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COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

9th
2.00pm
P&C Mtng

15th
2.12pm
Assembly

3.00pm
P&C Meet & Greet
BBQ

23rd
Yr 3 & 6 Dental
Screening

MARCH

1st
Value Activity Day

2nd
Lunch Disco

3rd
RPS Clean Up Day
Activity

6th
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

8th
W6 & W7
Assembly

20th—24th
Harmony Week

22nd
Harmony Day
Assembly

23rd
2.00pm
P&C Mtng

29th—31st
Yr 6 Camp

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

We welcome back all of our students and families to Roseworth Primary School for the 2017 school year. This is a ten week term and concludes on Friday 7th of April with our ANZAC Day service. 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 over the last week. Term 1 this year also includes one public holiday on Monday 6th of March.

TERM DATES

To assist parents with planning for the year the 2017 Term dates are below -.

Semester 1

Term 1 Wednesday 1 February - Friday 7 April

Break Saturday 8 April - Tuesday 25 April

Term 2 Wednesday 26 April - Friday 30 June

Break Monday 3 July - Sunday 16 July

Semester 2

Term 3 Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

Break Saturday 23 September - Sunday 8 October

Term 4 Monday 9 October - Thursday 14 December

The remaining School Development Days for 2017 are as follows:

Monday 3 April (Week 10 Term 1)

Monday 24 April (Week 1 Term 2)

Monday 9 October (Week 1 Term 4)

Friday 15 December (Week 10 Term 4)

ASSEMBLY AND 'MEET AND GREET' SAUSAGE SIZZLE

On Wednesday 15th February we will hold our first assembly of the year. These will now be held on specified Wednesday afternoons in 2017 and **commence just after 2.10pm**. At this first assembly we will introduce our Student Leaders and Faction Captains, our School Board and the representatives of the Roseworth P&C Association. We then have an informal sausage sizzle where everyone can meet and greet staff and other members of the Roseworth community. It will follow the assembly and finish just after 4.00pm. This was as requested by the P&C at the last meeting in 2016. The school will coordinate the assembly etc and the P&C can hold the BBQ. The Roseworth CPC staff have offered to set up a 'Pop Up' coffee stall for parents.

STAFF CHANGES

We have some new staff members at Roseworth Primary School this year and we warmly welcome them. Miss Jacques has re-joined us and she is teaching the Kindergarten Two group for Term 1 until Mrs Foreman returns from maternity leave. Miss Beatty will undertake the ICT role in the School for Semester 1 until Mrs Critchley returns from maternity leave. Ms Le also joins us officially this year as an education assistant supporting students who have English as an additional language (EAL). Ms Le will work with our playgroup as well in 2017.

STUDENT LEADERS AND FACTION CAPTAINS

Our Student Leaders were announced at the end of 2016 and these students have already started to be excellent role models for our students which indicates they were very good choices for these positions. The student leaders for 2017 are:

Tiana Little, Opal Mohammad Zaiuraffiq, Taimana Oneroa, Ryan Craig, Jaxon Major, Bao Tran (Sem 1) and **Duaa Abdul-Khaliq** (Sem 2).

Our Faction Captains will be announced at next Wednesday's assembly.

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.

We have had a few students unsure about arrangements in the afternoon and as such some confusion whether children are to wait or walk home. It can be distressing for all concerned when a parent is late to pick up and the student thought they had to walk home. Please ensure you are on time when picking students up and confirm with your child the arrangements made.

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 8:45 and 9:30 each Tuesday and Friday 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 Lee is the contact person for medical enquiries so if you are unsure of anything please contact her for clarification.

SCHOOL BOARD 2017

I would like to inform the community that positions for the School Board have been finalised for 2017. The new community representatives for 2017 are Kristy De Silva and Melissa Habashi. The new staff representative is Trista Burke. The Board for 2017 is:

RPS Staff Representatives

Chris Brackenreg (Principal RPS)
Cindy Carboni
Sue Brockman
Julie Reynolds
Trish Lee
Trista Burke

Community Representatives

Neil Davis
Deidre Jordan
Melissa Habashi
Kristy DeSilva

Co-opted Members

Patricia Watt (Principal RPS ESC)

Executive Officer

Tracey Evans

Partnership Representatives

Jorgen Mackie (The Smith Family)
Annie Fogarty (The Fogarty Foundation)
Lynne Cohen (ECU)

Christopher Brackenreg
Principal

ROSEWORTH PASSPORT PROGRAM

The Passport Program at Roseworth Primary School is designed to reward parents and caregivers for their contributions to school activities throughout the school year. For each activity that is attended, points are accumulated. Points can be redeemed to pay for:

**Excursions and Incursions School fees Canteen purchases Swimming Lessons
Uniforms (available from the school Uniform Shop on Tuesday & Friday 8.45am—9.30am)**

The new Passport for 2017 has now been issued. All parents are required to complete a new application form and working with children check declaration to claim this new Passport. This ensures the safety of all children within the school and for the school to meet its reporting requirements.

What do I have to do? Complete a 2017 Passport application form and Working With Children declaration in the front office as soon as possible, if you have not already done so. We will then issue your new 2017 Passport within 2 school days.

