

The Vaucluse Weekly

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Friday

26 February 2016

Term 1 Week 5



We proudly introduce the 2016 Sporting House Captains

—from left.

Henry, Claudia, Tarquin, Timothy, Anushka, Nathan and Gabrielle

Principal's Report

Dear Parents

On Tuesday, Andrew "Boy" Charlton Swimming Pool proved to be a wonderful choice for our **2016 Swimming Carnival**. We have in the past held our swimming carnivals at the pool at HMAS Watson. We have outgrown HMAS Watson consequently the new location. It was fabulous also to have a 50 metre pool where our students could really enjoy the full competitive experience. We loved the shaded seating area and the facilities the pool offers. Our students were magnificent in their support of each other. Their sportsmanship was wonderful to see. We had a record number of students participate in races. So many were keen to get the house point for participation and this was obvious in so many races. These children motivated others to have a go also. The day was successful on many levels. We thank all those parents who attended and cheered everybody on. We also thank those parents who participated in the carnival as time keepers, photographers, lifesavers and marshalls. Talia Butt and her dedicated team of teachers also did a magnificent job. The day was a great community experience and we very much appreciated everyone's efforts.

This morning we had our first **Class Parent** meeting. It was wonderful to see such great attendance and hear the enthusiasm, generosity and goodwill these parents have for our school. The Class Parent organisation is an excellent one that keeps all parents closely connected and communicated with our school. We find the class parents invaluable in assisting with the organisation of our school. They have some wonderful events planned for the year and we look forward to working with Amanda Ramsey and her team.

Next Tuesday evening is the first P&C meeting for the year and we are looking forward to seeing many parents there.

Maureen Hallahan



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MEET

THEIR



BUDDIES

PICCOLLAGE

URGENT PLEASE READ

Please read this letter from a concerned parent of Vaucluse Public School

Good morning Maureen

I'm saddened to write this email to you considering the note from you that went out in the newsletter last week! But once again we have parents thinking only of themselves and not of the safety of our children.



This morning there were a number of cars parked across Cambridge Ave residents driveways, as well as someone actually parked IN my driveway. I witnessed at least 3 cars pulling up to drop off their kids in the no stopping near the crossing and also near the entrance of the staff car park there on the corner.

What is it going to take for parents to understand that this is dangerous driving and someone's child could get seriously injured, if not worse. Not to mention the inconvenience it causes to the residents of Cambridge Ave. I am astounded that people think it is their right to park in this manner, to stop a whole lot of traffic to drop their child off in no stopping just because they can't arrive to school on time. Or perhaps they just don't care about others?

As a parent of three children attending VPS and a Cambridge Ave resident I am once again disappointed that there continue to be people in our school community who are inconsiderate and also breaking the law.

Kind regards

Samantha



OPEN NIGHT

TUESDAY
1st March 2016
6:30pm-8:30pm

College Tour
Meet the College Principal,
Mr Richard Skinner
Talk to parents
and teachers

Rose Bay Secondary College has a proud record of high academic achievement and has built a reputation for excellence. *The Sydney Morning Herald* ranked the College **20th in State** for comprehensive schools in the 2015 HSC.

Academic excellence complements the comprehensive extracurricular offerings that demonstrate the culture of **Opportunity, Achievement and Community** shared by all our students and staff.

"Congratulations to our HSC class of 2015. We would like to invite all prospective parents and students to visit our school to meet the staff and learn about the wonderful programs we offer to complement the academic program of the school."

Mr Richard Skinner,
Rose Bay Secondary
College Principal


"Rose Bay Secondary College has allowed me to not only broaden my intellectual horizon through its various academic and extracurricular opportunities, but more importantly, my unique experience at the school has taught me invaluable life lessons and forged lifelong friendships with classmates and teachers."

Ben Munro,
College Dux and 2015
HSC All-Round Achiever


"As we navigated through the treacherous waters of the Higher School Certificate, it was, above all, the staff of Rose Bay Secondary College that acted as our faithful compass the whole way through."

