



Roebuck
PRIMARY SCHOOL

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 2 June
Student Free Day

Monday 5 June
Western Australia Day
Public Holiday

Wednesday 7 June
P&C Meeting

Thursday 8 June
Broome Football/Netball
Carnival

Friday 9 June
Assembly Spoonbill 4

Monday 12 June
School Board Meeting

Friday 16 June
Spelling Bee

Thursday 22 June
Derby Carnival

Friday 24 June
Reconciliation Walk

Monday 26 June
Assembly Spoonbill 1

**Monday 26 June to
Friday 30 June**
NAIDOC Week

Roebuck Primary School

An Independent Public School - Broome Cluster

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO XAVIER



Last term, the students in Mr Wolfe's class attended the Broome Job and Skills Expo. Congratulations to Xavier in Year 6 who was the lucky winner of a generous prize pack donated from local businesses.

Thank you to Mr Aiden Mitchell from Jobs and Skills Trade Centre and Mrs Tracey Deegan from Broome North Regional TAFE for coming to Roebuck Primary School to present Xavier with his prize.

INTERSCHOOL MATHS COMPETITION



On Thursday 11 May, 12 students from Years 4-6 represented Roebuck Primary School at the annual Interschool Maths Competition, hosted by Broome North Primary School. Students competed against the four cluster schools, participating in five rounds of nail biting challenges that put their Maths knowledge and skills to the test. All teams worked together and were admirable ambassadors for our school. Congratulations to all involved and I look forward to next year's competition.

Ms Honey, Numeracy Leader

SCHOOL NEWS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Ngaji Gurjini – Welcome / Halo Semua Orang – Hello Everyone

SHOREBIRDS

What a magnificent exhibition of a combined community event with representation from across Broome.

Roebuck Primary School was proud to be partaking through our design of puppetry, dance on the flats with our puppets in vibrant colour and the magnificent voice of our choir. A truly collaborative event and a strong message that highlights such importance of our inter-tidal mudflats and bird life. How lucky are we to have this in our Roebuck Bay. The Education Department of WA featured the event on their Media and News page. [Students Star in Magical Show.](#)



Congratulations to all staff that contributed to this event and all families for supporting this with your participation and encouragement.

Thanks to Miss Bel who compiled a short film on our students involvement in the Shorebirds event. This film will be showcased this Friday night at the [Mud and Saltwater Short Film Fest.](#)

QUALITY TEACHING STRATEGY - LEAD SCHOOL

As shared in our last newsletter, I am very proud of the staff, students and you, the parents/carers of our school community in building such a strong culture that is Roebuck Primary School. The recognition of being appointed a Quality Teaching Strategy – Lead School, one of 25 in Western Australia, as acknowledgement of the high care and high standards in our teaching and learning and the collaborative whole school culture, is something of which we should all be pleased. This is to recognise past as well as present staff who have contributed in this journey to realise our current status.

A busy place is Roebuck Primary School...so please enjoy reading all about the various additions in this newsletter and keep up-to-date with the wonderful media we have via Miss Bel on our Facebook page. [Roebuck Primary School.](#)

HOW ARE WE GOING...YOUR THOUGHTS!

At Roebuck Primary School we have high expectations and strive to do our best in all curriculum areas as well as providing support, engagement and community connection in all that we do.

We think we are doing well but we'd like to hear from you. Please spare five minutes to complete the **surveys** as the information guides us in setting our direction and commitments to making sure that Roebuck Primary School is the best it can be for you and your children. Yes, students get to contribute their thoughts and ideas via the Student Leadership teams (Ibis 2 students are already well onto it with some great suggestions).

