

### Olivia Rose Story Book

Lynn and Sarah Daniel have published another lovely story book for children. This is the story of Olivia Rose who brings sweetness and rose glow to a tangled and sad garden. It is available from Lynn or Sarah for \$12, or from the office. A few copies of Flicker Flame Boy are also available. The book is suitable for kindy to class 3.

### A RETURN TO THE GARDENS

As some may have noticed, the Roof Top Garden could do with some LOVE. We intend to give it some!! Our intention is to give an hour or two each week to the gardens of the school and keep the love growing. We would like you to join us! The more love the better! No experience necessary, it will be a great time of sharing gardening experiences and learning from each other. We'll be in the Gardens on a Monday morning after drop off or shortly after. Wednesday's may also be an option for us. If you would like to get in touch for more details or to make sure we are going to be there, call us on either 0400 457 684 or 0402 778 144. Or email keronlse@hotmail.com Keiron Sames and Jess Torrens

**Earth Recovery Australia, Mountains Concerned Citizens and Pleasehelpourhomeless** are organising a free community event called 'Opening a Discussion on Ice/Drugs in our community' to be held at the Uniting Church Hall, 142 Katoomba St, on Sunday 24 May 1.45-3pm. A Key speaker will be well known Indigenous Performer and Activist Radical Son, who has just recently been the spearhead of a campaign titled 'Leave them tents alone' to stop Sydney City Council from bullying homeless people and taking their tents [www.pleasehelpourhomeless.com](http://www.pleasehelpourhomeless.com) .

It will be a space to share ideas, concerns and awareness about the effect of drugs like Ice on our community.



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### THE DRAGONFLY FAIR

What an amazing day! Time out from the busyness of our lives and the complexity of our world and times, to appreciate and celebrate the simple things; generosity, beauty, feast and fun, creativity and plain hard work, as well as the special place in all of our hearts that is reverence for childhood and youth. Thank you once again to Annie, Pete and their team of coordinators, and to all who helped to make this day a rich and festive occasion. In the words of class 2/3 in their thank you song to the families:

*thank you, thank you  
thank you for this lovely day  
to share the gifts of loving kindness  
and have serious fun, hum hum*



**Week 5:** Biodynamic Compost making  
**Week 6:** Wed 27/5 National Sorry Day  
 Sat 30/5 Film screening in Reconciliation Week  
**Week 7:** Wed 3/6: Film screening: Schooling the World  
**Week 8:** Fri 12/6 Peace and Reconciliation Forum:  
 with Kal Gulson  
**Week 9:** Fri 19/6 Winter's Night (week leading up to – screen free)  
 Sat 20/6 Winter Magic, performance and stall

**The School has Commenced Building Works.**

Library, Music Room, Catering Kitchen, and Three Tutorial Rooms  
 Following design works and competitive tendering, the School has signed a contract with builder, Craig Gilchrist. Craig has already commenced some preliminary works, and will take possession of the works area immediately after the Fair. The building works will impact on the Music Room, Long Storage Room (adjacent to Music Room), bottom Disabled Toilet, Workshop, the bottom verandah; and adjacent areas will be fenced off, including some of the car park. The works are scheduled to be completed in mid September.

**Winter Magic Stall**

Call for volunteers and someone to coordinate a stall at this community event. The dance troupe will be performing Feathers and Water on the day. Contact Kirsty in the office if you can help.

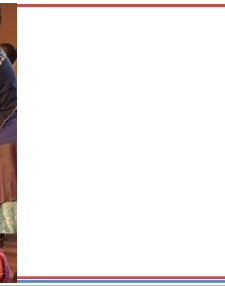
**Biodynamic Compost Making – Thursday 28th May, 11:30am.**

The time has come for the annual whole school biodynamic compost making. Classes will be out gathering fallen leaves and manure. Parents are warmly invited to help in preparations and on the day. The compost will be used to fertilise our fruit trees and roof top garden.

**Jars Wanted for Winter Night**

We need stashes of taco sauce jars (wide mouthed) for our candle-light dragonfly for winter's night. Please start collecting now.

School happenings.....



**Reconciliation Event Hosted by Kindlehill School Saturday 30<sup>TH</sup> May, 6 pm**

We warmly welcome families to the screening of SATELLITE BOY by Catriona McKenzie. This is a beautiful film - with a meaningful story, full of achievement and joy. Aanya Mary, a Kindlehill school director and film producer, is very generously coordinating the screening.

Please let your friends know about the film. The screening is a participation in National Reconciliation Week for Kindlehill and the extended Blue Mountains community. We extend a special invitation to indigenous families.

**Sunday 31<sup>ST</sup> May – Richmond Hill Commemoration 11am**

Chris Tobin has invited our school community to the annual commemoration of the Richmond Hill event that he spoke eloquently about in his talk as part of the Peace and Reconciliation initiative. The memorial garden is in the St John of God Hospital grounds, in Richmond.

**Music Practice**

Most children will balk at practice when the time comes around, but it just takes a little cajoling from the parents and the practice session usually goes just fine. When the parent is supportive and encouraging, practice becomes a normal part of the week and as a result much improvement, achievement and musical joy is experienced. Try to listen to your kids after their days lesson and encourage them to practice regularly.

**Expressions of Interest**

For a few years now Winter's night has had the deeper tones of a Parent choir join the sweet voices of youth in creating a beautifully divine evening.

And so the call goes out - where do you want to be on Winter's Night? Come and sing with us, some practices in June, perform Friday 20th June.

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