

Turtle Times

Rosebery

PRIMARY SCHOOL



A message from the Principal

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This week I had the opportunity to show off our village to our regional Senior Director and the Assistant Director of School Improvement. After spending some time in my office discussing our school's plan for strengthening literacy and numeracy, the true highlight was taking them on a walk through our school.

As we moved through classrooms and outdoor spaces, we were greeted by our students' friendly faces, our welcoming staff, and the warm, positive energy that fills our school. They were able to see firsthand the strong learning behaviours and genuine engagement of our students—from Transition right through to Year 6.

I was incredibly proud to share the wonderful work happening across our school and the sense of community that makes our village so special.

NAPLAN

This week our students have been engaging in NAPLAN practice sessions to help them feel confident and prepared for the upcoming tests. Our focus has been on building familiarisation—showing students what the online platform looks like, guiding them through sample questions, and practising strategies that support careful reading, problem-solving, and time management.

The principal's message continued.

NAPLAN continued

Just as importantly, we've been working to keep the experience calm and positive. We continue to remind students that NAPLAN is simply one snapshot of their learning and not something to feel stressed about.

Encouraging routines like good sleep, healthy eating, and taking breaks has helped students approach the practice sessions with confidence. We're proud of how calmly and responsibly they have engaged throughout the week.

As we move closer to test time, our message remains consistent: do your best, stay calm, and remember that NAPLAN does not define you—it's just one of many ways we see your learning and growth.

Encouraging Students to Speak Up Early

One of the biggest things we encourage is for students to speak up early—especially when something small has happened. A quick chat with a teacher, trusted staff member, or someone from our wellbeing team can stop a minor issue turning into a bigger one.

Parents can really help here too. If your child shares something at home that seems small but has been bothering them, please encourage them to come and talk to someone at school. And of course, you're always welcome to reach out to us directly if that feels easier. We'd much rather know early so we can support our kids in a calm, restorative way.

By talking openly and working together, we can make sure our school stays the strong, connected village we all value—one where every child feels heard, cared for, and supported.

And lastly ...just drop in 😊

At school, we value open communication and working together to support our students. If you ever notice something, walk past a situation that doesn't feel quite right, or have a concern—big or small—please drop in and let us know. Often, knowing about something early means we can act quickly to support students, address misunderstandings, and prevent small issues from becoming bigger problems. Your partnership and willingness to share concerns help us keep our village safe, supportive, and thriving for every child.

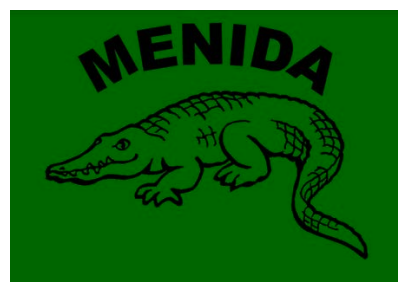


*Mrs Danielle Banicek
Principal*

*"Growing and learning through curiosity,
creativity and collaboration"*

Calendar Term 1 2026

EVENT	DATE
Dance Troupe Camp #1	6-8 March
NAPLAN Testing	11-20 March
Healthy Harold Pre-Y2	16-18 March
NAPLAN catch up testing	16-20 March
Parent Teacher Interviews	24 March 3:00-5:30pm
Last day of term 1	2 April
School holidays	3 April- 13 April
First day of term 2	Tuesday 14 April



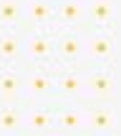
Assembly Host	Date
Transition Moir	27 February
Y 3/4 Frazer	13 March
y 2 Costa	27 March

Award recipients

Class	Value Award	Principal Award
Transition Moir	Hoorain Adeel	-
Transition Baker	-	-
Transition Gan	Jesse Bell, Elme' Deetlefs	-
Year 1 Jaya	Nathaniel Davis, Grace Coombs	Amelia Sloan, Sophira Nicolls- Fitzgerald
Year 1 Pathak	Daniel Cansino, Hazel Maiolo	-
Year 2 Costa	Elsie Elmy, Aashray Shar	-
Year 3 Marsh	K.Williams, Hudson Sloan	Sophia McGee
Year 3 Dona	Duke Coombs, Kehlani Tipungwuti	Harvey Hogan
Year 3/4 Frazer	Matthew Marsh, Jacob Kerle	Arib Farjaab
Year 4 Cunningham	C.Williams, Zara Davis	-
5/6 Gilbody	Meagan Bullock, Jaykob Gibson	-
5/6 Guse	Dane Higgins, Murphy Beaumont	-
5/6 Yeni	Declan Mills, Stella Watego	-
5/6 Rahman	Tazmyn Knight, Nash Jackson	Grace O'Shea, Max Waqa

YEAR 1/2

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We have had a fantastic start to the year in 1/2 Page. Over the past few weeks, students have been getting to know one another, building positive relationships, and learning the routines and expectations of our new classroom. It has been wonderful to see everyone settling in so confidently.



