Principal’s Report:

Last week we celebrated the work that our School Support Staff and our resident volunteer workers [Grannies] do at our school. These people perform an amazing amount of high quality work that is often invisible unless you are working alongside them. Our students and our teachers appreciate all that they do, we know how much poorer we would be without this support. Thank you to, Lorraine, Raylee, Sam, Leah, Jessie, Wendy, Bec, Ali, Caroline and Janis.

Disco – Tonight!
The school disco has arrived. This night is all about the students and the staff just having some fun together. The venue is our BER building. Students will be supervised from 5.30pm until 7.00pm. The theme is anything beginning with “S”. Thanks to the Student Action and Miss Ross for organising this event.

Staff Professional Development
On Tuesday four of our senior level teachers, Mr Irwin, Mrs May, Mr Rasmussen and Miss Ross toured Carlton Gardens Primary School. This school is rated highly for a number of programs in literacy and the way technology [computers, iPads] is used to support the learning program. The teachers have come back very excited with a lot of new ideas to share. It is vital that we get our staff out to schools that are performing at a high level to ensure we keep pushing our own school upwards.

Netballers
On Friday our netball team will play off in the state finals for primary schools. This is the highest team level that we have had for any team as far as we can determine. We are very proud of the girls and appreciate the work that Kristy Roulston has put in coaching the girls at lunch times. [A little bit of help from Mr Rass as well!] Good luck girls!

April Eeles
Basketball Victoria have announced the participants for their 2016 Under 14 Gold Nugget Camp. April Eeles has been selected to go this. She was selected from an original squad of 1000 and is in the last 120 basketballers. The camp will determine who goes on to play in the Australian Country Junior Basketball Cup and the Southern Cross Challenge Cup. This is an outstanding effort. Well done April, good luck in the next stage.

Fair- Next Thursday
Requests for help have been sent home, if you can help please do so. None of the activities on Fair Day are difficult but they do need people to work on them. The more volunteers the less time each person will be required for. In addition to class stalls we also need volunteers to help with the BBQ. Please come along, have a great day and help raise funds for our students.

Graeme
Star of the Week

Prep C  Nate Toohill
Gr 1/2 Ellis  Kaylah Moon
Gr 1/2 W  Zayden Trist
Gr 3/4 I  Angel Allen
Gr 3/4 M  Trey White
Gr 5/6 Ras  Bronwyn Macague
Gr 5/6 Ros  Josh Murray

Birthday Congratulations

Brock Keenan, Bailey Ryan, Liam Hynes-Cody, Ryllie Edwards

Our Prep students visit the Fauna Park.
Breakfast Club - Next week there will be no breakfast club on THURSDAY 15th.

BOOKS FOR SALE
We still have many ex Library books to sell. Grab a bargain. Only 50cents for a supermarket bag full. Open to everyone.

FAIR NEWS—ONLY 7 DAYS TO GO!!!!

PLANT STALL - Can you help us? We are after plants and cuttings for our plant stall. We hope to have a good selection of plants on the day.

LUCKY DIP & NOVELTIES— This year, Grade Prep will be running the Lucky Dip stand and the Novelty stand at the school fair. We are asking for donations from families for our lucky dip stall. If you would like to donate a brand new item or items for the boys or girls lucky dip to the value of $1.00 we would appreciate your assistance. Thank you, Maria Collins & Grade Prep.

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Prep C Novelties/Lucky dips
Gr 1/2 Ellis Jumping Castle
Gr 1/2 Wri Cake/Produce
Gr 3/4rw Showbags
Gr 3/4May Milkshakes
Gr 5/6 Ross Lob a Choc
Gr 5/6 Ras Hair Spray/Food Tickets/Sports
BBQ Lunch, Plants, Books, Trash & Treasure, Photo booth, Mister Brooks coffee van and MUCH more....

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HELPERS
We will need helpers both before and on the day of the Fair. If you would like to help out in any way, please contact the office. No job is too hard to do and if we have enough helpers you will only be required for 1-2hrs at the most.

Attached to the newsletter is a raffle ticket book. Please use both sides of the ticket. If you do not wish to sell tickets please return the book to the office. All sold and unsold tickets (with money) need to be returned to the office by next Wednesday 14th.

Food labels are also attached to the newsletter. If you require more, please contact the office.

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PRINCIPAL: Graeme Hodgens
UNIFORM SHOP
Available from our Uniform shop are shorts, skorts, dresses and track pants in a range of sizes. All items are reduced, once they are sold we will not be restocking.

CANTEEN ROSTER—September

Friday 9th September—Tara Harris
Attached to the newsletter is the final canteen roster for Term 4. Please check as some minor changes have been made.
The Canteen is closed for the remainder of Term. Thank you to all those parents and family members who have helped during Term 3. Without your help the Canteen would not be able to operate.

Term 4
Monday 3rd October CLOSED  Tuesday 4th CLOSED  Wed 5th Jane Reid
Thursday 6th Dani Wells & Jessica Kelly  Friday 7th Leesa Purdy

Rochester Secondary College is celebrating their “Funday” on Friday 7th October 2016, from 11am until 2pm and we would like to invite everyone to come along.

There will be many attractions, including: an Inflatable obstacle course; temporary tattooing and hairspray; competitions such as ‘longest kick’, a delicious food court, cake stalls and fairy floss, music and so much more. We will finish with an Auction.

Parents, Grandparents, neighbours, siblings, friends and any other interested members of the community are very welcome to come along, have a look around and enjoy some lunch. We hope to see you there!

Demi Irwin
SRC President 2016

This 6 week program for parents and carers will provide and discuss information on:
- building strong and positive relationships with your children.
- increasing your children’s confidence and resilience.
- listening and talking with your children.
- understanding messages from your children and how to respond to them.
- supporting children’s brain, social and emotional development.

When:  Term 4 DATES
Tuesday afternoons
130pm-330pm

Where:  Rochester Primary School

Facilitators:  Leesa Ross (Rochester PS Wellbeing), Prue Robertson (DET Social Worker) & Shayna Davis (DET Social Worker)
DAIRY ASSISTANCE FUNDING
ARE YOU ELIGIBLE??

Students currently enrolled at the start of Term 3, 2016 in government and non-government schools where one or both parents:

- Own an operating dairy farm
- Are share farmers on a property primarily operating as a dairy farm
- Hold a lease for an operating dairy farm
- Work as an employee on an operating dairy farm and this is their main source of employment.

Evidence may include:

A dairy industry license issued by Dairy Food Safety Victoria (DFSV)
- Lease documentation
- Share farming contract
- Agreement with a dairy production/supply company
- A letter from an employer
- A statutory declaration stating the family’s main business or employment is on an operating dairy farm (in case where other forms of evidence are not available.

Families who received the means-tested CSEF payment are also eligible. However families that have previously qualified for the CSEF Drought assistance are not able to also access the CSEF Dairy assistance funding.

A one-off amount of $375 per student will be paid to schools. Parents/legal guardians will need to apply for this assistance via the Dairy Assistance Application form along with evidence as requested by 18th November 2016.