



**Roebuck**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Roebuck Primary School

An Independent Public School - Broome Cluster

NEWSLETTER 2 - 8 March 2024

School Vision: Working together with high expectations; through quality teaching and leadership, Roebuck Primary School students will be positive, resilient, inclusive and successful citizens.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 11 March**  
School Board Meeting 6pm

**Wednesday 13—25 March**  
NAPLAN Year 3-5

**Wednesday 13 March**  
P&C Meeting 6pm

**Thursday 15 March**  
Ibis 2 Assembly

**Monday 18 March**  
Harmony Week Starts

**Thursday 21 March**  
Harmony Day

**Friday 22 March**  
Interschool Swim Carnival  
Year 3—6

**Tuesday 26 March**  
P&C Easter Raffle  
Easter Hat Parade W1A

**Wednesday 27 March**  
P&C Easter Raffle  
West Kimberley Basketball  
Competition Year 5-6 (BRAC)

**Thursday 28 March**  
Last day of term  
Easter Hat Parade W1B/PP

**Friday 29 March**  
Easter Friday

**Tuesday 16 April**  
Students start Term 2



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Ngaji Gurrjin

What a busy first half of the term we have had! It has been really pleasing to see students settle into their classrooms and their learning programmes with lots of incredible work happening in each class, every day.

There have been some real highlights to the start the year. Introducing our new student leadership team and getting our student action teams underway has created a buzz around the school. Our newly appointed student leaders have demonstrated great examples of our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience in their selection speeches, leading their action teams and running their very first assembly. It has also been incredibly pleasing to see so many examples of our three R's displayed right across the school. It's no wonder that pilot point tally keeps growing so rapidly!

On the topic of resilience, we recently had a visit from Greg Hire, Blair Evans, Mark Lloyd and cameraman Adam from A Stitch in Time. The team worked with all students from Year One through to Year Six and conducted workshops with our students discussing the importance of being resilient maintaining your mental health. This was done through the avenues of sport, music and dance and our students were thoroughly engaged. We certainly have some upcoming rap artists and dancers among our students. This visit was the first of what will be an ongoing partnership with A Stitch in Time, and we're already looking forward to having the team back throughout the year.

Recently, you would have seen nomination forms go out on Connect for two parent representatives to the Roebuck Primary School school board. If you're interested in nominating, please have your forms and bio in by 2:30pm, Friday 15 March, 2024. Should we have more than two nominations, elections will be held, whereby the school community can vote for their two parent representatives. School board positions will commence in Term 2. Further details and nomination forms are available on the school's Connect page.

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONT...

Finally, you may have heard your children in Year Three and Five talking about NAPLAN assessments coming up. NAPLAN is a national assessment in literacy and numeracy that provides a very quick snapshot of how our education programs are tracking and can help identify areas for improvement, as a whole school. It does not have an impact on students' overall grades. If your child is at all worried or anxious about sitting the test, please encourage them to simply 'give it their best shot.' You can also have a chat with your child's teacher if you have any concerns regarding the assessments. NAPLAN testing begins on Wednesday, 13 March and will continue through until Monday, 25 March. Students will sit a Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and a Numeracy assessment, over the NAPLAN testing window.

Gala mabu. Galiya,

Nikki Sandilands



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# SCHOOL NEWS

## LEADERSHIP DAY

Our newly elected student councillors and faction captains met collectively for the first time in Week 4 at Broome Camp School to participate in a Leadership Day. The purpose of the day was for the 2024 leadership team to participate in group and individual challenges designed to improve communication, listening and organisation strategies. It was a fantastic day which has set a strong foundation for a terrific year ahead.

Congratulations to all of our student leaders. We are excited to see what they contribute to the school this year.





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## MUSIC NEWS

### Choir

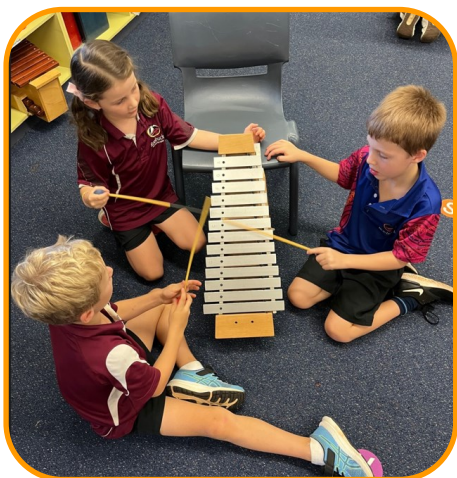
Our school choir is at a healthy 20 members for 2024. The new group have shown superb commitment to the new rehearsal time of 7:15-7:45am on Friday mornings. Thank you to all in our Roebuck community for supporting your child to be at rehearsals with the changed time. Yes, of course we are ready to welcome more singers from Years Four—Six if you haven't been along yet and your Friday mornings are missing some music making!

