Farewell Donna

It is with deep regret that we say good bye to Donna who has been cleaning at Rand PS for many years—14 in fact! Donna is moving on and we say a very heartfelt thank you to her for keeping our school so clean and tidy each day. We have been spoilt by always having warm classrooms in Winter. Thank you Donna, I'll miss our morning chats!

A new cleaner will be appointed by Joss Cleaning Contractors.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

I would have to say that Sunday’s carnival was absolutely one of the best. The parents cheering kids on, the loud applause at the end of our presentations and the number of people coming to says thanks for a well organised and fun day were all benchmarks of a great event.

Many many thanks to parents, families and community members who put salad rolls together, sold raffle tickets, cooked the BBQ, marked the fields and courts, sets up goal posts, sent mail, organised rosters, worked in canteens, fried chips and scraped frost off the tables … the list is overwhelming but it was all done so well. Thank you Rand P&C for all that you do for students. Thank you students and staff too for all of your assistance on the day. Definitely a day to be proud of!

Tracey Southam

Carnival Working Bee

Thank you to the following people who came last Friday for our Carnival working bee: David, Raymond, Olivia, Jacko, Jude, Kel, James, Cathy, Rob, Beck, Karen, Travis, Angie, Brett and a special thank you to Ian and Lois.

School clothing pool

There are a number of clothes available for purchase from the school clothing pool. Items are $2 each.

Liam’s special news

Last week Liam brought in his news—a blue tongue lizard, a frilled-neck lizard and two pythons!
This was a great opportunity for students to get up close and personal with these unique creatures. Well done boys and girls for being so sensible and considerate towards these animals. Naturally we talked about not going near snakes if we see them outside. It was good for students to be able gain knowledge of what snakes look like on the ground and how they move.

**Playgroup**
A reminder that playgroup is held at school every Thursday morning for children under school age. Please support this great initiative or we will lose the service. Contact the school for more information.

**Book Learning Award**
Edward received the Book Learning Award last week for neat writing on the line.

**Student of the Week**
Kate was chosen Student of the Week for earning a pen licence!
**Favourite animal:** sloth
**Favourite sport:** netball
**What would your future job be?** Become a doctor
**What is your favourite subject at school?** COGS
**What would you like to achieve at school this year?** Improve my comprehension

**Raffle Ticket Award**
Livinia received the Raffle Ticket award great reading in the Library.

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**Term Calendar**

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Parent/s or caregivers are required – by law – to provide a written or verbal explanation to the Principal within seven days of any absence as to why their child was not at school. It is important that the school receives a written or verbal explanation because:

1. It is a parent’s legal obligation to explain their child's absence within seven days.
2. It is a requirement that the school investigate all unexplained absences.
3. It avoids the school and the School Attendance Officer from making unnecessary investigations.
4. It is the way the school knows that your child was legitimately absent and not truanting from school. If you have any difficulties in providing a written explanation for your child’s absence, please contact your school’s principal.

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- **Apply and re-apply** — Apply sunscreen at least 20 minutes before going outside, reapply every 2 hours.

- **Apply generously** — At least 1 teaspoon for each arm and leg, front and back of the body and half a teaspoon for face, neck and ears.

- **Remember** — Sunscreen is not a suit of armour. You also need to wear a sun safe hat and clothing, use shade and wear sunglasses.

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Football/Netball Carnival

Liam’s News

Open Day