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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE with Mrs Christensen

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome

Over the past week we have had several new families join our Rosewood State School community. We trust you settle in to your new school and students are able to continue on their learning journey. Please feel free to call or visit the office if you need any information.

2018 Enrolments

Already we have quite a large number of families who have indicated their intention to enrol students in Prep for 2018. To assist with planning could you please let the office know if you have or are aware of any new students wishing to enrol in 2018.

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all our competitors who performed so well at our Athletics Carnival last week. In the atrocious weather our athletes gave their best for their teams and put in some fine performances. Student behaviour was generally very pleasing. To those parents and friends who gave their time to serve and work in the tuckshop, we thank you. Without your work and sacrifice the school community would not have enjoyed the fine food they did at the carnival.

Canberra Trip 2018

We now believe we have the numbers to make the 2018 Canberra trip viable. A parent group has commenced fundraising for the trip. If you have not been contacted yet but wish to help with Canberra fundraising please complete the form available at the office. At this stage popcorn will be sold every Tuesday and Thursday first lunch as the first fundraiser.

Head Lice

Many students across the school have experienced head lice over recent weeks. It only takes one child with head lice to spread them to the whole class. PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO

SCHOOL WITH HEADLICE. If every parent in the school was vigilant and responsible in managing this social problem head lice could be eradicated at Rosewood State School. We have product available for you to use as we understand that at times the family budget will not extend to purchasing head lice treatment solution. Children who are observed with head lice will be sent home for treatment.

What Computer Games Are Your Children Playing?

Research clearly shows that there is a link between the computer games children play and the behaviour they demonstrate. Staff often are distressed to hear of some of the R and M rated games some of our students are allowed to access and play. As parents and caregivers it is your responsibility to protect your children and ensure they only access age appropriate materials. Failure to protect your children from inappropriate online material will be taken very seriously.

Fun Run Friday September

Mr Anderson is organising a school fun run on the last day of this term, Friday September 15th as a fundraiser and a fun way to finish the school term. Students will be provided with more information next week.

Music Bus Interest

Many of our students and families have expressed interest in the music lessons provided by the Music Bus program. Students are encouraged to get their forms back to the office as soon as possible so group lessons can be organised and started.

Regards,

Sandy Christensen

Principal

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As parents we tend to expect that all children in the same year level would be learning much of the same things each week. But this isn't entirely true. Last week your child should have brought home a class newsletter. This helps you to keep informed about what your child is learning and gives you ideas as to how you can support your child this term. It's also a useful conversation starter instead of the "What did you do today?" where the answer is often, 'Not much!'

Getting involved

While you are already encouraging your child's learning at home, getting involved in our school can benefit your child, the school and you.

It is well known that children with interested and involved parents do better at school both academically and socially. It enhances your child's sense of belonging as they see you actively participating in a place that means a lot to them. It also has benefits the school and the community. The more parents get involved, the better the school can meet its students' needs.

Depending on the amount of time you have, and your skills, interests and experience, there are a number of ways you can get involved in your child's school.

School newsletters / Facebook page often contain information about what is happening at your child's school and activities available for you and your child.

If you have a bit more time, you might consider volunteering. Volunteer to help listen to children read or by helping them with maths. Why not ask your child's teacher if they could use a volunteer.

No matter what you choose to do, getting involved in your child's school will give you a better idea of how the school is run, what it is trying to achieve educationally and what challenges it faces. It will

also allow you and your child to become active members of your community and make it a better place for everyone.

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As part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning framework at Rosewood State School, students are able to earn Bebe points every day that they are at school. Each day at school earns 1 \$Bebe if students remain on "Ready to Learn", if students excel in their work they may earn up to 3 points on any day. A \$Bebe will not be given to students who stay at Warning level or move to In-class Consequences/out of class Consequence. Once 25 \$Bebe are collected students are able to "purchase" from the Bebe Shop. The Bebe Shop opens every 4-5 weeks and each class has an opportunity to trade their \$Bebe. Check-in with your child to see how many \$Bebe they have.

The Bebe Shop is open Thursday 3rd August.

We continue to focus on Being Respectful. In the next fortnight we will be focusing on: Using Kind Words and Kind Actions and Developing Empathy for Others.

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