Parents and Carers,

Term 4 has started with some highly productive work being undertaken in classrooms as I visited each class yesterday. Please ensure you take time to contact your child/ren's teacher if you have any concerns or queries.

I would like to welcome Mr Robbie Dunbar as our Physical Education Teacher this term as Ms Ludwig is on class whilst she fully recovers with her broken leg. Also welcome to Ms Val Gray to our Year 3/4 class for Term 4 whilst Ms Bracegirdle is on long service leave. Ms Gray has already made a great start to the term introducing some new and exciting ideas to the routine. Mr Morrison has returned only to have made a decision that his family needs him in Queensland so he will be finishing with us at the end of next week. We wish him well. We have been lucky to secure a great teacher in his place, Ms Andrea Forlani from WA who will spend this coming Monday in class getting to know the students and the co-teachers she will be working with when she starts in week 3. Mr Morrison and Ms Bracegirdle have made a commitment to write the student reports with additional information contributed by the new teachers if they are able. This in fact is the best way for us to ensure your children are getting a quality report that will inform you of their achievements and areas that need to improve. If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to come and make a time with any of the teachers or myself to discuss this further.

We are currently looking at staffing and classes for 2013 so if you haven’t already informed the school if you are moving on next year it would be appreciated if this could be done as soon as possible so we can accurately put classes together and inform everyone in the last week of school. If you have a preschool child wanting to begin in 2013 you should already have their name down. If not you need to do this as a matter of urgency as I am nearing completion of interviews for next year in the next few weeks.

I am very pleased to announce that Mrs Karen Jeffery has been shortlisted in the 2012 Teaching in the Territory Excellence Awards in the category of NT Early Childhood Teacher of the Year. This is a very difficult field to win so being shortlisted really shows the quality of our program that we conduct in Transition which has been largely due to the guidance and mentoring of Mrs Jeffery. Our transition classes and teachers continue to impress all who come and see what is going on in that area of our school and they should be very proud of their achievements. Your children are very lucky to have such dedicated and passionate teachers in Ms Jeffery, Ms Barrick and Ms Robson. Please join with me in wishing Karen well in the final selection of NT Early Childhood Teacher of the Year.

Our NAPLAN highlights for 2012 are as follows:

- In Year 3 Writing 69% of our students were At or Above the National Minimum standard (NMS).
- In Year 5 Reading 69% of our students were Above the NMS.
- In Year 5 Writing 65% of our students were At or Above the NMS.
- In Year 5 Spelling 68% of our students were At or Above the NMS.
- In Year 5 Numeracy 64% of our students were At or Above the NMS.
- In Year 5 Numeracy of the 64% At or Above the NMS and Spelling of the 68% At or Above the NMS, 7% of both these areas indicated our students were in the top 20% of all Australian students.

This information along with assessments from the classroom teachers will assist us in providing the best learning opportunities for your child/ren in 2013 and we will be setting improvement targets in our Annual Operational Plan in the areas of greatest need across our school.

Three of our teachers, Mrs Henderson, Mrs Jeffery and Ms Birch recently presented at the National Australian Curriculum and Educational Leaders Conference in Brisbane over the week break. They were presenting the Co-teaching model we use at Rosebery as Inspiring Innovative Teaching Teams. I have received some extremely positive feedback from participants in their session. It is an enormous feat to have a presentation accepted at the National ACEL Conference but to then have what we do at Rosebery Primary School as the focus was so fantastic. Congratulations!

Over the past few months under the National Partnership Agreement on Indigenous Early Childhood Development, Palmerston has been working hard consulting with schools and families in the creation of a ‘place’ which aims to improve the services available to Indigenous children and families, whilst ensuring these services are comprehensive, connected and culturally appropriate and accessible. If you would like to have your say please come to our Whole School Assembly Friday 19th and join us for an informal chat and coffee and provide your input into what is needed in the Palmerston Region to support Indigenous Families. If you simply want to know more about this initiative let me know and I can tell you what I know, otherwise join us next Friday. I hope to see you then.

Enjoy the weekend.

Gail Smith
Principal.
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Thanks

Robyn Bryant
Chair, Rosebery Primary School Council

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**2013 SCHOOL YEAR**

In preparation for the 2013 school year can you please advise (if you have not already done so) as to whether your child/ren will be returning to Rosebery Primary School. This will allow us to start preparing classes for next year. Please advise the school as soon as possible by ringing reception on 8930 5100 or email roseberyps.admin@ntschools.net

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**LOST PROPERTY**

The lost property bin is slowly filling up. If you have lost something please call into reception to have a look. We have 8 brand new jackets, hats, shoes, jewellery and lunch boxes.

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**ROSEBERY PS ATTENDANCE**

Week 10, Term 3

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**National Bandanna Day**

**Friday 26 October 2012**

If you want to show young people that you support their fight against cancer, and that you will not let cancer be the boss of them, support National Bandanna Day on Friday 26th October. Bandanna’s will be for sale at school for $4 each.

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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.

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**COUNCIL CHATTER**

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For families of Year 6 students who reside in the RMS priority enrolment area, please come along and see the state of the art facilities, meet the staff and have your say and questions answered. Thursday 8th November 2012 5.00pm until 6.00pm in the library, Corner of Belyuen Road and Forrest Parade, Rosebery. Please contact the school on: 8930 5200 or admin.rms@ntschools.net for further information. Respect Teamwork Bravery Safety

GLASS JARS
Our school canteen is looking for donations of glass jars with lids. Marlene (Canteen Manager) will be making some yummy pickles which will be for sale from the canteen.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB
Book club orders are due back at school on FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER. Orders are unable to be placed after this date. Payments can be made to the school via cash or Eftpos. Every Purchase made raises credit for the school which goes towards new resources for our classrooms.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION - 2012

CANTEEN SPECIALS

Mon:  
- Hot Dog $3.00
- Basic Sandwich, Egg $2.50
- Ham, Chicken, Vegemite $2.50
- Cheese or Tuna $2.50
- Basic Sandwich, Fruit, & Milk $5.20

Tues:  
- Spaghetti Bolognaise $3.00
- Spaghetti Bolognaise $5.20
- Garlic Bread & Popper $5.20

Wed:  
- Pluto Pup $3.00
- Pluto Pup, Popper & Muffin $5.20

Thur:  
- Carbonara $3.00
- Carbonara, Fruit & Popper $5.20

Fri:  
- Pizza, Popper & Cake $3.00

Palmerston Markets presents
FRIDAY 26TH OCT 2012
5 - 9pm
THE KIDS LARGEST FREE PARTY

You are invited to celebrate the end of Market Season with THE LARGEST FREE KIDS PARTY EVA!

EXCITING ENTERTAINMENT  6pm to 9pm
MANY FREE ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT PRECINCT

This Seasons Stall Holders book a site early!

Prizes given out for the best kids dress up costume @ 5:30pm
Dora & Diego will come exploring with free giveaways!

Govder Square, Frances Mall, Palmerston
Visit www.facebook.com/PalmerstonMarkets for more information