PARENT/CARER/STUDENT SATISFACTION

We'd like to know how you think we are going, your experiences whether recently new to the school or been with us for some time; and your thoughts and ideas on an, '...even better if.' Please complete this 2 minute survey at this link [Roebuck Primary School - Parent / Carer Opinion Survey - School Survey](#)

HEALTHY PROMOTING SCHOOLS

If you have time for three meetings, each one hour, over the course of a few weeks, we would appreciate your time to be part of a review group to provide feedback on the Department of Education's latest – Student Health in Public Schools. This covers areas such as: from Healthy Food and Drink, Sun Smart including heat management and feedback on First Aid and medical procedures/management. [Healthy Promoting Schools.](#)

Galiya / Sampai Jumpa - Goodbye

Kelvin Shem, Principal



Broome Cluster of Independent Schools
[Click here to view the Broome Senior High School Newsletters](#)

I am Kind to Others.



SCHOOL NEWS

FACTION CROSS COUNTRY RUN



On Friday, 12 May students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 competed in our Faction Cross Country. It was amazing to see the skill and sportsmanship from all our students who tackled the course, cheered on by parents and fellow students.

Selected students then participated on Friday, 26 May in the annual Interschool Cross Country event held on Cable Beach. Students participated against other Broome primary schools as well as two schools from Derby. They experienced a sand, bush and grass track as they pushed themselves to the limit.

Congratulations to all our runners and their efforts which placed Roebuck Primary School in second place.

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY



Thank you to students, Roebuck Primary School families and staff who joined us on Friday, 19 May for Walk Safely to School Day. Joining us on the walk was the Hon. Rita Saffioti MLA, the Minister for Transport, Planning, Ports and Ms Divina D'Anna MLA, Member for the Kimberley. Our student leaders helped ensure everyone travelled in the right direction, and provided some musical entertainment along the way. At school, students were welcomed by our Wellbeing Action Team, serving participants a healthy breakfast. What a great way to start the day!

2023
CHARGES AND VOLUNTARY
CONTRIBUTIONS
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
TOTAL	\$60.00

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 21 November 2022.

CHARGES

Extra Cost Options Estimated Maximum Cost

Excursions/Visiting Artists	K-6	\$120.00
Interschool Sport	1-6	\$60.00
Swimming	1-6	\$90.00
School Camp	6	*\$650.00
Leadership Camp	5-6	\$60.00
Graduation	6	\$60.00
PEAC	5-6	\$200.00
IMSS	5-6	\$190.00

*\$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.

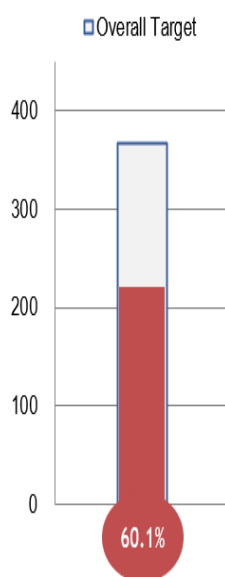
Payment will be requested during the school year when costs and participation by students is confirmed

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

REMINDERS FROM ADMINISTRATION

2023 Voluntary Contributions

Voluntary Contributions



ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2024

We are now taking enrolments for Kindy 2024. If your child is turning 4 on or prior to 30 June 2023, please call in to the office to collect an enrolment form.

As Pre-Primary is the first year of compulsory schooling, it is also a requirement to re-enrol into Pre-Primary, even if you are already attending our Kindy program.

Please call into the office to complete the enrolment process. You will need to bring along a current proof of residence and an up-to-date Medicare Immunisation History Statement.

HAVE YOU MOVED OR ARE YOU LEAVING?

It is important that the school has up-to-date information for all our students. If you have changed address, phone number or any other details, please contact the office as soon as possible to update your information. You are welcome to send an email to roebuck.ps@education.wa.edu.au at any time.

LABELLING CLOTHING

With the colder weather here and jumpers being worn in the mornings, a reminder to parents to please label your child's clothing, including school hats. Any lost property is handed in to the lost property box in the Library. Students can check the lost property box when they go to their weekly library session or at recess and lunch.

