Parents/Carers,

This term has been a busy one and we have had some wonderful events and occasions to celebrate student success during this time. You will soon be receiving your child’s report for the semester so I have included with this newsletter another *Insights* article by Michael Grose which focuses on ‘Help your child ACHIEVE’. The 10 points it suggested are what we encourage you to follow to ensure your child receives the support, encouragement and praise as required. Much of what is listed in the 10 points is what we already do in partnership with many parents but unless your child’s education is a partnership between home and school they will be at a disadvantage compared to others. Please keep in mind when you receive this report that it is only midyear and we are only half way through what children need to achieve for their year level and have the conversations with them with that in mind.

To ensure your child has a bright future you must make sure they attend school **every day and on time**. The link between school attendance and how well children do at school is well established and grounded in research. The more time children spend at school the more likely they are to experience success in learning. Students who are regularly absent from school are at a greater risk of not achieving expected levels, dropping out of school early or experiencing long term unemployment into the future. I strongly encourage you to follow a few simple rules around school attendance:

1. Attend school every day (if sick call in and if more than 5 days obtain a Dr certificate).
2. Be on time and ready to learn.
3. Take family holidays in term breaks, there are 12 weeks of holiday time each year.
4. Advise the school (and teacher) of any issues or concerns or make and appointment to speak with one of the Leadership Team at the earliest convenience so we are aware of any potential behavioural changes with your children.

I would like to remind all parents to speak to your children about staying safe when with friends or without an adult in public places. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation came to our school and spoke to our students last year about Recognising danger, Reacting to anything that doesn’t make them feel good and Reporting it as soon as possible. Could you please speak to your children about the ability to **RECOGNISE**, to **REACT** and to **REPORT** anything suspicious when out in the community to help keep everyone safe.

Safety in our school car parks has improved of late and I would like to thank all those who are doing the right thing. From time to time parents from school council will be assisting to make our car parks safe by spending time in these spaces in the afternoons to help remind others of being safe around our school. Please respond in a positive and friendly manner to anyone who is trying to keep our school car park areas safer. Teachers and these parents will be wearing our pink Staff fluro vests so they will be easy to spot.

This week is the launch of Stay Smart Online to which we are a partner school. This is about cyber safety and anti bullying online. We had Miss Underwood and Miss Walker’s year 1 classes filmed and appear on the 9 News Monday evening as well as Minister Chandler and myself speaking about safety online. Please remember our focus on anti-bullying is also around online so stay alert to what it is your children are doing on their mobile devices or online.

Enjoy the long weekend with your family.

Gail Smith
Principal

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

Leah Kapitula—Resilience
Georgia Fitzell—Confidence
Victoria Hanna—Confidence
Rosinia Kastellorizios—Respect
Lois Lorio—Integrity
Pooja Matta—Respect
Shanniqua Muscat—Cooperation
Aidan Groves—Resilience
Caitlyn McCallum—Respect
Chloe Driscoll—Respect
Lucas Bradshaw—Respect
Kobe Creber—Respect
Zachary Bakewell—Integrity

**Mother’s Day**

The Mother’s Day stall opened early on Friday 2nd May as the year 5 and 6 students would be absent during week 4. This ensured all students had the opportunity to surprise their mum’s with something special on Mother’s day. The stall was supported by fantastic volunteers working behind the scenes to raise $1291 for our school community. This money will be put to use in and around our school grounds.

**CLASS MERIT AWARDS**

Connor Macleod, Emima Ebin, Koby Smith, Jack Nicholas, Joseph Moriarty, Sophie, Zac, Kaelyn Berry, Annabell Kay, Jacob Miller, Shaylee Brooker, Sarah Williams, Matthew, Jye Parsons, Chloe Hancock, Aria, Edwahn Nieva, Kristy Campbell, Zoe Allen, Daunte Coggins, Danny Morris, Rebekah Ebin, Matthew Bakewell, Courtney Richards, Ashley, Isaac Bann, Adam Dodge, Ethan Gibbons, Morgan, Pranavan Sathya-Narayanan, Shanae James, Hugo de Koeyer, Kitty Poniris, Frank Majetic
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 DENTIST
For any dental work or enquiries please call the Palmerston Dental Clinic at the Health Precinct on 8930 5140, follow the prompts and leave your message.