Andrei Smolnikov,
2nd in State Russian
Continuers & 3rd in
State Advanced English


**Congratulations
Class of 2015**




BEN MUNRO
Dux & HSC All-Round Achiever
7th in State English Extension 1
B. Commerce (International) UNSW
99.75 ATAR




ANDREI SMOLNIKOV
2nd in State Russian Continuers
3rd in State Advanced English
B. Commerce (International) UNSW
99 ATAR




JULIAN KESOV
9th in State Business Studies
B. Business/B. Law UTS
97.35 ATAR



ALENA VOKHMYAKOVA
9th in State Russian Continuers
B. Accounting, Notre Dame
97.35 ATAR



MADLINE HUBER
Distinction for Personal Interest
Project (Society & Culture)
B. Criminology & Criminal
Justice, UNSW



AMELIA ODGERS
Nominated for Art Express
B. Interior Design,
Billy Blue College of Design

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2016 Vaucluse
Public School
Swimming
Carnival.



*More photos
next week*

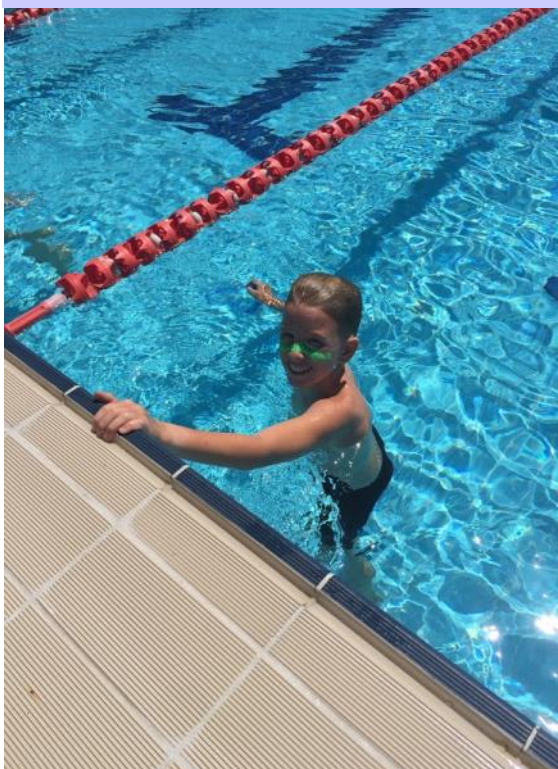






What a great location for our
Swimming Carnival this year.

Boy Charlton Swimming Pool in the Domain



A bit of house keeping

The lovely Miss Lonergan has **yet again** sifted through our ever growing lost property, in her own time. Most of the lost property is named. Parents, Please take some time to come in and collect your child's items of clothing. It is such a terrible *eye sore*.



Donations/ Assistance

From time to time students have small accidents and need to be changed. The school keeps a limited supply of underpants. Often they are not returned. If we could please ask for some donations of underpants. Boys and girls sizes 5-7.



Do you want your child to be immersed in Jewish education? BJE has the answer:

BJE Emet Extension @ Vacluse PS for years K-2

The Emet Extension curriculum is supplementary to the Emet SRE program (also known as Jewish Scripture) that occurs during the school day. This curriculum includes the Jewish calendar with its festivals and celebrations, Jewish beliefs and values, as well as the laws and customs followed within Judaism. Lessons are enriched with activities like craftwork, songs, drama, music, events, story-telling as well as special events such as our fabulous Pass the Parcel Purim Style.

Classes are held every **Tuesdays** from **8:30am-9:20am**.

