Dear parents/carers

The last two weeks have been very busy at Ruse Public School.

We have welcomed Ms Rebecca Terechovs to the RFF role for term 2 Monday-Wednesday. In term 3 she will take up the role of teaching K1Z for the remainder of the year. We wish Mrs Zamudio all the very best for her maternity leave and the birth of her baby.

Students have completed the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Science, Writing and Spelling tests. The students who have been involved in this testing program will receive feedback about their performance from ICAS.

Last Tuesday 11th June our debating team competed against St Andrews Public School. Ms Bland informed me that our debaters were exceptional and it was a very close debate. Thank you, Ms Bland for giving up your time to coach the debating team.

On Wednesday 12th June the 7’s Rugby League competition was held in the pouring rain at St Gregory’s College in Campbelltown. The two Ruse teams had some outstanding wins but both teams were eventually ‘knocked out’ of the competition. Thanks to Ms Clark and Mr McGillicuddy for training the teams.

Last Wednesday, Jake Brown proudly represented our school at the Campbelltown and Macarthur Ambassadors’ Day which was held at Belgenny Farm. He has recounted his experiences in a report which is included in the newsletter. Thanks to Jake for representing our school.

On Thursday, five students competed in the Sydney South West Regional Cross Country Carnival. Congratulations to Deegan Carlsen, Gracie Sawyer, Ethan Summers, Brok Hill and Elyce Joannidies. All students performed extremely well and should be congratulated on their efforts. A special congratulations to Ethan Summers who will be representing Sydney South West Region at the state carnival.

Fun Run money was due last Friday however, there is still outstanding money to be brought in. Congratulations to all the families who have returned their money and thank you to Mrs Smith for her organisation of our major fundraising event.

Today our Ruse Public School soccer team is playing the 3rd round of the state knockout against King Park PS. Good luck to the team and thanks to Mrs Clarke for training the squad.

Dates to Note

| Term 2 2013 |  
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| **Week 8** |  
| June 19  “Power of One” performance |  
| 21 Gala Day |  
| **Week 9** |  
| June 25  Celebration of Learning Assembly 9.30am |  
| Fun Run draw |  
| 26 NAIDOC Week celebrations |  
| Bush Tucker Man visit |  
| 28 Last day of term |  
| **Term 3 2013** |  
| **Week 1** |  
| July 15  Staff Development Day |  
| 16 Students return |  
| 17 Stage 1 & 2 Bike Education |  
| 19 Stage 1 & 2 Bike Education |  
| **Week 2** |  
| July 24  Healthy Heartbeat UWS Yrs 5 & 6 Aboriginal Students |  
| **Week 3** |  
| July 29  Education Week |  
| Girl’s cricket trials |  
| 30 Stage 2 Excursion |  
| 31 Book Fair |  
| ICAS English |  
| Academic Challenge |  
| Aug 1  Open Day, Assembly, Barbecue, Yr 6 Raffle |  
| **Week 4** |  
| Aug 9  Gala Day |  
| **Week 5** |  
| Aug 13  Boy’s cricket trials |  
| ICAS Maths |  
| 16 Assembly 3/4B |  

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**School Website**
Parents and carers are reminded to check the school website as well as the calendar in the Ruse News for upcoming events. If your child has lost a permission note, you can easily download and print one at home. Please ensure you send money and notes in by the appropriate date to avoid your child missing an event. If you require student assistance, please contact Mrs O’Neill.

**Fun Run**
Thank you to all the families and friends of Ruse Public School who have helped to make this year’s Fun Run Fundraiser such a huge success. You have pledged a total of **$8,192.45**. So far **$7,375.45** has been returned to the school. There is still **$827** to come. Please ensure that this money is returned as soon as possible in order to qualify for the draw. Our big prize draw will be held on Tuesday, **25**th June at the Celebration of Learning assembly in the hall at 9.30am. Hope to see you there.
Shirley Smith
Fundraiser Coordinator

**Year 6 Farewell Fundraising**
This term several Year 6 students have been conducting guessing competitions at lunchtime to help raise money for their Year 6 Farewell. They have donated the prizes and have spent their lunch time looking after the competitions. Students are to be congratulated for the responsibility that they have shown in this regard.
Shirley Smith
Fundraiser Coordinator

**Naidoc Week**
Naidoc Week celebrations will be held on Wednesday **26**th June. We will have a visit from National Parks & Wildlife who will bring bush tucker and medicine traditionally hunted and used by the Aboriginal people. This is a whole school initiative. Students will also participate in Aboriginal games and art throughout the day and celebrate with a barbeque lunch.

We invite parents to attend in the afternoon at 2pm in the hall for an assembly, where each stage will perform a song and dance. Please have money and permission notes returned by Friday **21**st June for the Bush Tucker Man and barbeque.
Ms Clark
Aboriginal Education Coordinator

**Celebration of Learning Assembly**
We would like to warmly invite you to our Celebration of Learning Assembly being held on Tuesday **25**th June at 9.30am. In addition to the Celebration of Learning awards, which promote academic excellence and school citizenship, students who placed in our School Cross Country Carnival will also be acknowledged for their wonderful achievement. The students who have made Zone and Regional teams this semester will be acknowledged at the assembly in Education Week which is **Week 3 August 1**.

Our school choir and dance group will be performing during the assembly and a technology showcase will present the innovative work of students in Stages 2 and 3. We look forward to seeing you there.
Mr McGillicuddy

**Ambassadors Day**
**Report by Jake Brown**
On Thursday **13**th June I went to the Campbelltown and Macarthur Region Ambassadors Day held at Belgenny Farm. I left on the bus at 8.00am. Belgenny Farm was a nice place with nice people on the day. We went into the hall and put our bags away and then went outside to take some photos of the farm.

