Principal's Message

I would like to congratulate the students of Robert Townson PS for the many achievements of 2013 and extend my thanks for all their hard work and the respectful way they have maintained the high standards expected of them. The staff at Robert Townson PS are sensational, they are dedicated and committed to providing the best for the students here in all areas of school life. This year we farewelled Mr Osborne who was promoted to the position of Principal and we welcomed Mrs Cosic and Mrs Masters to our permanent teaching staff. I would like to thank the parents for the support they have provided for their children and the children of others by helping here at school on a day to day basis with a variety of school activities such as reading programs or excursions. Congratulations to Christine Wright, P&C President who was the recipient of the ‘Public School Parent of the Year Award’ for South Western Sydney which was presented to her by Murat Dizdar, Executive Director for Public Schools at Director’s Choice Awards at the State Sports Centre Homebush. Thank you to Miss Zrnic for producing the 2013 Year Book and to Mrs Masters and Miss Mulholland for significantly improving our school website. A huge thank you to the P&C, especially for all their help with Summer Fun Day. Special thank you to our amazing administration team led by Lynn Turner, Sue Poto and the canteen team, our wonderful library helpers, Julie Lillis and the cleaning team and Peter Smith our General Assistant.

This year the final term concludes with a School Development Day. This means the last day of school for students is Wednesday 18 December. Staff will be here until Friday 20 December. School resumes for students in Years 1-6 on Wednesday 29 January 2014.

Wishing you all a very happy and safe Festive Season from all of us at Robert Townson Public School.

Congratulations to Year 6 - Class of 2013

With your primary education now complete we hope you will take with you many happy memories and firm friendships. As you follow your dreams reflect on the Robert Townson values. Keep yourselves safe, always be respectful as this will ensure that you build strong and lasting relationships with people that matter – your family, your friends and your teachers. And of course always follow the Robert Townson motto – AIM HIGH – work hard and always be the best you can be. Take with you our very best wishes as you embark on the next exciting chapter of your education.

On Wednesday 18 December at 2:40 pm all students will line Heathfield Ave to applaud Year 6 as they leave the school for the last time. Parents are welcome to join the farewell ceremony.

Summer Fun Day

The enormous success of Summer Fun Day was due to the hard work of teachers, students, the P&C, canteen and lots of parent helpers. The P&C worked tirelessly on the sausage sizzle, popcorn and snow cone machines as well as organising all the Townson tokens. Special thanks to the Bennetts family for supplying the jumping castles, Kelli Lockley for the friendship bands and Mrs Molina and Mrs Zeitouneh for the halal barbecue. The children had a great time and really enjoyed the afternoon especially the chance to dunk Mr Antony. We raised approximately $6,500 which will be put towards technology and reading material for 2014. Thank you everyone Summer Fun Day was definitely great fun.

Temporary Classes for the Beginning of 2014

At the beginning of the next year we will once again form temporary classes until we are sure how many students will be enrolled. It will not be possible to finalise classes for at least two weeks. We will of course endeavour to ensure a minimal number of disruptions.

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Major Award Winners 2013

Makayla Beveridge 1/2T Marlyne George Award
Rasmine Giles 5/6S Civics and citizenship
Sam Pape 5/6S Civics and citizenship
Lachlan Clements 5/6S Excellence in mathematics
Kyanna Mungovan-Caruso 5B Excellence in oracy
Rima Kanj 5/6S Excellence in writing
Sara Molina 5/6S Excellence in technology
Sagar Pathania 5/6S Excellence in science
Tylah Kennedy 6A Excellence in creative arts
Adam Hillman 5/6S Excellence in performing arts
Ethan Rangaiya 5/6S Academic excellence
Joshua Klarnett 4F Outstanding record of borrowing
Hayden Williams 6A Excellence in swimming
Trent Marsh 5P Excellence in athletics
Hayden Williams 6A Excellence in cross country
Ryan Francisco 6A Excellent sportsmanship
Chelsea Hines 5B Excellent sportsmanship
Hayden Williams 6A Premier’s Sporting Challenge
Kaitlyn Darley 6A Premier’s Sporting Challenge
Hayden Williams 6A Outstanding achievement in sport- Sportsperson of the Year

Ready for High School

Can you recall what you were most apprehensive about when you started high school? This video of Year 7 students explain why teens shouldn't be worried about starting high school, and how they can get off to a great start in the first few days. Watch the videos:

Kik Messenger

Does your child use Kik? Police have described it as "the No.1 social media problem involving teenagers". Find out what it is:
http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/technology-az/-/technology_glossary/7wOF/5353/Kik+messenger

Why cyber safety experts are concerned:

Choosing School Shoes

Are expensive school shoes the best option for happy feet? Let's face it. School shoes have never been at the cutting edge of fashion. In fact if you look at what your parents were wearing, the humble school shoe really hasn't evolved much at all. Tips for choosing shoes:

Teach Your Kids to be Waterproof

As temperatures rise, the risk of drowning increases too. Review these water-safety tips to help keep your family safe this summer. Find out more:

Linda Green – Principal

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