WE WELCOME TWO NEW SALSA TEAM MEMBERS

Dr Louise Hardy is Senior Research Fellow, who has been involved in child and adolescent health for over 20 years. Dr Hardy has lead the population monitoring of NSW school children’s health behaviours; the Schools Physical Activity and Nutrition Survey. She has joined PERU to strengthen evaluation processes.

Kym Rizzo Liu is a PDHPE teacher who has been a key member of the SALSA team for over 12 years. She has run the program in 2 schools and has been part of the SALSA Advisory Committee. Kym has a particular interest in increasing physical activity levels for young people.

2019 SUCCESSES SO FAR:

- 4 University Educator workshops conducted
- 67 university students trained
- 11 Peer Leader Workshops held
- 2 SALSA debrief sessions conducted
- 185 Peer Leaders have been trained
- 759 Year 7/8 students participated
HENRY KENDALL HIGH SCHOOL

Henry Kendall High School made successful changes to their canteen in 2017-18. They identified that some changes are best when they are achievable. In 2019 the SALSA Peer Leaders have some new plans for change.

1. Update the school sports shorts for girls. The girls find the unisex shorts uncomfortable and unflattering. The students think that changing the shorts will get the girls more active.

2. Have a water station installed next to the oval. At the present, the closest water station is in an inconvenient spot. The belief is that making water more accessible to playing areas will increase physical activity levels; especially in summer.

3. Run lunchtime house based sports competitions. The inclusion of more sporting competitions will not only increase participation levels but also highlight the enjoyment of playing sport.

Did you know?

SECOND ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER AVAILABLE FROM JULY 2019

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NEW SALSA ANIMATION VIDEO

Pendle Hill HS and Chifley College Mt Druitt Campus have been instrumental in helping the SALSA team and Visionary Digital Studios to replace Ryan’s Goal with an updated animated video. A video workshop has been run at both schools, with student input leading the direction of the script. We aim to have this resource ready by the start of Term 2, for use in 2020.

The SALSA program is a partnership between Western Sydney Local Health District, Mt Druitt, Blacktown and Hills Medical Practitioners Associations, High Schools, Western Sydney Primary Health Network and The University of Sydney.