



ROSEWORTH

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

10th

Student Leader
Assembly

3.15pm

W1 & W2
Parent Mtng

11th

1.30pm
P&C AGM

2.00pm

P&C Mtng

15th

GEO Bus Visit

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

We welcome back all of our students and families to Roseworth Primary School for the 2016 school year. This is a ten week term and concludes on Friday 8th of April. We look forward to the exciting year ahead and have added quite a few new families to our school community. It has been great to see the way in which our students have welcomed these new students to our school today. Term 1 this year includes 5 public holidays (Labour Day on Monday 7th of March and Easter which is Good Friday 25th March to Easter Tuesday 29th of March). Keep an eye on the school term planner that will follow next week for a full description of dates and events for the term.

STAFF CHANGES

We have some new staff members at Roseworth Primary School this year and we warmly welcome them. Mrs D'Souza has joined us and she is teaching Year 3 in E6 with Mrs Dale. Mrs Coumbe also officially rejoins us for Term 1 as the Deputy Principal and we are delighted to have her return to the school, albeit for only a short time.

SMS MESSAGE YOU SERVICE 2016

Roseworth PS will be implementing a new system that will use mobile phone Short Message Service (SMS) to send text messages to parents/guardians/caregivers to notify them of an unexplained absence. SMS may also be used to provide information to parents such as school community notices and emergency/unplanned events such as school closures.

From today parents will be informed by mobile phone SMS each time their child is absent when an explanation has not already been provided to the school. If your child is absent and a reason has been provided before the time the SMS is due to be sent, you will not receive a text message.

Roseworth PS is introducing this to build on existing attendance procedures and to ensure that parents are notified as soon as possible if their child is absent from school without an explanation. This system has been shown to assist in making schools (and parents) more aware of where students are and improve student attendance. These factors will enhance learning opportunities for all students and contribute to their safety.

The number for this service that you will see on your phone is **0437 784 935**. You will also be able to use this number to contact us via SMS in advance if your child is going to be away. We have attached a full information sheet to this newsletter with information about this service.

TERM DATES

To assist parents with planning for the year the 2016 Term dates are below -.

Semester 1

Term 1 Monday 1 February - Friday 8 April

Break Monday 11 April - Monday 25 April

Term 2 Tuesday 26 April - Friday 1 July

Break Saturday 2 July - Sunday 17 July

Semester 2

Term 3 Monday 18 July - Friday 23 September

Break Saturday 24 September - Sunday 9 October

Term 4 Monday 10 October - Thursday 15 December

STUDENT LEADERS AND FACTION CAPTAINS

Our Student Leaders were announced at the end of 2015 and these students have already started to be excellent role models for our students which indicates they were very good choices for these positions. Our Student Leaders are Khia, Moluk, Riley, Jason and Kyle from Roseworth PS and Ashlea, Caillum, Neeki and Maria from the ESC. Mrs Watt has decided that each of her four Student Leaders will take on this responsibility for one term. Ashlea is taking on the role in Term 1.

Our Faction Captains were announced today and we look forward to these students demonstrating their leadership qualities when assisting Mr Wilkie with setting up for Sport and other responsibilities they may have during the year. Our 2016 Faction Captains are *Acacia - Lucas and Ryan* , *Wisteria – Declan and Casey* - and *Banksia – Teajae and Hayley*.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROCEDURES

Each morning at Roseworth PS all students, regardless of their year level, meet in the undercover area and are supervised until 8:35 when they are released to go to their classroom. Teachers are busy preparing for the day in the mornings and are often not available prior to 8:35 when they must return to their class to greet students. Meeting in the undercover area before school has been a very successful and safe way of starting the day and we will be continuing this routine to ensure the safety of our students. Parents are invited to also meet in the undercover area if they wish to later walk their child to their classroom. Arrivals after 8:35 may proceed straight to the classroom. Formal lessons start at 8:50 so it is important that all students arrive prior to this time and are settled in their class ready to start the morning routine.

As parents like to arrive quite early in the afternoon (2.20pm) and sit outside the classrooms, we are looking at accommodating these parents with an informal area to sit at and chat. Helen Burgess (Manager of the Roseworth Child Parent Centre) has also indicated that she would be open to any parent simply calling in for a chat or cup of coffee during this time. When we have set up the school area we will let you know. In the interim please make use of the wonderful CPC facilities as we love having parents in the School, however it can be a distraction for the children as they complete the last session of school.

