Dear Parents

Term two 2014 comes to a very busy end. Our senior teachers and students (Years 6 and 7) have just completed two very enjoyable camps with the children participating in a host of challenging activities. Thanks to the 6/7 teachers who organised the camp and the parent group who raised the funds to make the camps such a success.

This week is the week Roebuck Primary School celebrates NAIDOC week with all classes enjoying a range of different activities organised by the NAIDOC committee. This culminates on Friday with a whole school NAIDOC assembly and games of football. The Goannas v's The Turtles before lunch to finish the week.

This week your child/children will be bringing home their school report for Semester one 2014. This year pre-primary will be getting a formal report for the first time.

The reports indicate where your child is at in accordance with the Australian Curriculum. These reports will also have a statement that demonstrates your child's effort across all learning areas.

If you are concerned about your child's report grades I suggest you make an appointment to see the classroom teacher early in Term 3 to address these concerns. Please call the school on 9192 3377 to arrange an appointment if this is required.

Holiday time is always busy on the roads. Those travelling please take care and will see you all in Term 3. Those who are leaving us, hope you have enjoyed your stay in Broome and more importantly Roebuck Primary School.

School commences 21 July for staff and Tuesday 22 July for students.

Graeme Gordon
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 2 July
Reports go home

Friday 4 July
Last day of Term 2

Tuesday 22 July
Return to School Term 3

‘NAIDOC CUP’

Parents, Students and Staff are invited to meet on the school oval. Students are encouraged to wear their faction t-shirts on the day and barrack for their team.

WHEN: FRIDAY 4th July
WHERE: ROEBUCK PS OVAL
TIME: 10.30am

Hope you can make it!!!
Community Action Team Beautifying Broome

The Community Action Team were involved in picking up litter with the Keep Australia Beautiful Council team led by Roebuck Primary School parent Katie Bidewell on Sunday. The team cleaned along Airport Roadside and One Mile Community. A huge number of orange bags were filled and the team stated that it was an honour to be involved because it was such a great ‘good feel’ event to attend. One Mile Community residents were out in ‘full force’ assisting with the pickup and many enjoyed a community BBQ following the event with the residents in the One Mile Community. The clean-ups occur once a month in various places around Broome and our students will be certainly assisting again.

Well done Community Action Team!

Organiser; Katie Bidewell

Dr Graham Walker, (a science performer) visited our school last week and performed a science presentation to our Year 3-7 students.

Dr Graham launched a marshmallow out of a vacuum cleaner, made rockets out of household items and showed us how water could defy gravity.

It was a great show, including lots of audience involvement, laughter, and learning with lots of exciting experiments.

It was an action packed show in celebration of the fun in Science.

Mr Fitts couldn’t contain himself!

Jill Haymes-Holder

On Friday 27 June we took Mrs Amy Woodley’s Year 4 class as well as a few selected senior students and student councillors to the Kullarri Reconciliation Walk and the opening ceremony for 2014 Kullarri NAIDOC Festival. It was fantastic to see so many people and students walking proudly from Chinatown to the Shire office.

The guest speakers said how great it was to have so many school students there and it was a beautiful sight to see, with all the variety of the uniform colours.

This week we have many NAIDOC activities and competitions running at our school.

Laurette Davey
AIEO

NAIDOC MARCH

SCIENCE
Year 6 and Year 7 Camp

The Year 6 students went to the Broome Camp School for one week in Week 7 this term and the Year 7s followed after in Week 9. The Broome Camp School looked after us extremely well, with fantastic food and exciting experiences. We worked on our communication skills by building rafts in small teams, problem solving to climb the Milk Crate Mountain and supporting our friends in prusiking.

We enjoyed a swim down at Cable Beach and battled each other in Mini Golf and Broome themed sand castle competitions. Our knowledge was expanded in a visit to the Broome Museum, we tested our general knowledge in a quiz night and shared our skills in a Talent Show.

