ENROLMENT INFORMATION

- Total Number as at February 11: 407
- Number funded from Census Day: 405
- Number of overseas fee paying: 2

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Welcome to our new councilors. This should prove to be another rewarding and positive year at Roberts McCubbin PS.

I have included the school’s Annual Report within the packs as well as the Annual Implementation Plan. With the year of Self Evaluation and Review which culminated in the school’s new Strategic Plan, behind us we are now embarking on working towards achieving the goals and targets that we set last year.

**Staffing**

Sue McNamara is currently on Long Service Leave. Sue will return a week earlier than originally planned due to her husband’s work commitments. She will return on Monday, April 4th.

Pauline Wilson one of our Visual Arts teachers is taking Long Service leave for the first two weeks of Term 2 and will be replaced by Judy Thompson. Sharon Foley will also be on leave until May 12th next term but her replacement has not been confirmed as yet.

**Learning and Teaching:**

The units of work for Term 1 are:
- P-2- Learning to Learn
- 3/4- Learning to Learn & Is Australia really the lucky country?
- 5/6- Learning to Learn & Healthy bodies, do we really have a choice?

Our focus for our staff Professional Learning meetings this term has continued to be Inquiry Learning, ICT and the implementation of the Ultrnet and the e5 Instructional Framework. At the Education committee meeting last week Meg Alexander spoke about the Curriculum Day we spent with Kath Murdoch at the start of the year and the three staff who have been granted Teacher Professional Leave (TPL) outlined the work they are undertaking and the role they will play in providing professional learning to the whole staff, throughout the year.

Our staff committees have this year been put under the umbrellas of the three areas of the Strategic Plan: Student Learning (incorporating literacy, numeracy assessment and reporting), Student Engagement (incorporating inquiry learning, ICT, and differentiated learning) and Student Transitions and Pathways (incorporating pre-school transition, 6-7 transition and the English as a Second Language program and the Program for Students with a Disability). These committees will meet regularly to monitor the schools goals and targets within the Strategic Plan.

**Special Items/Events:**

- A whole school Information and Open Night held on Monday, February 28th with the night focussing on the role of Performing Arts at RMPS and also the school’s new Strategic Plan. This was a very successful night with much larger numbers than in recent years.
- Three parent programs have been held in Feb/March, Parent Helpers 1 & 2, and Helping Your Child Learn to Read. The response to these programs has again been very positive and I would like to thank Amanda Wigg, Maria Pase and Linda Abbott for the time they have put in to preparing and presenting them.
• The Impact Student Leadership Conference was held in the city and was attended by our school House captains on March 7th.
• The student leadership day at Koonung Secondary College was held on March 17th and was attended by our House Vice Captains.
• A group of our students have attended Somers Camp between March 8th and 16th. Belinda Treseder attended the camp also which has been a fantastic experience for all who attended.
• The inter-school athletics were held on Tuesday, March 15th. Thanks again must go to Tim Fearn-Wannan, the Years 3-6 staff and the many parent volunteers who assist on the day.
• The school will have a Multicultural Week beginning Monday, March 21st. The week will include a performance by Anne Norman of the traditional Japanese tale of ‘The Rolling Rice Ball’. In order to help bring the story to life, the children will make a Japanese rice ball during the festival. We have decided to include a fundraising effort for the horrific earthquake and tsunami in Japan on Wednesday the 23rd which is the dress up day. We will be asking families for a gold coin donation. Also as the school has had contact with children from the Arai school we will also be sending letters of support to the children there.
• We are having an official recognition and thank you for those involved in the 2010 Artist In Residence Program at assembly on Monday March 21st.

BER Building Project
All is progressing well. The gym floor is being put down at the moment, the rooms are being painted and toilets tiled. The expected date of completion is still around the end of April.

Marg Pickburn
Principal