



Russell Lea
PUBLIC SCHOOL



Newsletter

Term 1 Week 6 Friday 5 March 2021

Important Dates

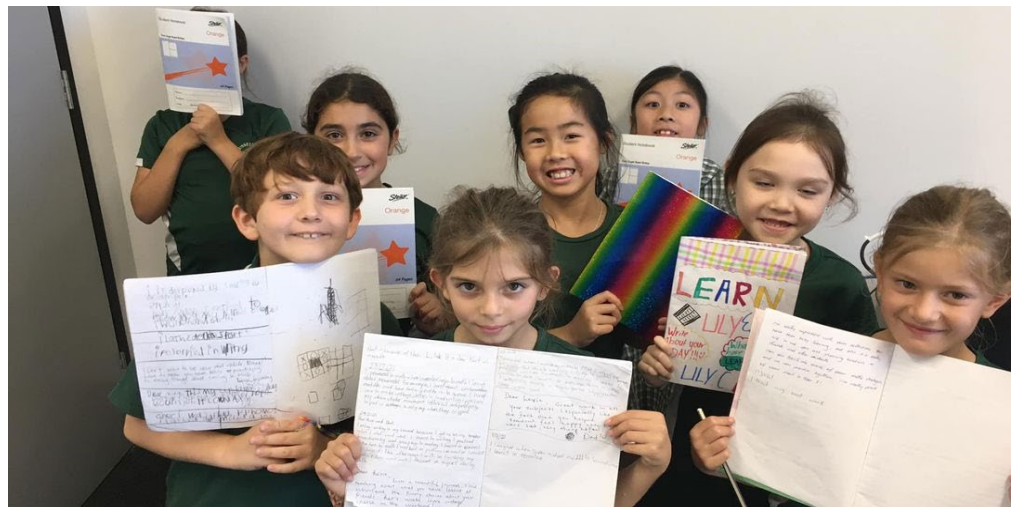
Please refer to our website calendar for a full list of 2021 school dates

March 16

Stage 3 Museum Excursion

April 2

Last day Term 1



Reflect On Learning And Learn Better

At RLPS many students regularly complete learning journals. Journaling is high impact as it provides students with greater awareness of their understanding and the processes they use to improve their understanding. Parents can make the journaling process more powerful during home work time by:

- Reading each entry and leaving encouraging comments or questions
- Using the journal entry as a scaffold to have a conversation - "Tell me more about ...", "Show/teach me how to..."
- Avoiding corrections and commenting on spelling, punctuation and handwriting. We know this is hard however constant feedback in these areas will redirect the effort away from the core purpose of the journal. Spelling and punctuation continue to be taught in other school programs.
- Giving feedback on their ability to reflect. Can they describe what they have learnt?

It is pleasing to see the engagement our families are having with learning journals as part of the home work process. We can see the process is facilitating more meaningful discussions about the school day and students are inspired by the interest in their progress.

