Hello Rosebery PS families,

Welcome back to Semester Two! I trust that you all had a fabulous break and either enjoyed some travel or some wonderful dry season weather. We’ve had a great start to the semester and staff and students have ensured we have slipped quickly back into “learning mode”. In some ways, it’s almost as if we never had the four week break!

![Every Child, Every Day](image)

Many of you will have seen the ads on television from the NT Government aimed at improving school attendance through the “Every Child, Every Day” campaign. Regular school attendance is very important at our school and I’ve been reasonably pleased with our attendance rates so far. This is largely due to 17 special people who have achieved 100% attendance for the whole of first semester. I’d like to celebrate this achievement in this report but also at our next whole school assembly. They are:

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Finally we have some expanded playground areas to use in our school, comprising three playground equipment sections, plenty of grassland, class planter boxes and our oval complete with AFL, Rugby and Soccer goalposts. This is already making a massive difference in our yard and the atmosphere is calm and happy now that the kids have more space and more play options. For the moment, we are hoping that the students can share all of the spaces in harmony, but we’ll be mindful to make sure that our Early Years students get a fair go at all times.

![Playgrounds are go!](image)

On Monday our staff enthusiastically participated in a day of learning about Restorative Practices. As you will know, this is the underpinning feature of the ways that we manage behaviour, assist in growing responsible students and develop a truly positive school culture. The teachers are keen to share their learning with you so feel free to ask them about how they are using Restorative Practices as part of their whole approach to classroom management. I’m sure you’ll agree they are doing a fantastic job with it.

![Restorative Practices Professional Learning](image)

A huge congratulations to Ms. Melanie Spencer for her work in arranging our visit by Greening Australia and Bridge Toyota today. Through this program we have been provided with more than 70 new trees and also seeds for future planting. As a school with a strong environmental conscience, this is a great achievement. I know our Primary Years students enjoyed getting their hands dirty on the task of planting the trees to make our school even greener!

As always, if you have anything that you wish to discuss about RPS or your child’s education, don’t hesitate to approach myself or our Assistant Principal Shona Henderson for a chat.

Have a great weekend!

Adam Voigt
Principal

Every Child, Every Day - improving student enrolment, attendance and participation is everybody’s responsibility and everyone’s business.
August

Date | Event
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Mon 1st | Public Holiday - Picnic Day
Tues 2nd | School Council meeting @ 6pm
Wed 17th | Blue Light Disco

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**Staff Profile**

**Teacher**

Name: Danielle Banicek

**Background:** Guildford, NSW.

**What do you love about RPS?**

Among many, the strong focus on kids getting along and performing arts.

**What was the last book you read?**

Does ‘That’s Life’ count? ...no seriously it was ‘The Girl with the Dragon tattoo’

**What’s the funniest thing that has happened to you?**

Strangely enough it was in the delivery suite of Westmead hospital after the birth of my first son. Excited about the event I hopped off the bed to go and have a look at him when I was rather hastily reminded I had another one to go!!

True Story...not sure if it was the funniest or the most embarrassing thing that has happened to me.

**What do you like to do in your spare time?**

Camping, Go Cart Racing with the family and socialising with friends.

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**COUNCIL CHATTER**

You will all be aware by now of the future resignation of Adam Voigt as our Principal. As the Chair of the School Council, I would like to acknowledge his work and effort over the last couple of years to build, mould and develop Rosebery Primary School; and express my appreciation for his patience, humour and persistence when dealing with the Council and DET! As a parent, I understand that there may be some concern in regards to the selection of his successor and potential changeover and would like to assure everyone that all efforts will be made to conduct effective selection processes and handover. Whoever comes next ..... it’ll be a hard act to follow!

On another matter, the Council has commenced discussions with DET and DCI in order to gain clear insight into the status of the playgrounds. In the next newsletter I will provide more information as to how this is proceeding. I thank the staff, students and families for their ongoing tolerance and patience and hope to have it nailed down shortly.

Robyn Bryant
Chair, Rosebery Primary School Council

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From now until September 18th 2011, you can earn one Earn & Learn point for our school for every $10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards or purchases made through Woolworths online or at Caltex Woolworths co-branded fuel outlets).

Points automatically appear on your shopping docket, so all you need to do is bring those docket to school (Woolworths have even given us a special collection box!).

The more points you bring in, the more we can redeem from a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources including library books, classroom equipment, art & crafts materials and much, much more!
Electronic Student Profile, or esp, is an online system that manages student records and enables you to keep in touch with your child’s performance and development at school. esp is the first online student profile system in Australian public schools where your child will have their own profile that will last their entire NT school life. It will include the up-to-date records of your child’s enrolment history, attendance records, assessments, achievements, certificates, awards and sample of your child’s work. esp will help you keep in touch with your child’s attendance and progress from the office or at home. esp will also connect teachers with students. You will be able to view how our NT Government teachers have coordinated the educational progress, development and individual needs of your child. This will help children when they advance in year levels and if they move between schools.

Please contact Rosebery Primary School to obtain a Login ID and password to access your Child’s esp.

**SLC UNIFORMS**

Rosebery’s SLC polo shirts have arrived. If you are a SLC Representative you may come to the office and buy your SLC shirt for $38.00

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Mega Plant & Car Boot Sale**

Howard Springs Primary School
Saturday 13th August, 8am - 12pm

BBQ and drinks on sale, White elephant trash and treasure, Second Hand Books
Cake Stall, Recycled Art and Craft
And Much More. (any donations would be appreciated) Phone: 89830000 or howard.springs@ntschoools.net

Come and join in the hunt for some goodies
Sites are available from $15
Please contact the school for more information. Support your local school in fundraising for a sustainable future.

**SIDS and Kids Northern Territory are holding their 2nd “Walk 2 Remember”**

This walk is for anyone who has been affected by the death of a baby, infant or child regardless of age or cause of death. Family and friends are encouraged to attend this special day in memory of these children.

This wonderful event has been attended by 12-year-old Taylor Peters who, in January 2011, lost her baby brother Kye on a cool cloudy 3 years before. Taylor said, “Taylor said, “Taylor is 12 years old and has been told about the event if you are interested in signing up. She wants to do something for her brother’s memory and this event is an opportunity to do that.”

**Where:** Sanctuary Lakes Cnr Lakeview Blvd & Buscall Ave Gunn (Palmerston) Northern Territory

**When:** Saturday 30th July 2011

**Time:** Registration @ 2:30pm, walk starts @ 3:30pm

**Cost:** Gold Coin Donation for registration

**Ballon release by everyone in attendance at approx 4:00pm (free balloons provided)** BBQ & drinks to follow

All monies raised from this event will go to supporting SIDS and Kids families. For further information please ring Fiona on 0417 885 510 or Pat at the SIDS and Kids Office on 89483511 or via email to darwin@sidsandkids.org or fax to 8948 5244

**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.

Special thanks to the Palmerston City Council for their grant to make this event possible and to our sponsors Darwin Castles, Majestic Orchids, Air Liquide, Top End Sounds, Kwanis Casuarina.