



## *The Vaucluse Weekly*

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*Friday*

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*Term 2 Week 3*



On a beautiful sunny day, with the iconic setting of Bondi Beach in the background Abigail 4V and Daniella 5C became Australian citizens. Congratulation from all of us.

## Principal's Report

Dear Parents

This week has been a big week for our Year 3 and Year 5 students who participated in *NAPLAN*. We have tried to keep the process calm and stress free. We believe it can be quite confronting particularly for our Year 3 students. It is their first experience of a formal exam and they are easily overwhelmed. Relieving Assistant Principal Philippa Allen and her team have managed the process superbly. Our students have had a calm and happy week. Many Year 3 students thought they were doing practise sessions. Thank you to those parents who have found the time to give us such positive feedback on the teacher's management of the process. We always appreciate constructive feedback.

This week I have also had many parents ring, email and drop in to thank us for the Mothers Day activities. Again this feedback was constructive and helpful. We think the balance of activities worked well. We hope that you were greeted on Sunday morning with a lovely gift and card. The Mothers Day Stall was very well supported. Thank you to all those parents who sent in gifts. People went to a great deal of trouble choosing and wrapping very appropriate gifts. Thank you to those parents who set up and manned the stall. It proved to be a bit of an endurance test. Thankfully Ilana's wonderful coffee sustained them. The stall was very successful financially and we have been able to purchase three hundred books for the *Bounceback* program. These books will be used as classroom resources for teachers and students to use for units of work in the school's resilience building program. These books are separate to our library resources.

You may have noticed the wonderful new addition to our school uniform running around the school. Thank you to Dody Austin who has gone to a great deal of effort and put in a huge amount of time to organise the new school pants. They are just in time for winter. I have chatted to our students about them and they love wearing them. We think they look fabulous.

We have had a large number of parents parking in the driveway of the staff car park in Cambridge Avenue recently. When you combine this parking behaviour with that of parking in the No Stopping zone adjacent to the driveway it is a lethal combination. Many of our students cross the driveway in order to enter the school. Those parents who park in the driveway then reverse out. It is extremely difficult to see little people who are crossing when reversing. We ask that parents not use the staff car park at any time. We also ask that they not use the driveway of the staff car park as a drop off zone. We have suggested dropping students off in Cambridge Avenue before you come down the hill. Students do not have to cross the road they just need to walk down the hill and straight into school. We would really appreciate your cooperation in driving and parking safely in our school precinct. We all have a role to play in keeping all our children safe.

*Maureen Hallahan*





Elke and Thea from 3B,  
almost too cool for school in their new  
Vaucluse Public School trousers.

**Mother's Day Tea, Coffee and delicious fluffy  
scones made with TLC by the students .**



13th may 2016

# WEEK 3 EXTRA CURRICULAR UPDATE

## 1. EVERYTHING IS GOING REALLY WELL!

Hi all, thanks for your support of the program and it seems to me like the children look happy and are having fun in all the activities. Great to get to school at 8am and see happy busy kids here.

## 2. WINTER IS COMING!

For all those outdoor sporters, winter will soon be upon us, so I was thinking maybe keep a look out in Target and Kmart, as very soon there will be Fingerless gloves coming through, that may be a good idea for the chilly mornings.

There was a note distributed this week about wet weather ....we forge on with the sports rain, hail or shine, so you can rely on this dropoff , as parents.

If raining classes are held in the language rooms next to the canteen.

## 3. SOCCER HAS A COUPLE OF SPACES!

If your child has shown any interest in a run on the grass with a kick of the pig skin, now is the chance to have a go!

We added a 3rd coach last week, and we have a about 3 spare places. So feel free to come to 1 free trial Friday morning 8am and if your child likes it, please sign in via the Trybooking Link, or email Katrin or I. <https://www.trybooking.com/191527>

Many Thanks,

Xanthe and Katrin.

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Happy  
children ,  
Happy  
mums







Solar System  
drawing before the  
new carpet arrives  
for class K-6J





The students of Vacluse Public School entertain their parents during Mother's Day Celebrations.







# Premier's Reading Challenge 2016

**The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) 2016 has begun!**

- The PRC is open to all NSW students K-9
- It runs from March 7 to August 19

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

**Students' reading records are managed online.**

Years 2 – 6 are learning how to log in and enter books during library sessions.

Books on the PRC reading list are marked in the school library with a colour coded sticker.

- **To manage your child's online reading record, go to**  
<https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/logon.html>
- **Your child's DET login details are usually:**  
Username: firstname.surname  
**Password: Child's class**  
For example; joe.bloggs  
2f
- Some students may have a number after their surname because there are multiple students in the state with the same name. If you find you cannot log on contact me (Laura Caesar) in the library and I can confirm the username.
- **Once you are logged in, go to "Student Reading Records" and enter either the PRC Number or title of the book and the form will auto complete the rest of the information. Click "ADD" and the book is added to the reading record.**



## WATTLE SEED ANZAC BISCUITS

**Equipment:**  
 2 baking trays  
 measuring spoon  
 2 cups  
 grease-proof paper

**Ingredients:**  
 250 g butter (unsalted)  
 1/2 cup golden syrup  
 1/2 cup brown sugar  
 1/2 cup boiling water  
 1 cup rolled oats  
 1/2 cup wattle seeds  
 1 cup desiccated coconut  
 1 cup plain flour  
 1/4 cup rice sugar (or sugar when  
 it is chosen)

### What to do

1. Preheat oven to 160°C.

2. Over a low heat on the stove-top, melt the butter and golden syrup in a saucepan.

3. Stir the 1/2 cup milk with the boiling water, add to the pan and stir in, then turn off the heat.

4. Combine the dry ingredients in a large mixing bowl and pour the mixture from the saucepan into the centre. Mix to a moist but firm consistency.