First we had some activities with the other ambassadors so that we knew someone. It was fun learning other people’s names, schools, hobbies and favourite colours. After that we went back inside for lunch. We had pizza and juice with yoghurt (if you wanted it). Then some people came in to talk to us about how we are different and we watched a video about less fortunate countries. After this we had our last activity on working together to create a health centre. It was really fun and hard at the same time. It was time to head back on the bus and go home. When Mum picked me up, I was exhausted and worn out but I knew that I had had a really fun time.

**Emergency Cards and Health Forms**
For our records to be kept up to date we need any emergency cards, health forms and authority to publish forms that have not been sent back to school to complete this process by the end of term. Thankyou.

**Voluntary Contributions**
School voluntary contribution of **$20** per child is now due.

**Debating**
Last Tuesday, our debating team went to St Andrews Public School to debate the topic “Students should not have a smart phone or tablet”. It was an excruciating wait for the adjudicator to decide that Ruse Public School very, very narrowly lost. Once again the team, Janaya Barnes, Morgan McPhee, McKenzie Paynter and Jake Brown performed to an outstanding level for only their second competitive debate. I am extremely proud of their effort against a seasoned Year 6 team. Our next debate is **Thursday 27**th June at Curran Hill Public School.
Ms Bland
Debating Coordinator

**Sport**
**Tigers “7 A Side” Rugby League**
Last Wednesday **12**th June, 21 boys from juniors and seniors travelled to St Gregory’s for a gala day knockout against other schools in the district. Over the course of the day, the seniors won their first two games 16-0, lost the third 16-8 and won the fourth 8-0. They
then came up against John Warby in the semi finals. Unfortunately we lost 8-4 and were knocked out.
The juniors also went very well winning their first game 16-0, losing the second and drawing 4-4 in the third. This did not qualify them for the semi finals.
All the boys played extremely well in very harsh conditions with rain all day. They are all to be congratulated on their efforts and great sportsmanship.
Ms Clark
Sports Coordinator

Congratulations
Congratulations to Holly Greer who was chosen for the Zone PSSA Cricket team. Well done!

Sydney South West Regional Cross Country Carnival
Seven students represented Ruse Public School last Thursday at the Regional Cross Country carnival. All students did their best competing through the very wet and tough course. Congratulations to all students and a special mention to Ethan Summers who is going on to represent the region at State level.
Miss Allen
Coordinator

Soccer News
The state knockout soccer team play the third round of the competition today. We play King Park at Cook Park, Mount Pritchard. I would like to wish the team the very best of luck today.
A big thank you to the parents who offered to transport the team to the game.
Tonight, students from Ruse Public School are participating in the Socceroos march past at Stadium Australia. This will prelude the Australia versus Iraq World Cup qualifier. Look for us on the television tonight.
Mrs Clarke
Soccer Coordinator

Have a great week!

Annette O'Neill
Principal

Red Food Day
A Hot Dog day is organised for the last day of term. If you would like to order a hot dog and drink for your child, please place an order in an envelope at the office by Friday 21st June 2013. No late orders can be accepted as drinks and hot dogs need to be ordered.

Canteen News
The canteen is in need of extra mums on a Friday as this day is the busiest with lunch orders. If there is anyone that can assist between 9am and 11.20am each Friday, please see Kylie Devine.
The canteen will be closed on the 28th June 2013 for maintenance and stock take. Only pre ordered hot dogs will be available on this day.

Position Vacant
Canteen Coordinator- To assist in the running of canteen, ordering of stock and organising volunteers. Liase with the President.
Assistant Canteen Coordinator - To assist the Coordinator with their duties.

Preloved Uniforms
Preloved uniforms are available on Monday afternoons in the canteen from 2.30pm. Please come to canteen door as we do not open the shutters. Thank you

Community News

P&C News
The next P&C meeting is in Term 3 week 5 at 7pm sharp in the staffroom. All are welcome to attend.

Book Club
Book club has closed today 18th June. No late orders will be accepted to ensure the books are back before the term ends.

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Cudgegong Road Pre School & Child Care Offers Before & After School Care

**Before school care:**
Hours are from 7am-9am. Children will start their day with a healthy breakfast of toast and/or cereal and enjoy a range of quiet activities in preparation for their school day. Children will be driven to school each day and supervised by appropriately qualified staff.
**Cost:** $16 per day

**After school care:**
Hours are from 3pm-6pm. Children will be collected from within the school grounds and driven to the Centre. Children will be provided with a healthy, satisfying afternoon tea followed by an active afterschool program. We will also offer supervised homework time.
**Cost $16 per day.**
If you would like to enrol your child/ren please call Miss Del on 4626 2140.

Magpies Cricket Club
Invites boys and girls aged 6 to 10 to an introduction to Cricket. A range of exciting games based around the skills of batting, bowling and fielding will be run by our accredited coaches.
**When:** Friday 12th July 2013
**Time:** 9.30am – 11am
**Where:** Raby Oval, Raby Road, Raby
**Cost:** FREE
No registration required, just turn up
Enquiries 0400 887957 Krista or www.magpiescricketclub.com.au

Camden Foot Clinic
26 Broughton St Camden
(just up the road from Coles)

Free Child Foot Screening
On Saturday the 29th June 2013 Camden Foot Clinic will be conducting a children’s foot screening day.
This is a free clinic designed for any parent to bring their child in for assessment. If you have concerns about a family history of foot problems, in toeing, out toeing, toe walking, ankle instability, growing pains in legs/feet, knee pains, poor coordination, any foot pain or simply feel you would like your children’s feet checked. This is a screening day so treatment won’t be provided on the day but parents will be advised if their child needs follow up treatment.

This clinic is strictly by appointment. Please mention you are making an appointment for the free clinic.

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