WELCOME MR BRACKENREG – Our New Principal

Last week Mr Brackenreg, our new Principal, visited the school to have a look at our facilities and meet the staff and students. He was very impressed with our school and the terrific programs we have operating at Roseworth PS. Mr Brackenreg is currently on leave, but he may pop in to the school again this week if he has time to visit again before the holidays. He is looking forward to being a part of the Roseworth PS community as of Term 3 and will be joining us for the School Development Day on 20th July.

THANK YOU – From Ms Brockman

May I take this opportunity to thank the staff and parents who have been very supportive during my time as Principal since the beginning of 2014. I have enjoyed my time as Principal and reflect positively on the many activities, shows, upgrades to facilities and special events we have had during this time. While it has been very busy in the office, with only Mrs Roser and myself in Semester 1 this year, we have enjoyed Terms 1 and 2 but we will be welcoming the holiday break to rejuvenate and relax. I would especially like to thank Mrs Roser and Mrs Evans for their support during my time as Principal. Both of these staff have been very supportive of new initiatives and helped out in so many ways during the last 18 months. Lots of positive things have happened over the past year and a half and I look forward to all the other fun things that are to come during the remainder of the year. I am sure we will continue to operate as an exciting and productive school and we welcome Mr Brackenreg to the Administration Team

LAST WEEK OF TERM TWO

This term has been a long, but very productive one, with 11 weeks of school and lots of exciting events. This Friday is the final day of term and no doubt everyone is looking forward to the two weeks of school holidays. We have had a very hectic term and the staff, students and school grounds and facilities now need a rest before we commence again in Term Three. School commences again for students on Tuesday 21st July, as Monday 20th July is a School Development Day for all students of Roseworth Primary School and Roseworth Education Support Centre. The staff from both schools will be in attendance on Monday the 20th July and we will be engaged in a number of professional learning opportunities during the day.

BUSY BEE – Last Friday Morning

Last Friday morning we had quite a few parents and grandparents turn up to our Busy Bee on the oval and this was fantastic to see. Mrs Hawkey and some of the W3, W4 and W5 students also assisted with the clearing of sticks and grass around the oval in the morning to improve our play areas for next term. They worked very industriously and accomplished a lot of clearing and tidying up in the areas immediately around the oval. This has been a great help to our gardeners and they will be able to complete some more work on this area during the holidays. We really appreciate the efforts of the parents and grandparents as this has helped to speed up our plans. Hopefully, during next term we can look at installing some fitness apparatus around the oval for our students to use during PE and at break times. The Canteen provided morning tea for our volunteer helpers and we thank them for their efforts also. It is amazing to see what a small group of people can do in a couple of hours.

STUDENT PLAYGROUND SUPPORT TEAM

We are trialling a new initiative in the playground whereby we have some selected senior students who are part of our Student Playground Support Team (SPS Team) in the playground to assist other students. The SPS Team are wearing a blue vest to identify themselves and these students will be trained to assist their peers during
recess and lunch breaks if they cannot find a Duty Teacher immediately and require assistance with something. The SPS Team will be trained via a number of short workshops and they will assist other students to seek help from an adult if they have an issue at recess or lunch.

**PAVING MAINTENANCE**
We have had some maintenance done to our paved areas due to sinking pavers becoming apparent over the past few weeks. A paving contractor has been in, an assessment done and subsequent work has been completed to restore the paving as it should be.

**NEW EATING AREA SURFACE FOR Yr 1-3 STUDENTS**
Mrs Evans and I have been looking into resurfacing the area where the Yr 1-3 students eat their lunch. The grass in this area is quite worn and we do not seem to be able to maintain the grass in this area in a suitable condition all year round. This has been an ongoing issue since we moved back onto this site and it isn’t pleasant to be sitting on while eating. We have looked into a number of alternative surfaces and considered budget constraints. After consideration of all the variables we have obtained quotes for soft-fall underneath the shade sails by North Block and we hope to have this installed ready for Term 3. We look forward to this being a more manageable surface and a more pleasant area for the students to eat their lunch.

**CLASSROOM ITEMS - Ready for TERM 3**
Some students have used most or all of their school supplies already and need these replaced/updated ready for Term 3. Please check with your child that they have the necessary school supplies such as a pencil case, lead pencils, red pencils for ruling up, an eraser, a sharpener, a ruler, coloured pencils and textas. If these can be checked and updated ready for Term 3 then we will be off to a good start and the students will be able to perform to their potential if they have the right equipment available to them right from the start of the term.

**SINGFEST CHOIR PERFORMANCE**
Mrs Weldon and our school Choir performed at Churchlands SHS last Thursday and from all reports their performance was wonderful. The adjudicator could not speak more highly of the way the Choir performed and presented themselves. Although not the most important thing about performing, it was great to receive an “Outstanding” from the adjudicator for their performance (the highest possible praise). I know the students and Mrs Weldon were justifiably proud of their efforts as they should be. We are very proud of the efforts of all the Choir students also as they always represent the school in a positive light. Well done to everyone involved and thank you to the staff and parents who assisted with the preparation before, during and after the event.

**HAPPY KIDS LUNCH**
Mr Doughty and Mrs Miller accompanied the Semester 1 Happy Kids to lunch at Sizzlers for their Birthday Lunch outing last Thursday. Both Mr Doughty and Mrs Miller commented on the wonderful manners and good behaviour of this group of students while they were out. Mrs Miller told me that while they were out two members of the public approached her separately to comment on how well our students were behaving and how responsible they were. This is terrific to hear and it is fantastic that these students continue to be good ambassadors for our school.