For more information please contact BJE on 9365 7900 or administration@bjc.nsw.edu.au

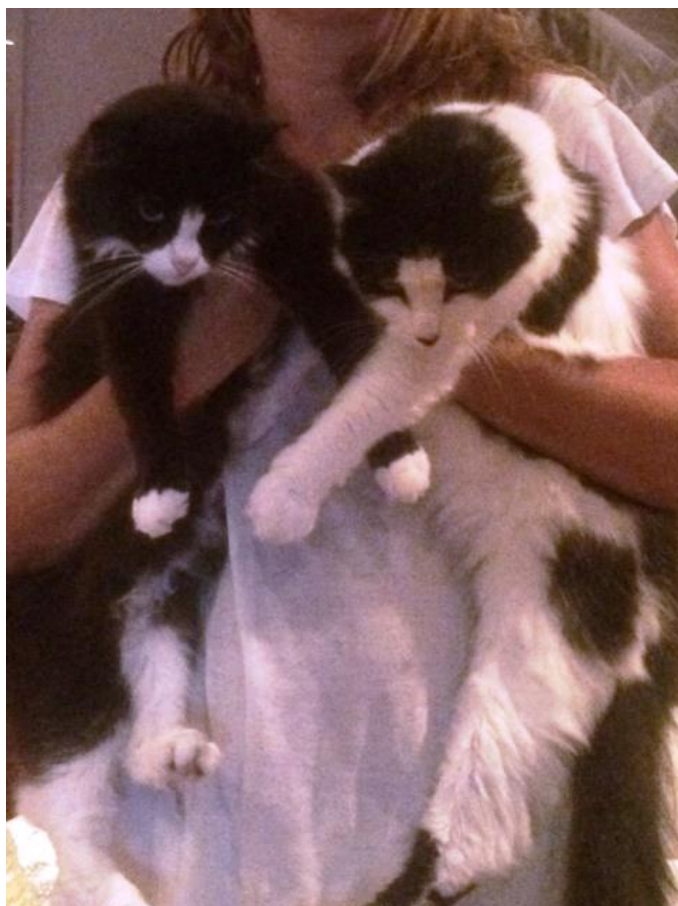
*Luna and Chica need a new home
and they want to stay together*

It is with a very heavy heart that I write this email .
Sadly it is not an option to move my two beautiful cats to Bali .
They are both female ,desexed , up to date with their
vaccinations , house trained .. They are inside / outside cats ..
Love lazing around in the sunshine .
They are both turning 3 years in Feb & May .
They are used to family life , very easy going ..I rescued them
separately when they were kittens & they have grown up together
so I don't want them separated .

I'm searching for a family to
love them as much as we
do .. Must have outside
access ..

Any thoughts would be
appreciated ,

Best,
Emily





P&C Meeting Term 1 2016

Tuesday 1st March, 2016
At 6:30pm-8:30pm in the School Library

President – Sacha Irvine Vice President – Jo Little Secretary – Sarah Still Class Parent Co-ordinator - Amanda Ramsay Treasurer - Sam Peters Building and Environment – George Palmer Clothing Pool – Pip Connelly	Extra Curricular – Katrin Graebner and Xanthe Lenior SAKG - Angela Davids Technology – Jeremy Heap Principal - Maureen Hallahan Madelienne Anderson – Non Portfolio Ian Manovel – Non Portfolio Sarah Myers - Non portfolio
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AGENDA P&C Meeting:

1. Welcome to P&C Meeting (Sacha Irvine) –
2. Review previous Meeting's Minutes, apologies
3. Principal's Address (Maureen Hallahan)
4. Country Carnival (Madelienne Anderson)
5. Building and environment update (George Palmer)
6. Clothing pool update (Pip Connelly and Sacha Irvine)
7. Co-curricular update (Katrin Graebner and Xanthe Lenior)
8. SAKG update (Angela Davids)
9. Treasurer's update (Sam Peters)
10. Previous Motions for expenditure in Term 4 have been actioned by Maureen. All members have had the opportunity to vote on these motions.
 - New whiteboard \$7000
 - Margaret Noy Term 1 \$2000
 - Bathroom soap and handryers \$2000 per annum
 - 6 x chairs and tables (\$800 x 6 = \$4800)
 - BBQ \$699
 - Landscape improvements - Around \$1000
 - New netball hoops and playground equipment - Around \$2000
11. Motions for expenditure in 2016 - To become a member simply attend, sign in and pay 50cents and you will be able to vote at the next P&C meeting:
 - Books – library and reference books
 - 2 x ovens repaired in kitchen, no quotes received yet, approx. cost \$500.00
 - Growing leak in kitchen / staff room, water leaking onto electrical equipment, quotes to be received and action to be taken.
 - Doors to kitchen garden to be fixed, quote to be received.

