Parents/Carers,

I have been spending some time down in classrooms this week and have been very happy with the way all students have settled in this year. We have some exciting programs and activities happening in our classrooms so if you haven’t had time to see for yourself please feel free to speak to the teachers and organise to spend some time visiting your child’s class.

After receiving feedback last year regarding the NT News annual pictorial feature of Transition students, the decision has been taken to have our transition students included in the NT News photo shoot this year. If you have a child currently enrolled in transition and do not want their photo and name published in the NT News you need to inform the reception staff. At this stage we only have 3 transition students who do not have media permission, if you wish to change that you will need to inform the reception staff otherwise the photos will be taken with only the children who have full media permission as per completed on the enrolment form. The NT News will be organising the photo shoot sometime in the coming weeks. Keep your eye on the NT News as they will advertise the publication date.

Our new school times are working quite well. Just a reminder that children should not be arriving at school prior to 7.45am and should be leaving the school grounds immediately after school finishes at 2.30pm or attending After School Care to fit with our official Duty of Care as a school. It is important that children arrive at school, head home or are picked up in a timely manner, not too early and not too late. If your child is in Preschool the start time is 8.10am and parents should wait with their children and pickup time is 2.10pm. It is important that you are on time to pick up your preschoolers as the teachers have meetings and other commitments after that time.

As you may have noticed we have added two extra children’s zebra crossings in the rear car park near the classrooms. It is vital that all drivers obey the road rules and drive carefully. Please ensure your children cross the road at the children's zebra crossing. This week when it has been raining we have had some issues with congestion in the car parks. This is unavoidable with a school our size when almost everyone drops their children off by car. Please be patient and follow road rules to ensure our school remains a safe place for all. I would remind people that the drop off zones are not to park and get out to take your child into the school, they are to drop off and move on so others can do the same. We are now a big school and need to remember to work together to ensure the safety of our children.

Triple P is a Positive Parenting Program that we are offering free of charge to Rosebery Primary School families. This is a wonderful program to support and help you in your parenting journey, to encourage behaviour you like, to deal with problem behaviour, to gain confidence, to be realistic about parenting and to help you take care of yourself as a parent. If you are keen to be involved please complete the Expression of Interest on the attached flyer and return it to school by March 1st so an appropriate time and date can be set and locked in with the presenters.

Children need a nourishing recess and lunch to make it through the day. It is important that you ensure your children come to school with lunch or a canteen order each day. Teachers will be in contact with parents where this is not the case. Oh and remember we now have Our Online Canteen ordering!

Our Rosebery Primary School Uniform is bright and colourful and bares the school logo as we wanted to create a real identity for our school. This is something that the School Council strongly supports and the school consistently works toward instilling this sense of belonging and identity with all students. So if you are going home after school it is a good idea to change into other clothes before going out to play as it keeps your uniform in good condition longer and shows you respect being a part of the Rosebery Primary School Community. We also encourage everyone to uphold the good name of our school when wearing our uniform outside of school grounds.

The Rosebery Primary School Council AGM will be held on Monday 11th March at 5.00pm for a 5.30pm start in the staff room. We are pleased to offer light refreshments prior to the meeting so come along and have a cuppa with us. We would like to encourage all Parents/Carers to consider joining the Council to be an active participant in your children's education! To nominate yourself or another Parent/Carer for a position on the council please complete the attached nomination form and return to reception by Friday 8th March.

Have a great weekend

Gail Smith
Principal

Every Child, Every Day - improving student enrolment, attendance and participation is everybody’s responsibility and everyone’s business.
The Department of Education is required to ensure the safety and well-being of its students and staff. The wet weather policy outlines the responsibilities and procedures for staff and students in the instance of heavy rain and/or an electric storm, during school hours and on dismissal of students at home time. Students will not necessarily be dismissed at home time if there is heavy rainfall or an electrical storm. The Principal will decide at the time, and students will be dismissed when it is judged safe for them to make their way home. If there is an impending storm, parents may come earlier to collect their children from their classroom.

