



# ROLLINGSTONE STATE SCHOOL

ABN: 18 997 711 256

**Principal –** Kacey Constantine

**Principals report: 27/04/17**

## **Facilities/ WHS:**

### **Toilets:**

The new septic system has been installed, there were some adjustments to the original plan due to the underground water, but the works were completed well in time for school to start. The toilet block is currently being constructed, but has been delayed due to Cyclone Debbie. It is anticipated to be here in a couple of weeks. The new toilet block will be the senior block. There will be some construction around the toilets, trees being removed. Students will be made aware of works occurring and the site will be cordoned off to ensure the safety of all staff and students. There will still be a delivery of top soil to smooth out some bumps in our oval. This will be done when there are no students present.

## **Curriculum:**

As you may have heard on the media, the Minister for Education, the Hon. Kate Jones has announced that Queensland State Schools will delay the implementation of NAPLAN online. Our school has been one of 65 trial schools in Qld. Our students will continue to undertake NAPLAN, in a paper-based format in 2017, as we have done in previous years. The delay means further testing of the assessment platform to ensure that the online tests are 100% ready to go for 2018. We have been able to provide valuable feedback to help improve the platform that our students will use when they undertake the online assessments in 2018. NAPLAN will continue to be a point in time assessment that gives us information on how our students are doing with essential literacy and numeracy skills. We will continue to implement our current curriculum programs ensuring students are developing paper and digital skills in literacy and numeracy. We understand that the Minister has made this decision to put the best interests of our students first.

I was fortunate to be invited to a breakfast forum with Andrew Fuller, a Clinical Psychologist and Family Therapist and the author of "Unlocking Your Child's Genius" and an advocate for Resilient Youth last week. He provided me with some interesting insight into increasing resilience in students and gave me some information to share about preparing for NAPLAN, which I will be sharing with the year 3 and 5 students, and their parents, over the next couple of weeks.

TAG Rolly will start again next week. Kerri-Anne has kindly volunteered to run the program for us. It will run from 9.00 to 11.00 each Tuesday of the school term, in our Resource Centre. Our TAG (transition action group) program is based on the rules of playgroup, and parents/carers need to stay with their child.

## **Budget:**

Attached is the front page of the budget report and the Balance Sheet summary. If you would like to go through the budget allocations more thoroughly, feel free to make a time to see me and I will go through it more thoroughly with you.

## **Staffing:**

New staff have settled in well, and have already become part of our team.

## **Special events:**

### *Term 2 Important Dates:*

- *ANZAC Day 25/04*
- *Labour Day Holiday 01/05*
- *NAPLAN 9-11/05*
- *School Photos 22/05*
- *Under 8's Day 25/05*
- *Year 4-6 School Camp 29-31/05*
- *Readers Cup 15/06*
- *NAIDOC celebration 15/06*
- *Rolly Athletics carnival 20/06*
- *Bluestone Cup (game one) 9/06*