

# Turtle Times



## A note from the Principal

### Welcome to the 2024 school year

Welcome to the 2024 school year and a warm welcome to returning and new students and families. In 2024 we are setting high expectations for every student.

From Transition to Year 6 all students are participating in 2 hours a day of Structured Literacy based on the research-based Science of Reading. Here is a ten-minute clip that briefly explains the research and theory [Can we Afford to Ignore the Science of Reading? | Melissa Hostetter | TEDxUofISpringfield \(youtube.com\)-.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

Our school goal is to improve achievement in Reading. Teachers will be tracking student achievement in Reading and parents are encouraged to check in with class teachers on their child's progress. Teachers will send home Progress Reports at the end of this term as well as holding parent teacher interviews. If you want to know more about your child's learning or wellbeing, contact your child's teacher.

If you would like to support your child at home with Reading, Students (Year 1 - 6) get free access to Reading Eggs as part of the curriculum pack for 2024. There is also a handy free eBook suitable for parents of students in Years T-2 at [Parents - Decodable Readers Australia](https://www.decodable.com.au/) and the school has the full subscription for Decodables Australia. All teachers can share with families access to Decodable Australia's online library.

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### **School Council - Parent members needed!**

School Council is an opportunity to work with other parents and teachers to provide relevant input to decisions being made by the school. Our School Council has **five parent representative positions to be elected** this year. Please make an appointment with me or catch up in the during drop off/pick up, if you would like to discuss school council membership. Our **AGM will be held 5:30pm on Wednesday, 28 February**, in the administration building. Nomination forms are included with the newsletter and available at Reception. Nomination forms need to be submitted by 27 February.

### **Free Webinars for Parents**

[Raising Children Network webinars](#) offer free, live advice from trusted parenting experts on topics that matter to you. Their webinars bring experts to you. They are delivered in real-time and it's easy to join from the comfort of your home. Each live event is also recorded, so you can view the video later if you miss a session. From sleep and behaviour to anxiety and screen time, they cover a range of important parenting topics.

### **Safety before and after school and access during school hours**

For safety reasons children are not to play in the assembly area, on play equipment and around the buildings out of school hours. The **school is unsupervised before 7:50am and after 2:40pm** on school days and so children are asked not to play on school grounds outside of these times. We expect that families who need to leave their child at school before 750am will access the Outside School Hours program. Parents and carers can enrol through this link: [Before & After School Care Programs for Children | YMCA NT.](#)

At the end of a school day, students waiting for parent or sibling pickups should do so at either of the **main gates** to the school. After school, students are expected to walk/ride directly home or wait in the designated waiting areas at the front or rear entrances of the school. Students waiting for brothers/ sisters from Palmerston College or catching the bus are expected to wait at the front gate next to Reception.

Please note that for safety reasons, all gates are locked during the school day and **between 8:30 and 2:00pm access is only through the front gate next to Reception**. Students arriving late to school (after 815am) or students who need to leave during the school day need to do so through Reception.

### **Meet the teacher and family BBQ**

Our **first school community event will be the Meet the Teacher and Family BBQ which will be held on Wednesday 15 February between 4:00pm and 5:30pm**. It is a chance to be shown around the classroom and school by your child- and meet your child's teacher for 2024. This first open classroom event gives parents a chance to have informal conversations with their child's new teacher and have a look at how their child has started the school year. We will also have our usual sausage sizzle. Remember if you would like a lengthier chat with your child's teacher you can make an appointment at any time by contacting your child's teacher.



Please like our Facebook page as we use this to showcase our school, share timely information about school events and share other updates as they become available.

### **The Rosebery Primary School vision:**

*“Growing and learning together through curiosity, creativity and collaboration.”*