We travelled down a bumpy dirt road to the Bird Observatory where we learned about the importance of protecting our coast, we sifted mud in the mangroves to find the creatures that lived within and we used binoculars and telescopes to spot a wide range of birds.

We also went to Willie Creek where we saw a crocodile or two on every tour that we took! We learned about the process for growing a cultured pearl and we had some delicious damper before heading out on a short boat ride.

We enjoyed an Astro Tour where Greg Quicke impressed us with his knowledge of our galaxy and let us gaze at the stars and planets through his range of telescopes. The shooting stars and beautiful weather made it an exciting show!

Our week ended with a fantastic ‘Monsterball’ day where we had huge Zorb balls to roll around in, a dunk tank, a water slide, gladiator arena, sumo suits, a bouncy castle and a bucking bull ride. It was intense!

There is some lost property left from both camps in Corella 1. If you are missing anything please come to collect it, after the 25th of July it will be donated to a local charity.

All Year 6 and 7 students would like to take this opportunity to thank the parent helpers and other volunteers for all of the effort that they put into fundraising and helping out on camp, the camps would not have been possible without their help. THANK YOU!

It was an exhausting, fun, challenging and memorable week!

We had the best time!
Term 2 Thanks & Update

A big thank you to all of our Roebuck Primary School parents who have helped us raise a fantastic Term 2 total of just over $14,000 to date. This has come from the Lapathon ($10K), Disco ($3k), Auskick Canteen ($500), and First Aid Kits ($750). Thanks for all your support—it all helps achieve our aims to provide better resources, programs and school infrastructure for our kids.

The Disco saw a great turnout of parent helpers, which made it so much easier and safer—thanks to those who put their hand up! We hope all the kids had a great time. Special thanks to DJ Bindi Forde who once again did a wonderful job! Also thanks to Ms Gould and a number of teachers who came along to lend a hand on the night.

Also a big thank you to the parents who helped cater for the Cluster meeting in May, where we raised an additional $1300 for the P&C, and to Donna Cahill and Katy Crawford who coordinated the delivery of food.

Next term? Well, let's just get over this term first and we'll tell you all about our next plans after the holidays! Our next P&C meeting will be on the 5 August. See you there!

P&C Committee

BOOK CLUB NEWS

You may (or may not) have noticed we have not sent out any Scholastic Book Club orders this term. The reason being their dates of issue fell too close with the Book Fair earlier in the term.

In term 3 however, we will be sending out another issue again with the students, so please look out for this in the first or second week back. Running the scholastic book club in our school benefits everyone—every Book Club order earns the school Scholastic Reward Points, which helps in purchasing additional learning and literacy resources for our school!

A small group of dedicated Roebuck Primary School mums have been running the book club for a number of years now. Their kids are growing up and moving on in the school, they are finding themselves committing to other pursuits and in particular going back into the workforce. As such this has challenged their time and involvement with the book club.

At some stage our involvement will need to transition to others... Hence this call goes out to any parent, aunt, uncle, grandparent involved with the school to commit a few hours of their time to help with collecting, sorting and dispatching these book orders.

Please put your hand up and help us continue to offer and coordinate book club at Roebuck Primary School.

The more the merrier we say.....the more involved the less the burden will be, to just a few.

If you are willing to assist and/or have any questions, please feel free to contact either myself, Daphne 0419 100 210 or Sam 0430 442 664.

DOLLARMITE

SCHOOL BANKING

Term 3 Banking day is now Thursday

School banking have had a fantastic Term 2 with record amount of students doing banking.

Well done kids!!!

First banking day for Term 3 will be Thursday 24 July in the Whimbrel area from 7.40am -- 8.00am.

Please come in and see Nic, Mel or Elle if you would like an information pack.

We look forward to seeing you next term.

Happy holidays!

THANK YOU to Rina Banfield and Willie Creek Pearls for the kind donation of goods to be used as student rewards. Your generosity and support for our school is appreciated.

Broome Cluster of Independent Schools