



School Newsletter

Week 06, Term 1, 2024

Issue No. 03/24

Upcoming Events 2024

Week 7

Monday 11th March

Eco-Rangers Meeting

Wednesday 13th March

7am Mountain Bike Club

NAPLAN

Thursday 14th March

SRC meeting

NAPLAN

Friday 15th March

Interschool Netball

NAPLAN

Anthem of the Desert Pea

Pre-Launch

Week 8

Monday 18th March

Eco-Rangers Meeting

Wednesday 20th March

7am Mountain Bike Club

NAPLAN

Thursday 21st March

Harmony Day Assembly

Friday 22nd March

Whole School Assembly

Interschool Netball Carnival

COLOUR SMASH FUN RUN



From the leadership team

Dear Ross Park Community,

This past week, we had the privilege of hosting an independent review team in our school. Every four years schools across the NT are reviewed, where their ongoing journey of growth and excellence is recognised and feedback is used to help plan ahead. The review process provided a platform for representatives from our school community to highlight the myriad of remarkable achievements occurring at Ross Park while also engaging in constructive dialogue about areas for further development.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who participated in this process, from our invaluable community partners, dedicated parents, enthusiastic students, to our committed staff members. Your openness, insights and active involvement have truly made this endeavour a success.

The review team is currently synthesising their findings to generate a comprehensive report. This report will serve as a guiding document for us, enabling us to identify and prioritise our next focus areas. Please rest assured that every piece of feedback received will be taken seriously, as we remain steadfast in our commitment to continuously enhance and refine the direction of our school.

As we continue through this warm weather, it's important to be mindful of our cohabitation with nature, particularly our slithery neighbours. Over the past few weeks, there have been several snake sightings reported in the Ross Park area, with three instances of snakes being safely removed from our school grounds. I'd like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the remarkable composure demonstrated by both our staff and students during these encounters. Their calm demeanour, sensible decision-making, and adherence to safety protocols have been commendable.

We're grateful to Rex from the Reptile Centre for his proactive approach in addressing this matter. Rex emphasises the importance of checking door seals and remaining vigilant for snakes in and around our homes during this snake season. It's crucial to exercise caution, as there have been a few instances where snakes have been spotted in neighbouring streets, potentially in close proximity to your residences.

Today our Year 4 students embarked on a journey to the local community garden. Here, they delved into the intricacies of our local ecosystem, gaining invaluable hands-on experience in understanding the roles of producers, consumers and decomposers within it. Such excursions serve as vital supplements to classroom learning, providing our students with real-world contexts to deepen their understanding of the curriculum.

We extend our thanks to the incredible families who generously volunteer their time to accompany our students on these enriching excursions across all year levels. Your support plays a pivotal role in ensuring the success and safety of these outings. To those of you who have dedicated your time to help your children engage in learning beyond the confines of the classroom, thank you.

And now, let's turn our attention to the exciting lead-up to the much-anticipated Colour Smash event! Today at assembly marked the first round of sliming, and the energy was palpable. It's fantastic to announce that 5 Hawker has raised the most money so far. After six weeks at Ross Park, it was evident that Mr. McCarthy, always impeccably dressed, was the perfect candidate for the first sliming. Mr. McCarthy, consider yourself officially initiated into the spirit of Ross Park!

For those who want to catch a glimpse of the action, head over to our Facebook page for some thrilling snapshots. Stay tuned for more updates as we edge closer to this fabulous event!

Warm regards



Bec Hewitt
Assistant Principal



Year 1 Murray River Turtles

The start to the school year has been a very busy time for the Year One Murray River Turtles with lots of exciting activities and learning!

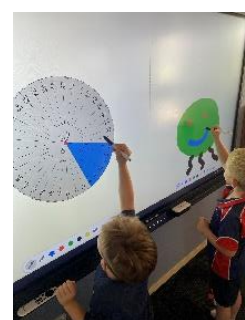
So far, we have enjoyed two whole weeks of swimming lessons! We showed how we are strong Ross Park students when we conquered our fears like swimming in the deep end or swimming without a floaty.



We showed how kind we were when we participated in Clean Up Australia Day by picking up all the rubbish we could find on the junior side. We spoke about how it is important to clean up our environment to keep the animals and plants alive. We have been learning all about plants and animals in Science!



We have been showing how fair we are when we've engaged in learning about our school values and our emotions because we value our differences and make sure everyone has what they need to feel happy. We have also been showing how well we share as we explore our exciting new interactive whiteboard!



Can't wait to see how much learning we do in the second half of the term!

Miss Chisholm



Year 2

Wattles

Year 2 Garwood have been learning to be kind and that one of the ways we can show kindness is by expressing our gratitude for people.

As Miss Teresa and Mr Michael drove the buses each day for all the Year 1 and 2 classes to and from swimming, we decided to show our gratitude by writing letters and drawing pictures.

We discussed the way it made us feel to be able to make someone happy and we visited by Mr Michael to show our appreciation. Look how realistic one of the portraits was!



THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

The Resilience Project is having a huge impact on how our students are recognising all the things in their lives to be grateful for. We are grateful for their beautiful, smiling faces 😊😊😊





A HEALTHY LUNCH BOX



Dear Ross Park Families,

As we move into the second half of Term 1, we are noticing quite a few lunchboxes with very limited healthy options for students. A healthy and nutritious lunchbox is vital for learning success at school. High amounts of sugary foods or foods with lots of preservatives, can often result in negative impacts on learning and concentration throughout the day. Healthy grains, protein and fruit/vegetables are best to sustain engagement in learning and provide appropriate energy levels throughout the day. At Ross Park we encourage children to eat:

- * Brain Food around 9-9:30am - usually fruit or vegetables
- * Main Food at 10:50 am - sandwiches, pasta, cheese and crackers, eggs, salads etc. This gives us lots of energy and concentration for the second half of the day.
- * Snacks or extra lunch items at 1:10pm - giving us a nice calm and full belly for the afternoon session.

Students are never prevented from eating their food in the order they wish to, however, we aim to support their learning about how best to deliver the nutrients their bodies need to learn most effectively.

We encourage all students to save any sugar only treats for afterschool, or weekends.

We do understand that we have some very fussy eaters, and very busy families, however we are just looking to support our Ross Park Learners to get the most out of their day at school.

Thank you for your support.



RONA GLYNN ENROLMENTS 2025

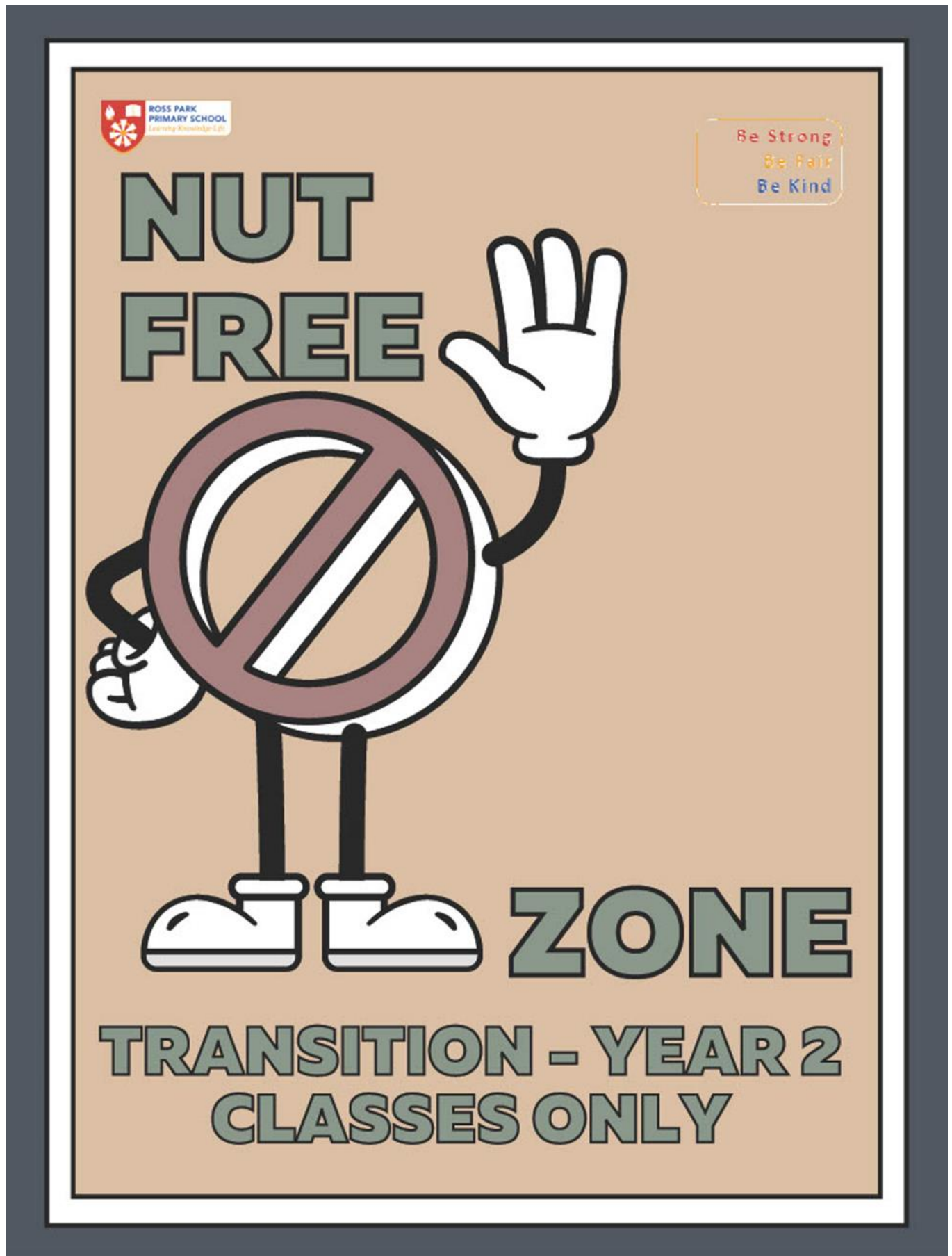
Calling all Ross Park families with children who will attend preschool in 2025 - positions are filling up quickly so we strongly recommended you contact Rona Glynn to place your child's name on our Expression of Interest for next year.

