



Russell Lea
PUBLIC SCHOOL



Newsletter

Term 4 Week 6 Friday 12 November 2021

Important Dates

Please refer to our website calendar for a full list of 2021 school dates

18 November

Kindergarten Orientation 2

19 November

Leadership Election Day

K-2 just Like You Workshop

25 November

Kindergarten Orientation 3

Interrelate Session 1

26 November

Healthy Harold K-2

30 November

Stage 3 Author Visit

2 December

Interrelate Session 2

6 December

CHS Open Day

Lest We Forget



This week we took time to remember the service of the men and women who have made great sacrifices to preserve the freedoms we enjoy today. Students contemplated the commitment made by others during a minute of silence. Stage 3 students lowered the flag to half mast as they reflected on the lives lost and broken through armed conflict.

I am reminded of the service of my Grandfather Captain Derek Sprange of the British 9th Parachute Battalion (back row second from the left) and those service people known to me and the RLPS Community such as the late Claude Bennie.

We remember them and will always ensure our students maintain awareness of how the sacrifice made by others has shaped the world they enjoy today.

Dan Sprange
Principal

Greening Our Playground

Over the years RLPS students, parents and teachers have planted many trees and shrubs in our playground. This tradition of *paying it forward* with our natural environment continues with our Year 6 students under the direction of Mrs G. The aim of the current project is to create a densely planted environment in the lower playground surrounding the basket/net ball court. Once the shrubs have established themselves students will be able to enter this area at lunchtime and enjoy the opportunities for play that a wild environment provides. We wish to thank Canada Bay Council and the Sustainable Schools Network for generously supporting this project.



Level 3 Restrictions

This week Sydney schools moved to Level 3 restrictions (down from Level 3 plus). The key changes resulting from this are summarized below:

- Parents may visit the school and remain on site if they are fully vaccinated and are assisting with school services such as canteen, uniform shop, class reading or similar activities. Parents are also permitted to attend when a meeting has been arranged. All parents must check in on arrival.
- Assemblies and large events such as presentation days can recommence as long as students remain separated into year or stage cohort groups. Parents are not permitted to attend as audience members.
- Excursions and incursions can commence again provided cohorts are kept separate and for indoor excursions the school has sole use of the venue.
- Graduations and formals are permitted on-site or at a venue provided a COVID Safety Plan is in place.
- P&C meetings and other community use activities can recommence provided a COVID Safety Plan is in place and general health guidelines are followed.
- Dancing and Band can recommence provided cohorts remain separate and students do not blow into instruments.
- Kindergarten orientation is permitted provided parents do not remain on site for more than 10 minutes.



We have a
COVID-19 Safety Plan
and are committed to
keeping you safe.

Italian Classes In 2022

In partnership with Co.As.It we plan to provide Italian classes one afternoon a week in 2022. The day for these classes has not yet been determined but a general expression of interest is now open for RLPS students. More information is provided in the flyer below. If you are interested please register via email to learning@coasit.org.au stating the number of children you wish to enrol, their 2022 year group and your preferred and available days.



World Teachers Day

Friday 29 October was World Teachers Day in Australia. To acknowledge our teaching staff and those who work with them we hosted a picnic lunch. This was a welcome break from a long year of constant change and hard work. We thank those families who shared their kind words and gifts on the day.



Sydney
Secondary
College
Balmain

Selective & Enrichment Information Evening

Tuesday 16 November 6pm

Zoom meeting – see details



balmain-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

Friday Fun Day

It has been a long year and students have missed out on many opportunities they were looking forward to. Our Friday Fun Day was a chance for students and teachers to enjoy a carefree day with no strings attached. Thank you to our P&C and Ms Dolan for organising the very popular ice cream van.







Why learn Italian?

The benefits of learning a second language go beyond the skills gained in speaking and writing a new language. Our year-long course provides your child with an extensive range of learning benefits including:

- an increased ability to communicate with people from other cultures
- a deeper understanding of global diversity
- a sense of personal achievement, satisfaction and confidence
- transferable skills useful in many sectors and professions including hospitality, tourism, customer service and commerce

The Co.As.It. OSH program will immerse your child in Italian language and culture. Students will:

- Enjoy free supplementary educational aids
- Participate in competitions
- Perform in end-of-school year Italian performances
- Have the chance to win a Minister's Award for excellence

New in 2021 - Online learning

Your child can learn Italian from any location via online lessons and enjoy all the benefits and opportunities of face to face classes.

About the curriculum and the teachers

This program is partially funded by the NSW Department of Education – Community Languages Program. Co.As.It. teachers are friendly, dedicated, experienced and approved to teach by the Department of Education – Community Languages Program. Our teachers follow the OSH teaching program developed by Co.As.It. in conjunction with the K-10 Italian Syllabus of the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA).