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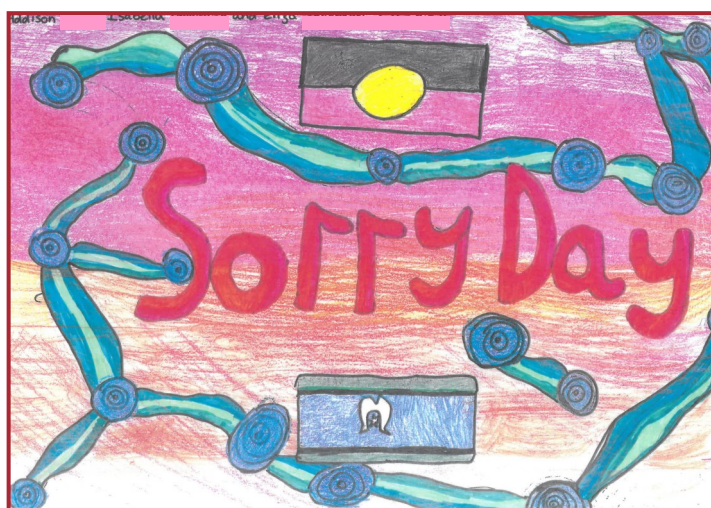
SORRY DAY POSTER WINNERS



To acknowledge Sorry Day students at Roebuck Primary School recently held a poster design competition. The quality of the entries was outstanding and Mr Shem had the difficult task of choosing the winning designs.

Congratulations to Finley in Year 1, Savannah in Year 5 and a combined group effort by Addison, Isabella and Eliza in Year 4.

Thank you to all students involved.



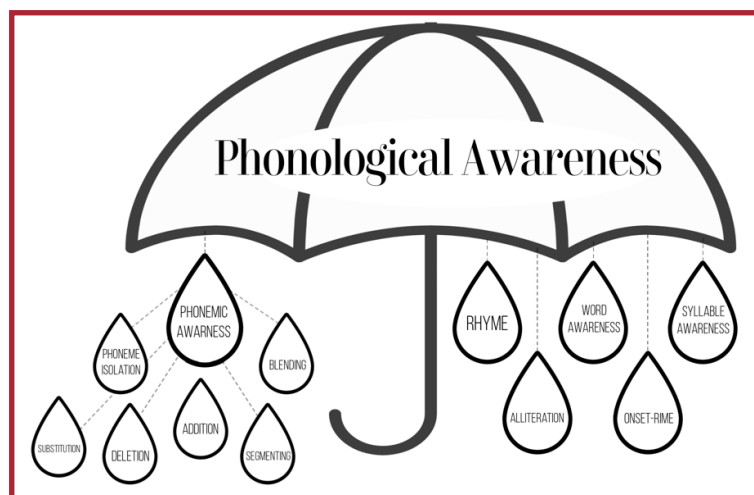
WHAT IS THE LET'S DECODE PROGRAM?

Did you know that the human brain was designed to talk, not read.

This is why we need to explicitly teach our children to hear sounds in words, which in turn helps the brain to map letters to sounds when they see a word in print.

Let's Decode is an evidence based program teaching students the strategies for reading and developing their phonological awareness, the ability to recognise and manipulate the spoken parts of words and sentences.

Students in our early years participate in Let's Decode lessons four mornings a week at Roebuck Primary School. Students' phonological awareness is tracked via assessments called Dibels, once students are decoding proficiently, they can use their knowledge and skills to engage in higher order activities.



Micaley Ross, Deputy Principal - Curriculum

ATTENDANCE - ATTEND TODAY AND ACHIEVE TOMORROW

Missing school means your child misses out on vital information and maintaining learning routines. This can result in a loss of confidence and missing out on forming vital friendships. Classrooms at Roebuck Primary School are open at 7:45am every morning. Our school day begins at 8:00am and the class roll is completed by 8:15am.

If students arrive at school after 8:15am, parents you must accompany your child to front office, complete a late note and escort child to their teacher.

If your child needs to leave school during school hours for any reason, parents/carers are asked to report to the front office and sign the student out of school.

