



NEWSLETTER 2 24th February 2016

ROSEWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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COMING EVENTS

MARCH

3rdClean Up
Australia Activity

7th Labour Day Holiday

9th Values day Activity

16th N4 & N5 Assembly

23rd
Harmony Day
Assembly

24th 2pm P&C Mtng

25th – 29th Easter break

30^{th -} 1st April Yr 6 Camp

31st P&C Quiz Night

APRIL 8th ANZAC Service

8th Last day of Term

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 2016 and of course welcome any new families to Roseworth Primary School.

STUDENT CENSUS COMPLETE

Last Friday we submitted our student numbers to Central Office to ensure that our school receives the appropriate funding for our school operations for 2016. We have started the year with 316 students, which is less than last year. 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. This year we have made a concerted effort to maintain class sizes low and maximise the learning in each classroom. Early feedback from parents and staff has been positive in regards to this.

NAPLAN 2016 (NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY)

All schools in Australia will complete the NAPLAN testing program in Week 3 of Term 2 this year. The NAPLAN Testing Program is for all students in Years 3 and 5 and will be held on Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11, Thursday 12 and catch up testing on Friday 13th May. It is important that students are on time and attend each day of the testing. Breakfast Club will operate every day during the week to ensure students have a substantial breakfast. Please see Mrs Coumbe or your classroom teacher if you have any questions or feel that an exemption is necessary for your student due to a disability. A brochure is included for all Year 3 and 5 students.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY MONDAY 7th MARCH

Please don't forget that Monday, 7th March, is a Public Holiday so there is no school on this day.

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 the day.

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.

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.

NEW P&C COMMITTEE

Last week we had our Annual General Meeting of the P&C, discussing how the P&C will be supporting our students and what roles members will be undertaking. 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 Committee and welcome the newly elected committee members in 2016. One of the decisions to come out of the meeting is that Jody Talbot and Cathy Davis, our new uniform coordinator and assistant, will be opening the Uniform Shop on both Tuesdays and Fridays at the regular time of 8.30 – 9.30am. I would also like to highlight our wonderful Canteen and the value for money you get when ordering from it. Each day there is a special available and below is a summary of those specials. Please support our canteen and the profits go directly back into supporting the school.

CANTEEN SPECIALS

This year the Canteen has some exciting new specials available to choose from when you order. Meals are only \$6.00 with a drink included or \$4.00 without. Students have 5 varying options each day, as well as daily specials to choose from. Some examples include a roll with a homemade biscuit on Mondays, chicken nuggets and potato gems on Tuesdays and a burger with potato gems on Thursday. These are just some of the choices, with items such as salads, rolls and sandwiches available daily. For other specials throughout the week, there is a Daily Special Board located by the Canteen. The full menu is available at the Canteen and the Front Office. We welcome you to please come down and support the P&C Canteen.

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 \$30.00 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.

COMMUNITY SURVEYS

It is important that we continually strive to improve the programs here at Roseworth PS. We have a strong relationship with the Fogarty Foundation over many years and we have recently joined the Fogarty EDvance Program as part of a 3 year school improvement plan. Part of this process involves getting feedback from the students, the parents and the staff about the school. In the next week you will receive information about this survey and I strongly encourage you to have input. Details sent out will include ways you can access this survey, the opening and closing dates and incentives for parents completing the survey. Please see Ms Brockman if you have any questions about the survey.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNITY POSITIONS

You will have received a voting slip on Monday in regards to the 3 available community positions on the Roseworth PS School Board. Can I please encourage you to complete the voting slip and return to the front office by next Monday, 29th February. We have had 5 nominations for these board positions and we look forward to working with the elected members as we continually strive to make decisions that will enhance the programs running in the school.

Christopher Brackenreg Principal

HONOUR CERTIFICATES & AWARDS ASSEMBLY: 10 th February, 2016						
E1	Genaya, Alkira	N5	William, Jayda			
E2	Dylan, Dashnyl	W1	Garry, Riley			
E3	Ayden, Heath	W2	Dylan			
E4	Mehmood, Jackson	W3	Nancy, James			
E5	Cody, Taleah	W4	Jordan, Tiana			
E6	Daniella, Madison	NorthWest	Emily, Cailliam			
N4						
Central	Connor, Yat					
VALUES AWARDS						

Confidence: Stacey E1 Resilience: Lucas W3 Organisation: Lilly E1 Getting Along: Skye E1

Persistence: Maddison E6

ATTENDANCE AWARDS – Javela W2, Riny W1, Daniel W4, Brandon E5, Lucas E5, Alecia Rose E3

PLAYGROUND AND STUDENT LEADERS AWARDS Issiah, Saxon, Tyson Le, Ryan, Yonaton, Chloe						
LOTE AWARD Spanish: Auslan:	LIBRARY AWARD	MUSIC AWARD	SPORTS AWARD	DENTAL AWARD		
			Aaron, Stacey, Alisha, Andrew			

CHILD AND PARENT CENTRE - ROSEWORTH

We have had a busy start to 2016 at the Child and Parent Centre and are always welcoming new families in from the local area to attend programs including parenting sessions, playgroup and social activities.

The Child and Parent Centre has an app which can be downloaded via the app store on your phone. We are giving away prizes for each download of the app. When you have downloaded the app come into the Centre to claim your prize.

A new program for 2016 is Parent Café on a Wednesday morning from 9.15-11.00. After school drop off you can come along for a coffee and a chat, some weeks we will have guest speakers which will be advertised on the app.

Denise and the craft group are working hard to make the front garden look great with interactive art for children to explore. This is on a Thursday afternoon from 1.00-3.00pm if you would like to join in.

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.

ROSEWORTH P&C

The AGM was held in Week two and the committee members for 2016 as voted in at the AGM are:

President: Emi Jackson
Vice President: no candidates
Treasurer: Dawn Sutherland
Secretary: no candidates
Uniform Co-ordinator: Jody Talbot
Uniform assistant: Kathy Davis
Fundraising Co-ordinator: no candidates

The positions marked no candidates now have parents who are interested and will be decided upon and published after the next P&C meeting on Thursday March 24.

Fundraising

Easter raffle, tickets will be sent home and will cost \$5 for 6 tickets or \$1 each. If you would like to purchase more than one set of tickets they will be available at the canteen. Donations towards the raffle are welcome and can be dropped in to the canteen.

Guess the lollies in the jar 50c per guess or \$1 for 3 guesses, will be available at the Canteen from Monday 29th and will be completed as soon as all the guesses are filled in or in the last week of term.

There is a Quiz Night being planned and more information will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Uniforms

The Uniform Shop is open Tuesday and Friday mornings from 8.30am until 9.30am. Orders can be placed at the office during the week. The uniforms will be delivered to your child's class once the order is placed. Please remember **CASH ONLY**.

Many thanks Emi Jackson P&C President

