Parents and Carers,
Welcome back to Term 2. We have had a busy start to the term so far and this term will be full of fun and exciting learning opportunities for everyone. These are some of the events taking place this term:

- We have Territory FM coming to talk to some of our students in Transition on Monday and they will have their answers to some questions taped and played on Territory FM at a certain time. If your child is one of the students to be involved you will also receive a permission letter today which needs to be returned to school Monday morning for them to be able to participate, sorry about the short notice.
- We have parent teacher interviews next week, ensure you have booked your time with teachers. I will also be around if anyone has any queries or just wants to touch base during interview times.
- Our Year 5/6 students will be going on camp in week 4 to Adventure Bound where they will experience some great learning and face some challenges and undertake some team building activities. I will be attending camp on Wednesday to see how all is going and talk to the children about their experiences and spend some time with them, I am looking forward to the opportunity to get to know our students in a setting outside of the school environment.
- In week 5 of term we have NAPLAN testing for years 3 and 5 students. To prepare your children for this national testing regime you could ensure you are getting them to read aloud to you or someone each night and remind them about how important it is to ask questions if they are unsure of something in class. It is also good when travelling in the car or shopping to talk to children about the literacy and numeracy in our everyday lives. For example ask them to read the traffic signs for you, ask how many checkouts there are at the supermarket, get them to count the pieces of fruit you are buying, calculate how many lots of meat you would need for the weekly meal, estimate how much money you might need to pay for what you purchase etc. All this helps and connects their learning at school with the real world and makes learning relevant for them.
- We have a number of Associate Teachers working with our classroom co-teaching teams throughout this term. You may notice some extra teachers in your child’s classes over the coming weeks from time to time. These students are learning about becoming teachers and will be involved with class activities under the guidance of the classroom teachers.
- In week 10 on the last day of school we are having our inaugural sports day carnival here on our oval. More information will be coming your way about this as time progresses. Ms Ludwig our PE teacher is working with all classes preparing them for this through practicing high jump, running races, etc. This will be an exciting event and one which the children I am sure will enjoy. Leading up to this all students are asked to wear their sports shirts every Friday this term to get house points for their team. The only other day they should be wearing this shirt is on their class’s allocated PE day.

There are probably lots of other equally exciting events or learning happening this term but these are some of what will be taking place throughout this term. Term 2 is traditionally a busy term but a nice cool one too.

I would like to welcome Sally-Anne Phillips who is teaching our newly created 5/6 class. I would also like to welcome Laura Ayres back to Rosebery as she has now returned from leave. I would like to also congratulate Fiona McLoughlin, who was teaching Laura’s Transition class last term, on winning the Senior Teacher Early Years position in Shannon Birch’s absence.

Just a quick reminder for parents/carers and children that school starts at 8.10 and students should be arriving at school between 7.50 and 8.10 in the morning, our supervision of students begins at 7.50. If children ride or scoot to school, when they arrive they should immediately put their bike or scooter in the appropriate bike rack and move out of that area. It is important that you speak with your children about road safety riding or scooting to and from school and we follow up with that at school. Your support around this is appreciated.

I look forward to seeing many of you here next week at parent/teacher interviews.

Gail Smith
Principal

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ALLERGIES

Rosebery Primary School is dedicated to providing a safe environment for our students. In order to assist students in our school with severe nut allergies we are asking all of our parents to help us promote a nut free environment.

As a result we ask you not to send to school the following items:

- Sandwiches with peanut butter or other nut butters or pastes.
- Nuts in biscuits, sweets or salads
- Muesli bars containing nuts
- Or any other forms of nuts

Please assist us in keeping your children safe
SCHOOL GROUP PHOTO’S
Group photos of RPS Music Band, SLC and Choir are now available to order. Group photos are on display in reception along with order forms.

SCHOOL DENTIST
For any student dental procedures or enquiries please contact the Palmerston Dental Clinic at the Health Precinct on 8999 3314.

DSTA NEWS
As we are heading into a very busy time for all military members with many of them being deployed on Exercise for a long period of time I urge you to speak with your child’s class teacher or myself and inform us of the absence.
I must also remind you of the Defence Family Helpline which is now operating. The Defence Family Helpline is the first point of contact for ADF Members, their partners, children and relatives who seek assistance. Call: 1800 624 608
The Defence Family Helpline operates 24-7 and is staffed by qualified human services professionals including social workers and psychologists.

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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.

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