

On Patrol with Community Education – APRIL 2023

Welcome to our **Term 2 School Newsletter** from the Surf Life Saving NSW Community Education team! Our mission is to equip all communities with the confidence, knowledge, resources and tools to prevent drownings & create safe, fun, welcoming & enjoyable beach side experiences.

Did you know we have free tools and resources for Primary Teachers?

Our team of educators and teachers have created curriculum aligned unit resources for Early Stage 1 to Stage 3 to assist teachers integrate beach and coastal safety activities into your lesson plans in an easy and simple way. These units are complemented by our primary virtual and incursion programs. Each unit is stage based and has a 3 week curriculum lesson plan and is supported by activity sheets and resources. Check them out and download from our <u>Beach & Coastal Safety Resource Hub</u>. (p.s. Secondary units are being lauched later this year!)





Have you or your students ever wondered what a surf lifesaver does?

Each summer over 20,000 members of Surf Lifesaving NSW put on the iconic red and yellow uniforms at beaches across the NSW coastline. So who exactly are these heroes in red and yellow and how can they help you and your students stay safe at the beach? Find out here: <u>What is a surf lifesaver? (beachsafetyhub.org.au)</u>





Fishy Fact!

Rock pools are amazing places!

From a distance, rock pools may look like little still pools of water - but inside there is a whole living world. Life in this small underwater world can be full of all sorts of marine life including fish, coral, sponges, barnacles, seaweed, algae, mussels, crabs and many more things. Exploring a rock pool can be lots of fun for your students. Learn more about rock pools and share our saftey tips with your students here: Explore a rock pool (beachsafetyhub.org.au) (includes FREE downloadable explorer checklist and drawing template).





Launching soon! BEACH LIFE CHALLENGE GAME

Primary teachers and students will be able to use this fun and interactive online resource to learn about coastal and inland water safety through multiple choice questions under key categories and topics.





If you haven't already...don't forget to register for our popular B2B & BBW programs...

Beach to Bush: this surf safety education program is now in its 30th year!

Our surf lifesavers love sharing their beach safety knowledge with rural and remote primary students in NSW schools. They will be heading "bush" over 3 weeks from 6th-24th November 2023. You can check out the highlights of our 2022 program <u>here</u> where we met over 10,000 primary students in regional areas of NSW.

If your primary school would like to be part these **FREE** sessions you can register <u>here</u>.



<u>Big Beach Week:</u> we bring you a whole week of **FREE** beach and water safety activities to help your students prepare for summer!

What does the week look like? Students can watch livestreams directly from the beach to learn about lifeguards & livesavers, they will learn about marine creatures and waterways safety and can also pariticate in our competitions. This program is open to **all** NSW schools and is scheduled over a week from 27th November to 1st December. You can learn more about this program and submit an EOI <u>here</u>.





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Next Newsletter

Our next On Patrol Newsletter will be sent to you at the start of Term 3 2023.



Stay in the loop

You are welcome to sign up to receive our *On Patrol Newsletter*. We will keep you updated on how to access our free resources, what's new, any exciting programs we have developed and any news items especially for teachers. Please sign up here: <u>https://bit.ly/SLSNSWNewsletter</u>

"Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere."

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