

ROCHEDALE STATE SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER



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Aug	26	P&C Meeting 7pm in Staffroom
	28	Student Free Dress Day
Sep	1	Rev It Up! (Musical for Bookweek)
	3	Pizza Day
	4	Father's Day Stall Prep, Yr 5, 6 & 7
	5	Father's Day Stall Yr 1-4
	9	Chinese Cultural Visit
	13	School Fete 12-6pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK
Thoughts for the Week

'We cannot direct the wind but we can adjust the sails.'

'Patience is the key of joy, but haste is the key to sorrow.'

A trifecta of good news

On the week-end our school competed in the prestigious *Tournament of Minds* competition at the Queensland Academy of Maths, Science and Technology. Our team of seven competed against other schools, both State and Private in the Maths Engineering division.

The Tournament of Minds is a problem solving program for teams of students from both primary and secondary years. They are required to solve demanding, open-ended challenges from the following disciplines:

Applied Technology
Language Literature
Maths Engineering
Social Sciences

Tournament of Minds has been one of the fastest growing national interschool programs to challenge the youth of Australia and has now expanded internationally.

Our team, lead by the intrepid Mrs Webster won their division and will now compete in the State finals in September. Well done to our team of; Maddison W., Ben K., Jessica R., Nicole K., Jessica B., Maddie H., and Chelsey D.

Netballers abound

Over the past few months a large number of our girls have been participating in club netball on a Saturday at Underwood Park. The difference between this club netball and other netball competitions around the local area is that our girls compete as Rochedale State School Netball Club. These teams have been supported over the last three years by the school's P&C. I had the pleasure of attending the quarter finals last weekend at Underwood Park and saw three teams lose by the narrowest of margins. Well done to all the girls in the Club and many thanks to the P&C and Club manager Mrs Anne Dee.

Strike up the Band!

More good news needs to be shared. In the 'Rochedale Cluster', a concept that encompasses three primary schools and

one high school, we are pleased to announce the formation of the combined band again for 2008. So what is a combined band, I hear you ask? Does it mean that only the very best members are included? No, not at all. The combined band utilises the talent of our band master, instrumental teacher, Mr. Pearson. What is unique about a combined band is that members become exposed to different teaching styles, different performance styles. Moreover, by adding more experienced high school students to the equation, we note a greater depth and breadth in performances. Further advantages are that the students become exposed to and part of a greater band than would be possible here at Rochedale State School. Granted, it does mean a bit of driving around by parents to get their children to band practice, but this is a small price to pay for the opportunity to work and learn with likeminded students from our primary cluster schools and the participating Rochedale State High School. The band competed yesterday in the Brisbane Band Eisteddfod conducted by our very own Mr. Pearson, and was awarded a 'Gold' place. Congratulations to all those who took part.

Liam Smith
Principal

CURRICULUM CORNER

Over the past few weeks, Year 5K/R have been talking about all of the different ways they see numbers in their lives. Outside the office is a great display from year 5 showing where they see numbers – when you are next in the school drop up and have a look at this great work.

The year 5's have also displayed some of the qualities that learners need to display

in order to learn and prepare themselves to live in the 21st century. Some of the qualities that are highlighted by Year 5's are being: inquirers, knowledgeable, caring and reflective.

Congratulations Year 5 K/R for a great display.

If you have any questions about any curriculum issues please contact me.
Gayle Healey
Curriculum Co-ordinator

TUCKSHOP NEWS

If for any reason you are unable to work on your rostered day, please give Norma a call on
0400 701 051.

Tues

26/8 **Volunteer Needed**

Wed

27/8 Cathy O Tracy S

Thurs

28/8 Angie L Anne W

Fri Interschool Sport Michelle F til
10.30

29/8 Kylie D Kath R

Help Needed

Mon

1/9 **Volunteer Needed**

Tues

2/9 Michelle D

Wed Help Needed Today Only

3/9 Kylie P **Pizza Day**

Thurs

4/9 Cathy O

Fri Interschool Sport Georgina F

5/9 Kylie P Kylie S

Mon

8/9 **Volunteer Needed**

Tues

9/9 Shirley L

Wed

10/9 Cathy W Sue V

Thurs

11/9 Douglas K Amanda C

Fri Interschool Sport

12/9 Kylie P Michelle F Kath R

Mon

15/9 Kaye S

Tues

16/9 Michelle F

Wed

17/9 Kylie D

Thurs

18/9 Kathy M

Fri

19/9 Kylie P Melissa T Sylvia B

Mon 22/9 – Fri 3/10**September/October School Holidays**

Thank you Kathy, Kath, James, Mitchell, Courtney & Tayla for your help last week.

Pizza Day

I know how much you all love Eagle Boy's Pizzas, so we are having a Pizza Day on Wednesday 3rd September for Big Lunch. All other food is still available. Enclosed with today's newsletter is an order form. This form must be filled out and returned with money to the tuckshop by Monday 1st September. The cost will be \$2.80 for a ¼ size pizza. This is a pre-order system. **NO MONEY – NO PIZZA, NO REFUNDS.**

Interschool Sport

Children attending interschool sport please place your orders in the plastic container marked 'Interschool Sport' and **also write sport on your orders.** Thank you.

