



THE VAUCLUSE WEEKLY

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VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term Four: Week six



A reflective moment at Sculpture By The Sea.

Coming Events - Term Four

Wednesday 26 November	Carols By The Sea
Monday 1 December—Friday 4 December	Mural painting with Aunty Kathy
Thursday 11 December	Vaucluse sur l'herbe
Friday 12 December	Presentation Day
Tuesday 16 December	Year 6 farewell

Application for Year 7 selective high school placement in 2016 Government schools.
Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.au/shsplacement by 17 November 2014.



Class 2H—fun with maths and Hattie and the Fox
Readers Theatre.



Principal's Report

Dear Parents

This week the school has been full of excitement and nervous energy as auditions for Vaucluse sur L'herbe on 11 December or as it is unofficially known as – the V factor begin to take place!!! A team of teachers has been holding auditions and are very impressed with the variety and talent of items being offered this year. We are all looking forward to this evening so make sure it is in the diary.

We are also busy preparing for another new date on the calendar and that is Carols at the Bay on 26 November. Our choirs will be singing, the bands playing and the dancers dancing. Carols will take place on the esplanade in front of Robertson Park at Watsons Bay and we are looking forward to having a very strong Vaucluse Public School presence.

The digital media program is well under way for Years 3,4,5,and 6. Each Friday there are film shoots all over the school. It is a very exciting run down to the end of the school year. Parents please note that the last day for students is Wednesday 17 November. The staff do not finish until Friday 19 December and the school will remain open but not for classes until this day.

A reminder to parents to please not use the staff car park either to park in or walk through. Each day we have four special transport taxis that use the car park. They usually reverse in and drive out. We have had a number of near misses of late with families walking through or parking in the area. These taxis have a tight schedule as they pick up students at other schools. We thought perhaps they could drive in and reverse out and this would minimise risk. But it is six of one and seven of another. The safest solution is if parents do not use this car park at all. We endeavour to keep the gates shut but this does not always happen. When the gates are open parents cannot resist the temptation. We also have the problem when the gates are shut parents park in the driveway and then reverse out. A parent emailed me last week to share his concern. In his email he described the response he had when he asked the parent who was parked illegally to move. No surprise that the response is unprintable here.

At the risk of sounding like a broken record - the solution is very simple. To keep every child safe we need to park and drive responsibly. It is a small number of parents who ignore these requests. We so appreciate the majority of parents who make an effort to keep our children safe. – especially those who park and walk.

Maureen Hallahan



Do you have a bag full of library books at home??

It's time for Miss Caesar to do a stocktake of the library and she needs them all back please!

That's right! From **week 7 (next week)** the library will be closed for end of year stocktake.

Stocktake time gives the library the opportunity to tidy up, check what's missing, weed old books, organise resources for next year and identify areas in the collection which need improvement.

PLEASE BRING YOUR BOOKS BACK ASAP!

Love from,

The Library



Presentation Day is just around the corner. We are asking families to check their cupboards, display cabinets and shelves for any trophies that have not been returned to our school.

Thank you in advance.



Vaucluse sur L'herbe Auditions

Vaucluse Public School is holding auditions for our annual end of year concert. Our panel of judges will be seeing our stars of tomorrow on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Friday at lunchtime in the assembly hall. Students need to bring their lunch and any music or props needed e.g. juggling balls.

Students are asked not to bring costumes to school.

The judges are seeing students in Years 3-6 in weeks 5 and 6 (5.11.2014 – 14, 11.2014). Then we will audition students in K-2 in weeks 7 and 8 (19.11.2014- 28.11.2014).

Teachers will be discussing how to prepare for auditions, where to go and the time they need to be at the hall. Some students may be asked to work on items and then present them again.

Students need to present prepared items to the judges. Names of students who want to participate will be collected and a running order will be established and given to the students to clarify which day their audition will be held.

We look forward to enjoying the talents of our students.

Thank you.

The V Factor Panel

NEED A NANNY / BABYSITTER ?!

My name is Nicole and I attended Vaucluse Public School in my primary years. I have recently graduated from high school and I am looking to nanny.

I live in Vaucluse and can be contacted on 0406277610

Give me a call



Thanks!

Future Leaders Program

An ideal development opportunity for school Student Representative Council (SRC) or any student who shows leadership potential. To make a booking or find out more, contact Sport and Recreation on 13 13 02 or visit <http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleadersprimary/> for primary school programs and <http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleaderssecondary/> for secondary schools.

Understanding climate change

Is your child learning about climate change at school? CSIRO's scientists are learning how the earth's climate system works through observation, measurement and modelling.

Find out more: <http://www.csiro.au/Outcomes/Climate/Understanding.aspx>

Little Aussie Songsters competition

An Australia Day competition where primary students can video their singing of our national anthem. For further details, visit <http://www.aussievault.com.au/vault/136/detail/little-aussie-songster>.

The competition is now open and will close on **Saturday 14 February 2015**.

Ready for high school

Just to let you know that the Transition to high school, Ready for High School Checklist is now available in 36 languages.

Search by language: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/documents/start_ss/rfhsc.php

Musical Viva



Fun kids fishing day

Find out the secrets on how to bait those hooks...

**..... and find out some secret fishing spots from some of Sydney
Game most famous boats skipper's....**

Date: *Sunday, 30th November 2014*

Time: 9am – 12:30pm

Cost: \$10.00 per child.

Booking's essential. Numbers are limited to 50. Payments can be made directly to Karen Wright - 0427 557 705, prior to the event or on the day. BBQ sausage sizzle & a drink will be provided.





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Director Anne-Louise Sarks

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