Hello Rosebery PS families,

Isn’t the year just flying by?! As we are now only three weeks from the end of the school year, I thought it might be timely to focus today’s newsletter on celebrating the achievements and milestones passed in our school and those that we have ahead of us in the next few weeks. Just one was the installation of some long-awaited shade to our play equipment this week, with more to come in the future.

Ms Primero, and indeed the entire school, have been working feverishly on our major production for 2011 – the Australian classic “Snugglepot & Cuddlepie”. I had my first opportunity to attend a whole school practice session this week and I can see something very special coming together. I strongly urge you all (parents, siblings, grandparents, aunties, uncles, everyone!) to come along on the evening of Wednesday December 7th to see just what can be achieved when a school with a commitment to the Performing Arts works hard together. It promises to be a fantastic night.

Next week, our Leadership team will be meeting with our Director of School Performance, Maree Garrigan, and the newly appointed Principal, Gail Smith, to plan for a fabulous 2012. Changing Principals can be an uncertain period in a school but I’ve been delighted so far with the amount of work and the level of thinking that is going into ensuring a smooth transition. I know the school is in great hands.

I would like to encourage all of our invited volunteers to come along on Thursday evening at 5.30pm for a celebration of your contribution to our school. Without the support of those who have given of their time and themselves - to do everything from supporting in class, to covering books and to participating on School Council – our school simply would not have achieved what we have in our inaugural year.

Next week will mark the start of our end of year celebrations with our Pre-School Christmas parties. Other classes will have Christmas parties coming too and we also have some other events like our Year 6 Graduation, class excursions, end of year assemblies and a special farewell to our first ever graduating Class of 2011 on the final day. Stay tuned as we’ll be making sure you get invitations to these special events shortly.

This Tuesday evening sees us hosting our Transition Information Evening at 5.30pm. All parents whose little ones are commencing Transition in 2012 are encouraged to come along and discover the wonderful program that is being offered. Attending will ensure that you are able to help your child overcome any fears and be completely at ease with the move into full-time schooling. It will be a very worthwhile evening.

As is always the case, if you have anything related to Rosebery PS or to your child’s education that you would like to discuss just let us know. Myself and our Assistant Principal Shona Henderson are happy to make some time to chat with you.

Warm regards,

Adam Voigt
Principal

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Every Child, Every Day - improving student enrolment, attendance and participation is everybody’s responsibility and everyone’s business.
Lilly Pennell, Lincoln Shean
Kia Rayner, Mitchell Symes
Latrell Muscat, Hamish Stewart
Jemma Gossow, Allie Fowler
Jalen Rosewall, Jordyn Wheeler
Jack Maher, Ashley Gardiner
Taliah Canuto, Shanae James
Alesha Richards, Thomas Howe
Oscar Ruru, Cooper Tankey
Jake Lichtwark, Courney Richards
Ciana Niesner, Kaitlin Sheather
Niamh Salter, Ebony Woods
Maria Kastellarizios

Date | Event
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**November**
Tues 29th | Transition 2012 Info Night 5.30 - 6.30
**December**
Tues 13th | Year 6 Graduation Dinner
Tues 13th | Year 6 - Wave Pool
Wed 14th | Awards Assembly
Wed 14th | Xmas Raffle Tickets Due (Sold or Unsold)
Fri 16th | Farewell Assembly @ 2pm
**January 2012**
Tues 31st | Students Resume for Term 1

**XMAS HAMPER**
Our final fundraiser for the year will be Christmas Hampers. Our aim is to compile 3 hampers packed full of festival goodies to raffle. If you would like to make a donation towards the hampers please drop your items into reception.

**Galaxy Book Fair**
What a great response from the Galaxy Book Fair.
Total books sold $3016
Total raised for RPS $950
A BIG THANK YOU to Kim Jackson who hosted the book fair and did an awesome job.

**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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**Staff Profile**

Name: Leila Beale
Teacher

Background: I was born in the Philippines and have lived in the Northern Territory since 1988.

**What do you love about RPS?** Every staff member is dedicated to making RPS the best community school in the NT. The students are cheerful and committed to learning.

**What was the last book you read?** Fire Along The Sky by Sara Donati

**What’s the funniest thing that has happened to you?** I’m still waiting for it to happen!

**What do you like to do in your spare time?** I love to read historical romance and make my children’s day by asking them to clean their bedrooms.

Thank you to our wonderful RPS community for your support in collecting Coles Vouchers and Woolworths Earn & Learn points. With all of the points collected we have ordered a variety of equipment and resources such as library books, puzzles, sports gear and much more. What a great effort!
Welcome

My name is Sam Spry and I am the Defence School Transition Aide (DSTA) at Rosebery Primary School until the end of the year. I'm a defence spouse with 2 young children so I understand the pressures of defence life and how it can affect children.

My aim as the DSTA is to help make your child's time here at Rosebery Primary School a smooth transition. I am here to assist you with any concerns that you may have with educational and social well being needs of your child/ren at school.

I spend time in all of the classrooms getting to know the children and helping out.

I understand the need to make the transition into a new school and out of school as smooth and comfortable as possible for your child/ren as starting at a new school or departing can be unsettling.

It is important that you advise me or the classroom teacher if either parent is away on exercise, course or deployment. These types of absences can cause a student to become unsettled in the classroom and at home.

My office door is always open to the children and parents, if there is anything I can help with please do not hesitate to contact me on 8930 5100 or sam.spry@ntschools.net

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.

ENROLING NOW

Rosebery Middle School is now taking enrolments for 2012. If your child will be attending RMS next year please ensure you contact RMS reception as soon as possible with completed enrolment forms. For enrolment information please contact RMS reception on 8930 5200

YMCA NEWS

YMCA After school care is offering a Holiday Care Program at Driver and Good Shepherd for 4 weeks commencing on the 19th of December to 23rd of January 2012. Durack is also open for 2 weeks. 1st week commence on 19/12/2011 and the 2nd week will be on 23/01/2012. Places are limited and booking is essential. For booking information please contact YMCA on 0409875230. Bookings close on the 2nd of December 2011.

SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2011

Museum Grounds from 10am to 3pm

for unique gifts come to the Territory Craft

Christmas Craft Fair

food and drinks also available

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.
These are Rosebery Primary School’s entries for the *Palmerston and Rural Community Art Exhibition*. The exhibition will be held at the Palmerston Senior College Gymnasium and open to the public for viewing, from 9am to 2pm on the 12\textsuperscript{th} – 15\textsuperscript{th} December and on Saturday 10\textsuperscript{th} December from 10am to 2pm.