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Newsletter

Thursday 14th May 2015
Issue 7

Dates To Remember:

May

Monday 18th Athletics at Goldsworthy Oval 3-6

Monday 18th Athletics at Rollins Prep-2

**Tuesday 19th- Book Fair Starts
8.30-9am and 3.30-4pm each day**

Friday 22nd Book Fair Finishes

From the Principal....

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NAPLAN

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our teachers and students on the way they have prepared for the NAPLAN National Testing program this week. Our Year 3 and 5 students worked through a range of literacy and numeracy tests and we were very pleased with the level of commitment and endeavour they showed. While opinions are divided on the value of these tests we still see it as our responsibility to prepare the children as best as we can. I think that the work and preparation that has gone into building student knowledge, while also managing the pressure of a test situation, has been outstanding. The results for these tests are not usually available to school and parents until around the middle of Term 3.

HEAD LICE

Head lice are the scourge of primary schools around the country. In recent times we have identified a number of cases of head lice and in these situations we advise families so that you can take a few moments to check your own children. This is a difficult and sensitive problem for schools to manage and we rely heavily on families to do the right thing by remaining vigilant with their own children. Believe me we find this just as frustrating as you but we are very limited in what we can do to control the problem. Unlike many other schools we have someone, Sharron Stephenson, come into our school each term to check children's hair and provide a follow up check a week later when head lice have been detected. Sharron will be carrying out these checks in the week starting Monday, 17 May.

BUILDING STUDENT RESILIENCE & INDEPENDENCE

Last year we developed our School's Strategic Plan for the period 2014-2017. This plan targets areas where we believe we can assist the children to grow to their full potential. As a result one major focus for us is 'To develop students' resilience and confidence to enable them to participate effectively in the community and the range of situations they may face'. To do this we plan to expose the children to a range of activities over time that will present them with challenges but with a supportive framework around those challenges.

You too can support this work in very simple ways and I provide some simple examples for you below:

- Allow your child to carry their own bag into school.
- Wish your child a good day and farewell them outside the classroom to allow them to come into the building under their own steam.
- Encourage your child to take responsibility for things such as homework and the return of excursion notes.
- Talk to your children about not turning small problems into big problems.
- Encourage your child to focus on their strengths and their positive traits.
- Teach your child to see the funny side of situations because things don't always go to plan.

We do expect parents to support and love their children but an important aspect of this is to allow them to develop confidence in their own worth.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2016

We already have 31 confirmed Prep enrolments for 2016. Given that we aim to enrol 40 Prep students each year we are well on the way to this target. It is quite likely that we will have more than 40 Prep students next year so if you haven't already handed in your child's enrolment form I would recommend that you do it as soon as possible to avoid any disappointment.

ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

At this week's assembly we will be presenting 'Star of the Week' certificates as well as our REACH Awards for April. We hope to see you there!

Steve McGarrigle

ROLLINS STAR OF THE WEEK!

For the week ending Friday 6th February

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| Prep C | Sophie Greed | For putting such a big effort in to improve her writing. Well done Sophie! |
| Prep K | Amber Posterino | For being a lovely student who is always polite and friendly to others. |
| Prep H | Nour Hidri | For always listening to instructions and getting his work done properly. |
| 1T | Meyah Fursland | For her fabulous home reading efforts and being an enthusiastic learner. |
| 1W | Meryem Aydin | For always trying 100% with her work and asking questions. |
| 2D | Amelia Bicanic | For showing more persistence when finishing work. |
| 2W | Claudia Katny | For always being polite, listening to others and trying her hardest with her work. |
| 34C | Taliyah Rundle | For being polite and friendly to everyone. |
| 34P | Christopher Humphrey | For trying super hard in all the NAPLAN tests this week. |
| 34T | Emily Williams | For being polite and friendly to everyone. |
| 34W | Jackson Lancaster-White | For being switched on with his NAPLAN testing this week. Well done Jackson. |
| 34Z | Victoria Petrovski | For always completing her work in a neat and well presented manner. |
| 56C | Dylan Petrovski | For being the perfect student. What a star!!! |
| 56D | Bianca Dimovski | For always having a positive attitude and contributing to class discussions. |
| 56S | Ceylon Onturk | For always having a great attitude and putting in 100%. |
| ART | Ainslie O'Donell | For being a very helpful Art monitor. |
| IT | Brock Bohdal | Great job using Google Classroom. |
| PE | Jason Japundzic | For displaying an excellent hurdling technique. |
| Music | Charli Matthews | For being a great helper in music, getting all the ukuleles ready for each lesson. |



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Rollins Book Fair
Date: Tuesday 19th May - Friday 22nd May
Times: 8.30 - 9am and 3.30 - 4pm (not Friday afternoon)
This is a great opportunity to connect children with the books they would like to read and encourage a love of reading.

2016 Prep Enrolments
Enrolment forms are available from the Office. Positions are filling fast for next year. Call in and see Sandy to collect or hand in your completed paperwork.

Thank You
A very big thank you to the parents that assisted with or donated to our Mother's Day stall.
We raised \$780

Year 5/6 visit to Sovereign Hill



When we were at Sovereign Hill we were able to have free time to look in all the different shops. I went to the Sweet Shop and bought a delicious lolly pop. Other people bought boiled lollies, pies, hats and souvenirs. By Darnell Edwards



At Sovereign Hill we were able to pan for gold. Some of us found little pieces of gold. If you were unlikely and didn't find any you could buy jars with gold already in it. By Hairil Hazard



At Sovereign Hill we got to dress up in clothes from the 1850s. We acted out scenes from the Eureka Rebellion. The characters we dressed up as were Miners, Troopers, The Red Coats and Woman. By Isabel O'Keefe



During our free time some of us went to the candle shop to colour our own candles. We dipped white candles into coloured wax to make a rainbow. It was so much fun. By Ruby Frith

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