Hello Rosebery PS families,

Well, we made it (almost)! This newsletter is our last for our inaugural year. It’s been a year in which we have achieved so much and the promise of further growth and improvement is stronger than ever. Our staff and leadership team are already working hard on strategic plans and brainstorming of ideas for 2012 and I know the school will continue to flourish.

**Snugglepot & Cuddlepie – WOW!**

Like all of you, I was mesmerized by Wednesday night’s performance of Snugglepot and Cuddlepie. I was fortunate to witness, first hand, the hard work that has gone into this production for many months now and to see that work culminate in something so amazing it was a very proud moment. The students were simply incredible and the feedback I received from parents and guests on the night was overwhelming. I’d also like to take this chance to congratulate our Performing Arts teacher Meleene Primero for her vision and tireless work to pull this event together. I know she was also ably supported by Philippa Ludwig, Troy Wright, Kim Jackson and our own Arts Team who fully committed to an outstanding community evening. Well done to all.

**Class of 2011**

I’d like to congratulate our Year 6 students who comprise our very first graduates. They are heading off to Middle School next year and we are all very proud of them. The students and parents are celebrating with a Graduation Dinner next Tuesday night and we will farewell them with some fun at a final assembly from 2pm next Friday.

**End Of Year Awards Ceremony**

Our formal celebration of 2011 will take place on Wednesday 14th December at 8.30am in our assembly area. At this assembly, each class teacher will present some special awards, there will be some fabulous musical performances and we will present our major school awards - to be recognized on a newly ordered honour board. We really hope you can squeeze this event into your busy schedules as it promises to be well worth coming along.

**Classes for 2012**

We are currently working on classes and staffing for 2012 and we are making steady progress. Our enrolments are incredibly difficult to predict due to a high proportion of Defence families in our community and also due to the rapid rates at which Bellamack homes are being completed. Classes for 2012 will be posted in the office windows sometime during the holidays when we are more certain of enrolments and staffing. Pre-School classes will be assigned by the end of next week, posted in the office and parents will also be notified of their group.

**Thank you**

I’d like to finish by thanking each and every one of you for your support and friendship this year. It has been an enormous year – but one that could not have been so rewarding without the encouragement of the staff, students and families from the very start. I’m sad to go but I’m satisfied that I can look back very fondly on our achievements. I will certainly be keeping in touch with RPS in the future and watching with interest. I know the school is well placed in Gail Smith’s hands and that great things are ahead.

Have a very happy and safe Christmas and an awesome 2012!

Kind regards,

Adam Voigt
Principal

*Every Child, Every Day* - improving student enrolment, attendance and participation is everybody’s responsibility and everyone’s business.
RPS Talent Quest

Performances are either singing, acting or dancing. You will be judged on creativity, originality, skills, and overall performance. The Talent Quest will be held in the RPS Assembly area on the 16th December from 10.40 - 12.00pm.

Staff Profile

Name: Lucy Rowley
Preschool Teacher

Background: Darwin born and bred!
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What was the last book you read? Not sure, it only happens in the holidays!
What’s the funniest thing that has happened to you? I have a broken ring finger after being flipped off a banana boat in Bali!
What do you like to do in your spare time? I like to grow my own fruits and vegies, and try out new recipes for preserving/ pickling them. I also enjoy reading and going to the gym.

XMAS RAFFLE TICKETS

If you have not received your Xmas Raffle tickets please call into reception to collect a book. There are 3 lovely hampers to won.

You gotta be in it to win it!

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Date | Event
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December | 
Tues 13th | Year 6 Graduation Dinner
Tues 13th | Year 5/6 Banti Excursion - Wave Pool
Wed 14th | Awards Assembly @ 8.30am
Wed 14th | Xmas Raffle Tickets Due (Sold or Unsold)
Fri 16th | Farewell Assembly @ 2pm
January 2012 | 
Tues 31st | Students Resume for Term 1

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Rosebery Primary School would like to send a big thank you to Matt Richards for the fantastic job of videoing our recent school performance of Snuggle Pot and Cuddle Pie.

RPS will be making a DVD of the performance. An order form will be sent home today. Orders need to be in by Tuesday 13th so that your order may be processed and sent home on Friday 16th December.

Class Merit Awards

Sienna Spencer, Max Pastor
Colby Allen, Ciel Garcia
James Stenson, Simon Lecompte
Alizabeth Ferry, Andrew Stavri
Jacob Brown, Caedyn Taylor
Sarah Morgan, Fabian Masters
Kyle Kapitula, Cortney Campbell
Cameron Williams, Jason Yun
Jett Fuss, Montana Masters
Mitchell Hayes, Tayla Gossow
Spencer Siu, Nathan Jackson
Adam Spencer, Bella Allegretto
Sophie O’Hehir, Maddison Dobe
Kaitlyn Mustey, Matthew Bakewell
Aiden, Giorgia Mastersson
John Villarico, Keagan Grundmann
Taleah Knight, William Caplick

Awesome Effort

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**Art Exhibition**
The Palmerston and Rural Community Art Exhibition will be held at the Palmerston Senior College Gymnasium and open to the public for viewing, from 9am to 2pm on the 12th – 15th December and on Saturday 10th December from 10am to 2pm

**COUNCIL CHATTER**

In this last 'Chatter' I'd like to congratulate all involved with 'Snugglepot and Cuddlepie' - what a wonderful event! RPS is blossoming and performing arts are a big part of that. Well Done!!
I'd also like to wish Mr Voigt a fond farewell and express gratitude to a great leader on behalf of the School Council and the school community. Good luck to you and your family.
Finally, I look forward to seeing hands raised to volunteer for Council and sub-committees next year - 2012 will be awesome!
Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Robyn Bryant
Chair, RPS School Council

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**Hip Hop, jazz & tap classes for ages 4yrs and up!!**
Palmerston & Howard Springs!
Enroll now for 2012

Where: Salvation Army hall, Woodroffe Palmerston)
Howard Springs Primary School (Howard Springs)

When: Mondays from 4:30pm (Palmerston)
Tuesdays from 3:30pm (Howard Springs)

Places filling fast. Secure your place for 2012!
Enroll in 2 classes, get $5 off the 2nd class.

Phone Sheree on- 0412580828

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**Palmerston Salvation Army**
Cnr Temple Ter & Woodroffe Ave, Woodroffe
Ph: (08) 8922 6529 Mob: 0439 033 826

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**BE CROCWISE**
Croc danger is real in the Top End. Don’t risk your life.
- crocs are common
- crocs move around
- crocs are dangerous
- read and obey all signs

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**SAM’s Dance Studio**

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Help support Rosebery Primary School through the Pauls Collect-A-Cap Program.
A specially marked bin is in reception for all collect-a-caps.

For every specially marked Pauls Collect-A-Cap that you bring in, Pauls will donate 10c towards our cause.
“Snuggle Pot and Cuddle Pie”