UNIFORMS

It has been fantastic to see almost every student has been wearing their uniform to school in the first week of the year. What a great way to start! Our uniform helps us to create a sense of identity and belonging at Roseworth and we thank parents for supporting us by ensuring that students are in their correct uniform. Our P & C work hard to manage the Uniform Shop and we congratulate them on a wonderfully run enterprise. **The Uniform Shop is open between 8:30 and 9:30 each Tuesday and can be found in the Undercover Area.**

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

Each class will hold a parent meeting in the next few weeks and class teachers will be sending home a note to parents advising them of the time. Please feel free to arrange an interview following this parent-teacher meeting should you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's education at Roseworth PS on a more personal level. Staff are available for interviews, however these need to be arranged in advance so as appropriate time is set aside for the discussion. In the afternoons, teachers and administration staff are also out in the school grounds so we encourage you to come and say hello. We encourage all of our parents to make contact with their child's teacher to discuss any aspect of your child's education at Roseworth. Our teachers are available for interviews on request and look forward to meeting you to discuss your child's progress.

MEDICATION UPDATE

If your child requires medication to be administered during the school day the appropriate paperwork must be completed before this can occur. We also require a medical plan from the GP or Specialist detailing the need for the medication and the correct dosage. It is now a hygiene requirement that each child has their own spacer if they need to use a puffer for asthma. Parents of children with asthma are requested to provide a spacer for their child. Mrs Coumbe is the contact person for medical enquiries so if you are unsure of anything please contact her for clarification.

Christopher Brackenreg
Principal

LIBRARY

Welcome back to another fantastic year in the Roseworth Library. Each of our students should have visited the Library and/or borrowed a book already, (or will this week). It is great to chat to so many keen readers!

LIBRARY BAGS: I'll take this opportunity to remind parents/carers, that in order to borrow books from the Library, students must have a library bag. If you haven't got one already, I've been told that Big W or Kmart has them for only 0.50c, I love a good bargain!

BOOK CLUB: This year we continue to participate in Scholastic Book Club. Twice a term I will send home a catalogue with a different selection of books offered. You'll find award winning books, as well as old and new favourites. I recommend them because the books span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and also they are inexpensive (some books cost as little as \$2.00!). It is so easy to order, simply fill out the order form in the catalogue and return order form with money to me in the Library. Books will arrive approximately 2 weeks after I send the order to Scholastic, which is on the day orders are due to me. Each order helps earn free books for the school Library, so thank you in advance for your support. I know of no better way to encourage reading, than to allow children to choose the books they want to read. **ISSUE ONE DUE THURSDAY 18th FEBRUARY**

BOOK FAIR: Later in the year we will host another Book Fair, date to be confirmed, but I'd love to hear your feedback on last year's Fair. Can we do better? Something different? Feel free to drop in to the Library and offer any thoughts or feedback.

I am looking forward to another great year at Roseworth!

Regards,
Miss Kaylie Brooker
Library Officer

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

P&C

The P&C AGM will be held in the staff room at 1.30pm on Thursday 11th February. All positions become vacant at that time and will be assigned by election at the AGM. There will be a general meeting after the AGM at 2.00pm.

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE – DENTAL SCREENING

The School Dental Service will be conducting dental screening sessions of Pre-Primary, Years 3 & 6 at school in the coming weeks. It is a requirement of the Health Act to screen children in these years who are enrolled in the School Dental Service.

This screening is a check of growth and development of the jaws and teeth only. The screening is NOT a detailed examination and appointments for check-ups will be posted to your home address in due course. Your appointment is precious so please make sure you attend the Dental Therapy Centre when you receive an appointment.





Food Ministry/Soup Kitchen
Thursday—Lunch 11.30am
By Rainbow Church
29 Hainsworth Ave Girrawheen
Tel 6102 1526

KID'S CLUB

All Kids Welcome
EVERY Friday (4-5pm) and
Sunday (10-11.30am)

At Hainsworth
Community Centre
29 Hainsworth Ave
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All workers hold current working with children checks