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#### Term 4 Week 10 2020

As we head into the Christmas school holidays, I would like to congratulate all students for an amazing, successful year of learning.

Twelve months ago, no one would have predicted the effects Covid-19 would have on individuals, our families, our communities and the world as a whole or whether we would be adjusting to 'social distancing' and 'learning from home'.

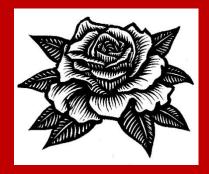
We need to be extremely proud of how we have all worked together this year through challenging times. Rosebank staff converted learning onto virtual platforms and physical learning packs almost overnight to ensure student learning could continue at home. The work ethic, resilience, creativity and flexibility of our staff needs to be commended.

Our students need to be congratulated for engaging positively with staff via phone, digital technology, email, work packs and the SeeSaw app.

We thank our parents, for your support and assistance with student learning from home. Staying current through our Closed Facebook platform, phone and school email. You did an amazing job! Take a bow!

We eventually returned to teaching and learning back on our school site with adjustments in place in order to keep us healthy as a school and community. Some of these adjustments are still occurring.

# Rosebank Public School



#### CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you, Lisa and our volunteers for keeping our canteen running smoothly. The students have loved canteen days!

This Week! Wednesday16 December Presentation Day Last Day of School Year

> Coming Up! Friday 29 January Students Return

We wish our students and families a safe Christmas holiday period From The Rosebank Team Thank you, for the support you provide to staff and myself. Positive comments, phone calls and acknowledgements you provide are greatly valued.

Special thanks go to our supportive P&C, under the leadership of Kate. Thank you, for your support of all school activities, special programs, functions and fundraising contributions. P&C meetings are an excellent forum to stay informed and to share with parents the School Improvement Plan, curriculum, teaching and learning and future plans. We have all become Zoom experts!

Last Friday night we celebrated the accomplishments of 5 incredible, Year 6 students with their families and reflected on their K-6 journey at Rosebank Public School. We are extremely proud and confident that these students are ALL ready to transition from the familiar faces and surrounds of Rosebank to new routines, teachers and classmates of Secondary school.

We can't wait, Year 6 to hear where your intelligence, creativity, passion and amazing personalities lead you into the future. Continue to evolve in your thinking and learning.

As Year 6 leave we celebrate, Alex who will lead our students and be our School Captain for 2021.

Next year students return on Friday 29 January with all classes Kindergarten to Year 6 starting on that day. Staff will be at school two days before. If you require any assistance, please contact the school office on 66882126 over these two days.

On behalf of our Rosebank team, we wish our families a safe, Christmas break filled with love, happiness, peace and good health. We look forward to welcoming our new students in 2021.

Have an Awesome Break Everyone! From Juanita, Oliver, Lauren, Stacey, Kim, Jen, Sarah, Vicki and Phil. The Rosebank Team



## There are two things in life you have total control over.

Your attitude and your effort.

~Billy Cox~







We respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wijabul Wiyabul people and other peoples of the Bunjalung Nation. They are the first peoples of this land, which has long been a place of learning for Aboriginal people.

### School Captain Speech: Sophia

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work and live. We recognise their continuing connection, to land, water and community. We pay our respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

Good evening parents, teachers and students.

I would like to start off by saying that in the past 7 years, the better part of half my life, I have enjoyed being part of the Rosebank Public School community.

This my final year, I have had the honour, as the school captain, to represent my school. I wish to thank all students and teachers for this opportunity.

I would like to thank past and present teachers that have taught me. Mrs Hughes, Mrs Sawyer, Ms Mim, Mr Bird, Mrs Thomson, Mr Pescia and Mrs Golding.

And of course, the supportive staff, Mrs Shailes, Jen, Sarah and Stacey. I also wish to thank Ken for safely delivering us to and from school.

Having teachers supporting and nurturing our experience in school provides us a positive launching pad into our high school years and beyond. Again, with gratitude, I wish to thank all of my teachers.

What has touched me the most, during my years at Rosebank Public School, are the friends, fun and fond memories I will cherish.

Recently I went surfing with the Year 5 and 6's. I caught my first wave, stood up and fell off. I'll definitely go surfing again!

I have enjoyed the opportunities the school has given me, to learn and have new experiences.

To my fellow classmates, I wish you well in your new adventures for 2021. I will fondly remember you all.

Farewell Rosebank Public School and thank you.



### School Captain Speech: Levi

I have been so lucky to be at Rosebank for my primary school years. It has been such a great school and has helped me overcome fears, make friends, it's made dreams come true and taught me a lot. For a long time, I felt so nervous about public speaking, sports carnivals and performances, but with lots of encouragement and support from all of my friends and awesome teachers here at Rosebank, I've been able to conquer my fears and be really successful and achieve things that I didn't know that I could. I've been in debating teams, represented our school for spelling bees and tournament of the minds, competed at zone and regional levels for swimming and gone to state for soccer where we came second. And let's not forget our famous school musicals and performing arts festivals where I got to play drums and act on the big stage.

Our little school has taught me to be friends with everyone no matter how old or young and to be respectful, kind and patient with everybody. It has also taught me that teachers are not just teachers, but they are your friends too.

I couldn't have gone to a better place for my primary years. Everyone is so nice and friendly here. Being given the chance to be Peer Support Leader and now School Captain, has been so great.

Now, I would like to say a big thanks to Mr Pescia for being such a nice, supportive, helpful friendly teacher. You have been great teaching me music and this year have taught me so much in the classroom, so thanks Mr P.

Mrs Thomson, over the last two years I've got to know you, you have been supportive, helpful and fun. Thank you, for bringing more sporting opportunities to our school. Thanks, Mrs T.

Mrs Shailes, you have been so nice and caring to me throughout my past 7 years here. Who else would help a little kindergarten kid when they didn't make it to the toilet in time. You're the best. Thank you.

Jen, you have been very kind and helpful and it's been really nice getting to know you the last few years.

Mrs G, you're cool, the little kids are lucky to have you. I wish you could have been my teacher.

Stacey, thank you for all your kindness and help in the classroom. It will be good seeing you at Trinity.

I can't forget Mrs Hughes, for all her hugs and support and help in teaching me how to read, write and do Math. And for keeping us company with her silly jokes and state of origin banter.

Finally, thank you to all the kids for being super nice, caring and fun to be around. Big thanks, to Beau, Cameron, Soph and Gabby for being with me for the Year 6 journey. All of you are awesome. Thank you.

