



Vaucluse Public School

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Vaucluse Weekly

16 November, 2011

P&C

Annual General Meeting

The school P&C held its annual general meeting last night. The P&C has been very generous in supporting the school in 2011. Major contributions were made in particular to the sports fields projects and the re-cabling of the whole school computer network. I thank all members of the P&C for their wonderful support.

I would particularly like to thank our P&C President, Tony Rowan and his fabulous team of executives who have been so committed in their roles to making huge improvements throughout the year for all the students.

The new P&C executive for 2012 is:

(* means re-elected to the position, and
** means new executive position)

President	Tony Rowan*
Vice President	Sarah Tobin
Secretary	Philippa Fourie*
Treasurer	David Satchell
Environment	John Stallman*
SAKG Program**	Deb Grunfeld
Event Coordination	Lida Ghezelbash*
Non-portfolio**	Deborah Krimotat
	Allan Kanuk
	Kersten Koelsch

Congratulations to our new executive on their election to their positions. I know that the P&C will be very effective in its support for the new Principal and the school in 2012.

Thank you all again for being so generous with your time, energy, and friendship during the three years that I have been here as Principal at Vaucluse Public School.

Brian Nethery



Who is more scary the lions or KB?

Parents please do not be concerned. The red dots indicate that the sculptures have been sold!

Coming Events in Term 4

Wed 30 Nov	Vaucluse Over the Moon 5pm to 7pm
Thu 1 Dec	Sun Awareness Day
Sat 3 Dec	HMAS Watson Carols by the Bay 4pm
Thu 8 Dec	Parent Helpers Breakfast 8:30am
Thu 8 Dec	Combined Choir Evening at Rose Bay Secondary College
Mon 12 Dec	Presentation Day 12:30pm
Wed 14 Dec	Y6 Farewell
Thu 15 Dec	Kindy Graduation
Fri 16 Dec	Last day of 2011 for the children
Mon 30 Jan	First day of 2012 for the children Years 1-6 only

Assembly Awards

KB	Aaliya & Harley
KW	Heidi & Toby
1/2O	Charlie & Taya
1/2H	Taj & Makira
3A	Mia & Louicosta
4/5A	Jake & Meshi
5/6S	Lachie & Cooper
PN/PR/PS	
Languages	Daniella N, Taya, Georgie R, Chasper & Tristan
Principal	Augusta (KB), Jemma (KW), Jacob (1/2H), Crozier (PR), Francesco (1/2O), Bohdi (3A), Laura (4/5A), Julia (5/6S)

Win! Win! Win!

SAKGP raffle tickets have gone home today, one booklet of 6 tickets for each child.

Please check your child's bag for them.

Every ticket is worth \$10 to the school so **please return the booklet SOLD or UNSOLD**. The prizes listed are fabulous ... and we even have an 11th prize that didn't make printing - Dinner at Sean's Panorama to the value of \$200.

If you need more tickets, just let me know,

Deb

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Toys 'n' Tucker

Each year thousands of families struggle to make ends meet at Christmas. Luxuries like Christmas lunch and children's gifts are simply out of reach.

Anglicare works to ensure that these families do not go without at Christmas.

However, they cannot achieve this without the generous support of other community.



Look out for our Giving Tree right outside the office. We are collecting NEW gifts for children and teens and NON-PERISHABLE food for festive

meals. If you wish you can wrap your donations in clear see-through cellophane.

Chook Pen - Launch 5pm Wed 30th Vaucluse Over the Moon



The chook pen is beside the infants classrooms nudged under a big oak tree for cooling summer shade and warming winter sun. Normally it

wouldn't take too much to build a back yard pen. But this is no back yarder. As an educational institution, many additional features have been incorporated. For starters, it has two pens – one for laying hens, one for brooding chicks. It is large enough for children to go inside, with a gate either side to file through. The hen house has a concrete floor, shaped to a gridded drain so that it can be kept clean and tidy with less water. This is water we've harvested from the roofs. The washings will be collected and used as liquid fertiliser on the vegies – yum yum. The walls are classic Australian corrugated iron, easy to clean and long lasting. The chicken run is big so there is plenty of room to run and scratch. Children will poke last night's greens through a hole in the fence so they (the chooks) get lots of greens. They (the children) will be begging for greens each night to feed the chooks. It's completely fox and vandal proof – impenetrable walls dug deep into the ground and locked gates and locked layer boxes. We're lucky to have a free range chicken farm as the sister farm to the chook pen. They can teach about feeding and hygiene. Our hens can have extended farm holidays.

The Chook Pen will be launched at 5pm as part of the Vaucluse over the Moon festival on Nov 30 when 10 hens will be released into the pen.

Don't miss this historic and touching event.

John Stallman





**Leandro, Summer and Zoe
at the Sculptures by the Sea workshop**

Sculptures by the Sea **"By Ollie and Jay"**

Sculptures by the Sea was an amazing experience that we will remember. First 4/5A and 5/6S had a workshop, 4/5A made sculptures out of everyday items like styrofoam and skewers, while 5/6S worked on making maquettes (a down to scale model) out of clay. We mainly used strips to make knotted figures but some people used their creativity for other things. Then everyone broke into groups of about two to six so we could look at the sculptures. Favourite sculptures ranged from giant taps and skeletons, to walk in turtles made of tyre and tiny houses. We think everyone truly enjoyed this excursion.

Monday Mini Markets

21 November	KB
5 December	KW

For more information
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VOOSC NEWS

**LAST COMMITTEE MEETING FOR 2011 is
scheduled for Next Monday 21/11/11 at 7pm.**
Further details are available from the centre. All parents welcome

VACATION CARE - JANUARY 2012

Hopefully every family received their newsletter last week with a vacation care program.
For those who haven't got a program there are plenty available from the centre.

All bookings are to be made in person along with a permission note (collected from the centre) and with full payment before children will be added to the rolls. **You will receive an itinerary upon booking and full payment being received.**

Please understand in order to have the correct level of care, staff/child ratios, and ample resources for programmed activities for each child attending; we need definite confirmation of bookings prior to the **9/12/11**. This date will be the **final date for bookings** as the centre will close when the school term ends and reopen on the **23/01/12**. During this time all Voosc **staff members will take annual leave and will not be contactable**

2012 bookings

Permanent bookings for 2012 need reconfirmation now please. There is a high demand for positions for next year and we need to be able to advise families correctly of availability. Please be aware that once positions are relinquished, they will be offered to other families on waiting lists and may not be available if you choose to change your mind!

VOOSC STARS

Congratulations to the following "Fantastic Five" who we are very proud to add to our wall of fame!

Lara, Peony, Lily S, Aidia and Alexander M. Thanks for being such happy, kind and caring people to all of your friends at VOOSC.

TERM FEES

Sorry to hound you every week with this, but there are many families who have not attended to their term fees at all this term. **If you have made payment arrangements with the Coordinator, this is not directed at you .** To those of you who haven't made arrangements in regard to payment, **your children's positions are now at risk**. Late fines will also be applied weekly as per policy!!

Kind Regards
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