FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Week 6.

Zone Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to the six students who proudly represented Rossmore Public School at the Zone Carnival last Wednesday. The students, Siobhan, Padraig, Dean, Ashton, Imogen and Samantha, all swam well and displayed an excellent attitude throughout the day. Further congratulations are extended to Siobhan who won her 50m freestyle race and is heading off to the Regional Swimming Carnival. Well done on a fantastic achievement.

Student Representative Council
All classes have now selected their SRC representative for 2015. Badges were presented to students today at our school assembly. It was a great opportunity for parents, staff and fellow students to recognise these role models.

The SRC representatives for 2015 are:

Diamonds – Isabella
Sapphires – Cooper
Pearls – Angus
Kyanite – Sasha
Emeralds – Helen
Bloodstones – Kristina
Obsidians – Louise

School Photos
The school photos will be taken on Monday 16 March. Please ensure you read the information from the photographer that was sent home. Payment may be made in two ways: paying by credit card online; or by placing the correct money or cheque in the envelope provided and returning it to school on the day of the photos. Please note: change is not able to be given as the envelope is handed directly to the photographer for processing.

Parent Information Evening and Barbeque
Thank you to the many parents who attended our parent information evening and barbeque. It was a great opportunity to meet with parents and share the wonderful learning that takes place in our classrooms. The staff enjoyed speaking with you and we hope to see you at our school on a regular basis.

Parents are always welcome at Rossmore and classroom helpers are especially encouraged. If you are able to help out in the classroom, please see your child/ren’s teacher/s.

Student Supervision Times
It is of concern that many children are arriving to school prior to 9am and some are arriving as early as 8.15am. The school opening hours are 9.00am to 3.15pm. Students are not to be at school outside of these hours unless there is a special event such as a camp where an earlier arrival time has been arranged by staff or the Active After School Communities program. There are Out of Hours School Care facilities that operate in the local area which have a drop off/pick up service at the appropriate times. Please utilise these services if you require care for your child/ren before or after school. The school does not provide out of

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William Arthur Ward
hours school care and any parent leaving their child at school unattended prior to 9am and after 3.15pm does so with the understanding that supervision will not be provided outside of school hours on a day to day basis.

The role of the teacher on duty in the afternoon is to supervise the students waiting for the Government bus and the out of school hours buses only. It is a concern that a number of students are being collected by parents well after the bell every day.

Students not catching the afternoon buses and have not been picked up by 3.30pm, will be asked to wait in the office or with the teacher on duty and parents will be required to collect their children in person.

On the rare occasion that you are held up and will be late to collect your child, please contact the school and we will organise for your child/ren to wait in the office.

**Smoking on School Grounds**
Just a reminder there is no smoking on school grounds. This includes the school car park and any land within the fenced boundary which runs alongside Bringelly Road.

**Canteen News**
Just a reminder the canteen is closed on Tuesdays.

**Have a wonderful week.**
Sandy Juleff

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### FROM THE STUDENTS

**Diamonds**

*Why I like coming to school.....*

I like playing with the dinosaurs with my friends Chantelle, Grace and Lilli. **Gracie**

I like drawing on the whiteboard. **Chantelle**

I like playing with my friend Lilli. **Harman**

I like playing with the play dough. **Rubie**

I like playing with the cars with my friends Mason and Tyger. **Tyson**

I like playing with my friend Gracie. We play with the puzzles. **Joyi**

I like running on the grass. **Isabella**

I like playing with my friends and reading books. **Batoul**

I like playing with the cars and the garage. **Mason**

I like writing on the whiteboards. **Tyger**

I like drawing. **Grace**

I like playing with my friends. **Simona**

I like when we read a book together. **Tarrah**

We all love coming to school!

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### FROM THE P & C

Due to the Executive positions not being filled at the previous meeting, an additional Annual General Meeting for 2015 will be held on Monday 16 March at 2.30pm.

The P&C meet once a month during school terms and focus on fundraising and the provision of special events for our students. It is also an opportunity to come along and learn more about the operation of the school and to contribute to decision making.

The first item on the agenda for the P&C in 2015 is the possible introduction of an updated, more vibrant sport shirt which represents the three houses. This would involve initial discussion with the P&C, followed by parent, student and staff surveys before a decision being made.

All welcome.
Sandy Juleff
**LEADERS’ UPDATE**

Hi. This is the first leaders’ update. This week scripture started and it went fantastic. The other week at Meet the Teacher night, people had ordered sausage sizzles, it was fabulous. At assembly today it was great seeing the SRC get their badges.

**SPORT LEADERS’ UPDATE**

Hi. This is our first Sports Leaders update for the year. We would like to thank the following people for their achievements at the Zone Swimming Carnival: Dean, Ashton, Siobhan, Padraig, Samantha and Imogen. Congratulations to Siobhan for making it the regionals. Good luck and thank you.

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

**Term 1 Week 6**

Congratulations and a fantastic effort to the following students who received honour awards:

- **Yellow**
  - Imogen
- **Gold**
  - Sasha

**HELPFUL INFORMATION**

**Reading with your child at home**

When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that these are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.


**Good number sense**

Maths is a numbers game but for some students - and parents - the figures don't add up. Here are some strategies to help kids to work out sums in their heads in a way that makes sense to them.

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