Term 1 Week 7

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School Photos....

School photos envelopes have now been sent home to all students. School photos will be held on Thursday 21st March 2013. If you wish to purchase one of the photo packages please fill in the envelope and enclose the correct money (no change can be given). Envelopes need to be returned to your child’s class teacher. Student details are already on the envelope and there is one envelope per child.

Family photos will also be taken on the day. Family photos are only available for children attending our school. Sorry-no parents, toddlers, high school students etc. If you would like your children to have a family photo taken please collect a family photo envelope from the front office. Envelopes need to be returned to your child’s class teacher.

Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform for our photo day.

Miss Regan

Sports Representatives....

Our school has had a long tradition of students being selected in representative teams. The following students have been selected to compete in the Sydney West Carnival later in the term representing the Mt Druitt District.
Congratulations to Viena Tinao who was selected in the netball team and Bronx Murphy who was selected in the boys basketball team. We will let you know how they go at the upcoming Regional Carnival.

A big congratulations to one of our past students, Chase Chapman. Chase received an Encouragement Award from The Blacktown City Star for his sporting achievements in 2012. Well done Chase.

Mr Sloane

Welcome Evening....

We hope to see all families new to our school this year at our “Welcome Evening” on Thursday 14th March from 5:30-7:30pm. There will be activities for your children and a sausage sizzle meal for everyone! We have made plans to ensure the fun can continue regardless of the weather. Please remember to return your beige note regarding the number of family members attending to your child’s teacher as soon as possible. (As this is a family activity, no children can attend without their parent or caregiver.) Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday.

Miss Lauren Milan
Welcome Evening Co-ordinator

Induction Assembly....

On Tuesday 19th March, We will be holding our annual Induction Assembly. Students in leadership positions will be presented with their badges and certificates at this special assembly. Congratulations to students in the following positions: Prefects, House Captains and Vice Captains, Peer Mediators, Student Representative Council members, Library Monitors and Canteen Assistants. We hope to see family and friends at our Induction assembly to support and celebrate this special achievement. The assembly will take place at 9.30 in our school hall.

Zavera Shankaran
Co-ordinator

2014 High School Expression of Interest....

This week the 2014 High School Expression of Interest (EOI) guide to high school, and student information form will be sent home with all Year 6 students. The guide is full of useful and interesting information about high school and answers many questions often asked by parents when considering the best place for their child.

To further support parents in completing the EOI, and to answer any other questions the guide may not answer, Ms Grice will be available in the 6G classroom on Thursday 14th March 2013 between 3:30pm and 6:30pm.

All Year 6 students are to have an EOI form completed and returned to the school by Friday 22nd March 2013 no matter what high school they may be attending next year.

Focus of the fortnight....
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* Safely store school bags
2014 Selective High School Test…

Each year Rooty Hill Public School has a number of Year 6 students sit the Selective High School Test, and 2013 is no exception. The Selective High School process begins in Year 5 where parents may choose to apply for their child to attend an academically selective high school and to sit the Selective High School Test. Parents are notified by the Selective Schools Unit as to where the test will take place – always at a site central to the school but not at the school of the student. Parents and primary schools are then advised later in the year, usually around late Term 2, as to the success of their child’s application.

It is a very exciting time for those applying for Selective High Schools and we at RHPS wish all of our students who are sitting the test on Thursday 14th March all the very best.

Deb Grice
Year 6 Team Leader

Library Monitors….

Library monitors help run the library when it is open at lunchtimes. They give out resources to those who wish to draw or write, assist students to borrow books, and shelve all the books that have been returned during the day. Our library monitors have already begun work this year and are doing a fantastic job, after being trained by Mrs Poona during their first week of service.

Congratulations to the following students, who have been elected as library monitors for 2013:


PSSA Cricket….

What a great beginning to PSSA Cricket for 2013!

On Friday, Rooty Hill played Hassall Grove at Whalan Reserve. The teams showed exceptional team spirit and had fun.

The Junior team won 54 to 13. The entire team encouraged each other and gave advice and praise when needed. Rehan was awarded ‘Person of the Match’. A special mention to Tanequa Bolt and Riley Te Huki for ‘having a go’ and joining an all-boys team.

The Senior team members were awesome in both batting and fielding, unfortunately missing out on the win. Tony Lee was awarded ‘Person of the Match’ and a special mention for Matthew Holden and David Lolomania for excellent sportsmanship.

Great work girls and boys, keep up the hard work. I look forward to watching your skills grow.
throughout the year. Good luck for the rest of the season.

Mrs Steward

TV Superstars....

Last Friday, a small group of children from Rooty Hill Public School were given the opportunity to be TV stars for a few minutes! We were invited to send a number of children to Eastern Creek Motorsports Park, to be a part of the live weather cross on the ‘Today’ show. Steve Jacobs (the weatherman) and the camera crew were at Eastern Creek to help promote the ‘Top Gear’ festival which took place last weekend.

One of the charities supporting the festival was ‘Variety’. They needed some children to test drive the dodgem cars and drive around whilst Steve Jacobs was reading the weather report! The children had a fantastic time and even though it was a very early start, were all enthusiastic and very excited to be on television! As we have come to expect, they represented our school beautifully and were commended on their excellent behaviour.

Mr Haste and Mrs Greene

Public speaking

Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success.


Science starters

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life’s mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.


Facts about tutors

Private tutoring to give children a helping hand in their schooling is a growing business. However, it’s also an area where parents can be vulnerable to bogus offers and misleading advertising.


New Members welcome for 2013

THE GROVE PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB

Classes are held at Rooty Hill Public School Every Tuesday Evening.
For Class times, fees or more information please call Jenny on 0402 100 123 or email us thegrovewzpcd@hotmail.com

Physie gives a well rounded balance of low impact, high energy choreographed exercise routines performed to modern music and teaches co-ordination, rhythm, posture and self confidence. Meet new friends and have lots of fun.

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