**Tania Kolomitsev , Principal**

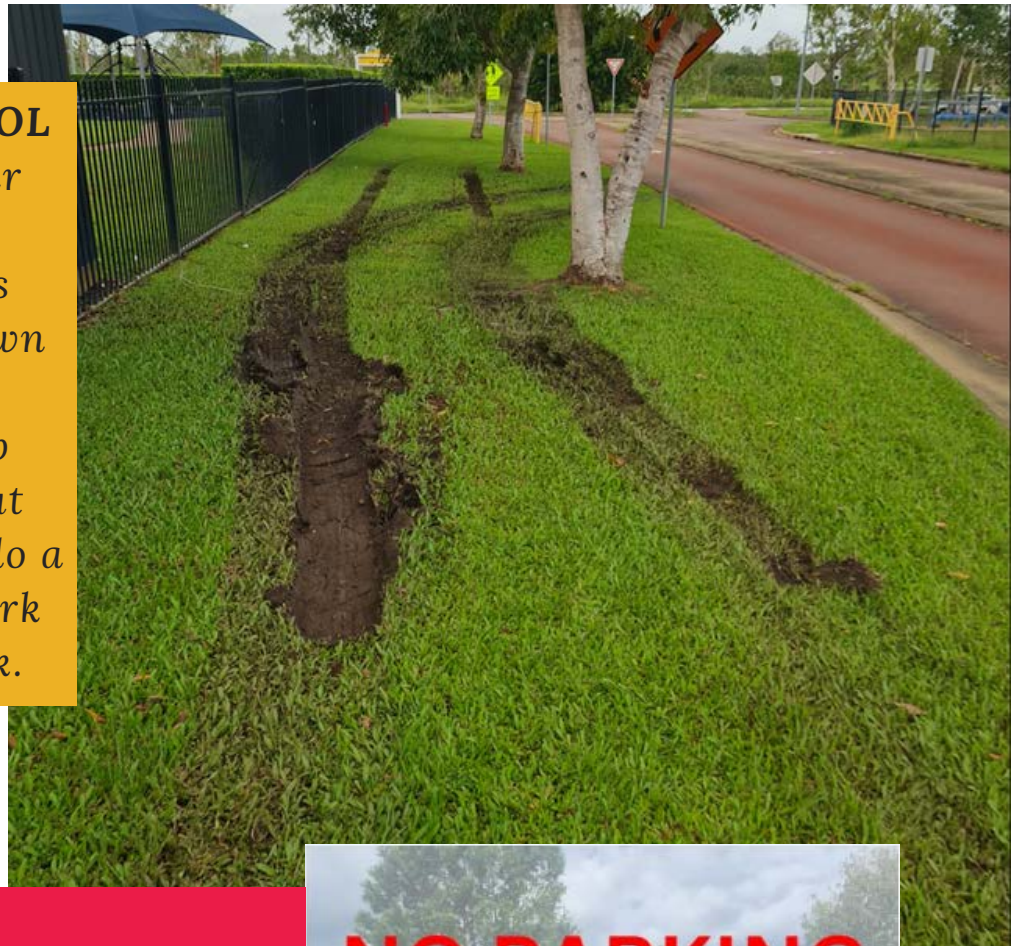


### **RESPECT OUR SCHOOL**

*Please park in the car parks available.*

*Parking on the grass verge damages our lawn and irrigation.*

*Drop off and pick up times can be busy, but please be patient and do a lap around the car park and try again to park.*



**Please Obey Bus Only Parking Signs**



Rosebery  
Primary School  
2024 Staff



Tania Kolomitsev  
Principal



Danielle Banicek  
Assistant Principal



Josh Farrow  
Business Manager



Penny Seamer  
ICTC



Marlene Campbell  
Canteen Manager



Ian Smith  
Maintenance



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Enrolment Officer



Sue Lowry  
Administration



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Defence School Mentor



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Performing Arts



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Physical Education



Rebecca Martin  
Health



Deanne Young  
Relief Teacher



Alyse Bonney  
Preschool



Delise Keitaanpaa  
ST Transition



Rebecca Platt  
Transition



Carly Moir  
ST Year 1/2



Gerose Bolton  
Year 1/2



Jordan Williams  
Year 1/2



Jaya Sankarankutty  
Year 1/2



Anna Frazer  
ST Year 3/4



Imogen McIlwaine  
Year 3/4



Kaeta Baker  
Year 3/4



Komal Pathak  
Year 3/4



Natasha Nichols  
ST Year 5/6



Val Gray  
Year 5/6



Neethu Rahman  
Year 5/6



Yeni Suyeni  
Year 5/6



Heather Carroll  
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Preschool TA



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SESA/Preschool TA



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SESA



Karen Anderson  
SESA



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SESA



Kim Field  
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Chloe Dawes  
SESA



Nicole Smart  
SESA



Rikki Dehne  
SESA



Ale Alarcon  
SESA





Lelita Quinio  
Cleaner



Degrand Mulangirwa  
Cleaner



Robyn Green  
Cleaner



Joy Veebuliet  
Cleaner



Kelly Marcela  
Cleaner



Please join us in  
welcoming all new  
and returning staff  
in 2024.



# Seesaw



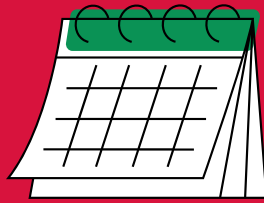
2024 Seesaw journals are ready!

To stay updated and avoid missing  
any notifications, please ensure  
that you update Seesaw.

If you require any assistance,  
please do not hesitate to contact  
your child's teacher.

For new families, please check your  
email for your Seesaw invite. If you  
haven't received an email yet,  
kindly notify your child's teacher.

# Dates to Remember Term 1



EVENT	DATE
Teacher Meet and Greet	13 February 4:00-5:30pm
Whole School Assembly Host: 3/4 Frazer/McIlwaine	16 February
School Council AGM	28 February 5:30pm
Whole School Assembly Host: 5/6 Rahmann/ Yeni	1 March
Dance Troupe Camp 1	8 March
NAPLAN Testing	13-15 March
Whole School Assembly Host 1/2 Jaya/Williams	15 March
NAPLAN Catch up	18-22 March
Parent Teacher Interviews	26 March 3:30-5:30pm
Easter Public Holidays	Friday 29 March Monday 1 April
Progress reports sent home	2 April
Last day of Term 1	5 April

**2024 AGM**  
**Wednesday 28th February**  
**5:30pm**

Please join us and be an active participant in your child's education.  
 See Reception for details and forms

Early Years Assembly	Every Wednesday 8:20am
Rugrats Playgroup	Every Wednesday 9-10:30

Join our  
**VIP Classroom Visit**  
 At Rosebery Primary School

Tuesday, 13th  
 February  
 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Meet and greet with your child's teachers

**Family BBQ**



# Classroom Spotlight Transition

## Transition D'Elise and Transition Platt

Transition classes have both had a wonderful start to the year!

