

PE & Sport report Feb 2017

What an unbelievable term we have had in Sport & Outdoor Ed! So many great memories made on camps, water safety programs, and so many students stepping out of their comfort zone in a wide range of situations.

School Triathlon with Darnum PS

It all started with the School Triathlon in week 2 where Grade 5/6 students took part in the annual event on the foreshore, where they were joined by Grade 5/6 students from Darnum Primary School (for the third year running) as both schools continue to establish and build a strong relationship between our “beach side” school and their “country” school. In term 2, all grade 5 students will be heading to Darnum PS for the day for a “country” school experience. The triathlon was a big success with students completing the swim, followed by the bike leg finishing with the run. Following the completion of the Triathlon, our sensational school captains stuck around to help run our very own Water Safety Program for the Darnum PS students. It was a blast for all involved.

School Swimming Carnival

It was another exciting year at our Grade 3-6 Swimming carnival! There were 80 students from across the 4-year levels who competed in both 50m and 25m races in all strokes. We even managed to squeeze in the famous ‘house relay’ which topped off a fun day had by all. Congratulations to Irwin House who took out the House Swimming Shield for the 3rd year running! Both the Clarke and Riddiford children were a big reason behind this, putting in strong performances in many races

Sporting Schools Basketball Program & Tennis Program

This term through new “active after schools program”, we have had specialist basketball and tennis training programs for grade 4-6 students. The basketball program was conducted by a number of female imports who play for the Southern Peninsula Sharks, which had the kids star struck some weeks while they were learning their skills! Selected Grade 6 students participated in 4 tennis sessions with local coach Steve Giamarco who went through a number of skills and then coached the students during match play. Tennis is definitely growing and if anyone is interested, please come and see me for Steve’s contact information. He is brilliant with the children and is very passionate about the growth in local tennis.

Grade 5/6 Water Safety

The Grade 5 & 6 Water Safety program took place over 2 weeks in February where each year level participated in 2 separate days with activities ranging from surfing, snorkelling, Stand up paddle boards and lifesaving to rides on the local coast guard boat and sailing. In the midst of everything else happening at our school, I cannot speak highly enough of the grade teachers who assist in running these days. The grade 5 and 6 teaching teams were an unbelievable support and went to another level this year. The student success and behaviour was a brilliant reflection of these so thank you teachers and well done kids on a brilliant program once again.

Grade 3 and 4 camp

“That is the best weather that camp has ever had”. This is straight from Mr Fisher, who has done many foreshore camps in his time at Rosebud PS- and he was not wrong! What a week it was. AND THE KIDS- There were so many incredible examples of brilliant behaviour, resilience, teamwork, willingness to help that all staff and parents involved were blown away. This camp is so crucial in assisting students to develop such vital life skills and it is fair to say the kids did just that and some! Many activities the students took part in, mirror the water safety program in an attempt to intertwine the entire outdoor Ed program. The teacher and parent support for this camp was off the charts with the school community spirit at Rosebud PS shining bright once again. There were lots of highlights but little Kayley Anderson in grade 3 managed to do a whopping 30 “switcherunis” as she liked to call them, the surfboard- setting a Rosebud PS record for Grade 3’s.

District Tennis Tournament Winner

Congratulations to our wonderful School Captain, Eloise Durand who won the girls District Tennis Tournament. This is an awesome effort and one that sees Eloise move on to the Division Final early in term 2. It has been quite some time since Rosebud PS has had champion at the District Tennis Carnival so I would like to congratulate Eloise on such a brilliant result.

District & Division Swimming Sports

Well done to all our swimmers who made the District Swim Team this year. All students who competed did not look out of place for a second and did our very proud in the water. Our 12/13 year old boys placing in the top 2 in every event! Nellie Clarke from grade 4 was a star and came 3rd overall in 9/10 girls freestyle at the Division event held at The Pines in Frankston on 14th of March. Shamus Clarke, Matthew Belcher and Max James all competed in individual events at the Division Carnival with Shamus coming agonisingly close to moving onto the region final finishing 2nd overall in the boy’s 12/13 year old freestyle. While he was disappointed with the result as this was the fourth year running he came 2nd at this event, he was reminded what an amazing achievement it is to finish that high out of hundreds of boys his age on the Peninsula. Shamus has been the standout swimmer of the past four years at our school and he has an exciting future in the pool ahead of him. The three boys were joined by Riley Riddiford in the Freestyles & Medley relays’ where they competed strongly.

Torquay camp

This seems to come around so quickly every year. Everything is booked and ready to go. Students will be catching the ferry to Queenscliff on Monday where they had to a pool with some big waterslides in Waurm Ponds before heading to Torquay where the camp kick-starts at the famous surf museum. From that moment onwards, it is action time. Trampolining, rock climbing, river kayaking, surfing and body boarding at surf beaches, riding bikes to Bells Beach...and that is just the tip of the iceberg. This is the culmination of everything Rosebud PS is all about and once again promises to be a week to remember- particularly with the weather gods looking after us to this point!

Summer Lightning Premiership

All students in Grade 5/6 will be participating on the 28/3 (last Wednesday of term 1). Students have been training hard and we have teams for Volleyball, Basketball, Cricket, Softball, Golf, Lawn Bowls & Ultimate Frisbee. Good luck to all students and teachers involved!

Finally, I would like to thank Mr Mac for his amazing support with all camps and water safety programs so far this year. Lots of work goes into making sure these events go ahead and it would have been a battle without him and the rest of the other wonderful teachers at Rosebud PS.

I am looking forward to a strong finish to term 1 and exciting start to term 2, with Grade 2 camp kicking off proceedings in week 2, which is going to be bigger and better once again this year!

Thank you
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