Dear Parents

Yesterday’s Halloween celebration was an absolute hoot!! Our school vibrated with energy. Everyone – staff, students and parents have all agreed it was a stress free activity and enormous fun. Our wonderful staff fully embraced it as usual and contributed enormously to the fun. Thank you parents for the huge effort that was put into costumes and face painting. Our children were thrilled with the opportunity to come to school looking horrible. There were lots of Halloween activities in class. Miss Morgan’s 1M presented at Assembly yesterday afternoon. Their Halloween outfits added another dimension to their performance. The Multi - Purpose Sports Field is proving to be exactly that!!! It was the perfect venue for our lunchtime Disco. The Year 6 Leaders did a superb job in organising, decorating and DJing. They raised over two hundred dollars and are extremely appreciative of the school’s generosity. The photos in the body of the newsletter tell the whole story. This morning we have some very tired and cranky Trick or Treaters. No more sugar for the next week!!!

We were very disappointed to postpone our excursion to Sculptures By the Sea last Monday. I spent from 7 am to 9.15 am watching the radar on the Bureau of Meteorology site. There was a thunderstorm located just off the coast and we were extremely worried that it would come inland. The weather bureau’s warning for severe thunderstorms issued at 8 am that morning was the deciding factor in our decision making. As it proved (and isn’t it always the way!) the day ended up being most pleasant. The forecast is extremely good – a low 23 degrees. Please make sure you have signed the new Sculpture’s note with the new
date. We are unable to take students on an excursion without signed permission.
We were very excited by the arrival of two red leather lounges for the main foyer yesterday or should I say I was very excited. The main foyer is transformed!! We now have a conversation pit, two additional sick beds and a great spot for me to hold the school leaders meetings. Not to mention a comfortable place for visitors to wait.

Maureen Hallahan
Principal

Another hard day in the office. Principal Hallahan recovering after the Halloween Disco

Miss Nicki, Miss Butt and Miss Tatton. 3 Of the Four Scary Fairies.....

The Truth About My Family. By Paul Graebner. 1M
My family seems like a very good and normal family but at night it all changes. My sister turns into a skeleton and my Mum turns into a witch and my dad turns into a werewolf! The crazy thing about having a skeleton for a sister is that when we play bowling she uses her head and when she gets angry she takes off her foot and kicks me.

My dad seems normal but he isn’t! At night he goes outside to a deserted cliff and turns into a werewolf. My mum seems normal but she is a witch. She always asks my sister “can I please use your head?” but she says no. Her potions turn you into things like dinosaurs.

Would you be brave enough to say something to us?

The Truth About My Family. By Sammy Cowper. 1M
My name is Sammy and my family is a little bit strange. My mum is really a zombie who likes to eat brains. She tries to control herself in the house.

My Dad looks normal but really he is werewolf. Every time the full moon comes he goes up on to the roof and howls. He is a bit clumsy so sometimes he falls down.

My dogs Shmaa and Shmoo look normal but the truth is they are talking dogs. Sometimes they keep me up late because they are chatting. Shmaa snores and Shmoo snorts. They are so hard to share a room with!

My brother Jackson seems normal but really is a computer robot. He once went in the shower and the water broke him, so he had to go to the computer hospital to get fixed.

And me? I seem normal too, but the truth is I am a wizard! I have a magic wand that I use when I am in trouble. The truth about my family is that we are all different and we are all weird and wonderful!
The Truth About My Family. By Francesca Spitzer. 1M

My name is Francesca and my family seems normal. Me and my brother go to school every day, Mum looks after James, Dad works at home and my Baba works at a shop in Bowral.

But everything changes when the sun goes down. My mum wakes up and has a party! She drinks crystal glasses of wine and blood with her other Dracula friends. Her smile looks different because her teeth get sharp and pointy. The only reason she can go out in the day because she wears special sun cream and a sun hat. When I have play dates there are spiders and bugs crawling around the house. Each time I want a morning hug I have to go down 20 stairs to her tomb where she sleeps. Even though she is a terrifying she still loves me more than anything!

My dad might seem normal like my mum but in the night he goes to his underground cave and puts on his hat and walks to the bucket and BAM!!! He creates potions that have never been made before. That's right, he is a wizard!

My dog's name is Spartikiss and he is a super dog! He can go through walls and he has super powers like force field.

My brothers James and Freddy are cheeky devils. They have little horns hidden under their hair and each time they get angry their horns grow bigger. When they go to school they always wear red and they cause lots of trouble because they are so cheeky.

Last but not least, me!! I am a vampire and I can turn into a bat and fly anywhere I want! Even though my family sound terrifying, they are actually big scaredy cats and need me to give them big hugs all the time!

Dear Parents – please note that all notes and money for excursions must go to the classroom teacher not the office. Please also note that all notes and other excursion information are always updated and on the Vaucluse Public School website.

Video link is here: Samuel from 4/5A playing the piano.


Halloween Morning Assembly
Txai from 5/6B. Which smile do we prefer?
The children are still smiling. It must mean that Mr Styles is not as scary as he looks.
Everyone boogied at the Halloween Disco
Lee and Caroline from VOOSC... and the Fourth Scary Fairy in the middle - Mrs Abelitis.
VOOSC NEWS

A Gentle reminder to all families currently registered and holding permanent positions. Bookings will not automatically roll over for 2014. Registration forms and confirmation of bookings for 2014 are to be submitted no later than 15/11/13 to ensure you have a place for your children next year. To be fair to all families, all forms are to be submitted in person and signed by the Nominated Supervisor when received.

Collecting the forms is not enough; they need to be returned before the cutoff date!
Please have all updated /current health care management plans for Asthma and Allergies ready to submit, as well as immunisation records.

As of the 16/11/13 families who have not returned all required paperwork will have their positions cancelled and their names added to a waiting list. Families currently on the waiting list for 2014 will be offered these positions.

No exceptions will be made.

VOOSC STARS

Congratulations to the following stars for Week 4.
Yahm P : for being a cheerful person who is kind to everyone and always packs away after playing.
Olive S : for trying her very hardest every week at sport and being a great team member.
Otto H : for arriving each day with a happy smile to start the day and sharing lots of great news and stories!

Well done to each of you, we are so happy that your stars will join the VOOSC wall of fame!

Kind Regards
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Rock Band – Bushfire Appeal Concert

Dear Parents

On **Tuesday 5 November 2013**, the Vaucluse Public School Rock Band will be holding a lunchtime concert for all K-6 students to raise money for families affected by the recent NSW Bushfires. A gold coin donation from students will provide much needed relief for many families across NSW.

All money raised will be donated to the Salvation Army Bushfire Appeal. This appeal has been launched to provide immediate financial assistance to affected families.


Thanking you in anticipation of your support.

Maureen Hallahan
Principal
31 October 2013

Tom Hosegood
Rock Band Co-ordinator