P&C Meeting

Tuesday 1st March, 2016

Location: School Library

Start time: 6:30pm

This is the first P&C meeting for the year and we would love to see you there.

Sandwiches and refreshments will be served.

All parents and carers are warmly welcome to our first P&C Meeting for 2016.

A meeting agenda will be emailed via Class Parents on Monday.

Membership to the P&C is open to all parents of pupils attending the school and to all citizens within the school community. Becoming a member means you will have the right to vote on P&C Decisions and you will get a copy of the P&C Meeting minutes emailed to you.

To become a member simply register at next Tuesday's P&C Meeting. There is a 50 cent membership fee. You will be able, entitled to vote on all P&C issues - from the second P&C meeting.

NEW METHOD OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE VPS COMMUNITY

If you have not done so by now please download the Vacluse Public School App as we will be using this App as the main form of communication from **MONDAY 14 MARCH 2016**

Please find attached instructions on how to download the App for:

Smartphones

Androids

Window 8.1 and 10 phones

It would be very much appreciated if our parents/carers could download the App as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact the Admin office on 9337 2672 if you have any queries

Thank You

COUNTRY CARNIVAL 2016

COME ONE COME ALL!

Country Carnival 2016 is only 3 weeks away.

Today, we held our first meeting with the Class Parents this morning with our Principal, Maureen, our Class Parent Co-Ordinator, Amanda, our P&C President, Sacha and myself.

Thank you class parents for volunteering and we are off and running with the first and biggest fund raiser of the year which is the Country Carnival, in only 3 weeks time.

We discussed the stall allocations for each class. We encourage all parents to help out your class parent by contributing with products and assisting on the day. Let's make it a fun, good looking and profitable stall, with an artist sign, happy and helpful stall staff and beautifully decorated themed table.

Here is the stall allocations:-

- KB, class parent Ali Winton (daughter, Layla) - Healthy snacks, bliss balls, chai tea, fruit skewers?
- KI, Olivia Lowe (son, Fred) - Adopt-a-Bear, recycle old stuff toys to sell with adoption certificate
- KW, Tamara Kerlander (son, Ricky) - Dutch Pancakes (if anyone in the school has a Dutch Pancake maker, please email Amanda Ramsay or myself)
- KM Charlotte Laight (daughter, Lily) - Face painting, hair spray and tattoos
- 1W Briget Palmer (daughter, Lola) - Lucky Dip
- 1J Ilkay Karakale (son, Kai) - games to win prizes
- 1/2H Tanya Hall - Bric and Brac/Vintage stall (you can put a notice out to the whole school to contribute)
- 2A Sarah Myers (son, Milo) - Flowers (please speak to me about how we can make this happen easily)
- 2F Amanda Ramsay, (son, Will) - takeaway frozen gourmet meals
- 3M Nicole Mutton (son, Harrison) - lolly stall
- 3B Che Dunlop (son Max) - cake stall
- 4A Samantha Lambert (daughter, Sophie) - show bags
- 4V Nhat Vo (son, Marcus) - popcorn and balloons
- 5C Sam Werner (daughter, Pippi) - snow cones
- 6S Anne Marie Ryan (son, Kayden) - drinks (bottles of water, cups of cordial, milkshakes, coconut water, etc)

It is going to be a fabulous afternoon for all to enjoy! We are sure the kids will have a ball and we will raise much needed funds for Vaucluse Public School.

