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Newsletter

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Coming up...

Bookweek Parade
24/08 @ 9-11am

NO After School Youth
Session 24/08 or
31/08

Indonesian Day
celebrations 31/08

School Disco 31/08 @
6-7:30pm

Pineapple Festival
09/09

Rolly Beach Walk
15/09

*Our Rolly R's are the
rules for all of our
students, staff, parents
and community
members at all times.*



**TAG Rolly - Every
Tuesday 9 - 11am**

*Reminder..... a gentle
reminder that monies
sent to the school office
be enclosed in an
envelope with name and
what it is for on the front.*

From the principal...

At Rollingstone State School, we want to see every student succeeding academically. To give each child the best chance of success, we constantly reflect on our processes and teaching. I believe we have fantastic teachers at Rollingstone State School who deliver excellent first teaching of concepts. Sometimes though, students need more support to learn or more opportunities to extend their learning. With this in mind, we have commenced three initiatives to better support our students.

Research tells us that it is critical that students are achieving reading benchmarks by the end of year 3. As a school, we want to do everything we can to ensure that each child meets the reading benchmark for their age. To this end, we have commenced a Homework Club before school. Students in Prep – 3 are strongly encouraged to come to the library before school to read to a teacher or older student, learn their sight words and spelling for the week. I look forward to seeing the significant improvements in learning achieved by the students who participate.

We have also commenced reading intervention sessions for students who require a bit more support in a small group setting to improve their skills. Similarly, students that are currently excelling have been identified and are participating in extension reading activities. Of course, all students will continue to participate in reading groups to further develop their reading.

Parent and Teacher Interviews - Please be aware that students will soon be bringing home notes offering parent and teacher interviews. These interviews provide a good opportunity to find out more about your child, their education and how you could support their learning.

Indonesian Day activities - Due to circumstances beyond Bu Lumbi's control, we've had to postpone the activities until Thursday 31st August. We encourage students to wear something red and white on the day. Please do not go out and buy new clothing, something that you have at home already is good as some activities will be messy.

Attendance – Our attendance is 91.3%. Last week it was great to see that the Prep, Year 1 and Year 5 students had attendance of 94% or higher. Well done to those students!

Every day counts – Is your child at school today?

www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

Prep Open Days – We have the following Prep Open Mornings planned for October; Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 26th from 9 to 11am. The idea of these mornings is for students who are commencing Prep in 2018 to get used to the school environment and routines. There will also be a Prep Information Session held at the school on Tuesday, October 31 at 5:30pm. The session will outline what parents need to be aware of if they have a child starting Prep in 2018. It will also provide some tips on ensuring your child has the best start to school possible.

Regards
Keith Poulter

Pineapple Festival – This year, our students will be participating in the Pineapple Festival on Saturday, September 9. If you would like your child/ren to participate in the parade/march, they will need to arrive by 9am for the parade assembly. Our school will commence the parade/march at the start of Community Crescent. We will also be participating in singing the National Anthem. This will occur after the parade/march at about 10am.

Thursday Lunch Order List from the BP Servo:-

Each pack receives the preferred choice as well as a popper drink (please state flavour of milk or juice); a piece of fruit; and a cookie; for the cost of \$7.00.

Orders on recycled or new envelopes are to be placed in the Pink/Magenta box in the office as students arrive at school on Thursday mornings.

It may be advisable to send along extra food for second break if your child is a big eater.

Aug 24 - Hamburger or
Salad Wrap

Aug 31 - Spaghetti or
Chicken Gravy Roll

Sept 07 - Crumbed fish &
Salad or Lasagne

Sept 14- Plain Pie or Hot
Dog

Oct 05 - Nuggets & Salad
or Sloppy Jo

Oct 12 - H&P Pizza or
Toasted Ham, Cheese &
Tomato Sandwich

Next P & C meeting:

12/10/17 at the school
Resource Centre
@3:30pm

*The P&C usually meet on the
third Thursday of every month.*

President:

Kerri-Anne Fitzsimmons

Vice President:

*Christy McNeill and Narelle
Worland*

Treasurer:

The Smith Family

Secretary:

Alison Hooker

Head lice

Head lice occur at our school at intervals; please check your child's hair regularly and treat it for lice. It is annoying for other families that are diligently treating their children's hair, and children with head lice cannot concentrate on their learning.

CLEAN BEACH WALK: On Friday 15/09/2017, we will be participating in our annual beach walk as part of our whole school environmental sustainability program and student wellbeing framework. The aim of this activity is to walk along Balgal Beach picking up any litter along the way and to enjoy our lovely beach.

Activity details:

- Bus will drop students to Fisherman's Landing in the morning (**The bus will not go to school on this day**).
- Students will wear gloves to complete beach clean.
- Students will walk in their peer support groups and have adult supervision. Any dangerous or hazardous materials will be dealt with by the adults.
- Students will have a sausage sizzle at the beach but should bring extra food and a water bottle.
- The bus will pick up students from Fisherman's Landing and complete its usual bus run.
- Students should be in **full school uniform with closed in shoes and a broad brimmed hat**.
- EQ regulations require students to have closed in shoes. Because of the high probability that students will "accidentally" get their feet wet, it is advisable for them to wear old shoes. **NO THONGS OR SANDALS PLEASE.**
- Students should wear **sunscreen** (the school will provide extra sunscreen during the day for students to reapply).
- There is no cost for the students for this activity.

If you wish for your child to participate in the activity, please complete the attached consent form.

Dental Van

The Dental Van has arrived at the school. The ladies are doing paperwork at present and are not here this Wednesday (23rd) however, they have started seeing students today and will contact parents/ caregivers if further appointments are necessary. Just a reminder that all appointments are made through the dental van staff and not the school office.

If you have not returned your student's form, please do so and they will include him/her in the schedule. There are a couple of spare forms at the school office, if you've misplaced one.

Earn and Learn

Woolworths has begun the 'Earn and Learn' campaign. We have registered to participate; so we welcome any stickers that you collect if you go shopping at Woolworths. We also appreciate it if your friends and family can collect them if they go to Woolworths for their groceries.

The collection box is now in the office foyer for any completed sheets or just the stickers; we will put them onto sheets.

When the campaign finishes our students will help collate the stickers and teachers will be going online to fill out our 'wish' list from the available teaching resources. These will be delivered to our school later in the year.

School Levy

Thank you to those families who have already paid or made payment arrangements. We ask that all other families pay the 'curriculum levy' of \$100 per student as soon as possible to facilitate the bookings for the lessons which will start in week two of term 4. Those students who have not paid the levy; will not be participating and therefore will be continuing their learning at school. Part of this levy also covers curriculum resources for student use in the classroom.

P&C News

Please be aware that the next P&C Meeting will be held at 3:30pm on Thursday, October 12.

P&C FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Last newsletter we attached a booklet of 5 tickets for each family. The prize is a 4 Burner BBQ and the Tickets are \$2.00 each. It will be drawn on the 3rd September. We urge you to support us which in turn supports the school with curriculum resources for the benefit of all students. Tickets are to be back in to the office by Monday August 28th.

Chappy News

There will be NO A.S.Y. session on the 24/08/ or 31/08 2017 as Chappy will be attending an area meeting and a commitment at Bluewater. The A.S.Y will finish up for the term on the 7th September.