**INTERSCHOOL WINTER SPORTS CARNIVAL – Friday 26th July**
Last Friday Roseworth PS was involved in our Interschool Winter Carnival, along with a number of other schools. We fielded teams in AFL, Soccer and Netball throughout the day and there was a huge amount of activity and some very tired students and staff by the end of the afternoon. Our teams tried very hard all day and were great ambassadors for our school. My special thanks to our staff for coaching, training and managing our teams throughout the term and on the Carnival day. Mr Wilkie helped to coordinate the day along with the PE Teachers from the other competing schools. I was impressed to hear many positive comments about the way that our students conducted themselves during the interschool matches, both over the term and at the Winter Carnival. A number of parents and caregivers attended and supported our students at the Carnival and I am confident this helped our students to perform to the best of their ability.

**MOVIE NIGHT – P&C Fundraiser**
The P&C held a successful Movie Night last Friday night and it was great to see so many families attending and helping with their fundraising efforts. About $540 was raised and the P&C will use this to support the school during the year. Thank you to the P&C members who worked tirelessly throughout the night to ensure that this was a successful fundraising venture.
SCHOOL BANKING
Our P&C operate School Banking each Friday from the CPC building. Students wishing to bank their money on a Friday must ensure that all banking is completed by 9:00 so as the students are in their rooms ready to start the school day. We thank Mrs Watkins and Mrs Congdon who are coordinating the School Banking Program for the P&C. During Term 3 the School Banking Program is running a “Prize Portal” competition where students who make three deposits or more during Term 3 will be automatically entered into the competition for a chance to win hundreds of prizes. Mini iPads, headphones and gift certificates are just some of the prizes available to students who have made their three deposits.

STUDENT REPORTS
Student reports for Kindy to Yr 6 will be sent home tomorrow, 1st July. We encourage families to sit with their child, read through the report and discuss each learning area, look at attitude, behaviour and effort and ensure that your child understands the comments made by the classroom teacher. These reports are a snapshot of how your child is progressing at Roseworth PS. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s teacher should you wish to discuss any aspects of your child’s report. All class teachers are available for parent-teacher meetings following the distribution of reports, however it is best to make a formal appointment so the teacher is able to set aside time to talk to you about your child. Please contact the teacher directly to arrange a suitable time if you wish to discuss your child’s progress. I would like to thank Mrs Critchley and Mrs Lee for staying late last Friday night to help print the reports in their own time. Their assistance was greatly appreciated by Mrs Roser and myself.

FREE DRESS DAY – Thursday 2nd July
We are having a free dress day on Thursday to raise money for the Year 6 camp and activities. Students are able to wear free dress as long as the clothing worn is suitable for school. We remind parents that suitable shoes should be worn and closed-in running shoes are preferred as these allow students to complete PE activities without any issues. A gold coin donation is required for the privilege of wearing free dress and this can be given to class teachers in the morning on Thursday.

NAIDOC ASSEMBLY and ACTIVITIES TOMORROW
Tomorrow we will be having our NAIDOC Assembly, starting at 9:00 in the Undercover Area. We welcome our parents and caregivers at the assembly. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. NAIDOC is celebrated, not only in indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. The national NAIDOC theme for 2015 is “We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate”. This year the theme highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea. The theme is an opportunity to pay respects to our country, honour those who work tirelessly on preserving land, sea and culture and to share the stories of many sites of significance or sacred places within the nation. Our students have been working with Mrs Smith and Mrs Foley and they have done considerable research and activities linked to the sacred sites theme during their Library and Art lessons. Some student work will be on display at the assembly tomorrow. At Roseworth PS, approximately 20% of our student population are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. We are lucky that our student population is so culturally diverse. We have representation from more than 36 different cultural groups and we should celebrate this fact as we can learn a lot from other cultural groups. We will be having some special guests at the NAIDOC Assembly and they will be playing the didgeridoo and dancing as part of the assembly. Our students will also take part in some traditional Aboriginal games during the day. I thank Mrs Foley and Mrs Smith for their efforts in coordinating the NAIDOC celebrations for 2015.

SAFE and HAPPY HOLIDAY
I would like to thank the staff for their focused work and positive attitude during Semester 1. This has been a very productive and exciting start to 2015 and I look forward to the rest of the year at Roseworth PS. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to the students returning for Term 3 on Tuesday, 21st July.

Sue Brockman
Principal
DENTAL THERAPY
We will be closed for both weeks of the school holidays. Clinics open for emergency treatment are:
Week 1: Warriapendi Dental Clinic - Open for Monday and Tuesday, Contact no. 93493975,
8 Redcliffe Ave Balga, 6061
Hillcrest Dental Clinic - Open the whole week. Contact no. 92717184,
2 Bayview Street Bayswater, 6053
Week 2: Hillcrest Dental Clinic - Open the whole week.
Contact no. 92717184,
2 Bayview Street Bayswater, 6053

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Mirrabooka NAIDOC Event 2015
Herb Graham Recreation Centre
38 Ashbury Crescent, Mirrabooka
Wednesday 8th July 10.30am - 2.30pm

- Welcome to Country
- Elders Yarning Space
- Cultural Music and Dance
- Art Activities • Children’s Activities
- Information Stalls • Pony Rides and much more....

Enjoy some lunch
- Sausage Sizzle
- Kangaroo Stew
- Dampor and Jam

Artwork by Aaron Ugle - Balga Senior High School

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