Dear Parents

Last week the staff participated in the School Development Day (SDD) for 2016. Prior to the SDD our curriculum leaders were required to gather data and information on their area and present to all staff throughout the day. The curriculum leaders analysed both NAPLAN data and whole school assessments to determine whether the school had reached the 2015 targets set for each learning area.

This analysis is vital to the development of Roebuck Primary School as it allows staff to review past practices and celebrate student successes. Reviewing student achievement also enables staff to identify areas of need in all learning areas and to set targets for improved performance for 2016. It also assists the administration staff in the development of the Roebuck Primary School business plan and ensures the allocation of resources to areas of need across the school.

The curriculum leaders developed and delivered presentations designed to inform all staff of the specific needs of each area. These teachers spent many hours of personal time to gather the required information and create a presentation that was both informative and inspiring.

On behalf of the whole staff at Roebuck Primary School congratulate the Curriculum Leaders on their work and thank them for their efforts.

Road Safety

Recently there have been a few incidents involving students riding their bikes home from school.

A concerned parent has come into the office saying that he has observed students leaving school on their pushbikes, not taking care when crossing roads etc. A student was nearly hit by a 4wd last Friday and the previous day another older boy tried to cut across in front of a car but fell off on the road. Luckily the car was able to stop in time. Fortunately, no one was injured, although a driver was left badly shaken.

Parents are asked to discuss the issue of road safety with their children on a regular basis to ensure they are reminded of the road rules and the need for safety when using the roads surrounding the school.

Teachers will also be addressing this ongoing issue through their learning programs and regular reminders for safe bike riding.

Thank you for your support in this manner.

Barb Smith
Acting Principal
WHAT HAVE OUR STUDENTS BEEN UP TO!!!

Ibis 1 News

In Ibis 1 we have been learning about natural disasters. We started the topic by completing a KWL chart about what we Know, Want to Know and Learnt. During this time we have completed a research project about our own chosen natural disaster. Here are some of the awesome facts we have Learnt:

- When many meteors occur in a close time frame in the same part of the sky it is called a meteor shower – Carlo M
- Tornadoes are sometimes called Twisters Eva R
- Blizzards often cause severe damage to buildings and can bury structures under many feet of snow. Allyra M
- The Japanese word Tsunami means ‘harbour wave’, Jhett C.

We have also made our own Volcanoes and are getting ready to test them!

Whimbrel 2 News

On Friday, Miss Marl's pre-primary class did an amazing assembly item about Community Helpers. They talked about teachers, firemen, nurses and police, they also sang a song about community helpers. The Music Count Us In song 'Gold' was also sang. Well done to the choir for taking the music higher and everyone for singing so loudly!

Congratulations to everyone who received a bronze or silver badge or a merit certificate.'

By Layla A

VALUES AWARDS

| Hayden G | Javarhn D | Annabella B |
| Jocelyn P | Milla J | Micah N |
| Lucye L | Holly H | Matilda L |
| Grace S | |

SIX KINDS OF BEST

| Brody M | Maya B | Lachlan H |
| TJ A | Emma L | Madeline H |
| Bree P | Tayla T | Chloe H |
| Torah P | Keeley F | Jannah W |

MERIT CERTIFICATES

| Lachlan G | James H | Maraya S | Azriel B |
| Bree P | William T | Mason W | Brandon W |
| Jackson T | Madison W | Luke L | Denisha S |
| Ella M | Trinity B | Ben H | Leo H |
| Kendall L | David D | Sass D | Lucy S |
| Taylah L | Keira B | Jason B | Ashlee S |
| Jarrod L | Ratu S | James M | Tayla V |
| Ella L | Lana R | Amber H | Mia M |
STUDENT COUNCILLOR NEWS

Over the course of two days, the years 4 and 5 students who wished to become a member of the 2016 council, gave their speeches. This event took place in Mrs Ross and Miss Bachman’s rooms on 11 and 12 of November. Around 15 students from each year group gave speeches and both years voted. Thank you to all the teachers and parents who came along and supported the students.

The successful students who are to be elected for the council will be announced at the Presentation Night on Tuesday 8 December, week 10.

Congratulations to everybody who gave a speech, they were all very well written and delivered. Good luck to everyone!

Download the RPS App today.

Roebuck Primary School now has a new mobile APP which allows pop-up messages and instant alerts to remind parents of upcoming events or changes. It also includes sick notes and parents are able to access the school newsletter at the touch of a fingertip. You can download the new APP by going to your APP store and searching for Roebuck Primary School or by scanning the bar codes below with the QR Reader. It’s that easy!

2016 CHARGES AND VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

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Cash or cheques (payable to Roebuck Primary School) are accepted, EFTPOS or a direct credit to our school bank account:

A/c Name: Roebuck Primary School
Bank: Commonwealth Bank
BSB: 066 505
Account No.: 1013441
Reference: Please put your child’s name

CHARGES – Extra Cost Options

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* $650 is the expected total cost inclusive of all activities, accommodation, transport and food for a five (5) day camp. Parent fundraising has historically reduced the contribution to approximately $300 per student. This amount per child per annum is therefore dependent and directly related to the effort and energy of the fundraising.

Prior to camp, payment plans may be negotiated with the Principal.

Payment will be requested during the school year when costs and participation by students is confirmed.

Voluntary Contributions and Charges were approved at school board meeting held on 31 August 2015.

ARE YOU LEAVING?

Are you leaving Roebuck Primary School at the end of year? If so, please drop into the front office to complete documentation or email us at: roebuckps@education.wa.edu.au
P & C NEWS

A reminder that, for duty of care reasons, the Department of Education requires us to differentiate between school organised, P&C organized, and business / community activities.

Next P&C meeting……..

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 1 December 2015 in the staffroom at 7pm.

It will be the final chance to catch up this year and to start thinking about 2016! A quorum of 10 members is required to ensure financial decisions can be actioned so please come along. New faces are always welcome.

Don't forget to like our P&C facebook page.

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**Cyclone Procedures**

The following is an outline of the school Cyclone Procedures (Revised 22 Nov 2013):

**BLUE ALERT**

The school is open and students attend their regular classes.

**YELLOW ALERT**

If a Yellow Alert is called before school: Students do not attend school.
- Bus runs are automatically cancelled.
- Parents are notified of Yellow Alert by the media (local radio as part of the standard SES message).

If a Yellow Alert is called during the school day: students are sent home.
- Parents are notified of Yellow Alert by the media (local radio as part of the standard SES message).
- The School Bus Coordinator informs the bus company to collect bus students.
- Parents collect students as soon as possible.

Parents need to monitor media messages regarding school for the following day.

NB: Parents unable to collect their children must contact the school so that alternative arrangements can be made.

**RED ALERT**

Schools are closed during a Red Alert.

**AFTER THE CYCLONE**

The school will be closed for at least the following day to allow for assessment and repair of serious damage. Parents continue to listen to the radio to receive information as to when the school will open. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact the school.