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Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Rugby League – five year olds playing under 8s

Roma and District Schoolboy Rugby League have just been notified by the NRL of a rule change that affects our five year olds planning to play in the under 8s competition this year. We have been told that no five year old is to play in the under 8s competition.

What this means for St John’s is, if your child has not turned six at the start of the Rugby League season they cannot play until they have turned six. The Rugby League season runs from the 12th March to 13th August. So, basically our Prep students who have expressed interest and have registered to play will not be able to play based on their dates of birth. However, our Year One students will be right to play as soon as they have turned six.

If you have already paid your fees and your child is unable to play $60 will be credited to your school fees. I apologise for the inconvenience that this may cause, but we have only just been informed of this change.

New Prep Rugby League Program

As a result of this change, St John’s has decided to start a Prep Rugby League Program. This will be open to all Prep students. The program will begin in Term 2 and will be held on Thursday afternoons, whilst older siblings are training. Mark Shields will be running the program. More information about this program will come out soon.

If you have any queries please don’t hesitate to contact me through the front office.

Yours sincerely,

Michaela Wehl
Rugby League Coordinator

Nicholas Lynch
Principal