARKET .

IF YOU SHOW THIS FLYER AT
OUR STALL YOU WILL GET 10%
OFF YOUR PURCHASE!

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We sell: scrunchies| skirts |
pillows| bracelets|pencil cases

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10 AM-4PM

ENTERTAINMENT QUARTER
(THE OLD FOX STUDIOS)

THE ULTIMATE CHRISTMAS MARKET

HOMEWARES

FASHION

FLOWERS

ART

FOOD

150 STALLS

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 29
10AM-4PM



CAMBRIDGE MARKETS EQ
ENTERTAINMENT QUARTER
LANG RD MOORE PARK

VOOSC Vacation Care January 2021

At the request of our families we recently put out an Expression of Interest for the last eight days of the school holidays in January, 2021.

The number of families requiring care was very low.

For this reason our Team have always taken Annual leave during this period as it's not financially viable to open.

However, after such a challenging year for everyone we would like to start 2021 on a different note, injecting some positivity and good will to all, in the hope of better times to come in the New Year for everyone.

We would also like to give back to the families who have continuously shown their support, your loyalty is valued. Thank you.

We have decided to cut our annual leave short despite the low numbers and provide a program from **18.01.21 until 28/01/21**

For families seeking care during this time, please contact the service to make a booking no later than **09/12/20**.

Payment is required in Full to secure your place

Please understand there is a lot to organise before the end of year in order to deliver a program. We will be absent from the service from the end of term until the first day of vacation care in January and will not be responding to emails or calls hence bookings do need to be made by the cut-off date please.

Warm regards
VOOSC TEAM



8:00AM-6:00PM Sharp

voosc@people.net.au

Phone - 9 3373031

Vacation Care Hours Only

Mobile - 0420 729 143

VOOSC VACATION CARE

JANUARY 2021

Your detailed Itinerary will be emailed to you due to COVID -19.



























EMAIL SIGNED CONSENT FORM. Full payment is required at the time of booking. Please attach receipt from Funds transfer or Provide Card details.

Daily Fee per Child- \$45.00 + Activity fee

ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE 202

1 CHILD: \$45.00

FAMILY: \$80.00

<p>Monday 18.01.21 <u>Swimming Parsley Bay</u></p>  <p>10:00am-12:00pm WHEELS DAY</p>  <p>Zoom around on your own wheels Safety gear compulsory from 1:00pm Kinetic Sand</p>  <p><u>See Itinerary for full details</u> Excursion/Incursion Daily fee + \$8.00</p>	<p>Tuesday 19.01.21 <u>Camping Day at VOOSC</u> <u>Pack a tent</u></p>  <p><u>Sausage Sizzle Lunch</u></p>  <p><u>Bring Wheels</u></p>  <p><u>Play on the Equipment</u> <u>See Itinerary</u></p>  <p>Incursion Daily Fee +\$8.00</p>	<p>Wednesday 20.01.21 <u>Swimming Parsley Bay</u></p>  <p>10:00am-12:00pm MAKE A KITE</p>  <p><u>Bring Wheels</u></p>  <p>Safety gear compulsory <u>See Itinerary for full details</u> Excursion/ Incursion Daily fee + \$8.00</p>	<p>Thursday 21.01.21 <u>Gardening</u></p> <p>Pot your own Plant to take home</p>  <p><u>Sidewalk Chalk Drawings</u></p>  <p><u>Bring Wheels</u></p>  <p>Safety gear compulsory <u>See Itinerary for full details</u> Incursion Daily fee + \$8.00</p>	<p>Friday 22.01.21 <u>Swimming Parsley Bay</u></p>  <p>Sand Sculptures Bring a bucket and spade 10:00am-12:00pm WET & WILD WATER PLAY Bring Super Soaker</p>  <p><u>MINI GOLF AT VOOSC</u></p>  <p><u>See Itinerary for full details</u> Excursion/Incursion Daily fee + \$8.00</p>
<p>Monday 25.01.21 Swimming & Picnic at Parsley Bay</p>  <p>Bring your goodies and enjoy lunch at the park!</p>  <p>10:00am -2:30pm <u>Free play</u> <u>See Itinerary for full details</u> Excursion Daily fee + \$8.00</p>	<p>Tuesday 26.01.21</p>  <p>CLOSED</p>	<p>Wednesday 27.01.21 Kitchen Capers Make fresh fruit salad ice blocks and kebabs</p>  <p>Swim at Parsley Bay</p>  <p>10:30am -12:00pm Biscuit Decorating</p>  <p>Excursion/Incursion Daily Fee +\$8.00</p>	<p>Thursday 28.01.21 Art and Craft</p>  <p>Paint a t-shirt ,decorate a picture frame + Hama beads ,</p> <p>BILLY CART DERBY Scooters Bring Safety Gear</p>  <p><u>See Itinerary for full details</u> Incursion Daily fee + \$8.00</p>	<p>Friday 29.01.21 BACK TO SCHOOL!</p> 
<p>All payments are to be made in full when booking please</p>	<p>Due to COVID-19 Parents are to hand <u>Children</u> over to Staff at the front gate. Staff will sign in and out for you.</p>	 <p>No Nuts please!</p>	<p>Bookings Close On Wednesday 09/12/2020</p>	<p>Email us for your consent form voosc@people.net.au</p>