

ROSSMOYNE REFLECTIONS



NEWSLETTER NO. 5

Monday 12 June 2017

Virtue of the Month for June - Courtesy

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Well, it's certainly been a very busy few weeks! Some of the special events have included Walk to School Day, our DES Review, Singfest and League Tag. Thank you to everyone who has attended these events to support our students - it's greatly appreciated. As expected, all of our students behaved respectfully and politely throughout all of these occasions. Martin and Annie Chatterton who visited our school on 29 and 30 May emailed after their visit. They wrote, "We were very impressed by the behaviour and enthusiasm of the students who were a real credit to the staff and school". Way to go Rossmoyne Primary!

DES Review

Our DES (Department of Education Services) Review was held on 22 and 23 May. The reviewers met with students, staff, parents and the Board throughout the two days. They were very impressed with many aspects of our school including our teaching and learning program, our students' use of technology, the pastoral care provided to our students, our specialist programs, the cohesiveness of staff and staff's willingness to accept change. They also offered some recommendations relating to our Business Plan, whole school practices and our School Board. We are yet to receive our written report but I will ensure this is made available to you when it's received.

School Board Meeting

The next School Board meeting will be held next Monday 19 June. The Board will be discussing the recent DES Review and will commence discussions about the strategic direction for our school. This strategic direction will be captured in our school's 2018 to 2020 Business Plan which will be developed in the months ahead.

School Uniform

Please ensure your child/ren have a school jumper to wear at school. New jumpers can be purchased from Willetton Fabrics and Uniforms (Unit 2, Rear 185 High Road Willetton, 9457 7330). Second hand uniforms are also available for purchase on assembly days at 8.30 to 9.00 am in Room 7, thanks to our P&C.

P&C Disco

On behalf of the school community, I would like to sincerely thank our wonderful P&C for organising and facilitating the discos held on Friday 19 May. Thanks also to everyone who assisted throughout the evening. All students who attended had a great time!

School Development Day

Our staff attended the Riverton-Rossmoyne Schools' Network Conference on Friday 2 June at Murdoch University. We listened to two presentations by Andrew Fuller. As a clinical psychologist, Andrew works with many schools and communities in Australia and internationally, specialising in wellbeing and resiliency. He is a Fellow of the Department of Psychiatry and the Department of Learning and Educational Development at the University of Melbourne. Staff also continued their review of our Assessment and Reporting Policy which will be presented to our School Board for endorsement later this year. It was a very successful day.

Edu-dance Concerts

Our students have been participating in Edu-dance lessons throughout this term to prepare for the concerts being held next week. Students in Rooms 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 24 and 26 will participate in the concert on Wednesday 21 June.

Students in Rooms 9, 13, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23 and 25 will participate in Friday's concert. Both concerts will commence at 2.15 pm. I hope you're able to attend. You won't be disappointed!

Semester 1 Reports

Reports for this semester will be sent home with students on Tuesday 27 June. No reports will be available prior to this date. Please make the time to share your children's reports with them and remember that a 'C' grade indicates that your child is achieving the expected standard for their year level. It's because of this that many people say that a 'C' stands for celebration. I also encourage you to look closely at the Attitude, Behaviour and Effort marks your child receives. Traits such as being enthusiastic about learning, persevering, working to the best of their ability and showing respect are also critical to their development.

Rochelle Williamson

Principal

Upcoming Events:

- 12 June - P&C meeting, 7.30 pm
- 15 June - Room 19 Assembly
- 19 June - School Board Meeting
- 20 June, 9 am - Dental Screening - Pre-primary, Year 3 and 6 students
- 21 June - Edu-dance Concert 1, 2.15 pm
- 22 June - River Rangers - tree planting
- 23 June - Edu-dance Concert 2, 2.15 pm
- 27 June - Winter Carnival
- 29 June - Room 13 Assembly



Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded with Merit Certificates at our recent assemblies. Keep up the great work!