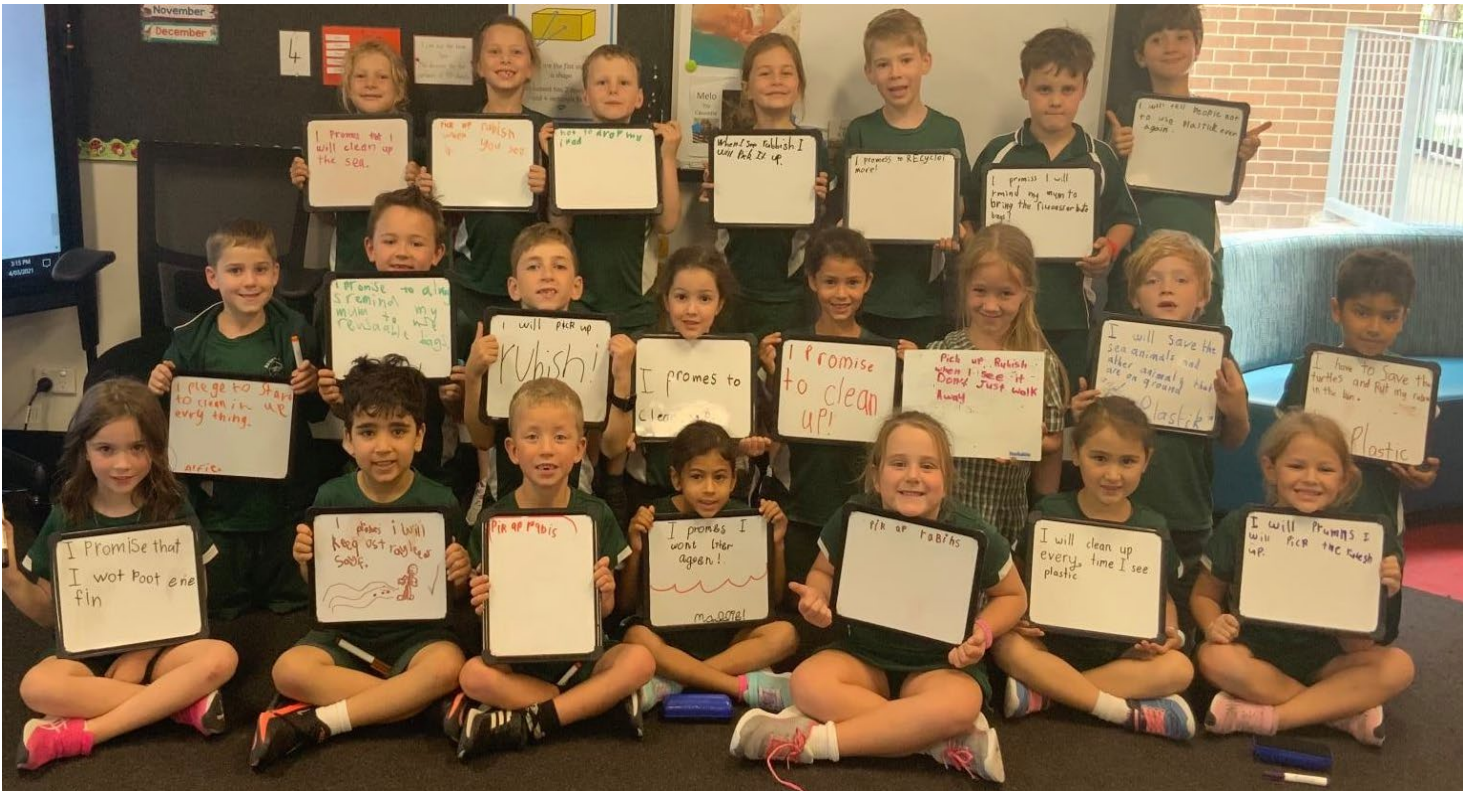
Dan Sprange
Principal

Clean Up Russell Lea (and Australia) Day

This week students have been engaging in environmental sustainability lessons. This has included cleaning up our own playground and watching the movie *Plastic Free Boy*. Students have made pledges to do their bit to ensure we minimise waste and always ensure we do everything possible to avoid plastic entering our water ways.

Canada Bay Council is running a Clean Up Australia Day event at Rodd Park, Rodd Point. It is from 8.30 to 1.00pm with a free barbecue from 10am–12pm.

Visit cleanupaustaliaday.org.au to join an existing site or register your own.



PSSA SoftBall

Our softball teams are improving every week and enjoying the opportunity to play other teams again. We play at St Lukes Oval in Concord in Week 7 so feel free to come along to support.



NSW Junior State Touch Football Cup

Congratulations to Sorcha and Eisla. Both girls played for the Balmain Junior Touch under 10 girls team and won all five of their pool games. They went on to beat Canterbury in the quarter final and Wagga Wagga in the semi final. They met Cronulla in the grand final (they were the only Balmain team out of 10 to reach the grand final) where they were very worthy runners up. We are so proud of the girls and the great number of tries they both scored.



Like Us On FaceBook

RLPS now has a FaceBook page. To find us use the link below or simply do a search to find us. Like our page to keep up to date with school activities, events and information to support student learning. You can also follow our Twitter feed @russellleaps <https://www.facebook.com/OfficialRussellLeaPublicSchool>

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Jessica, Cohen, Lincoln, Charlotte, Elizabeth and Noah for becoming our Swimming Age Champions for 2021. There were some close results in the points tally however it was this group who accumulated the most points on the day. We look forward to seeing how this group and our other swimmers go in the Zone carnival next week. All the best. We know you will try your best and represent RLPS well.



Dance Program

We have a very successful dance program run by Danielle Wayman from Dream Feet. We are currently planning a range of concert opportunities and we look forward to sharing the dates with you. Danielle has asked me to share the video from our 2020 school concert. Please follow the link below to view:

Link: <https://vimeo.com/cinemediafilms/russell-lea-public-school>

Password: RLPS2020



Term 2 Art Classes @ RLPS

Art Classes will continue in Term 2 at Russell Lea Public School.

The term begins in **week 2 (no classes week 1)**

Classes are limited to 12-15 students per class

Enrolment is now open

Please email to reserve your child's spot for Term 2!!!



Monday Afternoon

Junior Clay

3.30pm-5.30pm - Kindy to Yr 3 - \$270

Tuesday Morning

Artscapes

8am-9am - all years - \$190

Wednesday Morning

Artscapes

8am-9am - all years - \$190

Wednesday Afternoon

Senior Clay

3.30pm-5.30pm - Yr 3 to Yr 6 - \$270

Friday Morning

Artscapes

8am-9am - all years - \$190

For more information and to reserve a spot please email

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