

SCHOOL BULLETIN

KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE

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What a fantastic and productive term we've had for the start of 2009. Thank you to our fantastic children, staff and parents who have made Term 1 so special and smooth.

Highlights of Term1 This term we have:

- organized children into 17 classes on Day 1 of the year and enjoyed productive Information evenings with new teachers; celebrated with ROOSH receiving the highest possible rankings in their accreditation
- cared for others by raising \$1500 for the Victorian Bushfire Victims and by sending clothes and raised \$1500 for the Children's Hospital by enjoying Bandaged Bear Day; learnt from Matt Adamson and Martine about alopecia and Tresses for Princesses and the fact that Sienna and Lettie have grown their hair to make into wigs for this great cause.
- officially opened our fabulous new Playing Fields and launched the formation of our School Parliament
- provided leadership opportunities for our leaders to attend the state Young Leaders' Day at Homebush and the official Opening of the School Year at the Recital Hall
- participated in a hugely successful swimming carnival at Ashfield Pool and congratulated Thomas J, Kazuo N and Georgina G on making it to the Regional Carnival
- organised our streamed Maths Groups from Y2 –Y6 and had a fabulous World of Maths incursion
- participated in the Paul Kelly Cup for AFL and in GALA days
- engaged in a fabulous excursion as Stage 1 visited the Zoo
- celebrated Harmony Day & Seniors'/Grandparents' Day with a special assembly and the choir singing at the Hannaford Centre. We wore orange and raised funds for the Cure the Future Foundation by completing our family trees
- participated in student, staff and parent workshops on Restorative Practice with Terry O'Connell
- watched our band in the Lawrence Leung show
- Celebrated with Stage 2 on their successful camp at Myuna Bay
- celebrated Ride to School Day and Clean Up Australia
- conserved energy during Earth Hour and installed a water meter as part of the Every Drop Counts Water Board program
- engaged in best practice in Aboriginal education through a research project with Dr Neil Harrison from Macquarie University and welcomed Prof Sheila Riddell from Edinburgh University to see our school
- celebrated with Jackson Parfitt as he was selected for the regional team to participate in the State Rugby League Carnival at Parkes
- welcomed Professor John Rasco to address the Stage 3 students on gene research
- acknowledged the huge success of the Create East talented children initiative and their amazing production of the Bicycle of Darkness at the Seymour Centre. Well done to Isaac, Michael, Emily, Jackson, Anna, Katie, Jaaron, Lucas, Luci and Harriet and to our two talented teachers, Sephora and Rebecca
- Visited the Dulwich HS Visual Arts Talented Students' workshop and enjoyed the Preschool dressing up for International Children's Book Day
- nominated many building projects for consideration in the Building the Education Revolution initiative aimed at injecting a stimulus into our economy and **received hot off the press news that we'll be in the first round to receive \$150000 for refurbishment of the school!**
- celebrated our Welcome Picnic with a balmy fun filled evening as the parent band played superbly
- **celebrated the installation of our Connected Classroom (it's just happened this week!!)** with pod casting and video conferencing facilities, plasma television and interactive whiteboard all to be used by the whole school. (Check it out in Rebecca Campisi's room)
- continued with the 2nd year of an Australian Government Quality Teaching Project on Writing in the Middle Years with the staff of Balmain and Leichhardt Campuses of the SSC.
- Enjoyed our festive Easter Hat Parade as we paraded down Darling Street
- **Ordered 4 additional interactive whiteboards** which will be installed next term and most importantly.....
- **Educated 430 students and celebrated and acknowledged the wonderful progress in their learning.**

Dates for your Diary-School resumes for children on Wed 29 April

Thursday 30 April-ANZAC Assembly; Tuesday 4 May-3 way conferences between students, teachers and parents; Wednesday 20 May-P&C meeting; Thursday 28 May -Education Week Assembly; Tuesday 29 Sept-Photos

Enjoy this wonderful autumn weather and we look forward to seeing you all back rested and relaxed for a great Term 2. Happy Easter and happy holidays to the whole Rozelle community.

Kind regards

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