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KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2015

It is time to enrol for Kindergarten 2015

Do you have a sibling for Kindergarten next year?

We require an indication of our numbers to assist with class organisation for 2015.

Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the school website.

BEING a GOOD NEIGHBOUR.

On three occasions this term a member of our school community has blocked the driveway of one of our neighbours. At the very least this is inconvenient and in the case of an emergency there may have been even greater repercussions.

Whatever the circumstances, please park legally and be considerate of our neighbours. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.
Kindergarten Information Evening

It is that time of year already! If you have a child starting school in 2015 and would like to find out about Rose Bay Public School our information night is being held on Wednesday 21st May 7pm-8.30pm. This is an opportunity for you to find out about the school’s programs, starting Kindergarten and, of course, ask questions.

If you intend to send your child to Rose Bay next year, now is the time to get your enrolment form in. You can collect these from the office.

School tours will start in Term 2 for interested parents who do not know the school. You are invited to have a look around the school and get a glimpse of what happens in the classrooms at Rose Bay. The small group tours will be held fortnightly on Tuesdays at 11.30am and Wednesday s3.45pm. We look forward to meeting you.

Mufti Day Fundraiser

In support of Rose Bay Public School’s number one charity, Stewart House we are having a mufti day on Thursday April 10th. Yes, that’s right, a day where students don’t have to wear school uniform!

Stewart House provides short-term respite care to thousands of public school children across New South Wales. These children are in dire need of a break for a variety of reasons and circumstances. During their 12 day visit they are cared for and experience an environment that builds on their self esteem, resilience and well being.

For your chance to win a $4000 holiday, please return the completed Stewart House envelope with a gold coin donation on the day.

Thank you for your continued support of this wonderful charity that helps so many public school students.

Rose Bay SRC

National Assessment Program

Literacy and Numeracy

Attached with this newsletter is the formal notice for parents of students in Years 3 and 5 about the 2014 NAPLAN tests.

All students are expected to be at school for the week of testing and sit the test on the scheduled day. There are no opportunities for makeup tests beyond the scheduled week of testing.

Information is also contained in this letter about support for students with disabilities and parent requests for withdrawal.

Please contact your class teacher if you require any further information about the tests.

NO UNSUPERVISED STUDENTS BEFORE 8.50 AM

For safety reasons students must not be at school without adult supervision before 8.50am. There is no teacher on duty in the playground before 8.50am. All students must remain seated on the silver seats until supervision commences. Thank you for your assistance with this important safety matter.
ROSE BAY P&C EVENTS

A big thank you from the P&C to all the volunteers who helped in the lead up to the 'Picnic Under the Stars'. I know everyone was disappointed that the rainy weather meant that the Picnic could not go ahead. The playground was sodden after lots of rain and, with grey clouds looming, we made a good call to cancel the event. We'll see what we can do to reschedule the event for when the weather is warmer again.

Our next big event is the Mother’s Day breakfast to be held on Friday 9 May from 7:30 to 9:20 am. Wet weather won’t be a problem because the breakfast will be held in the hall. This is a great opportunity for mothers and children to come together and celebrate. More information on the event will be coming soon. Please put it in your diary and contact the P&C if you would like to help out on the day.

A big event for the children to get involved in is the Sportathon. 2014 Sportathon will be on 28/6/14 and happens in school time. Get your running shoes on and get ready for Sportathon!

The next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 8 April at 7:00 pm in the Library. All are welcome to join us to talk about future events.

Have a fantastic holiday everyone and look forward to seeing you all again in Term 2.

Lisa Cahill
P&C President

Second Hand Uniform Shop
Opening Hours
8:45 – 9:30
Every Wednesday

Fees and Invoices
Fees and Invoices are now overdue. Fees were due on Monday 17th March. Reminder emails were sent to families on Monday. You can pay your fees online by visiting the school’s website.

Thank you.

STEWART HOUSE
Clothing Collection
The collection is now over. Thank you to everyone who has contributed and for your ongoing support with Stewart House.

Mother’s Day Breakfast
Friday 9th May

Overdue

Save the Date:
Friday 9th May

Mother’s Day Breakfast

Albermarle Ave Rose Bay 2029
Email: rosebay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Phone: 9371 4884
Fax: 9371 9466
Website: www.rosebay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.
RBPS
Cross Country Carnival

When: Wednesday 30\textsuperscript{th} April
in the first week of Term 2
Where: Lyne Park
Time: approx. 9:45 am until 11:30am (approximately.)