ABSENTEE LINE
Rosebery Primary School has an absentee line for students who will be absent from school. Parents or Carers can ring 8930 5140, follow the prompts and leave your message.

SIDE SHOW SPECTACULAR
JUNE/JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2014
MYSTERIES TO SOLVE
MAGIC TO PERFORM
ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS
CLOWNS AND MONKEYS
CLAY-MATION
ANCIENT ORIENTAL ARTS
CONTRATIONISTS
MEDICINE SHOW

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Books Books Books
A friendly reminder that all Library Books and Home Readers need to be returned to your child/rens class. This will give us enough time to repair any damages and find any books that may have gone “Missing in Action”!
Please have all books returned by Friday 13th June.

SCHOOL SPORT
Brayden recently participated in a three day School Sport 12 years Rugby League tournament. At the end of the tournament an NT team was selected to travel to Wollongong NSW to play in the ‘School Sport Australia 12yrs & Under Rugby League Championships’ 9—16 August 2014.
We’d like to congratulate Brayden for his selection and wish him the best of luck for at the Championships.
**Year 5/6 Camp**

**In term 2 wk 4**, the year 5/6 students went to Batchelor camp. We had hours of fun... Jordan

How did we get there, you say, well **we took a bus!!**... Nathan

The bus journey was fun and loud, as people were singing!!...........Leah

Sleeping was very uncomfortable for me, as I had sadly forgotten my pillow! Sarah

**After all the pain** of sleeping in those uncomfortable beds, camp was fantastically amazing! Shayne

We did a **garbage fashion parade**, and all the costumes were amazing! Adam

I did **archery** it was very exciting, I even hit the bullseye! Josh

I went **snorkelling** in the pool, it was fun, but in the end swam to the bottom and popped my ear drum, ALL FOR 20c!! Ben

I was a bit scared being away from my family, and overall camp was tiring! Ethan J

I want to GO AGAIN!! Katie

I loved camp because it was very good. I would like to go on camp EVERY TERM! Ethan J

The **high ropes** were scary and mind blowing! John

I was the first girl to get to the top of both **rock climbing** walls! Shanae

The **kayaks and canoes** move swiftly over the cold old lakes! Jesse

I loved the **food!!** Brendan

Overall it was the **best camp** I’ve ever had!! Nathan

So overall, my FIRST time on camp way fabulous, and it felt like when you’re on camp you want to go home, and when you’re at home you want to go back to camp! James

I think camp was awesome, although it was a **bit scary** going past cabin 6 (The haunted cabin)! Priya

**Overall, it was fun and adventurous. If I could choose to go again I WOULD!!** Dylan

It was an enjoyable and **peaceful place** to be!! Jesse

Overall I had a great time at camp and I **want to go again**! Jayden

The activities were **awesome**, camp was **amazing**, but it was a tiring week as well!! Leah

I thought the whole place was a great facility, I **missed my mum** though! Ronnie

Camp wasn’t like I expected it to be. It was adventurous, tiring and challenging. The activities were meant for ENERGETIC PEOPLE!! Kenny

The **facilities and activities were fabulous**, exciting and different, (while the maintenance was very much in need of improvement)!! Jacob

I’m new at RPS, but the Principal took me out to camp for a day to meet my classmates. Camp was FUN and COOL! Ayden

I was a little upset about leaving camp, but I **was glad to be home**. It felt a little funny being back in the city again! Jannine

**GoNE CAMPING**

And the end of the camp I felt very good, happy and brave it was **one of the best camps I’ve been on!!** Luke

P.S. special thanks to our awesome right hand men who were always there IN OUR MANY TIMES OF NEED!! Hayden, Ethan M and Luke