



Russell Lea
PUBLIC SCHOOL



Newsletter

Term 2 Week 10 Friday 25 June 2021

Important Dates

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

July 13

First Day of Term 3

July 14

Iron Cove Performing Arts Festival

July 20

K-2 Assembly

July 21

OC Placement Test

July 29

90th Anniversary

August 16

Book Week Show

August 17

Stage 3 Drama Excursion

August 23

Book Parade and Book Fair



The Wonder Of Digging

We reward initiative and leadership in our students so when a group of boys asked to have a spot to dig in our playground we facilitated this. We provided the space and sat back and watched the power of play unfold. The group quickly expanded as word got out that a space had been allocated and approved for digging. Excitement grew at the possibility of what might be found. Teams and procedures were decided and digging began with great haste. Over the next two weeks the possibility of an interesting find drove the team to keep exploring. What would we find? How deep will we go? Will we find water? Different rock types were uncovered, classified and shared. Artefacts were found and shared with the RLPS 90th Anniversary Museum. When most adults see a bare ground and dirt they are unlikely to be inspired. Children however feel wonder and see possibility, mystery and opportunity. As an adult watching on I was able to remember the thrill of exploring something new, unconstrained by adult views on where the adventure might lead. Play is full of hope, creative, engaging and open ended. We should support play and appreciate what we can learn from children as they engage with it.

Dan Sprange
Principal



Sydney Zoo Excursion
On Monday Stage 1 boarded three buses and headed out to Sydney Zoo. The excursion was part of their 'Living Things' learning sequence for science. Students enjoyed the level layout and the close proximity to the animals. When studying animals nothing beats being up close and seeing them in the flesh. We wish to thank our teachers and parent helpers for making the day a success for our students and bringing them home safely.



K-2 Assembly [Reminder]

We held our first assembly for 2021 in Week 5 and it was very well run and attended. Please be reminded the assembly schedule is accessible via the school webpage calendar as well as below. Parents are encouraged to attend the K-2 and 3-6 assemblies, especially if your child's class is hosting.

Term 3

Week	Assembly type	Host	Parent attendance
1	Whole School	Student Leaders	No
2	K-2	1/2M	Yes
4	3-6	Stage 3	Yes
6	K-2	1/2P	Yes
8	3-6	3/4T	Yes
10	Whole School	Student leaders	No

Term 4

Week	Assembly type	Host	Parent attendance
1	Whole School	Student Leaders	No
2	K-2	1/2N	Yes
4	3-6	3/4S	Yes
6	K-2	Kindergarten	Yes
8	3-6	3/4A	Yes
10	Whole School	Student Leaders	No

DRAMA CAMPS

Play The Drama Scene Way These Holidays!

30 JUNE

RYDE - St Charles School Hall

1 JULY

MANLY VALE - St Kieran's Parish Hall

6 JULY

SURRY HILLS - Crown St School Hall

7 JULY

PETERSHAM - Taverners Hill Infants Room



KINDERGARTEN up to YEAR 7

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Acknowledgement Of Federal Government Subsidy

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Teacher Learning

Teaching is complex work. To be effective teachers need regular opportunities for self-reflection, collaboration and professional learning. Our teachers and school leaders place considerable emphasis on examining student achievement and high impact teaching strategies to ensure we understand where to develop our practice. We use the concept of Teaching Sprints to implement new practices and measure their success. This week teachers in each stage team shared their learning journey from each sprint. They explained the strategies implemented and the learning achieved. They described the progress made by students and struggles encountered on the journey to improvement. We use this approach as our primary model of learning because knowing something new is different to implementing something new. It is easy to hear new ideas being explained and to comprehend them. The work is in the implementation. At RLPS we do not believe we have learnt a new teaching strategy until we have implemented it and made it part of our repertoire of skills. Once a strategy has proven successful in your own classroom it is very hard to let go of it. This is durable learning which will relentlessly and positively impact on student success.





RLPS Acknowledged For Sustainability

This term RLPS received a sustainability award through Canada Bay Council. Mrs G and Mr Lye attended the awards night and accepted the award for RLPS. We will use our prize to further enhance our playground with native plants to create habitats and natural play spaces.

Lunchtime Yoga & Relaxation Classes

THURSDAY LUNCHTIMES

4 WEEKS | \$44

8 WEEKS | \$88



CLASSES COMMENCE WEEK 2 OF TERM

Our classes get kids moving, building their fitness, flexibility and co-ordination through age appropriate yoga. We also introduce them to important breathing exercises to encourage calmness and self regulation, building their ability to deal with stress and anxiety. These techniques are also extremely beneficial for children who battle with sleep!



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Term 3 Art Classes @ RLPS

Art Classes will continue in Term 3 at Russell Lea Public School.

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

Enrolments are limited to 12-15 students per class

Enrolment is now open

Please email to reserve your child's spot for Term 3!!!

Monday Afternoon

or

Tuesday Afternoon

Junior Clay

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

Wednesday Afternoon

or

Thursday Afternoon

Senior Clay

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

Tuesday Morning

or

Friday Morning

Artscapes

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

For more information and to reserve a spot
please email

hello@ebonyrussell.com

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Kids Holiday Club at Drummoyne Baptist Church



Who?	Children in Primary School
When?	Wednesday, 30th June 9:20am to 3:20pm
Cost?	\$10 per Child

Register by 27th June 2021
drummoynebaptist.org.au/ministries/kids



Join us for the

Russell Lea Public School 90th Anniversary

Thursday 29th July 2021

2:30 to 3:30 Welcome and performances

3:30 to 4:30 Afternoon tea & museum/classroom tour

4:30 to 5:30 Lesley Pike Library naming ceremony

[Click here to register your attendance](#)