How to enrol



Online

coasit.org.au



By email

learning@coasit.org.au



By fax

(02) 9569 6648



By post

Co.As.It.
P.O. Box 342
Leichhardt NSW 2040



In person

Casa d'Italia
67 Norton Street
Leichhardt NSW 2040



2021 OUT-OF-SCHOOL HOURS ITALIAN LANGUAGE & CULTURAL PROGRAM

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Who can participate in this course?

Classes cater for:

- Children aged 5 to 17 currently enrolled in a day school;
- All levels from absolute beginners to advanced learners.

Classes are organised according to the following levels:

Primary (Kindergarten to Year 6)

- Pre-Elementary
- Primary Classes: Levels 1-6
- Italian Club (*Advanced level. Subject to entry examination*)

Secondary (Year 7 to Year 12)

- Secondary Classes
- HSC Support (Year 11 & 12)

Where and when are the courses held?

Classes are held outside normal school hours (Monday to Saturday) in 16 centres across NSW. Classes commence on Friday 5th February 2021.

Ashfield Public School	Saturday
Castle Hill High School	Saturday
Co.As.It. CBD	Tuesday
Co.As.It. Leichhardt	Wed & Sat
Dulwich Hill Public School	Thursday
Earlwood Public School	Saturday
Five Dock Public School	Friday
Italian Bilingual School Meadowbank	Tuesday
Kegworth Public School Leichhardt	Wednesday
New Lambton South Public School	Tuesday
Petersham Public School	Monday
St Catherine of Siena Primary School Prestons	Monday
St Johns Park High School	Friday
St Joseph's Primary School Oatley	Thursday
St Therese Primary School Mascot	Tuesday
Woollahra Public School	Thursday
Online	Various

For further information regarding enrolments, terms & conditions, times, classes, early bird and sibling discounts, please call (02) 9564 0744 or see our website coasit.org.au under Language Services, Out-of-School Hours.



What is included in the cost?

The annual program provides each student with 36 weeks of quality Italian lessons, a textbook and free access to an online platform with interactive activities for only \$499. As a registered provider of the Creative Kids Program you can redeem your \$100 voucher when you enrol in our program.

For about \$7 per hour, students engage in fun, educational experiences that allow them to explore the wonders of all things Italian.

- Face to face or Online
- After school or on Saturdays during school terms
- Two-hour lessons each week
- Maximum 25 students per class

Jeff Viskovich Tennis School

Tennis Australia Qualified and Certified Coaching

Junior Development Program

Tennis Coaching

Directed by a certified club professional coach

2022

After School Term 1 classes

Starting Monday 31st January
through Friday 4th February

Saturday Morning classes

Starting 5th February

All classes 1 hour per week for 10 weeks

Max 7 per group **Cost \$200** incl.GST

ANZ Tennis Hot shots Free T-Shirt

- Children 5-16 years of age
- Beginners to Advanced players
- Training squads for competition players

*For booking and enquires
please contact Jeff Viskovich*

0408 169 543

jeffviskovich@gmail.com

2022

Summer Holiday Camps

Camp 1 January 3rd to 7th

Camp 2 January 10th to 14th

Camp 3 January 17th to 21th

All camps

(Monday to Friday) 9am - 1pm

\$250 per child (\$50 per day) Incl.GST

• **Private lessons available**

\$40 - 1/2 hr, \$80 - 1 hr

For Children and Adults,
all standards and ages

Court hire \$22/hr, \$24 with lights

All prices inclusive GST

All programs under the direction of Jeff Viskovich
Former world ranked Australian and overseas touring player
Tennis Australia club professional coach

(Any classes cancelled due to rain, can be made up on another day)

TENNIS COACHING ENROLMENT FORM

Please complete and mail to: **PO Box 3423 Wareemba NSW 2046** or Email: **jeffviskovich@gmail.com**

Child's name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: Home _____ Work/Mobile _____ Email address _____

Parent's Name: _____ School attending: _____

Ability level (approx): ☐ Beginner ☐ Advanced Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

Preferred days and times: _____

Do you want
to make a
difference in
the life of a
child?



Local foster carers needed

The NSW Department of Communities and Justice is seeking people in your area to become short-term and crisis foster carers in order to provide a home for children and young people aged anywhere between 0-18 years-old. We are also interested in people who can care for siblings.

Foster carers come from all walks of life and their families reflect the wider community we live in. They can be single, in a relationship, identify as LGBTQI+ and be with or without children of their own.

Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islanders and people from culturally diverse backgrounds are also encouraged to apply. All carers receive training, ongoing support and financial assistance. If you are interested in making a difference in the life of a child, please call 8303 7644 or email our Foster Care Team:



**Communities
& Justice**

CAPSMetroCentral@dcj.nsw.gov.au

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