We have songs in the works to perform for Harmony Day and our school ANZAC Day assembly. With their recent tours to Australia, we've naturally included some Taylor Swift and P!NK songs in our repertoire to kick off 2024.



### New community song

The Performing Arts Action Team are busy working on the new community song for 2024. It features some absolute classics that you will know and love! The community song is themed around our PBS values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. Watch this space to see when the new video is out coming to an assembly very soon!



### What's on in Year One?

Year One's have been trying out a new percussion instrument every week this term. Here's some happy snaps while we learned about high and low sounds on our xylophones and metallophones! Our ears told us that the longer bars make the low sounds and shorter bars make the high sounds. We explored sounds using both ends of the beaters to create a peaceful or more frantic sound.

Mr Murnane

*Music Education Specialist*



# SCHOOL NEWS

## 2024 CHARGES AND VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS K-6 Curriculum Area COST

The Arts	\$10.00
English	\$20.00
Mathematics	\$5.00
Science	\$5.00
Physical & Health Education	\$10.00
Library	\$10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>

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.   10134441  
Reference      Please put your child's name

Voluntary Contributions and Charges were approved at School Board meeting held on 20 November 2023.

## CHARGES

### Extra Cost Options Estimated Maximum Cost

Excursions/Visiting Artists	K-6	\$150.00
Interschool Sport	1-6	\$60.00
Swimming	1-6	\$130.00
School Camp	6	*\$650.00
Leadership Camp	5-6	\$60.00
Graduation	6	\$60.00
PEAC	5-6	\$200.00
IMSS	5-6	\$200.00

**\*\$650 is the expected total cost inclusive of all activities, accommodation, transport and food for a five 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.**

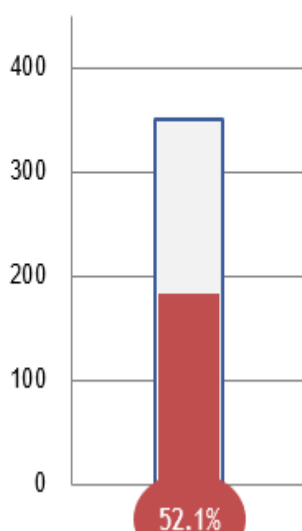
**Payment will be requested during the school year when costs and participation by students is confirmed.**

Please note that transport costs related to any excursion are non-refundable.

## REMINDERS FROM ADMINISTRATION

### Voluntary Contributions

Overall Target



### ROEBUCK PRIMARY SCHOOL FACTION SHIRTS

Thank you to everyone for supporting our P & C by ordering faction shirts. Shirts are expected to be ready for students early next term.

### LOST PROPERTY

A reminder that all lost property is stored in the library. Please ensure that property is labelled with your child's name.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD AREA

Parents are reminded that OSCH has right of way to our Early Childhood area after school hours. Please do not allow children to play on school equipment after home time.



# SCHOOL NEWS

## ASSEMBLY 16 FEBRUARY 2024

### CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Nina A	Kimberly S	Kai H	Jaime L	Annie D
Hunter H	Manny D	Nova W	Grace P	Audrey P
Marlin K	George S	Warren B	Thomas C	Lula W
Lois J	Thomas R	Ella D	Zac L	Chloe K
Addison W	Pia D	Brody B	Marli A	Jahrel S
Charlie F				



## ASSEMBLY 1 MARCH 2024

### CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Sienna F	Jett W	Manny A	Ezmae B	Hank A
Thea S	Clayton L	Amelie B	Charlie H	Isobel B
Hugh S	Dominique G	Clay F	Evie B	PJ W
Julia H	Lenny G	Scarlett P	Neve B	Matilda M
Kade W	Maisie N	Amos V	Grace H	Madelaine R
Mila W				

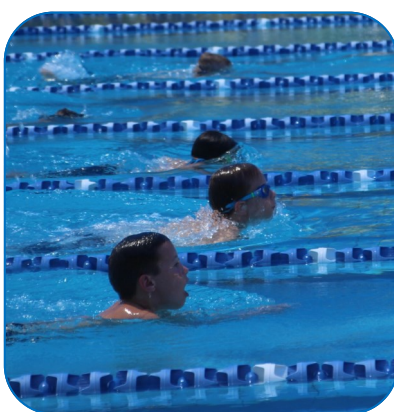
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## SWIM TRIALS

52 students from Year Three – Six recently competed in the Roebuck Primary School Swim trials for 2024. It was great to see so many Year Three students take to the water for the first time to register their times in each of the various strokes. Students swam a range of distances, including 100m, 50m and 25m events. From the trials day, 27 students have now been selected to compete in the Interschool Swimming Carnival on the 22 March. Swimmers on the day will compete against schools from across the Kimberley. A big thankyou to all the parent helpers who came down on the day to assist with the smooth running of this event. Without your valuable support these events couldn't occur.