What to wear and bring?

- Running shoes
- Hat
- Water bottle
- Recess

All classes 3-6 will leave school at 9:25am to walk down to Lyne Park.

Please make sure you have the permission note signed.

Sydney Coastal Regional AFL Premiers!!

Last Wednesday the PSSA AFL Regional competition was held at Malabar. It was a fantastic, well run day. Brock Lopes was selected to represent RBPS in the Sydney Coastal regional team. Sydney Coastal played extremely well as a team and won all their games, so went straight to the final. The final was a real nail biter, the boys in both teams gave their all and it was a great game to watch. Sydney Coastal won the final by one point!! Well done boys!

Young Leaders Conference

Our leaders were among 3000 students who attended the Young Leaders Conference. They were inspired by speakers such as Ita Buttrose, Bob Carr, Andy Griffiths and Coen Ashton.
Winter
School Uniform

With the weather cooling down and jumpers now appearing it is timely to remember that wearing the Rose Bay Public School uniform is an honour and an expression of pride in our school. We have a policy which strongly encourages all students to wear their full school uniform, and it looks great too.

Please make sure you wear your full school uniform every day.

On a similar note, please make sure these school jumpers, along with all school clothing, are clearly labelled. Lost property tends to fill up this time of year with; yes, you guessed it, jumpers.

ICAS/UNSW Competitions

for Years 3-6

Did you know…
Entries will close for these competitions next week. Payment for the tests is included in the term 1 invoice. If you HAVE NOT PAID your child will not be able to sit the tests. If you would like your child to sit one or all of the tests, please pay your term invoice ASAP.

Busy 5/6 bees - Let it BEE on TV!

We are so proud to announce that our Year 5 & 6 students and their teacher Mr Everett will be shown on Gardening Australia along with Costa and leading Entomologist Dr Tim Heard. The students were filmed as they explored a native beehive. The cameras will give us an incredibly rare glimpse of this amazing, hands-on learning experience!

Gardening Australia

ABC1, Saturday 6th April at 6:30pm & repeated on Sunday 7th April at 1pm!
Band News week 10

We have a busy week this week for both our bands. Junior Band performed for their first time ever on Tuesday morning to family and friends. This can be an extremely daunting and exciting time for our beginner musicians. They have achieved so much this term from learning how to assemble their instruments, making a sound and eventually learning how to play songs like Hot Cross Buns. We are very proud of what they have achieved so far and looking forward to see what progress is made next term!

Senior Band also performed their first piece of the year on Tuesday morning. This is a milestone for the students who have moved up from Junior Band this year. Senior Band began the year with a difficult piece called Roar by Katy Perry and I am very proud of how quickly we have pulled it together. Our repertoire will be getting progressively more difficult next term and regular practice is essential to maintain progress.

We also performed Roar in this week’s assembly this morning. Congratulations to the clarinet students who bravely took on a new part I gave out last week (you are doing a fantastic job) and Anika – our only trombonist holding her own against all of the others sections! Keep up the good work.

See you all next week for normal rehearsals and lessons.

Kind Regards,

Heidi Wilson

Program Manager
heidi@directionsinmusic.com.au
Telephone: 02 9662 2211
PO Box 174
Kensington, NSW 2033
CANTEEN NEWS

PSSA

Lunch Orders Terms 2 & 3

Don’t forget PSSA students have lunch early.
So that lunches can be prepared early –
please write PSSA in large letters on your lunch order
or click PSSA on Flexischools website.

*Remember...  Hot lunch orders must be in 9:15 a.m.
Place sushi orders by 9:30 a.m on Thursday
Feedback to helen@kidsteps.com.au
Lots of action at the working bee last Friday in the RBPS garden...
Our plentiful Autumn harvest of pumpkins has been made, basil has been picked and new seeds planted.
Watch out for sprouting seeds including sweet peas, broccoli, cauliflower and coriander.
Also watch this space for our upcoming school pumpkin project!