5. Roll small balls of the biscuit mixture and press down on them with either a fork or the palm of your hand onto the baking trays. Bake for 15-20 mins or until golden, then remove from the oven and cool on trays.

Place on wire racks to cool completely and store leftovers (if there are any) in an airtight container.

Makes roughly 40 small biscuits.

Note: For crisper biscuits use a little more golden syrup. If your mixture is dry add a touch of hot water.



The Cross Country today.

What a beautiful day for it

# KIDS NIGHT


 AT WATSONS BAY BOUTIQUE HOTEL
 

EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 4PM

50% OF ALL KIDS MEALS  
 GO TO RAISING FUNDS FOR  
 VAUCLUSE PUBLIC SCHOOL







## LUNCH MENU

### Wholemeal Sandwiches/Toasties

(GF bread available \$1 extra)

Chicken salad (DF, H)	\$5
Tuna salad (DF, H)	\$5
Cheese and Salad	\$5
Ham, Cheese and Tomato	\$5
Cheese/Vegemite	\$3

### Pasta

(GF DF pasta available)

Spaghetti Bolognese	\$6
Penne Napoli	\$6

### Lunch Boxes \$6

Super Food Salad – Mixed seasonal greens (spinach/kale), quinoa, baked butternut, toasted pepitas and dried cranberries with sesame Asian dressing (GF, DF, V) .....\$6

Snack box – Hard boiled egg, dill pickle, a slice of cheese, sliced seasonal fresh and steamed vegies (carrot, capsicum, celery, cucumber, broccoli), rice crackers and hummus. ....\$6

### Specials

Monday - Honey Soy Chicken with Rice and Corn Cob (DF, H, GF)	\$6
Tuesday - Cheesy Vegetable Frittata with Greek salad	\$6
Wednesday - Teriyaki Chicken Burger	\$6
Thursday - Chickpea and Butternut Curry with Basmati Rice (DF, V, GF, H)	\$6

### Catering Menu

Birthday Cupcakes iced with an age candle (24 hours' notice required)	\$2.50/cupcake
Platter of Assorted Sandwiches (for 6 people)	\$20
Fruit Plate (for 6-10 people)	\$20



## SNACK MENU

### Drinks

Banana Smoothie (GF)	\$3
Mixed Berry Smoothie (GF)	\$3
Water	\$2
Fruit Juice Apple/Orange	\$2
Moove Milk	
Chocolate/Strawberry	\$2.50
Hot Chocolate (winter)	\$2.50
Coffee (adults only)	\$3.50
Tea (adults only)	\$2

### Frozen Treats

Frozen Quelch stick	\$1
Frozen Yogurt	\$2.50
Frozen Fruit cup Apple/Orange/Apple Blackcurrent	\$1

### Daily Snacks

Pop Corn Plain (GF, DF, H)	\$2
Pop Corn Sweet and Salty (GF, DF, H)	\$2
Crispy Fruit Sachets (GF, DF, H, K)	\$2
Spicy/Plain trail mix (nut free)	\$2
Fruit salad cup (GF, DF, H)	\$2
Yogurt cup with berry coulis and granola topper	\$3
Vegetable sticks with hummus	\$1
Fruit sticks with custard	\$1
Piranha Vege Crackers (GF) Salt & Vinegar/BBQ/Honey Soy	\$2

### From the Bakers Window (Check Daily)

Buckwheat pikelets (GF)	\$1
English muffin pizzas	\$2
Pastizzi Cheese/Apple/Beef	\$2
Banana bread	\$3
Fresh Muffins	\$3
Homemade sausage rolls	\$2
Garlic Bread x 2 Slices	\$0.50c



Please place all orders written on a paper bag or a re-usable lunch bag with the correct money in your class tray by 9.30am.

Please call Ilana for any catering orders on 040885448 or email akresfam@gmail.com

DF – Dairy Free, GF – Gluten Free, V – Vegetarian, K – Kosher, H – Halal

## VOOSC NEWS

### What's on at Voosc this term?

Monday

Hula Hoop workshop with Bunny Star, 4:00-5:00 PM

## VOOSC STARS

Kalani T

Congratulations Kalani, you have received a star for the Wall of Fame for taking responsibility in keeping yourself safe and always asking important questions. You are always happy and kind and greet everyone with a gorgeous big smile.

Well done Kalani!

Arthur W

Arthur you have received a star for being a great friend. You always include others in games and you make sure that all of your friends feel happy and welcome to join in. You are a very kind boy who thinks about other people and their feelings. A super Star for the Wall of Fame!

Jasmine S

Jasmine thank you for being a great and kind sister to your own siblings but also to all of the little people at Voosc who need a bit of extra help to do things. You have shown kindness and patience and should be very proud!

Welcome to the wall of Fame Jas.

### Vacation Care program for July

We are currently putting together ideas and making bookings. All expressions of interest and suggestions for preferred activities are welcome.

It is also valuable to us to be able to assess the levels of interest and possible booking requirements for families, so that we can plan fun experiences that are affordable to all. We would also like to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to book before the end of term. This is why we aim to have our programs out early.

Warm regards

VOOSC TEAM