The students have settled in so well, showing confidence and resilience from their very first day of 'Big School'.

We've been busy building friendships, routines, and confidence as well as learning the first six sounds that we use to read! There have been lots of 'get to know you' games to aid with making strong connections that will make coming to school even more enjoyable.

Teachers have been excitedly reading stories to spark a love of literacy, the children especially enjoyed the story 'Pigeon rides the bus', and then practicing their cutting and craft skills to create their very own pigeon.

Students have enjoyed meeting their specialist teachers – Coach O, who takes P.E & Mrs Wulf, who takes Performing Arts as well as Miss Nicole and Miss Ricki our classroom support.

We look forward to our 'Meet the Teacher' event next week and hope to see you there.



# Community Notices



## IMPORTANT

### MOBILE PHONES AND SMART WATCHES

All phones and smart watches must be handed into Reception before school every day and collected at home time. Devices will be stored securely in Reception and collected after school.



# APPLY ONLINE



## SPORT VOUCHER

Children living in an urban area are eligible to receive two \$100 sport vouchers each year - one in January and one in July for sport, recreation and cultural activities.

Redeeming your child's voucher is now even easier with a new online application form.

Parents or carers need to apply for vouchers online each semester.

### TO APPLY FOR YOUR VOUCHER

1. Visit [sportvoucher.nt.gov.au/apply](http://sportvoucher.nt.gov.au/apply)
2. Click apply online
3. Follow the prompts to complete the form

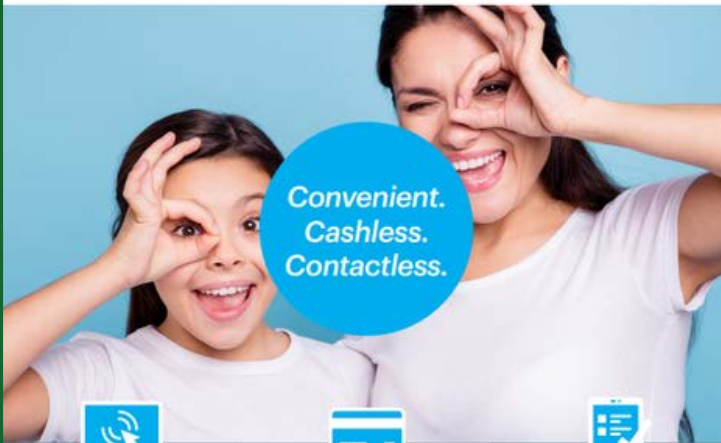


If your child's details are in the system, your voucher will be available to print or save immediately. If you're child's details are not found in the system, a voucher will be sent to your nominated email address within 10 working days. For more information is available by calling 1300 857 860 or email [sport.voucher@nt.gov.au](mailto:sport.voucher@nt.gov.au)

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QuickCliq was designed by parents, for parents, so it's incredibly easy to use!



### One family, one account

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### Cashless

Tired of hunting around for loose change every morning before your kids run off to school? With QuickCliq, lunch money is a thing of the past.



### Healthy alternative

We're giving control back to you over your children's diets. By ordering their lunch ahead of time, you can ensure they are eating healthy, balanced meals.



### Mobile friendly

QuickCliq is designed with mobile access in mind. Simply login to add credit and order. All from the convenience of your smartphone or tablet.



### Plan ahead

We understand that ordering every week can be a hassle. Now you can order up to a month in advance, helping you to save time, and budget for the month ahead.



### Easy set-up

QuickCliq is free to set up and easy to use. Simply login to add credit to your online wallet, or pay as you go using your credit or debit card.



### Local Support

Something not working? No need to worry, simply phone our local call centre, from 7:30am - 4pm, Monday to Friday.



### Keen to try QuickCliq?

If we haven't reached your child's school yet, please get in touch.



### Support when you need it:

Monday to Friday, 7:30am-4:00pm on 1300 11 66 37 | [support@quickcliq.com.au](mailto:support@quickcliq.com.au)



# NAPLAN

## National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy Information for parents and carers

- All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in Australia do NAPLAN tests in March each year.
- NAPLAN tests students' skills in reading, writing and maths.
- The test questions are presented in Standard Australian English dialect.
- Students read some of the questions and listen to others with headphones.
- The tests will get easier or harder, depending on how students are going in the test.
- Students do four different tests. The names of the four tests are:



Writing



Reading



Conventions of language  
(spelling, grammar and punctuation)



Numeracy





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