ROOM 8 Lilly Harriet	ROOM 9 Nina Kai Jun	ROOM 10 Anna Ethan
ROOM 13 Meg Liam	ROOM 14 Sherebanu Adriaan	ROOM 15 Noah Soha
ROOM 16 Teagan Keaton Kiara Amadi Zimo	ROOM 17 Scott Jaelyn	ROOM 18 Zavier Lucas
ROOM 19 Tanner Mackenzie Luke	ROOM 20 Christopher Aiden	ROOM 21 Riley Senuthi
ROOM 22 Luke Huang Wei Elliot	ROOM 23 Oliver Sasank	ROOM 24 Jood Tommy
ROOM 25 Ebony Hannah Sarah	Room 26 Lucy Jeffery Lucy	LOTE Room 10 Sasank

From Languages - Chinese (LOTE)

At the end of Term One, Hannah and Tony participated in the State Story Telling Competition (for Chinese speaking background students) organised by the Chinese Language Teachers Association of WA. Hannah (Year 2, Room 8) won Third Place in the 6 to 7 year old category. Tony (Year 5, Room 23) won Second Place in the 10 to 11 year old category. *Congratulations!!*



**FRIDAY 21 JULY
IS AN IMPORTANT
DATE IN YOUR
CHILD'S EDUCATION**

Friday 21 July is an important date in your child's education

Families need to apply to enrol their children in a public school for 2018 if they are:

- starting Kindergarten – 4 years old by 30 June 2018
- starting Pre-primary (first year of compulsory school) – 5 years old by 30 June 2018
- starting Year 7 (first year of secondary school)
- changing schools.

All children from Pre-primary to Year 12 are guaranteed a place at their local public school. To apply to enrol your child, visit your local school by Friday 21 July 2017.

For more information or to find your local school visit education.wa.edu.au

What's been happening in Physical Education?

ARLD CUP – LEAGUE TAG Schools Competition

Last Tuesday 34 students represented Rossmoyne Primary School in the League Tag competition. Although we did not come out with a win over all, all three teams played their hardest and showed great sportsmanship. It is always a pleasure to take our students to these sporting events as they show amazing leadership and fabulous manners. Well done!



Design a Jumper Competition

Congratulations to Karissa in Room 15 (Year 1) and Priyana in Room 9 (Year 3) for placing 1st and 2nd respectively in the Design a Jumper Competition. Their thoughtful, well explained designs reflected the ethos of Rossmoyne Primary. Their designs have now been included in the Western Australian Competition. The AFL commission will select a winning design from the entries received from all schools. The winning design will be made into a school set of AFL jumpers which will be presented to the winning school. Well done to all students who entered our school competition - we were so impressed with all your efforts.

Karissa said that the green in her design represents growth, the yellow represents joy and the stars are for the Australian Flag. Priyana said that her jumper design was based around our school values.



Winter Carnival

The Interschool Winter Carnival will be held on Tuesday the 27th of June. Selected Year 5 and 6 students will represent our school in soccer, hockey, AFL and netball at a variety of local venues. More information will be included in the permission slips which will be distributed shortly. Students have been training hard with staff, parents and two outside coaches - Steve Purton from Perth Glory and Liam Anthony from the East Fremantle AFL Commission. Thanks to Mrs Blowers, Mr McNamee, Mrs Williams and Mrs Clark who have been helping out and leading training sessions.

Health and Wellbeing Month

Throughout Weeks 9 and 10 of this term and Weeks 1 and 2 of next term, students across the school will be engaging in activities to improve their knowledge of health and wellbeing relating to hydration, physical activity, sleep and mindfulness. Each week will have a different focus. More information will be shared on what students are learning during those weeks. Please take the time to discuss with your children what they are learning to help consolidate their learning.

from Mrs Goodacre, Mr Wilson and Mrs Flynn

Singfest

Our students sang beautifully at the Singfest Concerts held on 25 and 26 May. We were one of 21 schools from the South Metropolitan Education Region who participated. Both of our choirs sang 'I am the Earth'. Our Senior Choir also sang 'The Swine Song' and our junior students sang 'The Polliwog'. They also enjoyed participating in lots of activities and joining in with the massed songs throughout the concerts. Thanks to Mrs Oliver for preparing our students for the concerts. This year's Singfest was Mrs Oliver's 20th Singfest - what an achievement!