In Literacy, we have been exploring the modelled texts *A Year on Our Farm* and *Ask Aunty: Seasons*. Through these texts, students have been learning about the four seasons while also exploring Indigenous seasons. This has led to many rich and thoughtful discussions about the wet and dry seasons and the Indigenous seasonal calendar in the Northern Territory. Students have been making meaningful connections to their own experiences and observations.

In Mathematics, we have been revising our number knowledge to strengthen fluency and confidence. Our Year 2 students have begun an exciting team challenge focused on "Making 1000," which is encouraging collaboration, and problem-solving.



We have also started our Makers Empire: Kids in Space. Students are already showing great enthusiasm and creativity as they begin developing their design, critical thinking and questioning skills.

Schoolwide Positive Behaviour (SWPB)



COOPERATION - RESPECT - CONFIDENCE

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Week 5-6 Focus

RESPECT

Be Respectful

- We take turns and share materials
- We take care of learning materials and equipment



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Schoolwide Positive Behaviour (SWPB)



The SWPB team supports our school by establishing clear expectations, guiding students to make positive choices, and celebrating classes that consistently demonstrate our school values.



In collaboration with School Council, the SWPB team recently reviewed our values and recognised that having five values was a little overwhelming. To ensure clarity and consistency across our school, we have refined our focus to three core values:

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HOME COMPOSTING REBATE



Composting or worm farming is a great way to reduce your household's food waste and minimise landfill contributions. To support this effort, we offer the home composting rebate, which provides eligible Palmerston residents with a rebate of up to \$50 off the purchase of qualifying composting equipment.

To be eligible you:

- Must live in the Palmerston municipality.
- Can only claim one rebate per household.
- May only purchase composting bins and worm farms (exclusion of accessories such as compost tools and benchtop bins).

To claim your rebate:

- Buy your compost bin or worm farm from a Northern Territory business.
- Complete the Home Composting Rebate online form - including proof of purchase and proof of your Palmerston address.



Rosebery Primary Playgroup
Fortnightly Wednesdays 8-10am.
4 March, 18 March, 1 April
Venue: Preschool room 2.



19th of February 1942 BOMBING OF DARWIN



Community Notice Board

AFL PLAY

GOOD CLEAN FUN
PALMERSTON ALL GIRLS

TUESDAY 5PM-6PM
STARTING 3RD MARCH
DRIVER PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAL
REGISTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A GURNSEY!

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5-7 years

AFL Superkick
8-12 years

Rural Athletics Centre

Join us for the upcoming 2026 season! Whether you Run, Jump, Throw or just giving it a go - we welcome all levels of experience to RAC!

3 COME & TRY DAYS

Come & Try Days
Mon 16th & Wed 18th March 5pm-6.30pm
Sat 21st March 8am-10am

Location: Freds Pass

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Rural Athletics Centre

For more information & events
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Water Familiarisation

CASUARINA AQUATIC CENTRE
12th February 2026 - 19th March 2026
4:30-5:30pm every Thursday
25m Heated Pool
17 Osell St, Casuarina NT 0810
E: ntsa.pathwayservices@nt.gov.au
W: dpssc.nt.gov.au

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School Information

Don't forget



Back to School Vouchers are available at reception. They may be used for the extracurricular activities pack, uniforms and/or excursions. They are valid until the end of term 3 and are kindly provided by the Northern Territory Government

Students arriving after 8:15 have missed role call and must attend the office for a late slip to give to their teacher.

CLASS LATE SLIP

Date _____

Name: Student

This information has been entered in SAMS.

School Uniforms

	RPS Unisex Polo Shirt \$40.00	
	Year 6 Polo \$40.00	
	RPS Sport Team Polo \$35.00	
	RPS Unisex Shorts \$25.00	
	RPS Skorts \$25.00	
	Reversible sport team hat \$15.00	
	RPS Library bag \$10.00	
	RPS Jacket \$45.00	



Even in our carparks

Voluntary Parent Contributions

Goal: Towards Students' IT devices

\$25 per student
\$50 per family with 2 children or more

The voluntary parent contribution can be paid in full or part payments.

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