### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019



**Important Dates** 

# Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February

# No School for Prep Students ONLY Brainstorm Productions Incursion Welcome Picnic Evening

#### Welcome Back



Welcome back to our existing families and a special welcome to our new families and Prep students for the 2019 school year. We have had a great start to the school year and it has been fantastic to see the enthusiasm and positive attitude that the students have demonstrated upon their return to school. I would like to make a special welcome to our

new Grade 3 teacher, Ms Kristy Telford, and also welcome back two of our returning teachers Mrs Tiffany Saleh who's back for two days a week teaching art and Ms Ashleigh Price-Bell who is teaching Grade 6. It is fantastic to have these three outstanding teachers here for 2019. We look forward to working collaboratively with all of our parents throughout the school year.

### **Book Collection and Fee Payment**

If you are yet to pay your school fees and collect your student's class resources, please contact the school as soon as possible to arrange payment. I would like to thank Allison Esmonde who coordinated book collection and second-hand uniform sales and the parent helpers who also assisted on the day. Thank you to parents who have finalised their fee payment and also made the \$30 voluntary contribution. The school appreciates this small additional payment, and this year we intend to use this money to create additional play spaces and shade structures for our students.

# **Compass and Flexibuzz**

This year, we will be rolling out our Compass communications more widely and will slowly start phasing out Flexibuzz. We began using Compass last year to communicate student absences and to publish reports online. This year, we will also start sending push notifications with reminders and event notifications and will also begin facilitating online payments for camps, excursions, incursions etc which we hope will

push notifications with reminders and event notifications and will also begin facilitating online payments for camps, excursions, incursions etc which we hope will save time and make it easier for parents. If you have not already done so, please download the Compass app on your phone or tablet (or access it via a laptop or desktop computer) as we have already started sending notifications. All

parents have received login details for Compass, but if you need assistance or your credentials re-issued please contact Shelby at the office.

#### Lunch Orders

This year, we will continue to provide a lunch order service for students. Lunchiez online lunch orders will be available on Monday and Wednesday and Subway orders will be available on a Friday. To place an order for Lunchiez go to <a href="https://lunchiez.com.au/">https://lunchiez.com.au/</a> and make sure you place your order before 9:00pm the night before. There are a range of delicious and nutritious hot and cold meals available. Subway orders can be placed using the Subway envelopes available at school and envelopes and payment need to be returned to school by Wednesday.

# Assemblies

A reminder that we have a short assembly every morning at 8:55am. Monday and Wednesday assembly takes place in the hall and Tuesday, Thursday and Friday assembly takes place on the basketball court at the rear of the school. Please make the effort to ensure your child arrives in time for assembly every day.

# **Student Accident Insurance and Ambulance Cover**

It is a requirement at the start of each year that we advise parents that children are not covered by any accident insurance or ambulance cover whilst at school unless these are taken out privately by parents. Unfortunately, injuries do occur from time to time at school, so if parents wish to insure against this, private cover can be taken out through private insurance companies, as can private Ambulance cover through Ambulance Victoria.



