

School Sport and PSSA

In Years 4 to 6 all students at Roseville Primary School participate in sport on Fridays. The Sports programs involve a zone based program (PSSA) and a school based program.

1. School based sports programs

All students will participate in either the school based program or the Primary Schools Sports Association (PSSA) competition. Those students not participating in the PSSA competition will participate in sport at the same time as the PSSA competition.

Tennis

In Terms 1 & 4, only students in Years 5 & 6 may sign up for tennis. In Terms 2 & 3, Years 4, 5 & 6 have the option of signing up for tennis, which is run by a private coach off school premises at a local court. Students need to pay for this program. Numbers are limited. A teacher from RPS accompanies the students.

School Sports Program

In Terms 1, 2, 3 & 4 a **high energy sports program** is operated. This program is designed in collaboration by the sports specialist, Sportspro and RPS teachers. In 2010 and 2011, students involved in this sports program will be taken by bus to a local sportsground to play team games and learn new sports, such as OzTag, European Handball, Newcombe Ball, End Ball and Corner ball.

2. PSSA

All students have the choice to trial for selection into a team which then participates in an interschool Zone competition. The sports offered in this interschool competition are:-

Terms 1 & 4:

Girls Senior Modball, Girls Junior Modball, Boys Senior Cricket and Boys Junior Cricket

Terms 2 & 3:

Boys Senior Football, Boys Junior Football, Girls Senior Netball, Girls Junior netball, Mixed Senior AFL and Mixed Junior AFL

Junior division is for those students who turn 8, 9 or 10 years of age in the current academic year.

Senior division is for those students who turn 11 years and over in the current academic year.

Teams may play a maximum of two different gender players in each representative team – with the exception of AFL.

The DET NSW School Sport unit oversees all interschool competitions.

The website can be found at <http://www.sports.det.nsw.edu.au/>

The NSW Primary Schools Sport Association (PSSA) is divided into five regions; Hunter, North West, South Coast, Sydney North and Sydney West. Each region contains a number of Zones. Roseville Public belongs to the Ku-ring-gai Zone within the Sydney North Region. All schools involved in this competition must abide by the rules as set out by the Zone. Ku-ring-gai Zone includes the following 13 schools:

Beaumont Road, Chatswood, Gordon East, Gordon West, Killara, Lindfield, Lindfield East, Pymble, Pymble West, Roseville, St Ives, St Ives North and St Ives Park.

Roseville competes against these schools in the PSSA team sport competitions each week and in the annual Zone Swimming, Cross Country, Field Athletics and Track Athletics carnivals.

Each Zone has a committee of teacher representatives from each school and they oversee the organisation of all PSSA sport and carnivals in the Zone.

PSSA Team Selection

As the Zone competition commences early in Term 1, all participating schools must select teams within the first 2 weeks of school. The summer sport competitions run in Terms 1 & 4.

At the beginning of Term 2, the winter sport teams must be selected by each participating school. The winter sport competitions run in Terms 2 & 3.

Due to the short time frame team selections usually take place over a two week period. Roseville Public School has a PSSA team selection procedure which is attached to this document. Important points are:

1. Selection into a team is competitive and students will be selected on the basis of the skill level which they demonstrate at the selection trials.
2. Places available on the teams are limited by the type of sport being played and the number of teams allowed in the competition.
3. Only teachers make the team selections.

All students selected into a PSSA team and/or participating in a PSSA carnival must abide by the **PSSA code of conduct**. Breaches of this code may lead to the removal of the student from the team or competition. A copy of the student and parent code of conduct is attached to this document.

Practice times for PSSA teams are usually held before or after school.

Before school practices are held from 7.45am – 8.40am

After school practices are held from 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Times for each team practice will be determined by the teacher in charge of the team at the beginning of the season.

PSSA game times are held on Friday mornings between 9.30am and 11am in Terms 1 & 4 and on Friday afternoons between 12.30pm and 2pm and Terms 2 & 3.