



ROSEWORTH

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

27th

“Clean Up Day”
Parent Picnic
Lunch

MARCH

2nd

Labour Day
Public Holiday
(*no school*)

5th

Waste Free Lunch

18th

Harmony Day
Assembly

19th

Quiz Night

25th – 27th

Year 6 Camp

26th

P&C Meeting 2pm

APRIL

1st

N5 Assembly

3rd

Good Friday

FIRST THREE WEEKS OF SCHOOL

What a way to start the school year? It has been very pleasing to see our high attendance numbers are making our school a busy and productive place. We again welcome our existing families back for 2015 and of course welcome any new families to Roseworth Primary School.

STUDENT CENSUS COMPLETE

Last Friday we submitted our student numbers to our Central Office to ensure that our school receives the appropriate funding for our school operations for 2015. We have started the year with 366 students, which is less than last year and this is due to both our Yr 6 and 7 students leaving for High School. We hope to see a steady increase in our numbers over the year as families move into the area. Our funding is based on the number of students in each year level and is reviewed again during the middle of the year to see if we require additional funding to support student growth.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY NEXT MONDAY

Please don't forget that next Monday, 2nd March, is a Public Holiday so there is no school on this day.

MORNING ROUTINES – UNDERCOVER AREA MEETING POINT

Each morning all students at Roseworth, regardless of their year level, come to the Undercover Area and are supervised until 8.35 am when they are then released to go to their classroom teacher. This is a very successful and safe way for us to start the school day so don't be surprised if you are directed to the Undercover Area in the morning if you are in the school before 8.35am. Students who arrive after 8.35am can go directly to their classroom.

AFTER SCHOOL ROUTINES

The end of each school day is also a time when the Administration staff are all out on duty to ensure that our students are well supervised when they leave the school. Playing on the playground equipment or in the school grounds after school is not permitted – This is the time for students to leave the school in an orderly fashion, not for playing. Parking around the school is at a premium with our CPC operating now and many students are out in the streets on their way home. Please be careful if you are driving and take extra care when reversing and driving in the streets near the school. Parking on verges or driveways is not permitted. The Local Council has been informed of this occurring and penalties will apply.

PLAYGROUP WELCOME

We have record numbers of parents and young children attending our Playgroup this year. The Playgroup operates from 8:50 to 10:50 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and families can choose any two of the three days to attend. We offer this rotation so that we can make the most of our beautiful facilities and find space for all of our families. The Playgroup is a great way for families with young children to begin their association with our school. Mrs Warren is more than keen to offer her significant expertise in early childhood to facilitate great play activities and a warm and inviting environment for our many young families.

PICNIC AND CLEAN UP ACTIVITIES

This Friday we are inviting Parents/Grandparents/Carers to school to have a picnic lunch with us. The Picnic will start at 12.45pm on the lawn near the Undercover Area. Following the lunch break we will be involved in Clean Up activities and Parents/Grandparents/Carers are invited to stay and join in with these activities.

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND CAP/HAT

Roseworth PS has a great school uniform and there is an expectation that all students wear full school uniform each day. There are multiple choices of uniform, including the faction shirts, light and dark school tops and an array of shorts and skirts. We ask children to wear their uniform and expect that they will do so. Our school cap/hat is also the acceptable cap/hat for school and must be worn when students are out in the playground.

FIRST SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The first school assembly was held on Wednesday 18th February, Week 3 and was hosted by our Yr 5/6 classes in W3 and W4. They focused their assembly on our Values Program and it was very informative and thought-provoking. Well done to our senior students, Mrs Hawkey and Mr Doughty for putting this together so early in the year. Parents are most welcome to attend all of our assemblies during the year. These always begin as close to 9.00am as possible and generally last for about 45 to 60 minutes.

NEW P & C COMMITTEE

Last week we had our Annual General Meeting of the P&C, however we were unable to have the first P&C Meeting for the year due to a number of the new Executive Committee not being available last Thursday. A special P&C meeting will be held tomorrow in the staff room at 2pm. The P&C is all about supporting our students and we are very appreciative of the great efforts that they give to support our students, staff and parents. On behalf of the school community we offer our sincere thanks to the 2014 Executive Committee and welcome the newly elected committee members.

QUIZ NIGHT – Fundraising Event for Yr 6 Camp

Our Year 6 staff and students are busy organising a Quiz Night which will be their major fundraising event in Term 1. They hope to raise money to offset camp costs and I am sure it will be a fabulous night of fun. There are some great prizes to be won and there will be lots of fun questions as well as some serious ones! The cost is \$40 per table and there can be up to 8 people on each table. We will be having the Quiz Night in the undercover area on Thursday 19th, March and it will start at 6pm with gates opening at 5:30. Tickets for each table are available from the Front Office so start getting your table of people organised.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

We offer a reminder to all families that the school seeks to gain school contributions from families to assist in the financial well-being of the school. The contribution figure is set at \$25.00 per student. This payment can be made at the Front Office (Cash or EFTPOS facilities) or via the RM Billing envelope system and posting the envelope in one of the Drop-Off Boxes. School contributions are very important to the operations of the school as each parent who pays the contribution, contributes significantly to the school's ability to provide the wide range of activities and school programs for your children. The Government also recognises the importance of this contribution, as highlighted in the payments to parents to assist in the cost of education earlier this year.

ATTENDANCE AND LATE ARRIVALS

The Department of Education's Student Attendance Policy requires parents/guardians to provide an acceptable explanation to the school for any absence of their children. The Act defines health, religious and cultural observances as reasonable cause for a school absence and the absence would be recorded as 'authorised' by the Principal.