Parents/carers can notify the school of any absences by several methods: email roebuck.ps@education.wa.edu.au or SMS on 0437 879 487 (Please note this number receives SMS's only) or through our website [Roebuck Primary School \(roebuckps.wa.edu.au\)](http://RoebuckPrimarySchool(roebuckps.wa.edu.au)) or via phone 9195 1500.



Just a little bit late doesn't matter, surely?

By missing just...	Equals...	Which is...	And by the end of Year 12 that's...
10 minutes/day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly 6 months
20 minutes per day	1 hr 40 minutes per week	Over 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 minutes per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years!

1 or 2 days a week of missed school may not seem like much but...

By missing just...	Equals...	Which is...	And by the end of Year 12 that's...
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years!!!

NEW SOCCER GOALS

We have some new, and very flash Soccer goals that the Faction Captains will be putting on the oval for use on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. Looking forward to seeing some action from future Socceroos and Matildas!

Thanks to our amazing school gardener Mr Paul for helping put them together.



SCHOOL NEWS

ASSEMBLY - MAY 5 - HOSTED BY SPOONBILL 3

ROEBUCK RIPPLE RECOGNITION AWARDS

Ella R	Eloise L	Denis H	Tia M
Logan S	Stevie K	Jonah B	Hugo W
Joanne N	Harper M	Marlin G	Alyssa M
Noah L	Evie B	Maisie N	Hadley D
Marley G	Zoe W	Grace P	Chloe B
Charlie M	Callum C	Elise R	Ajay T
Mollie M	Zoey R	Freya E	

SPECIALIST AWARDS

Science	Whimbrel 3
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Indonesian	Ibis 3



ASSEMBLY - MAY 19 - HOSTED BY SPOONBILL 4

ROEBUCK RIPPLE RECOGNITION AWARDS

Makenzie H	Nora W	Angus O	Indie S
Peggy H	Sophia R	Scarlett P	
Ava S	Kailem B	Seong T	
Ezra L	Nate M	Addison W	
Clay F	Eva K	Zac L	
Hannah S	Mackie B	Bryce R	
Clayton L	Torrie P	Madeleine B	

BADGE AWARDS

Hayley L - Bronze
Addison S - Bronze
Maisie N - Bronze
Evelyn B - Bronze

SPECIALIST AWARDS

Science	Whimbrel 5
Indonesian	Spoonbill 1

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME



Teachers and students all around Australia read the book "The Speedy Sloth" as part of National Simultaneous Storytime. Mrs Duffield and Mrs Beatty read to the Ibis 1 and Whimbrel 5 classes and here are some of their recounts:

"My favourite part of the book was when the sloth didn't quit" - Luke.

"We all loved it and it was a good book and I felt so, so, so happy" - Evie.

"She may not have won, but she tried her best and never quit. She was very proud" - Chuck.

"Most schools were reading it" - Harper.

SCHOOL NEWS

2024 Year 7 Academic Extension Program Testing Registrations

Please email Rachael Ware at
rachael.ware2@education.wa.edu.au

Registrations close
Monday 5th June 2023

Testing date:
Saturday 10th June 2023
Must be registered to sit the testing

Please include the following information when
registering your child's interest:

- Student's name
- Date of birth
- Current school and teacher
- A parent/guardian name and contact number



P&C NEWS

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

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR P&C

Hi, I'm Kate, President of the Roebuck Primary School P&C. I have been a member of the P&C for six years and during that time have met lots of wonderful people, who I now consider friends. The P&C is a great place to get to know your school community and meet new people.

We are all volunteers with busy families, jobs and social lives, but what makes us extra special is that we want to give back to the school that gives so much to our kids.

We would love to have some more of you join us so as we can offer more great opportunities for our kids and yours, both in learning and in play. Please consider coming along to a meeting to see what we are all about, and how you can help us. It's not a big commitment if we have lots of helpers.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 7 June at 6pm in the staffroom so please come along - we would love to meet you!

Upcoming events for Term 3 include Colour Run, Movie/Disco Night (TBC), Fathers Day Raffle!

