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ROSEWOOD SPORTS CAMP

Towards the end of this term we will be travelling to Rosewood for an overnight camp so that the students can participate in the Small School's Athletics Carnival and Cross Country events.

The activities will take place on Thursday, 29th March and Friday 30th March and we need to arrange transport to and from Rosewood.

Parents are invited to come along to support the students and to camp overnight at the Rosewood Club if they would like to. Parents will be welcome to use the club facilities.

Alternatively parents may be able to drive students to Rosewood and return the next day to collect them.

If you are able to help with transport, please contact Mrs Levey as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

ZOO SNOOZE

We are all getting excited now about our trip to Sydney next week for the Zoo Snooze at Taronga Park Zoo and the "How To Train Your Dragon Arena Spectacular" at All Phones Arena.

A reminder note about the arrangements and what students need to bring, will be coming home soon.

Please pay particular attention to the departure and return times for the trip as these have changed slightly from our original advice.

PRIORITY SCHOOLS PROGRAM SURVEY

Thank you to all our families who completed the PSP survey last week and did so in such a prompt manner.

We have sent off our responses and now need to wait to see if we have been successful in our application to be considered eligible for this funding which would commence next year.

UNIFORM ORDERS

Order forms have been sent home with students.

Please return your order forms with the correct payment as soon as possible so that an order can be made.

DIARY DATES

Week 9 – Beginning Monday, 19th March

Tuesday-Wednesday	Zoo Snooze/ Dragon Spectacular
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Week 10 – Beginning Monday, 26th March

Thursday	Small School's Athletics
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Friday	Small School's Cross Country
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Week 11 Beginning Monday, 2nd April

Thursday	Last day of Term 1
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Week 11 Beginning Monday, 23rd April

Monday	Staff Development Day
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Tuesday	Students return for Term 2
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Wednesday	Anzac Day Public Holiday
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A Community Health initiative Vocabulary

It is important to stimulate your child's vocabulary development in order for them to become effective communicators. Here are some suggestions:

- Teach your child the names of both everyday and less familiar items.
- Read books together and talk about the pictures, characters and storyline.
- Provide experiences such as going to the park, shops, on a picnic or for a walk. It is much easier to put a label on something that you have seen or experienced first hand.
- When introducing new vocabulary it helps to group it in some way to make it easier to learn.
- Categorising is a useful way to group words. Some common categories include:
 - Food – while cooking or shopping
 - Toys – at school or home
 - Clothes – while dressing or washing
 - Animals – at the park, farm, in books or on TV
 - Weather – any time, especially while outdoors
 - Furniture – at home

Easter Raffle – P&C

Remember to keep those donations coming in for our Easter Raffle. Thanks to donations already received we have a good start for our prizes but it would be great to have some more.

Don't forget to check the roster for your turn on the stall selling tickets.

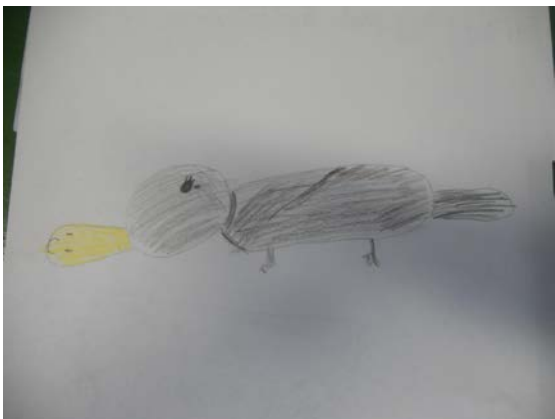
We need everyone to help out for the raffle to be a success.



Interesting facts about the platypus

Did you know the platypus:

- Can live in captivity for 20 to 21 years but in the wild they usually live for 14-15 years
- has a poisonous spur that can make you sick for up to 3 months, but that the female will lose its spur when it becomes an adult
- has a very sensitive bill which also acts like the front of a boat to help break through the water



- they live in freshwater on the east coast of Australia
- stores food in their tail for when they hibernate in their den



- their tail acts like a rudder
- front webbed feet help them to swim faster
- when they close their eyes their ears close too
- they belong to the monotreme family
- eats fly eggs and maggots, yabbies, earthworms, water worms and other juicy grubs