Many Thanks to everyone and looking forward to seeing you there, Mads xxx



*Yee haw!
It's the...*



FRI
MARCH
4PM to 7PM
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VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Annual

★ COUNTRY CARNIVAL ★

Join us for loads of fun, including:

★ OBSTACLE COURSE ★

★ COUNTRY & WESTERN
ENTERTAINMENT ★

★ PONY RIDES ★

★ PETTING FARM ★

★ FUN STALLS ★

★ DELICIOUS COUNTRY
HOME COOKING ★

★ JUMPING CASTLE ★

ON THE GROUNDS OF VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL
— ENTRY VIA VILLAGE HIGH ROAD —

VOOSC NEWS

It has been such a busy term so far, lots new families have joined Voosc, many different experiences have been programed for our children to explore and enjoy, with loads of exciting things ahead 2016 seems to be flying by!

Our new kindi children have settled into Before and After Care very well and are such a joy to all of us here at Voosc.

We are especially proud of all of the kids who have taken the time to read stories or play games with them, it has really helped everyone to feel included and happy.

Little things like this might appear to be small and not such a big deal, but it makes a huge difference. It really says so much about our school and our wonderful families and how welcoming our community is.

What's New? We have introduced Bunny Star's Hoola Hooping Empire on Monday afternoons.

A workshop that runs for 1 hour. Totally amazing what can be achieved with a hoop! This has been so well received that hopefully Bunny will be able to continue the program next term. These workshops are complimentary to families at Voosc.

VOOSC STARS

The first children to receive stars for 2016 have been chosen for patience, understanding and showing initiative. Well done to the following children and welcome to the Wall of Fame

Woody S

For jumping in where a hand was needed and packing away games left out in family corner. An impressive effort Woody, well done and a big thank you. A true star!

Charlie K

For showing kindness, patience and sharing your wisdom in regard to safety. A great help in teaching our little people how to stay safe and happy at playtime.

Thanks Charlie your star is well deserved.

Isabella S

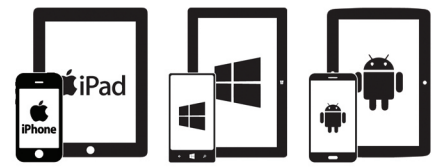
A fantastic role model at all times. Thank you Issy for being so caring and kind, not just to the new kindi's but to everyone. Welcome to the wall of fame.

VACATION CARE NEWS

Our Vacation Care program will be available to families at the end of next week. We have planned really great activities for the children so collect your program and get your bookings in early to avoid disappointment.

Warm Regards

Voosc Team



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

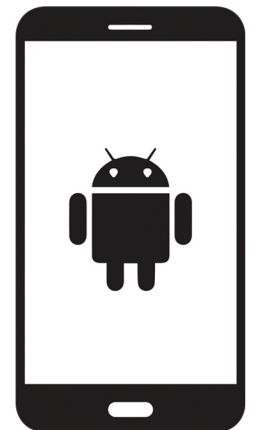
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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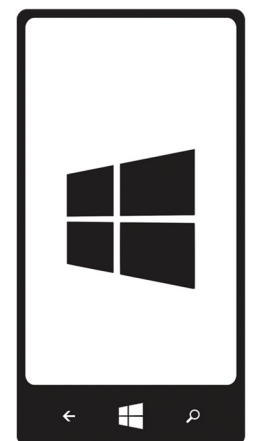


Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.





CALL FOR TENDERS VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL



Tenders are called for the licence of the Vacluse Public School Canteen for Term 2 2016 School Year commencing **26 April 2016** and for a term of approximately one (1) year with a option to renew for three (3) years. Annual school enrolments for 2016 is 372 students.

General enquiries and requests for a Tender Information Package should be referred to:

Giselle Gabbani
School Administrative Manager
Tel: **9337 2672**
E: Giselle.gabbani1@det.nsw.edu.au

Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked “Confidential – School Canteen Tender” and sent to:

The Principal
Vacluse PS
Cambridge Avenue
Vacluse 2030

Or, the package can be dropped off at the office between the hours of 8.30 – 3.00pm Monday to Friday.

Tenders will close at 3pm on **Wednesday 9th March 2016**

A tender visit and briefing session will be held on **Thursday 3rd March 2016 @ 10am**

All applicants must make themselves familiar with clause 2 of the tender offer.