Dear Parents

My goodness! The year is off to a flying start with a BUMPER edition of our school newsletter. Please take some time over the weekend to read and complete the paperwork attached – it is all very important and helps us take good care of your child at school. Included with today’s newsletter: Annual Update forms, Canteen News, Music Tuition note, RISE up Rosebank chart and Swimming Carnival note. If anything is missing, pop into the office for a replacement.

Full steam ahead?

First things first: Welcome to Country
Next Friday’s Assembly will begin with a traditional Welcome to Country, led by Robert Corowa, a local Bundjalang man. There will be a smoking ceremony to cleanse our spirits and set us all on the path to a year of friendship and learning. All parents and friends of the school are invited to join us. The ceremony will begin at 1.45pm, so why not come a little early, bring your lunch and come hang out with us for the afternoon? After the ceremony, we will retire to the library for our own awards and messages.

P&C AGM

On Tuesday February 9th, the good people of the Rosebank PS P&C will gather to see whose arm we can twist to be on our P&C. Last year, our P&C collaborated with staff to do some amazing things. We staffed three classes using top-up funds raised by parents. We have a great school plan outlining our vision for the future, a shiny new plan for nurturing positive behaviour at school, lovely new equipment and memories of many special shared events. Our school is as wonderful as it is because of the support we receive from our families. Please come to the AGM and help us make our little school even better.

What’s ahead....

Remember: Hats and water bottles come to school every day!

CANTEEN in ON next Friday 5th Feb
 Helpers will be advised next week.

WEEK 2 begins 1st February
Friday 5th February
Assembly: WELCOME TO COUNTRY
Begins 1.45pm

WEEK 3 begins 8th February
Tuesday 9th February
P&C AGM
Friday 12th February
Swimming Carnival – Alstonville Pool

WEEK 4 begins 15th February
Tuesday 16th February
Parent Information Evening
3.30pm Mrs Hughes and Mrs K
4.15pm Ms Sawyer
P&C Sausage Sizzle (Gold Coin Donation)
Wednesday 17th February
Life Education with Upper Coopers Creek

Thank you from the bottom of my...new black boots! Our students looked very flash on their first day in their beautiful new uniforms. So great to see so many students wearing black school shoes – now we look as good as we feel!
Parent Information Evening
On Tuesday February 16th, we invite you to join us for our Annual Parent Information Evening. Class teachers will share information about classroom organisation and routines and you will have an opportunity to mingle with other parents over a sausage from the Sizzle. Our wonderful P&C will be selling sausages for a gold coin donation and drinks will be available for sale as well. We will put on a video for children who come along so we can be sure that they are all safely supervised while you’re busy hearing about their fabulousness.

Book Packs
Students have been provided with supplies needed to begin the school year. Next week, we will send home invoices to help us cover the costs of students’ school supplies, as well as technology costs (eg: Reading Eggs, Mathletics) and a contribution towards our Robotics Program. Should you wish, you can pay your book pack fee in instalments. Just see Kim in the office. Please also remember to send in those extra items needed for each class: eg: Headphones for each child.

Book Club
The first catalogue for the year is attached. Please send orders to school by 18th February. Parents can also order online through the Parent LOOP and orders will be delivered to school.

RISE UP ROSEBANK!
This week we launched our Positive Behaviour for Learning program (PBL). PBL involves children and teachers working together to grow positive learning environments. The focus is on teaching and promoting good behaviour every day. In the corridor, there is a display showing how children’s ideas were incorporated into our matrix of positive behaviour. The key values in our PBL program are Respect, Integrity, Safety and Excellence (RISE). Our matrix showing our target actions/behaviours is attached to this week’s newsletter.

This week’s PBL teaching focus: WHOLE BODY LISTENING

Abigail, Sharley, Nicky, Kim, Michelle, Olly
Rosebank PS Team

We respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wjabal Wiyabal people and other peoples of the Bundjalung Nation. They, the “Clever People”, are the first peoples of this land, which has long been a place of learning for Aboriginal people.