You may notify the school via the classroom teacher or Front Office of any absences from school. Please ensure that your contact details are also up to date to ensure timely reminders are received. If your child is late to school, he or she not only distracts other students and staff who have already commenced the learning program, but also often has difficulty adjusting to lessons that are already underway. All students who arrive at school after the 8.50am siren must come through the office to receive a late card. If a child goes straight to class, the teacher will ask the child to come to the front office to be registered as late. All students are expected to have regular attendance and to be at school on time.

Sue Brockman
Principal

HONOUR CERTIFICATES & AWARDS

ASSEMBLY: 18th February 2015

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| E1 | Abisa N, Alkira R | W1 | Katie B, Shoaib S |
| E2 | Logan M, Diana M | W2 | Nargis K, Alexis R |
| E3 | Jacob C, Jack B | W3 | Riley B, Sherrie C |
| E4 | Genaya F, Shiraz I | W4 | Sienna S, Riley B |
| E5 | Heni W, Ahmed F | W5 | Jence V, Ryan P |
| N4 | Jessica H, Malachi B | W6 | Michael T, Trae M |
| N5 | Lilly W, Unique M | W7 | Tony V |
| MUSIC | E5 | C2 | Christopher D, Ateequ B |
| LIBRARY | | SPORT | Mackayla B, Melissa C, Hayden W, Rebekah H |
| LOTE Spanish | | LOTE Auslan | |
| VALUES AWARDS | | | |
| Confidence: Yonatan H Resilience: William B Organisation: Diontae I Getting Along: Emma E Persistence: Mackayla B | | | |
| ATTENDANCE AWARDS – Consistent Kim B, William B, Sam B, Stacey C, Tyson L, Phillip M | | | |
| PLAYGROUND & STUDENT LEADER AWARDS Opal M, Brayden G, Mercy L, Marija N | | | |

P&C NEWS

Welcome to our 2015 Committee and thank you to the 2014 Committee for all your hard work. We will be holding our first General Meeting on Thursday 26th February where we will be deciding on fundraising for 2015.

The School Canteen is a great service for our school and has been successfully run by Jane for the past 10 years. The Canteen raises money for the school as well as providing healthy snacks and lunches for our students. The summer menus are currently in use and there are also daily Halal options. We need the support of the families and staff within the school community to continue running the Canteen as successfully as possible. There will be competitions running throughout the year with the first one starting Monday, 23rd February for the Education Support Centre. Each time you order your lunch you will get a ticket in the draw to win a Roseworth teddy bear.

BOARD NEWS

The nominations for the Community Position on the board finished on the 20th February. We welcome Scott Tapper to the Board as a Community Member.

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

Welcome to all our new student bankers. We have had a very successful start to the school year and look forward to many more students registering and participating in our School Banking Program. If your children are not currently involved in the School Banking Program and you would like to know more, please ask for a 2015 School Banking Program Information Pack from the Child and Parent Centre. Younger siblings who attend Playgroup are also eligible to be registered in the School Banking Program and receive the same benefits as their siblings.

For every new student banker, they will also receive a moneybox to welcome them to school banking and help them achieve their savings goals. This offer is only available while stocks last so please get in quick and register.

There is also a competition running throughout the year. Students who make 25 deposits or more go in the running for a family trip to Disneyland!! How exciting!

Thank you for supporting the School Banking Program and don't forget that **Friday** is School Banking day. I look forward to 2015 being a successful year.

DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE

Parents will be noticing the dental check-up appointments coming to your home address. The Department of Health would like parents to attend the check-up appointment with your child. This will reassure your child the Dental Clinic is a place that is safe and encourage confidence in your child feeling comfortable in the dental setting.

If your child has any dental pains please contact the Clinic. Consent must be given before any treatment is undertaken. Until the consent forms are received by clinic staff, no treatment can be done. Dental Clinic staff are happy to help your child achieve healthy teeth and mouth hygiene.

HARMONY WEEK EVENT - FREE EVENT

To celebrate Harmony Week, come along to share your memories, experiences and stories of Girrawheen. Turn them into a book for the family to enjoy and have them displayed in the Book Cubby. The artwork from the books will be used to brighten up the library. **Tuesday 17th March 2015, 6.30pm - 7.30pm** at the Girrawheen Library. Bookings essential Ph: 9342 8844 or Online at www.wanneroo.evanced.info

SAFETY HOUSE PROGRAM

Safety House is a community based "Good Neighbour" Program of volunteer householders willing to help any young child in need in their local community. The Safety House Program offers a place of help and safety for children if they ever feel unsure or unsafe when they are away from home and school. A Safety House sign on a letterbox or shop window means that the premises are safe and the adult residents have been thoroughly Police Checked. Parents can be reassured that the Safety House sign means children have a safe place to turn to. The local community is helping to keep their area safe. Regular checks are made on each Safety House to ensure it is a safe place.

How is the Safety House Program run? The Safety House WA Head Office manages the statewide program and Safety House Committees and Coordinators run groups in local communities. Advice, support and resources are provided by Safety House WA staff to schools and communities.

When can children use a Safety House? A Safety House can be used by children travelling to or from school or whenever they feel unsure or unsafe. Some of the common reasons a child may use a Safety House could be if they are lost or confused, are hurt or feeling unwell, are being bullied by other kids, are frightened by an animal or are approached or followed.

Who can become a Safety House?

To become a Safety House you must:

- ✓ care about the safety and well-being of children in your community.
- ✓ generally be available to help during school travel times.
- ✓ live in premises that could be easily accessible by a young child.
- ✓ agree to have WA Police Checks done on a continuous basis for all residents aged 14 and over.

If you would like to be a Safety House please contact Safety House WA Inc. on 9343 7511. For more information go to www.safetyhousewa.org.au