Community Announcements

From the Community Nurses:

School sores

Impetigo is an infection of the skin caused by bacteria. It will usually start with a blister or a group of blisters. The blisters will often pop, weep and form a crust. Small spots may spread outwards from the first spot. The spots are usually itchy. If your child has impetigo they should be checked by a doctor. The doctor may prescribe antibiotics. You should cover the sores with watertight dressing and cut the child's nails to prevent them from scratching. Impetigo is spread very easily, so keep the child home until 24 hours after treatment has begun. Wash hands regularly to prevent spread to others. Your School Community Health Nurse can be contacted on 9258 8053.

Hand washing:

Washing hands is the easiest way to protect ourselves from contagious diseases like colds, influenza and gastroenteritis. Hands should be washed before and after eating or preparing food, after going to the toilet and after nose blowing.

When teaching your child to wash their hands:

- Use clean water and soap, making sure they cover their hands and wrists.
- Use a brush to clean under nails if they're dirty too.
- Dry their hands with something clean (like a paper towel)

Alcohol based sanitisers are useful when soap and water is not available. Use half a teaspoon of the product and encourage your child to rub their hands together until they're dry. If you can see dirt on their hands, it is better to use soap and water.

For more information go to www.healthywa.wa.gov.au

2017 SCHOOL FOOD APPEAL

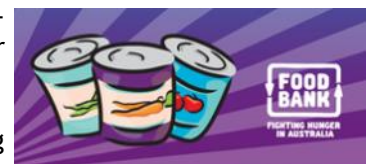
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TERM TWO

CALLING ALL SCHOOLS TO HELP FIGHT HUNGER THIS WINTER

It's the School Food Appeal time again! We are asking all schools to host a Food Drive for Foodbank to kick start our 2017 Winter Appeal. Last year participating schools collected enough food to help create over 13,000 meals - how many meals can we collect this year?

Winter storms and cold nights are a harsh reminder that many people in our community are in desperate need of help. With winter on the way we are preparing for one of our busiest times of the year.

Demand for food relief remains high with over 53,000 Western Australians seeking help each month - around 22,000 are children. Winter is always a time of extra demand, so your help collecting canned foods will make a big difference to many lives over the colder months.



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Program Update

This term is just flying; we are on Week 7 already! We have had lots of fun at OSH recently including a pupil free day and AMAZING visitors.

These last few weeks at OSH we have been focusing on certain aspects to help us reach our goals. We are all keen artists and have great imaginations so our arts and crafts table has been very busy making our OSH tree (see our helping hands on the tree), expressing ourselves through song, dance and other activities. With EduDance coming close the children are very keen to practice their dance which improves their confidence and is also taking great responsibility for their health and well-being. We have also had 'THE VOICE' at OSH and a dance competition. We love sharing our talents and encouraging others to show theirs. We love being creative and collaborating our different ideas.

We now have a great collection of cardboard, boxes and empty bottles which we will put to good use making sure we are helping the environment as we do so. We are looking to plant some of our plants and flowers in the next few weeks, watch this space.

We had a great visit from the RSPCA in May and a huge thank you to all our children and their families for the generous donations. We raised an amazing \$54 and donated blankets, food and toys for the animals. We are still in the process of organising more community visits, please get in touch if you have any contacts.

Once again thank you for your support! All feedback and suggestions are welcome, please write them in our parent book, OSH journal or tell a staff member.

Next Week's Activities



During next week the children will get involved in:

- National Buddy Day
- Cooking - ham/cheese/jam scrolls
 - Dance
- Sustainability activities
 - Storytelling
 - Team games

Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0478 182 380

Coordinator: Roisin Devine

Assistants: Danni Zhang and Lucinda Spence

OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

Is English your second language?



...or maybe you have family or a friend who would like to improve their English skills.

ESL English-Flying Start

Our ESL classes are designed to help you with both spoken and written English for everyday situations or for future study. Classes are small and the teachers are experienced in helping students from a wide range of backgrounds.

If you would like to join us for 2017 please phone and speak to one of our student advisors who will be able to give you details about class times and other courses available.

\$55= 3 classes per week for 6 months

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A \$46 Dept Of Education National Police History Check is required for anyone over 18 years. Discount available for year long payment.



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