Fete Stall Convenors

If you require stock of spoons, cups, foam trays, chips, paper bags etc. from Canteen Supply for your stall at this year's fete, **your order must be in by Monday 1st September at the tuckshop.**

ROSHCA Program**Monday**

Afternoon Tea Fruit Platter

Craft Thaumatrope

Outside Activity Fly

Tuesday

Afternoon Tea & Fruit Dip, Crackers

Craft Slime

Outside Activity Giants, Pixies,

Wizards

Cooking Cakes

Wednesday

Afternoon Tea Cakes & Fruit

Craft Magic Painting

Outside Activity Oval Tiggy

Thursday

Afternoon Tea Wraps & Fruit

Craft Hair Clips

Outside Activity Triathlon

Cooking Cheesy Slice

Friday

Afternoon Tea Cheesy Slice & Fruit

Craft Olympic Rings

Outside Activity Cricket

Also available every day –

Sony, Boardgames, Dress-Ups, Table Games,

Colouring-in and Computers.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

As usual, there are lots of great things happening in and around the Chaplaincy Service. The highlight for this week is the Impact 6-8 Event on Friday night at Rochedale Baptist Church. All of the local Chaplains will be there to spend time with 11-13 year olds from our local community in a fun environment, and all the Rochedale students that went last time enjoyed themselves (and are probably going again this time around).

On another note, time is running out to register for Loop Camp so if you are interested please grab a registration form

(see info below). It is going to be so much fun that I can hardly wait to go myself.

I hope you all have a great week...

ON THE RADAR

Shine Girls: Don't forget to head to the Chaplain's room straight after you are let out of class on Tuesday afternoon for another fun-filled Shine session!

Yr 5-7 Loop Camp: Like adventure? Enjoy challenges? Want to hang out with friends (inc. Mr James)...ALL week? Where? Peregrin, on the Sunshine Coast. When? 22nd-26th September (in the school holidays).

How much? \$220* (includes all food, accommodation, transport and activities)

*Campers qualify for childcare rebate, contact the Director for more info

(contact details are on the registration form)

See the Chaplain for a registration form.

RPC: RPC stands for Rochedale Prayer Crew and it is a brand new student prayer group. We meet in the Chaplain's Room at Morning Tea on Mondays. Anyone and absolutely everyone is welcome! We'd love to see you there!

Attn Year 6 & 7 Students:

Rochedale Baptist Church is hosting an activity night on this Friday night, August 29 (5:30-7:30pm) for all Year 6, 7 & 8 school students from our community called 'IMPACT 6-8'! The last one was an awesome night with a live band, pizza, Wii Sport, and some chill out and chat time, and this one is sure to be more of the same! If you would like to go, ask the Chaplain for an information brochure!

Thought for the day: 'Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is mystery. Today is a gift, that's why it's called the present.'

**Mr James
School Chaplain**

P&C News

Next meeting tomorrow night, Tuesday 26th August at 7pm in the staffroom. All welcome. On the agenda: Fete.

Shopping Warehouse Tour: Come join the fun on Nov 1st. Shop til you drop at a variety of shopping outlets. Just \$38, includes lunch at the Broncos Leagues Club and morning tea. To book, please call Laura on 0400085512 or email: lwi44288@bigpond.net.au

Rochedale State School Netball: As I told you last week in the newsletter we had 3 of our netball teams reach the semi finals in the competition at Underwood Park. The teams, the Supastarz, the SupaRoos, and the SupaChicks all played on Saturday and all were involved in great games. Unfortunately all our teams were beaten, but with some close scoring. I would like to congratulate the teams on a wonderful season and a great effort to make the Semis. I would also like to thank the coaches Rachel Speers (SupaStarz), Vanessa Garwood (SupaRoos) and Ida Grant and Cathy Jenkins (SupaChicks).

Fete 08: Wow!! Only 3 weeks to go!! Ride Band passes are now on sale!! Come to the office to purchase your voucher ready to exchange it for a ride band pass on Fete Day. \$30 for unlimited rides all day!! These bands will be \$35 on Fete Day, so save yourself some \$\$ and prepurchase.

Please keep the grocery wheel donations coming in. Also, don't forget, now is a great time to have that clean out and think Trash and Treasure. Also please volunteer some time to help on the day. It's all good fun.

Raffle Tickets will be coming home this week - \$2 each. Each family will receive 10 tickets to sell. Please try and sell your tickets and return stubs and money to school ASAP. If you require more please send a note with the returned stubs. If you are unable to sell your tickets, please return them to school ASAP so that we can forward them on to those people who are after more. Thank you.

Anne Dee, P&C President. Tel:
0402114544 or 33425253.

Book Stall – Fete

I am now collecting donations of books, dvd's, cd's, videos, magazines etc. for the Book Stall. These can be delivered to the School Hall or to the School Office. Also, if you are able to provide plastic bags for this stall please send them to the School Office.

Additionally, if any one would like to volunteer some of their time on Fete Day to help sell the books, it would be greatly appreciated. I still need help between 2pm and 5pm. Even an hour of your time would be fantastic! Please fill in
Thank you, Lisa O.

FATHERS DAY STALL

The Rochedale State School P & C Assoc. will be holding a Fathers Day Stall on Thursday the 4th of September for Preps, Years 5, 6, 7 and Friday 5th September for Years 1, 2, 3 and 4.

The idea of the stall is to enable the students to purchase a quality low priced

gift for their father (or grandfather). Prices range from between \$2.00 to \$6.00. Children are able to buy more than one gift.

I need help to individually wrap around 900 gifts and have set aside Thursday 28th August to do this. I will be starting at 8:45 in Mrs Barnes' old classroom in the "Village", if you can come along and help for even half an hour that would be great. Help is also needed to "man" the stall on Friday. Donations of plastic bags would also be appreciated and can be left at the tuckshop.

If you can help in any way please contact me on 3341 2980 or 0400 280998.

Kath R

FUN RUN – 5KM

The Macgregor Lions 5 km fun run to raise funds for medical research will be held on SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH at 9 a.m. at Cresthaven Park bikeway (entry via Sandringham Street behind Mansfield Primary School). Registration from 8.30 a.m.

Cost: \$5 single or \$15 per family (2 adults and 2 children) Prizes include bicycle and helmet and gym memberships.

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