Mr Kent

***Physical Education Specialist***



## P&C NEWS

PLEASE NOTE: The Department of Education requires us to differentiate between school organised, P&C organised and Community events

I'm Sarah, and I now have three children at school. The P&C held their AGM on 20 February, and we were really pleased to have some new attendees. It's always great to see new faces, and to get to know them - this is a great perk of being part of the P&C. Our Executive members were elected at the AGM, and at the meeting which followed, we brainstormed some of the upcoming events for our school community. I've been a member of the P&C for several years now, and this year I have taken on the role of Secretary.

The first event for the P&C will be our Easter raffle coming up in a few weeks time. Tickets will go home on 26 March and need to be returned on 27 March, leaving time for the lucky winners to collect their prizes before the end of term.

You will also see a few events popping up for the Year six fundraising team, as they work towards raising money for the Year six camp.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 13 March at 6pm in the staff room. Please come along to see what else we have planned for the year, and where you may be able to help - many hands make light work. We hope to see you there.





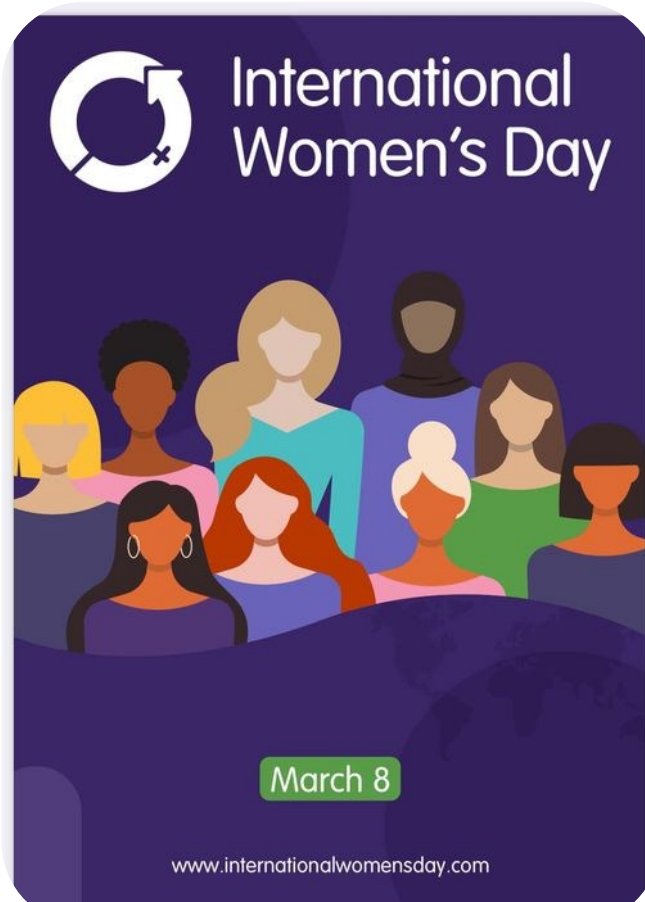


**Tuesday 26th March**  
**5pm, Broome Public Library**

**DBCA's Cane Toad officer will be teaching us about cane toads, including:**

- How to ID a cane toad
- Reducing cane toads in your backyard
- How to pick up and euthanise a cane toad
- What DBCA is doing to protect native species

**Please join us for this informative presentation.**



## **Strengthening Children and Teens Against Anxiety**

Anxiety is a very normal part of being human, but for as many as one in five children it can reach intrusive levels, interfering with family life, friendships and school performance.

This transformational session will provide parents and carers with the essential information and powerful, practical strategies to help their children and teens thrive through anxiety, whether it's everyday levels of anxiety or more intrusive.

**When**  
6:30pm - 8:00pm AWST  
Monday, 27 May 2024

**Where**  
Broome Lotteries House  
20 Cable Beach Rd E, Broome

**To book:**  
<https://parentingconnectionwa.com.au/event/ky-broome/>

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### **About Karen Young**

Karen has worked as a psychologist in private practice, and organisational and educational settings. She is now a sought-after speaker, educator, and consultant, both at home in Australia and overseas. Karen is the founder of 'Hey Sigmund', an internationally popular online resource that provides contemporary, research-driven information on anxiety and the neurodevelopment of children. She has written three books, including the bestselling 'Hey Warrior' and 'Hey Awesome', which creatively assist children to understand and manage anxiety.