Once you have your passport, simply request a green slip from your teacher upon completion of any listed activity. If you are new to the Passport Program or would like more information, please feel free to drop into the front office. In 2017, the Passport Program will be managed by Sue Brockman (Deputy Principal) in conjunction with Trista Burke (EA). Thank you for your contributions to our great school.

Sue Brockman
School Passport Co-ordinator



HOMEWORK FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Our school Science and Music programs are covering the Earth and Space Science strand for the next few weeks. Please take your children outside on a clear night to show them sunsets, the moon and the stars. Talk to them about anything that you know: like, how the moon changes; the fact that satellites carry the mobile phone messages; and the names of any planets or stars you know, like the Southern Cross. If you see a moving object in the sky, it might be a satellite (which is small and orbits quite quickly across the sky), a plane (which has flashing lights) or a meteor (which goes very fast and burns up as it gets nearer to the Earth). We don't think that you will see a UFO but you might!



- Do you have a child between the ages of 0—8?
- Does your child need additional supports at home or school?
- Would you like to meet other parents in non-judgmental, friendly, understanding environment?



Being a parent can be a wonderful thing. It's a tough job that requires skill and patience. Unexpected joys and challenges can test us and our best laid parenting plans don't always happen as we hoped. When you receive the news that your child may have some additional needs, you can often experience a range of feelings including confusion, relief, fear and loneliness. Parenting a child with additional needs can be isolating and frustrating work some days. If you're a parent of a child who is sick or has additional needs, your schedule likely involves doctor's visits, therapy sessions, planning meetings and waiting for doctors and therapists to return your phone calls. Even with support from your partner and/or family, it can sometimes seem that no one understands what you are going through or that you have nowhere to turn for answers. Parents of children with additional needs probably know this best.

We would like to talk to you about how we can help. How can we best support your child you and your family.

Child and Parent Centre Roseworth
1 Stoke Court, Girrawheen
T: 9342 6363
E: roseworthpc@thesmithfamily.com.au

We will be getting together in Week 4 of School Term 1.
Save the date: Wednesday February 24, 2017 at 9.00am

Please come along, enjoy morning tea, meet The Centre staff and other parents

I am very excited to be back for another year in the Library. Welcome back, this should be another fantastic year!

All library classes this year are either on a Monday or Tuesday, so please assist your children where possible when it comes to returning their borrowed books on time. Note that, as always, students cannot borrow books without a suitable Library Bag. If you haven't already provided one, please do so before the next library session.

You may have seen that I have sent home the first Book Club Issue for the year and please note the due date for Issue 1 is THURSDAY 16th FEBRUARY. Order forms (with payment) are to be dropped to me in the Library, or to the Front Office if the Library is unattended. Please note the easy online ordering system for credit or visa debit card payments on the back of the catalogue. Every order earns FREE books for our Roseworth Library.



Miss Kaylie Brooker
Library Officer

P&C INFORMATION

Welcome back to another school year. We hope all have enjoyed the holiday break and the students have settled into school. Roseworth P&C hope to have another successful year with the support and help from our Roseworth families and community members.

P&C Meeting – AGM meeting Thursday 9th February 1.30pm

This Thursday Roseworth P&C will have our Annual General Meeting (AGM) at 1.30pm in the school Staff Room. This meeting we will see the appointment of our 2017 P&C committee members. If you would like to become a committee member or are interested in helping the P&C throughout the year, come along to the meeting. Remember to bring along \$1 to become a financial member; this entitles you to have a vote and have a say about issue throughout the year.

Fundraising Ideas/Events for 2017

Roseworth P&C will be discussing fundraising events at our next meeting, Thursday 9th February. If you have any ideas that you would like the P&C to consider for 2017 come along to our meeting or drop us an email at roseworthprimay.pc@gmail.com or write it down and drop it into our drop box located in the front office.

Uniform Shop – Tuesday and Fridays 8.45am – 9.15am

It has been a busy start to the year for the Uniform Shop. It is fantastic to see so many students in school uniform. The Uniform Shop is open twice a week for purchases, but if you are unable to attend this opening, orders can be placed with the front office.

Uniform shop accepts cash or Roseworth Dollars only.

Canteen

Jane and her volunteers in the Canteen are ready for another successful year. Just a reminder that the Canteen is open 5 days a week, providing fresh and tasty recess items and lunch orders. Lunch orders can be made by all students (Kindy – Yr 6). Recess items and lunchtime ice-creams can only be purchased at the window.

The Canteen is always in need of volunteers to lighten the load. If you have some time to spare, Jane would love to welcome you on board. Drop into the Canteen and see Jane. When volunteering, your child will receive free lunch on that day, you'll make new friends, you'll be supporting Roseworth and your child will love seeing you work in the Canteen.

****No children are allowed in the canteen when volunteering. Sorry, this is a work safety requirement****

School Banking - Friday 8.30am at The Child and Parent Centre

School banking is back for 2017. School banking is another beneficial activity you can do with your children to teach them about money and saving, and the Commonwealth Bank contributes back into the school. Not only do the kids get bonus interest on their savings but they also get prizes as incentives to teach them to make regular savings.

If your child would like to participate in School Banking, application forms can be collected from the CPC, Gail our school banking coordinator on Friday mornings or head to www.commbank.com.au/personal/youth-students/schoolbanking

Roseworth P&C Committee