Sugar and Spice and All Things Nice...

Two Little Rays of Sunshine have been delivered to both Eleanor and Imp. Both Mums and bubs are doing well and we would like to welcome them and send them all our best wishes.

Eleanor’s baby girl, Beth.

Imp – mother and daughter.

Consultation on strengthening public secondary education in the inner Sydney area

The Department of Education and Communities is looking for community ideas and feedback as it considers how best to strengthen the provision of public secondary schooling in inner Sydney, especially from 2018 when projections indicate there will be a need for additional teaching and learning spaces in the area.

You are invited to visit http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/sydneyhsconsultation to find out more about the consultation, participate in online forums, RSVP to attend a community workshop and find out how to host your own “Kitchen Table Discussion” to gather opinions and feed them back into the consultation process.

Community workshops are being conducted from 6:30 - 8:30pm on:
• Thursday, 29 May at Sydney Girls High School - Campbell Hall - Cleveland Street, Moore Park
• Tuesday, 3 June at Alexandria Park Community School - The Denzel - school hall - Park Road Campus, Alexandria
• Thursday 5 June at Sydney Secondary College – school hall - Blackwattle Campus, Taylor Street, Glebe

The majority of the workshop will be spent working in small groups to maximise the opportunity for you to discuss the issues and give feedback. To register for a community workshop please go to www.dec.nsw.gov.au/sydneyhsconsultation

If you are unable to attend one of the community workshops there are multiple other opportunities to participate and have your say. Visit the Department’s website at www.dec.nsw.gov.au/sydneyhsconsultation to find out more.
The consultation period is from Friday 16 May – Friday 27 June 2014. All members of the school community are encouraged to participate in and support this exciting initiative to help shape the future of public secondary school education in our area.

**Rachelle**

Rachelle is with us for a few months and has had some lovely ideas for our students and families. I encourage you to support these fun projects – they are a great way for parents, students and families to meet new people, make new friends and become involved in our school community. I have attached the information/registration flyers to this newsletter.

I wish to introduce myself to parents and careers of students at Wairoa School. My name is Rachelle, and I am currently doing a Master of Social Work student placement at Wairoa School. During my placement I am working on some projects that I hope will be of benefit to the students and families of Wairoa School.

COOKING CLUB: Students are welcome to participate in Cooking Club at Wairoa School. Cooking Club will commence on Wednesday, 28 May, 2014 and 25 June, 2014 at Lunch time. Please fill out the students details on the form that was sent home to register interest and send form back to class teacher. Any parents/carers that can volunteer their time, please write your name on the form.

GARDENING GROUP: Students are welcome to participate in Gardening Group at Wairoa School. Gardening Group will be held on Wednesday, 11 June, 2014 at Lunch time. Please fill out the students details on the form that was sent home to register interest and send form back to class teacher. Any parents/carers that can volunteer their time, please write your name on the form.

‘COFFEE CIRCLE’: Parents & Carers are invited to come along on Tuesday Morning’s (during Term 2 on the following dates: 27/5; 10/6; 24/6), at: 9:45am – 10:45am. Meet at: School Car- Park then to walk to ‘Deluxe café’, Gould St, Bondi. This is an informal Social
support circle where parents and carers can come along have a coffee, tea, Hot Chocolate or something to eat. Parents and carers of students at Wairoa are welcome to attend, (Siblings accompanying parents or Carers welcome to attend). Please register your interest by contacting the school office on 9300-9579.

**Classroom snippets!**

This week, Todd’s ‘Leavers’ class got out and about in the Autumn sunshine. They travelled all the way down to the Southern beaches of Sydney and enjoyed train and ferry rides and then a picnic in beautiful Bundeena. Excursions like this are an important part of the Leavers’ program, encouraging positive social skills, travel training and community access and interaction. Well done to a very well-behaved senior group of students 😊

**Friends of Wairoa – Trivia Night**

Keep those donations and gifts rolling in!! This week we’ve had donations from parents of money and prizes and from the local community we’ve had gift vouchers and a special signed bottle of wine! Donations can be dropped in to the school office and tickets for the night may be purchased through the school.
City 2 Surf
This year Wairoa has a team of staff participating in the upcoming Fun Run. If you follow the link below it will take you to Wairoa’s fundraising page. Please encourage friends and family to donate – we really should support these super keen and frighteningly fit staff for their commitment to Wairoa 😊

The Lion King - autism friendly performance
Saturday 14 June 2014 at 1:30pm
Capitol Theatre, Sydney
This specially adapted performance will be suitable for people on the autism spectrum and their families, to see the award-winning production in a friendly and supportive environment. Trained staff will be on hand, and dedicated quiet and activity areas set up, should anyone need to leave their seats.
Slight adjustments to the production include removal of strobe lighting, reduction of any jarring sounds and lights focused into the audience, house lights being dimmed and flexibility to bring your own snacks.
Set against the majesty of the Serengeti Plains to the evocative rhythms of Africa, THE LION KING uses breathtaking theatrical magic to tell the story of Simba’s epic journey to fulfil his destiny as King of the Pridelands.
A range of family friendly pricing will be offered for this performance, starting from $50 per ticket.
TICKETS ON SALE NOW! Seats are limited so be quick to avoid missing out!
For full details and how to book your tickets visit www.lionkingautismfriendly.com.au or call Ticketmaster on 1300 889 278 Mon – Fri 9am – 5pm

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**Kidsflix:**

Arthritis and Osteoporosis NSW will be holding a special FREE KIDSFLIX event on Saturday 28 June 2014 at the Entertainment Quarter (Moore Park). This is an invitation to children with disabilities, their families and carers to attend a free family fun day out. The day starts with entertainment from 9:15; a movie screening at 10am and free popcorn and a drink for everyone! **BUT you do have to book.** Attached to this newsletter is the booking form, which must be completed and returned via email by June 16 2014.

**Dates for the Diary:**

- **Wednesday June 4**  
  Maths Day
- **Wednesday June 4**  
  7pm Friends of Wairoa AGM
- **Monday June 9**  
  No School – Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- **Wednesday June 11**  
  Parent Coffee and Chat (ProLoquo2Go) – note will be sent home soon
- **Thursday June 12**  
  Athletics Carnival, Homebush

Regards,

Sara Swift, Principal 😊