Don’t forget to bring your nude food on WASTE-FREE WEDNESDAYS

Upcoming Working Bee dates:
Thursday 3rd April 9.00-10.30am
Thursday 22nd May 9.00-10.30am
Saturday 15th June 9.00-10.30am
Helping hands always needed!

Sunflower Seeds

Sunflower seeds are the gift of the beautiful sunflower with rays of petals emanating from its bright yellow, seed-studded center. The flower produces greyish-green or black seeds encased in tear-dropped shaped gray or black shells that oftentimes feature black and white stripes. As these seeds have a very high oil content, they are one of the main sources of polyunsaturated oil and also are a great source of Magnesium, Vitamin E and Selenium. These nutrients found in the seeds and when it is made into sunflower oil have health benefits, provide anti-oxidants, lower cholesterol, are great for the heart and calm the nervous system. So next time you are hungry and are looking for a snack grab a handful of sunflower seeds or add it to your salad in the form of nuts or as the oil for your dressing.
The environment has been hot on the agenda with the world’s biggest environmental event ‘Earth Hour’. A record-breaking 158 countries from around the globe switched off their lights for Earth Hour. Various iconic landmarks from Buckingham Palace to Times Square and the Eiffel Tower to Sydney Opera House all switched off, and, of course, so too did Rose Bay Public School! It was lights out for one hour in all classrooms, giving students the opportunity to talk about the environmental consequences of light usage. Throughout the school there were many thought-provoking discussions and exciting activities about environmental issues! Children had the opportunity to explore some important issues around sustainability....well done everyone!!
Rose Bay Public School celebrated Earth Hour on Tuesday 1st April, 2014. The students participated in a variety of activities within their classrooms to raise awareness of the importance of taking care of the environment.

KF made the world with their friends.

2C made globes using tissue paper.

Costa taught Year One all about worms and composting.

KS made pledges about how they could help the environment.

6J created posters to promote environmental awareness.

5H created their environmental footprints.

IT made an edible “dirt cup” which had a (sour) worm in it during Earth ‘worm’ hour!
Grandparents’ Day
Wednesday 19th March 2014

It was a wonderful morning! The grandparents enjoyed spending time in the Kindergarten classrooms. They were also invited to watch concert in the hall where the children sang songs about their special grandmas and grandads. After The grandparents enjoyed morning tea! We loved having you visit!
Innovative learning with iPads in Kindergarten!

All Kindergarten children are enjoying using iPads in the classroom for many different learning activities. They have loved using the camera to take photos of different 2D shapes in the classroom as well as photos of the weather outside as part of our weather unit. The children have been using the Drawing Pad App to practise letter and number formation and writing. Other Apps they have been using include Magnetic Alphabet as well as Popplet!
Year 3 Investigates Science

Plants in Action involved students from Year 3 investigating the anatomy of plants and contributing to small group experiments looking at the life cycle of a plant through germination and the eventual seed dispersal.
You are invited to the...

Rose Bay Public School
Kindergarten 2015
Information Evening

**Date:** Wednesday 21st May 2014

**Time:** 7.00pm – 8.30pm

**Location:** Rose Bay Public School
Albemarle Avenue,
Rose Bay

**School Website:**
If you would like further information about our school please visit the school website:


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**Upcoming Events for Kindergarten 2015**

Term 2 2014
2014 Kindergarten Information Evening:
Wednesday 22nd May

Terms 2 and 3 2014
School Tours:
Tuesdays at 11.30am
Wednesdays at 3.45pm
(Please call school for bookings)

Term 4 2014
Kindergarten Transition Sessions

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**We offer quality programs in:**

- ICT
- Specialist teachers in Music and Sport
- Choirs
- School Band
- Violin Ensemble
- Dance Group
- Art Shows and Musicals
- Comprehensive Sports Program
- Gymnastics
- Differentiated Curriculum for all students
- Support teachers for ESL and Learning Assistance
- Debating and Public Speaking
- Chess Program
- French and Hebrew classes
LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2014 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 13 - 15 May 2014.

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

In 2014, as in previous years, the Writing task will be a single common task for all students. The 2014 Writing test will require students to respond to either a persuasive or narrative Writing prompt. However, the genre of the prompt will not be disclosed prior to the test period.