NAPLAN 2013

The 2013 NAPLAN Information for Parents brochure has been sent out to all Grade 3 and 5 parents this week. The brochure provides background information on the testing details. It is also available on the DECS website: [www.education.nt.gov.au/teachers-educators/assessment-reporting/nap/schools](http://www.education.nt.gov.au/teachers-educators/assessment-reporting/nap/schools)

LOST VALUABLES

We have had several valuable items handed in to reception, if you believe you have lost an item of value. Please contact reception.

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**Date** | **Event**
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**March** | 
Fri 1st | Whole School Assembly
Fri 8th | Early Childhood Assembly
Fri 8th | School Council Nominations Due
Mon 11th | Annual General Meeting @ 5pm
Thurs 28th | Pupil Free Day

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**Week 3, Term 1 Attendance** Total Enrolments: 433

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Rosebery Primary School is currently updating Student Asthma records and ask parents to please complete the new forms that were sent home and return them to school to ensure our records are kept up to date.

If you child/ren suffers from Asthma and you have not notified the school or have not completed the new forms for 2013 please contact reception on 8930 5100.

Rosebery Primary School is committed to the safety of our students and staff are trained in Asthma First Aid.

For further information on Asthma please visit: [asthmaaustralia.org.au](http://asthmaaustralia.org.au)
FRIENDLY FRIDAY

Friendly Friday is here and we need your help! We are looking for parents/carers to join other willing community members each Friday morning for ‘Friendly Friday’, a morning dedicated to covering our much needed resources whilst getting to know each other. Tea, coffee and morning tea, will be provided. Younger siblings welcome, play corner provided. See you from 9am onwards each Friday in the Multipurpose room adjacent to reception.

SIGN ON DAY SENIORS AND JUNIORS
When: Sunday 24th February
Time: 10.30 am till 2.00 pm
Where: The Clubhouse at Fred’s Pass
For further information please phone 89884139 or 0428268937.

Rosebery Primary school has now registered with online canteen ordering through ‘Our Online Canteen’.

Please Note
All online orders must be submitted by 9am on the day your order is required. Orders can be entered into the system up to 2 weeks prior to the required day.

Paper bag lunch orders can still be placed through the canteen as well as over the counter sales. When placing online orders after registering, you will be asked to enter a room number for your child’s class, please type into this section RPS.

If you have any questions regarding online ordering please contact either ‘Our Online Canteen’ on 1300484888 or the schools reception on 9305100.

www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

DCO Welcome to The Top End Community Service EXPO and Family Day

SUNDAY 24th FEBRUARY 2013
10:00am TIL 1:00pm

WHAT’S ON?
- Face Painting
- Jumping Castles
- Animal Encounters
- Performing Arts
- Indigenous Dancers
- YWCA
- Belly Dancers
- Irish Dancers
- Latin Dancers
- Karate
- Cyclone Information
- Power/Water Saving tips
- Water In the tropics
- DFA
- DCO Services
- All the fun things to see and do in the Top End

For more information please call DCO Darwin on 89997500 or Email on dco.darwin@defence.gov.au
House Captains
Jade Morris
Cooper Tankey

Vice House Captains
Trinity Shaddick
Jackson

MARNBA

House Captains
Tia
Haven

Vice House Captains
Nathan Jackson
Jayden Humphreys

BALLI

House Captains
Chloe Armstrong
Jordan Wright

Vice House Captains
Michala Watson-Collins
Kenny O’Connor

MENIDA

House Captains
Ashley Spry
Alesha Richards

Vice House Captains
Jordan Buchan
Brendan

WAMBA

SLC
(Student Leadership Council)
Mikaela White
Saharah Pereira
Monique McKenzie
Tendai Nesvinga
Sarah Mortimore
Jade Morris

Tianna Gilchrist
Kaitlyn Creber
Denique Stewart
Keely Martin
Tristan Hochkins
Bella Sherwell