Railway Estate State School
Newsletter

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Great state. Great opportunity.
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What an absolutely fantastic NAIDOC Day we had last week! There was such a great sense of community spirit, cultural respect, and a genuine appreciation and interest for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island culture. We are extremely grateful to all of the special guests that attended to run workshops and perform at our NAIDOC parade. Thanks also to the lorangi family for organising the kup-murri. The food was absolutely sensational and we were all very fortunate to have the opportunity to share in this cultural cooking tradition.

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D. Broadfoot
Principal
28th July, 2016

Challenge Games

Well done to the students that attended the Challenge Games yesterday. This event caters for a range of students with a disability by providing fun centred games and competitions. It was a wonderful day and the students had a fantastic time.

Red Track

‘Red Track’ (interschool athletics) will be held on Monday 8th August. All students that have been selected to attend this event should have now been provided with a note and permission form to bring home. Please ensure this is returned to the office as soon as possible.

What is your child learning?

All students should now have brought home their class newsletter and information about what the class is learning this term. We highly encourage you to engage with your children about what they are learning, so that you can play an active part in their learning. Reading goals should also have been sent home now. Please ensure that your child is reading every night for at least 15 minutes with a focus on their reading strategies.

Continued improvement

We have recently collated our semester one results and we are extremely proud of the continued progress. Please see the table below to see this great schoolwide improvement. This is an absolute credit to the students, staff and parents!

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<th>% of students achieving an ‘A’ or B’ in English (semester 1, 2016)</th>
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School opinion survey

Survey reminder for schools using online Parent/Caregiver Survey (week of 18 July 2016) If you have already completed your Parent/Caregiver Survey, thank you and please disregard this notice. If not already completed, the online surveys will remain open until 29 July 2016. This is your opportunity to have a say about what this school does well and how this school can improve.

If you haven’t received any survey access details yet, please contact the office on telephone 07 47208333 or email admin@railestass.eq.edu.au

Railway Estate State School Centenary

Save the date: Saturday 27th August 2016
For information regarding our celebrations, please contact the school on 4720 8333, Email: centenary@railestass.eq.edu.au 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 on 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 by 05 August 2016: 4720 8333 / centenary@railestass.eq.edu.au

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**Citizen of the Week**

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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_studentsSignup](http://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/Fundraising_studentsSignup). 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.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There are a large number of items in the lost property box held at the office. If your child/children has lost something please remember to check this box as it may be hiding in there.

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**HOY**

Saturday 30th July, 2016 under D Block at

**TOWNSVILLE STATE HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 6 INTO 7 INFORMATION NIGHT**

Townsville State High School welcomes parents and caregivers of primary school students to an information evening and barbecue. You will have the opportunity to tour the school, chat with our staff about what our programs can offer your student, and learn about our Junior Secondary philosophy.

**When:** Tuesday 29th August, 2016
5.00pm – Barbecue  
5.30pm – Information Session  
6.00-6.30pm – School Tour

**Where:** Junior Secondary Precinct (G and J Block)  
Townsville State High School, Boundary Street, Railway Estate

Come along to experience a slice of life at Townsville State High School and learn how our programs can help your student shine.

Townsville State High School.  
*Strive for better things.*