Help us to shape our future – start thinking!

In highly effective schools, a quality planning process helps to drive and direct the main strategic business of the school. Good planning is essential to ensure achievement of substantial, sustainable educational growth and improved learning performance of our boys and girls.

A new approach to school planning has been introduced by the Department of Education and is the first part of a new approach to school excellence. It is a streamlined and strategic approach to school planning, reporting and self-assessment to better support schools.

The first component of the school planning cycle involves seeking opinions and suggestions from our parent community, so that three key strategic directions for school improvement can be identified and implemented over the next three years.

In the near future you will receive a short survey seeking your ideas. Please try to set aside some time to complete the survey, so that your opinions can be incorporated in our planning. Rooty Hill Public School belongs to – and is the responsibility of – all of us…… students, staff and parents. Please make sure your valued opinions are expressed when the survey is sent home.

Kind regards,
Jackie Malecki

Year 5 Rooty Hill High School Information Evening....

Rooty Hill High School is holding an Information Evening for students who are currently in Year 5 and will begin to High School in 2016. Those parents who are considering sending their child to Rooty High School are welcome to attend the Information Evening. If you would like to see the wonderful opportunities our local High School offers, why not come along? Notes were sent out last week to all Year 5 students and should be returned to Mrs Shankaran by Thursday 23rd October.

Where: Rooty Hill High School
Address: North Parade, Rooty Hill 2766
When: Monday, 27th October 2014
Time: 4:30-5:30 School tours
5:30-6:30 Presentation

Mrs Shankaran
Year 5 Supervisor
SRC Aqua-a-thon....

**When:** Thursday 6th November 2014.

Sponsorship Cards have been sent home and now is the time to ask family members, friends and neighbours to sponsor your child for this event! The money raised from the SRC Aquathon will be used to purchase equipment and resources for the school.

**NEW PRIZES:-** For each $10 students raise they will receive a ticket into the major prize draw. If a student raises $50 then they will have 5 tickets (chances) to win. If a student raises over $100 we will double their chances, they will receive 20 tickets.

10 Major prizes to be won

On **Thursday 6th November**, after the Aquathon, students will take their cards home to collect the money promised from their sponsors. Tickets for the prize draw are awarded on return of raised money. The winning tickets for the prizes will be drawn at the last K to 6 Assembly of the year. **Make sure you have returned your money and card by Monday 24th November**.

We thank you for supporting the SRC and are looking forward to the day.

Mrs Fester
Aquathon Organiser

Peer Support....

Wednesday the 8th October was the final Whole School Program Peer Support session for this year. Year 6 students, as leaders, and several Year 5 students, as co-leaders, ran small group activities each week. They worked with a mixture of students from Kindergarten to Year 5. A big thank you to all the leaders and co-leaders for their enthusiasm and effort throughout this very important Whole School Program.

Karren Epps
Organiser

PSSA

On Friday 10th October all students in PSSA teams resumed their summer competition. Students are playing the following sports; AFL, Cricket, Volleyball, Softball, Tee Ball and Newcombe Ball. It was great to see everyone paying their $7 before the bell on Friday morning to their coaches. Don’t forget to bring your school hat, extra water and to wear sunscreen.

Karren Epps