Wherever possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 16 May 2014.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if:

- they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- they have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustment or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school Principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.
Sandwiches and Wraps *

- Cheese $3.00
- Ham and cheese $4.00
- Ham, cheese and tomato $4.20
- Cheese and avocado $3.50
- Cheese and Vegemite $3.10
- Vegemite $2.50
- Cheese and garlic (toasty only) $4.00

(add extra 20c and make it a Toastie)

- Salad $4.20
- Ham and salad $4.80
- Tuna and salad $4.00
- Tuna, lettuce and mayo $3.80

* Please specify white or whole meal, wrap or slice or toasted

Salads $4.20

- Ham and salad $4.80
- Tuna and salad $4.00
- Tuna, lettuce and mayo $3.80

**Snacks**

- Hash browns $1.00
- Koala popcorn (BBQ or chicken) $1.50
- Pirhana Vegie Chips $1.50
- (honey soy or salt ‘n’ vinegar)
- Red Rock Deli Chips $1.50
- (honey soy chicken or sea salt)
- Mainland Cheese N Crackers $1.50
- Breast Chicken Nuggets 4X $1.00

Frozen treats

- Quelch Stick $0.70
- Icy Twist $2.00
- Paddle Pop $2.00
- Calipo $1.50
- Frozen Yoghurt Cup $2.00
- Vanilla Ice Cream Cup $2.00

**Snacks**

- Seasonal fruit $1.00
- Yoghurt $1.50
- Custard Cups (98% fat free) $1.00
- Fruit and Jelly Cup $1.00
- Cheese and spinach pastry $1.50
- Garlic bread $1.00
- Party pie or sausage roll $1.00
- Vegetable samosa $1.00
- Cocktail pastie $1.50
- Pizza slice $1.00

**Drinks** (various flavours)

- Low fat flavoured milk $2.50
- Nudie 100% juice $2.00
- Focus Water $2.50
- Water 600ml $2.00

**Mid Week Salad Bar** *

- Greek Salad $5.00
  (lettuce, tomato, cucumber, feta cheese, olives & homemade salad dressing)
- Asian Salad $5.00
  (lettuce, shallot, carrot, cucumber, crunchy noodles & homemade salad dressing)

* Wednesdays and Thursdays only

**Daily Lunch Specials**

- MON - Lean beef pie or Sausage roll $3.90
- TUES - Chicken tenderloin wrap $5.00
- WED - Noodle Cup (chicken or beef) $2.50
- THUR - Pasta (cheese or bolognese) $4.00
- FRI - Sushi (chicken or tuna) # $3.50

# Place Sushi orders by 9.50am Thursday

Contact me on helen@kidsteps.com.au

Try using flexischools.com.au for easy online ordering
Please pay on-line by Thursday 13th March, 2014.

On-Line Payment Instructions:
- Go to Rose Bay Public School Website.
- Find the $ Make a payment link on the front page of the website.
- Follow the instructions.
- You do not need to enter a student registration number.
- Each child needs a separate on-line payment.

The costs below are for activities during Term 1, 2014. Please make sure all invoices are paid in full or alternatively you can make an appointment with the Principal to discuss a payment plan.

Permission notes will be sent out separately for each excursion. Please ensure they are signed and returned to the class teacher before the due date so that your child is allowed to attend the excursion.

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PAYMENT IS DUE BY THURSDAY, 13th March, 2014
Should you wish to round the amount off, all extra money will be donated to Stewart House, the official charity of the NSW Department of Education and Training.

Name: ___________________________________________ Class: __________________

N.B. If paying at school, money collection days are Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Dear Parent/Guardian.

Our annual school Cross Country Carnival will be held at Lyne Park on Wednesday 30th April at Lyne Park, Rose Bay (or Wednesday 7th May if it is wet weather).

Children will walk to and from Lyne Park with their class and have the opportunity to run in the following age group races (as set by District and Regional guidelines):

- 8/9 years combined (boys and girls separate) 2Km
- 10 years (boys and girls separate) 2Km
- 11 years (boys and girls separate) 3Km
- 12 years (boys and girls separate) 3Km

Children are only expected to do the best they can do. Children who are in the top 6 positions for their age group will represent Rose Bay Public School at the Sydney Coastal Cross Country Carnival. These children must run the whole course to be eligible to go to the Sydney Coastal Carnival.

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Signed: ____________________________(Parent/Guardian). Date: __________

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