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 sarah.george1@education.nt.gov.au



Important information for Transition to Year 2 Classes



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Drink Bottle, Mug, Keyring, Magnet

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2500SRP45A MY ONLINE RECEIPT NUMBER IS: 244898

Student Name: Rona Ross
School Name: Ross Park Primary School
Roll Class & Year: Year 1 / Harper
Phone: 0400 525 000
Email: mumma.ross@bigpond.com

COMBINED PAYMENTS
(Each student MUST have their own envelope - please mark an X in the appropriate box)
☐ This child's payment is in ☒ This envelope includes payment for:
Name: Glynn Ross Class: GAC

I give permission for my child's name to be included underneath the class/year group photograph.
If I DO NOT wish my child's name to appear I will notify the school IMMEDIATELY.

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RED	\$48	x		=	
GREEN	\$46	x	1	=	46
Group Only	\$29	x		=	
Portrait Only	\$31	x		=	
The products below may only be ordered with the purchase of one or more of the above options					
Drink Bottle	\$21	x		=	
Mug	\$22	x		=	
Keyring	\$10	x	1	=	10
Magnet	\$11	x		=	
TOTAL:					\$56

SIBLINGS ONLY

DO NOT USE THIS ENVELOPE FOR INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS
ALL FAMILIES MUST HAVE AN ENVELOPE TO ENSURE A PHOTO IS TAKEN

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Personalised Gift Products
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School Name: ROSS PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
Family Name: ROSS Phone: 0400 525 000
Email: mumma.ross@bigpond.com

CHILDREN'S NAMES - please note: Only siblings attending this school can be photographed
Name: Rona Ross Class: 1 Harper
Name: Glynn Ross Class: GAC
Name: _____ Class: _____
Name: _____ Class: _____

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MY ONLINE RECEIPT NUMBER IS: 321268

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X5054PC46R MY ONLINE RECEIPT NUMBER IS: 244898

Student Name: Glynn Ross
School Name: Ross Park Primary School
Roll Class & Year: Year 6 / Mami/Gilbert
Phone: 0400 525 000
Email: mumma.ross@bigpond.com

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KEEP THE Reading Rolling! in 2024 with Issue 2!

SCHOLASTIC Book Club
Open a world of possibility with reading

ISSUE 2, 2024

ORDERS DUE BACK BY: []

MAKING FRIENDS
NEW! Together Forever
Dany's back to being a hero, but her mom is in a bind. 208 pp. AGES 10+
\$18.99 \$12.00

HELLO KITTY: Firefighter's Kitten
Includes Kitty Learning
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Can Kitty rescue the stray kitten and help her find a new home? 128 pp.
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NEW! 3D Battle of the Discoverers
Awesome facts, stats and pics in eye popping 3D! 48 pp. in eye popping 3D! 48 pp. in eye popping 3D! 48 pp. in eye popping 3D!
AGES 6+ \$10.99 \$12.00

THE CRAYONS
NEW! How the Crayons Saved the School
On a boring grey afternoon, what if a bunch of crayons came to life?
AGES 4+ \$10.99

EVERY CHILD \$3

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

CHIEF MINISTER'S

READING CHALLENGE

2024

11 March to 23 August

BOUNCE INTO A GOOD BOOK!

Before School Active Program

RED DESERT
WARRIORS

Tues & Thurs 8am



Alice Springs Tennis Centre



CENTRAL REGION
SPORT EDUCATION

TENNIS TRIALS

12 YEARS & UNDER BOYS & GIRLS

TRIAL 1 FRIDAY, 1 MARCH 4:30 – 6:00PM	TRIAL 2 FRIDAY, 8 MARCH 6:00 – 8:00PM
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Students born in 2012, 2013 and 2014 are encouraged to try for selection. Age dispensation may apply for students born between 1 July 2011 and 31 December 2011 (turning 13 in the last half of 2024)

These trials are for selection into the Inter-Region SSENT Tennis Championships in Darwin 4 – 6 June 2024

Please contact your school for permission forms, or contact School of Sport Education NT.
Students MUST submit a signed form to be eligible to participate in the trials.
centralsport.doe@education.nt.gov.au or 0460 037 977
www.sporteducation.nt.edu.au




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SPORT EDUCATION

SOCCER TRIALS

@ ROSS PARK OVAL

12 YEARS & UNDER BOYS & GIRLS

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Interested in ARCHERY?

Come visit Dead Centre Bowhunters ...



... at their OPEN DAY

Date: Sunday, 17th & 24th March
Time: 10am — 1pm
Where: Ilparpa, follow Archery sign turn off

More Info:  [Dead Centre Bowhunters](#)
 www.ntarchery.org.au

Free lunch & refreshments

Enclosed Footwear

Don't forget to ...

