



Rollingstone State School

Principal's Report to Parents and Citizens Association

Thursday, 18 October, 2018

Learning:

- One of the biggest improvements in our teaching and learning this year has been the improvement in student's ability to articulate what they are learning about and what they have to demonstrate to be successful. This comes from teachers being clear about what they are teaching, as a result of their planning. When students know what they have to do to be successful, they are in control of their learning. As a result of this, we are seeing significant improvements in results for English.
- One of the priorities for the year is writing. Teachers continue to implement a number of strategies to improve writing. We have also identified specific areas to focus on to improve student writing. We commenced with non-negotiables to lift expectations and have progressed through writing simple, compound and complex sentences. Currently, the focus is on stretching our sentences and giving more detail and justification. This is done by answering the who, what, when, where, why and how questions. It is also done through a starting our sentences differently – ADDSPICE!
- Writing and reading intervention and extension lessons continue for students in P-2.

School:

- Addition of sink to Prep building.
- Addition of storage space to administration building.
- Construction of a greenhouse.
- The recycling Container for Change process commences on November 1, increasing the P&C income.
- Events this term include Indonesian Day, Awards Night (11/12), Graduation Night(6/12), Life Education Van(11&12/12) , Swimming, Prep and Year 6 Transition days, Ready Readers Training(13&14/11), Prep Information evening, White Ribbon Touch Gala (23/11).

Workforce:

- Our regular Guidance Officer, Anna Burberry, is at our school till the end of the year. She is applying for a permanent role next year.

Cash at Bank: \$63,713.41 - Please see me if you would like a run down on the school budget.

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Principal