



ROZELLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWS BULLETIN

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CIRCUS BERSERKUS and BARN DANCE

On Thursday 21 September we will be holding our annual Circus Berserkus event. Students are asked to bring a small amount of money so that they can participate in a variety of student run stores. In the afternoon we will be holding a barn dance and students will be learning barn dances as part of that event. A very exciting day has been planned for all students but most importantly this year all the proceeds will be going to support Stewart House and World Wildlife Fund. To ensure that our fundraising efforts are successful, we ask that each student brings \$5.00 to participate in the Barn Dance.

TALENT QUEST

Students will have the opportunity to showcase all their special talents at this year's Talent Quest on Friday 22 September. It will be a tremendous way to celebrate the end of a very busy but productive and term.

ENROLMENTS and PLANNING for 2018

We now have all our Kindergarten enrolments confirmed for 2018 and to help us with our whole school planning, organising staffing and classes for 2018, we also need our current parents to confirm their plans for next year .

Parents will be receiving a 'green note' today requesting this information. Please return it to the school as soon as possible.

Also, if you have a child who is starting Kindergarten next year and you have not yet completed an enrolment form for them you need to contact the school office urgently. If you know of anyone else who has not yet enrolled their child for Kindergarten please let them know this also.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

We are currently collecting data on road safety with particular attention to the intersection on Victoria Rd and Darling Street where many of our students and parents cross daily walking to and from school. We would like our school community to provide any information via email to the school with reference to any accidents or near misses they have witnessed. This data would be very valuable in encouraging the authorities to further investigate road safety on Darling Street.

OPERATION ART

The Operation Art 2017 exhibition is an annual event held to showcase excellent student artwork and following the exhibition, many pieces are selected to be hung in hospitals and other important public spaces around the state. More than 10 000 visitors are expected to view the exhibition in 2017. The show began on Saturday the 9th of September and runs until the 29th of October at the Armory Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park. It's free and open daily from 10am-4pm. It is well worth a visit!

Alison Cole

DOGS IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

I just wanted to reinforce the school's position in relation to dogs in the school playground. Under Section 14 of the *Companion Animals Act* (1998) dogs are prohibited on school grounds except where the Principal gives permission. It has been a long-standing tradition that permission has been given to allow dogs on the grounds of Rozelle Public School. Now that we have many more students and families, and therefore many more dogs in our playground each day, it is important that we maintain a balance between the benefits of having family pets up at the school and important safety and hygiene considerations, if this permission is to continue.

I would therefore ask that the following guidelines be closely adhered to:

FOR THOSE PARENTS/CARERS WHO BRING THEIR DOGS INTO THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

- Only bring your dog occasionally, rather than daily, to reduce the number of dogs at any one time.
- Keep your dog on a leash and closely supervised at all times.
- **Do not bring your dog inside any of the school buildings, especially not through the narrow entrance area at the front door where there are a lot of people entering and leaving.**
- Do not leave your dog tied up and unattended.
- Be vigilant about your dog not urinating or defecating in the school grounds. Should this happen it is essential that you speak to school staff so that it can be cleaned up immediately.

FOR ALL OTHER PARENTS/CARERS

- supervise your children closely around the dogs in the playground.

BAND NEWS

ATTN YEAR 5 & 6 PARENTS

Arts Unit Ensembles: The Music Ensembles program delivered by The Arts Unit provides an extension from school-based ensembles and an opportunity for students to perform significant and demanding music. All ensembles perform regularly and tour throughout NSW as well as interstate and internationally. If your child is interested in joining the Music Ensembles program, click on this link for more information. Registration for 2018 intake is now open.

The deadline for applications is Monday 25th Sept:

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/music/instrumental-music-ensembles>

TERM 4

Term 4 begins Monday 9 October.

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION SESSIONS

Wednesday 18 October, Wednesday 25 October and Wednesday 1st November.

WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO & EXTRA CURRICULA PHOTOS

The School Photographer will be taking some special photographs of groups **on Tuesday 24th October**. This year we are also taking our **whole school photo** on that day as it was too wet earlier in the year. These photographs will be displayed at the school office shortly thereafter. Copies of these groups may be ordered by completing an envelope available from the school office. More information will follow after photo day.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

The date for Grandparents' Day is **Friday 27 October** to fit with the state-wide Grandparents' Day which is on Sunday 29 October. We look forward to celebrating the wonderful role that grandparents play in the lives of our students.

UNIFORM SHOP

Kindy orientation volunteers: The uniform information stall at Kindy orientation would like some volunteers to help chat to new parents about the uniform. New parents will want to check the sizing of clothes for their child and discuss what uniform is available. If you have an older sibling and are going to be there, and are feeling social, then please come and help us out. We are trialling selling starter packs at the orientation this year, so some of our shop volunteers will be tied up selling packs. We will be there from 8:30 until 11 on each of the orientation days, on Wednesday 18 October, Wednesday 25 October and Wednesday 1 November.

Please contact rozelleuniformshop@gmail.com if you are thinking of helping out.

Short sleeved shirts: The new Fairtrade cotton short sleeved shirts are now part of the uniform, replacing the poly/cotton fabric. This change in shirt was voted for last year. The poly/cotton shirts are very low in stock and will be removed from flexi schools at the end of the term. They will only be available for purchase from the shop until they are out of stock and will not be reordered.

Caps: We don't sell caps at the uniform shop, just the bucket hats and wide brim surf hats. Year 5 and 6 students get caps from their class teacher.

Please label your child's clothes: There have been a lot of items handed to us from lost property without names, mostly baseball zip jackets. If the tag is missing, you can write a name on the material on the inside pocket of the jacket. These will be washed and are available for sale in the second hand area in the uniform shop. There is a jacket with a green tree badge. There are also 2 black hoodies which can be claimed. If these are yours please collect them from the uniform shop (open Tue and Thur mornings 8:45 until 9:15) or email rozelleuniformshop@gmail.com if you need them dropped at OOSH or in the school office.

P&C WestConnex Update 15 September 2017

WestConnex Environmental Impact Study (EIS) Submissions Closing 16 October 2017

The deadline for submissions to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link EIS closes on **Monday 16 October 2017**, less than four weeks away.

This will be your last chance to let the Government know your concerns about 5 years of construction within 200m of School.

To view the EIS and make a submission, click here:

http://www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view_job&job_id=7485

Click [EIS Submission Tips](#) for help on how to write your own submission.

More Information

For more information, go to <https://fixwestconnex.com.au/>

or Inner West Council's WestConnex Weekly Update

<http://bit.ly/IWCWestConnex>

WestConnex Information Session Saturday 16th September 2017

You are also invited to the WestConnex information session at

Balmain Town Hall

THIS Saturday 16th September 11am – 2pm

<https://goo.gl/maps/iETbQE6QrGT2>

to find out more and question WestConnex officials directly.