Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Centenary week is here! It is sure to be a great centenary celebration on Saturday, filled with stories and emotions. We had a great centenary parade on Monday and the students have been visiting the museum this week. There is a buzz of excitement in the school with classes contributing to the time capsule and the museum, as well as some media attention too. I would like to sincerely thank everyone involved in the events this Saturday. The event would not be possible without the dedication of everyone that is involved. Please come and support the day – from the walkthrough and formal celebrations through to the Spring Fair on the oval and the HOY near the tuckshop. Happy 100th Birthday to our wonderful school community!

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D. Broadfoot
Principal
25th August, 2016

Road safety reminder
Another reminder to please ensure that you reinforce road safety messages with your children. Pick up and drop off is a very busy time and the safety of our students and parents is paramount.

Red Track
Railway Estate State School performed extremely well at the recent inter-school athletics carnival. Our school placed first overall for the second year, which is a great result. Our girls also won the overall girls perpetual trophy for the second year too. Most importantly, the students had a fantastic day and represented our school to the highest standard. Congratulations to all of the students! Well done to Makayla, Madeline and Elizabeth, who have been selected for NQ trials students.

Number one school priority – Reading
Our number one priority in our school is reading. Reading is fundamental to spelling, writing, grammar and even science and mathematics. Below is some excellent advice about helping your child with reading.

What parents can do at home to help their kids with reading

- Be confident that your child will learn to read. Give positive messages and involve them in everyday conversations and opportunities to read.
- Read aloud to your child. It helps them to learn about the language of books and will encourage them to enjoy books and reading.
- Read to your child in your home language if your first language is not English.
- Make reading enjoyable and talk about books, magazines and computer stories that you have read together.
- Try not to let television intrude on reading time. Make a special time for reading with your child, away from interruptions.
- Listen to your child read as often as you can, every day if possible, even if only for a short time.
- Give books in print or electronic form as treats and presents.

Hints for listening to your child read

- When reading together at home try to make the time relaxed, enjoyable and positive. Vary it. Read together, read to your child and take turns or have them read to you.
- Before reading, talk about the cover, the title and the pictures, and discuss what the book may be about.
- During reading, discuss what has been read up to that point and predict what might happen next.
- After you’ve finished reading with your child, talk and ask questions about the story and the pictures.

Saturday 27th August 2016

For information regarding our celebrations, please contact the school on 4720 8333 or like our school’s Facebook page.

Dear past and present Railway Estate State School staff, students, families and community members, beautiful, little Railway Estate State School is turning 100 this year. We are extending a warm welcome to all, to join in our Centenary celebrations this Saturday 27th August, 2016. Please spread the word!

Schedule of Events: Saturday 27th August 2016

- 11am – 12:00pm: Back to School Walkthrough
  Take a leisurely stroll around the school. Visit classrooms and specialist areas such as the computer lab and library resource centre, which showcase education at RESS here and now!
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm: Formalities
Sit, relax and be entertained during the formal proceedings of the day. Meet with old and new friends and reminisce about days gone by.

- **1:00pm – 3:00pm: RESS Museum**
  Browse through the historical memorabilia and displays in our students’ museum.

- **1:00pm – 5:00pm: P&C’s Spring Fair**
  Head down to the back oval and join in all the fun of the Parents and Citizen Association’s Spring Fair!

- **5:00pm: Dinner at Victoria Park Hotel – 262 Boundary St, South Townsville.**
  Finish off the day with dinner or a drink at the local Vic Park Hotel. (*Please buy your own food and drinks.*)

Dinner bookings are essential – RSVP asap: 4720 8333 / centenary@railestass.eq.edu.au

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**School Fun Run**

We’re holding the *adidas School Fun-Run* as a major fundraising event this year! The event will be held on Friday 9th September next term! This is a sponsorship based fundraiser, and we’re looking to raise **$3000**, so all help is appreciated!

The School Fun-Run promotes healthy and active lifestyles to our students in a fun and engaging way! It’s all about participation and we’re organising a great day for our school community. Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage all students to get involved.

Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which will be sent home with your child at the beginning of next term. However if you want to sign up for online fundraising early, head to [http://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/Fundraising_students_signup](http://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/Fundraising_students_signup). Students who raise just $10 or more will receive a reward for effort. In the Sponsorship Form you will also find many other benefits like the chance to win a Samsung Tablet every week!

The *adidas School Fun-Run* is a healthy fundraiser that ensures all schools have a viable alternative to junk food fundraising. The event sends the right message to students about having fun while getting involved and being active.

Thanks for supporting your child’s wellbeing and our school in raising money for our Student Council.

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**Citizen of the Week**

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**Walk for Daniel**

**Thursday 27 October**

*Walk for Daniel Keeping kids safe!*

**When:** 5:00pm
**Walk will commence:** 5:30pm
**Where:** Riverway Parklands

Walk for Daniel is held annually to raise awareness about child safety, promote a safer community for children and to educate children regarding their personal safety. *Wear RED and EDUCATE!*

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