

# P&C NEWSLETTER

Updates from Russell Lea Public School Parents & Citizens Association

## Dates for your Diary

### Friday 23rd September

Whole School Assembly, 9:30am - 11:00am  
Last day of Term 3

### Monday 10th October

Term 4 commences  
(Teacher Development Day is at end of Term 4)  
RLPS Museum will be open to visit each Monday during Term 4 (4:00pm - 6:00pm)

### Tuesday 11th October

P&C Meeting, 7:30pm in the school hall

### Thursdays 20th, 27th October & 3rd November

Kindy Orientation sessions

### Thursday 20th October

Colour Fun Run

### Friday 28th October

World Teachers' Day 2022

### Tuesday 8th November

P&C Meeting, 7:30pm in the school hall

### Friday 18th November

School Disco

### Friday 25th & Saturday 26th November

Schools Spectacular, Qudos Arena

### Tuesday 6th December

P&C Annual General Meeting

### Wednesday 7th December

Dance and Choir Performance, 6:00pm

### Monday 19th December

Last day of Term 4

Refer to the [school calendar](#) for more school events.

## WRAPPING UP TERM 3

Here we are at the end of Term 3 and before we know it, it will be the festive season\*. There are lots of exciting things taking place before the end of the year. Please take a look at the 'Dates for your Diary' section and note in your calendar those that apply to your family.

I am pleased to report that the Yarning Circle and Nature Trail project is confirmed to commence and be completed during the school holidays. It will be great to see this project materialise as we have been talking about it for some time now. If you were not already aware, a yarning circle is place to talk, share, educate and have a discussion together, a place to build respectful relationships. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have been using yarning circles for thousands of years. We look forward to introducing this concept to the students next term.

Term 4 is always jam-packed. From a P&C perspective, we are managing the colour fun run and school disco amongst other things. Volunteers are required to help manage both events so please reach out if you can help - [russell.lea.public.pc@gmail.com](mailto:russell.lea.public.pc@gmail.com).

\*We have a **festive fundraiser** that may help with your Christmas shopping for family members. Lomondo from Mudgee offer Extra Virgin Olive Oil and Caramalised Balsamic (also in a gift set). Students create their own personalised labels to provide a truly original Christmas gift that is sure to go down a treat with Nanna, Grandad and other family members! Information note and template will be sent home before the holidays. Students can complete their label artwork over the break and bring it back next term. See Flexischools to place your order.

**Orders and artwork are due in by Tuesday 11th October.**



## FATHER'S DAY STALL TEAM AND FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST



## Thank you to

★ Book Character Parade Morning Tea Team - Jody Fowler, Irem Rogaris, Alice Chang, Christy Ko, Lilly Stojcevski

★ Fathers Day Stall Team - Wendy Shih, Amanda Montrone, Antonella Guido, Melanie Lazar, Michelle David, Liz Macri, Sarah Di Leo, Anna Lee, Larissa Harrison, Giuseppina Thillainathan.

★ All the school staff involved in coordinating the lovely Fathers Day Event for all the dads and dad-like figures

## Teacher Shortages

As reported in the August Newsletter and on our [P&C Facebook](#) page, I was invited to be a witness at the NSW Legislative Council's Inquiry into Teacher Shortages on 17th August. Following a letter submitted to The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC and also the inquiry, my attendance was to speak about the impacts on students and on parents. I spoke regarding the disruptions to student learning, impacts on student engagement and wellbeing as well as the additional strain on the teachers when RLPS had some classes collapsed due to lack of casual teacher availability. The committee had a wealth of information from their survey which had 11,000 responses, of which 8,000 were from teachers. The inquiry's findings will be reported to parliament in November. I remain hopeful for positive changes.

**Enjoy the holidays!**  
**Narelle Horton**



# *Russell Lea Public School Museum*



## **You are warmly invited to the school to visit the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Archival Museum**

View the official annual school photo albums and memorabilia.

There are albums also from 1931, with records of events in the history of the school, compiled by Mrs Lesley Pike during her 41 years.

Many former students have discovered photos of themselves (previously unseen) when the school was a separate Infants' School.

Bring your mobile phone to take photographs of 'photographs'!

Come to the Information table situated outside the Administration Office to check in on the School Visitor QR Code and collect an information map. (There is a lift if needed)

The Museum will be open every Monday afternoon, 4pm to 6pm from 10<sup>th</sup> October (all of Term 4).

Arrangements can be made for 'out of town' ex-students to visit at a different time.

email: [glengrunfelder@hotmail.com](mailto:glengrunfelder@hotmail.com)

Please share this invitation with any families who attended the school.

*RLPS Archival Museum committee*

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