

NEWSLETTER – 4th February 2016

Diary Dates

12th Feb-	Welcome BBQ 3-4pm
15th Feb -	Homework Centre starts
3 rd Mar	Swimming Carnival Yr 3-6
11th Mar -	PSSA Gala Day 1
17th Mar -	Harmony Day

From The Principal

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new school year. After being away for six months I'm looking forward to getting back into routine at Rosemeadow. Thank you to Mrs Lester who did a fantastic job as the Principal in my absence. The time away from Rosemeadow reinforced that we have a great community and school.

We have been working on staffing and have finalised classes. At this stage it looks like we will settle on 30 classes for 2016. We have grown in numbers and have created an additional year 1 class. We have two demountable classrooms on order and hopefully with some good weather will arrive within the next few weeks.

Below is the list of classes for 2016.

KA- Miss Woods	KD - Miss Dennis
KJ - Mrs Jepson	KS - Miss Stringer
	KW - Ms Welsh

1C - Mr Coskerie	1K - Miss Kelly	1P - Miss Sheppard
1S Ms Kearns	1T - Mr Taylor	

2C - Mr Coleman	2D - Miss Dawson
2H - Miss Harrison	2Q - Miss Quetcher

3A - Mr Adams	3D - Mrs Delaney
3K - Ms Knotek	3-4Z Miss Zorzut

4A - Miss Attewell	4C - Miss Charmand
4S - Mrs Solofuti	4-5E - Miss Best

5B - Mr Bunyan	5W - Ms Williams
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6C - Mrs Collins	6K Miss Kervin
6Z - Mr Zalunardo	

K-2M - Mrs McCarthy	1-5H- Miss Hyeronimus
3-6R - Miss Murray	

Fridge Calendar

A fridge calendar was sent home listing the majority of events that will be conducted throughout the year. If you did not receive one or would like an additional copy please contact the office.

WELCOME BBQ

Stay for a sausage sizzle and catch up with other parents and staff!

Where: Lawn in front of the office
When: Friday 12th February
Time: 3pm-4pm



New Playground

After a longer than expected construction process, our new playground is almost ready for the students to use. There will be a last minute clean and some minor rectification work completed and then the students can start to utilise this fantastic space.



Update from Kindergarten

A Big Welcome to Kindergarten 2016. Last week 111 Kindergarten students started their formal education at Rosemeadow.

Kindergarten teachers have reported that they are settled and enjoying school life. As from the Monday 8th February Kindergarten students will be starting school at 9am and finishing at 3pm. We are requesting that parents/ caregivers take and pick up their child directly from their classroom.



Students will have access to the canteen as from Monday.

Mr Hughes

Homework Centre

The homework centre will commence Week 4 the 15th of February. This is a **FREE** program. If you would like your child to participate in the Homework Centre please fill out a note and return it to the office. The note will be sent home to each family and copies are available at the office. If you have any questions regarding the Homework Centre please contact Ms Kearns or Miss Best.



UPDATED CONTACT DETAILS AND HEALTH CARE PLANS

It is very important that you let the office know of any changes to your family details especially contact numbers. We have already had instances where parents have not been able to be contacted because they have incorrect numbers listed and this can cause much distress to the sick child.

If your child has a **Health Care Action Plan** or an **Asthma Action Plan** they need to be updated. Please see your doctor for a new one. If your child has a Health Care Plan please make sure that the office has one on file.

Thank you for your cooperation.

KISS AND DROP ZONE

Please be reminded that this zone is for drop off and pick up only.

This will be policed by council rangers at random times so please do the right thing to avoid any unnecessary fines. Thank you.



Facebook – Skoolbag

Skoolbag
Smartphone school to parent communication



Did you know that Rosemeadow Public School has its own Facebook page? Did you know we also have our own app? Social media is a great way to communicate with families and to share the many successes here at RPS! To find us on Facebook just search for Rosemeadow Public School and like us. To set up our Skoolbag app follow these instructions:

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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Commonwealth Bank

School Banking

One of the most important life skills your child will ever learn is **SAVING**. The earlier children start good saving habits, the longer those behaviours will stay with them.

School Banking encourages regular saving with an exciting Rewards Program to motivate children to save. Application packages have been sent home to all students, additional packages are available from the front office.

The banking day for this year is MONDAY.

Allergies At School

Some children in our school have an allergic condition called Anaphylaxis that makes them especially sensitive to certain foods.

ANAPHYLAXIS is a severe, potentially life threatening allergic reaction. Peanuts, nut products and eggs are the main hazards. Eating or even touching these foods can cause lips, eyes and airways to swell which may result in significant difficulties with breathing.

We ask the community's support in caring for all students' needs. Therefore we ask that NO peanut butter, peanut biscuits, cakes with peanuts, peanut cracker dips, Nutella or eggs be brought to our school.

Our canteen supports this request and we ask parents to help us keep all children at Rosemeadow Public School safe.

Mrs Lester



Fundraising for stage 3



As part of Stage 3 fundraising this year we have organised a clothing bin. The school will be given 10cents a kilo for the donations of old clothes, blankets, towels, soft toys, belts, shoes, handbags and old linen. No furniture or household equipment will be accepted. The money this year will go towards subsidising the cost of the buses for camp. We look forward to you supporting us in our fundraising endeavour.

Regards - Stage 3 students.



AMBARTOUR 2016

Parents and students of Years 5 and 6 are invited to attend the 2016 Ambartour. This is a great opportunity to tour our school and meet staff and students.

Discover what your local high school has to offer!

Tuesday 23 February
5:30pm - 7:30pm
Ambarvale High School
Thomas Rose Drive Rosemeadow

**We look forward to meeting you.
The tour commences in the School Hall.**

ALL WELCOME