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DIARY DATES

Wednesday 20th February	Prep Interviews/No Classes for Prep Students ONLY
Thursday 21st February	Brainstorm Production – Whole School Incursion
(5:00pm – 6:30pm) Thursday 21st February	Welcome Picnic – Whole School Community Event
Wednesday 27th February	Prep Interviews/No Classes for Prep Students ONLY (last)
(9:30am – 12:00pm) Friday 1st March	Anglicare – ‘Growing Great Kids’
Wednesday 6th March	Prep Students attend School 😊
(2:00pm – 7:00pm) Thursday 7th March	Goal Setting Interviews

‘Being Brave’ at Rosewood Downs

Next Thursday sees a big day at school with our KidsMatter ‘Being Brave’ Special Day, followed by our annual Welcome Picnic in the afternoon. As part of our special day, we have a whole school incursion for students which is a live theatre production by Brainstorm Productions called ‘Being Brave’. The production addresses the topics of dealing with change, understanding difficult emotions and bouncing back when things go wrong. There is a \$5.00 cost to attend this incursion and we anticipate that all children will attend. We have set up this event on Compass so that parents can pay online via the portal. If you cannot pay via Compass, please contact Shelby or Brenda in the office to arrange payment.

Welcome Picnic

We extend an invitation to all our families to our Welcome Picnic on Thursday evening, 21st February. The evening runs from 5:00pm – 6.30pm and allows all our families, new and existing, to relax and socialise with other families and our school staff. Although we can’t always rely completely on the weather forecast, at this stage it looks as though we will have a lovely sunny afternoon. Bring along your rugs and chairs and pack a picnic, or buy your dinner at our BBQ, where we will be serving sausages (Halal available) and drinks. Gosia and the Kofi Shack will be in attendance serving refreshments, including slushies. We will have some musical performances from our students and social park games (bocce, coits, finska, kubb etc) running on the school oval. Please join us for this fun family event.



Compass Communications

Thank you to the many families who are now logged in and using the Compass Parent Portal. Despite a few technical issues last week, we have many parents who are now using Compass to communicate more effectively with the school. We have been sending push notifications with reminders and event notifications and are using the online payment system. It is also our preferred method for communicating student absences and allows parents to approve and explain upcoming or current absences. 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). All parents have received login details for Compass, but if you need assistance or your credentials re-issued please contact Shelby at the office. We are phasing out Flexibuzz, so if you are still using this to report absences, please move over to Compass when possible.

Lunch Orders

A reminder that the school provides a lunch order service for students. Lunchiez online lunch orders are available on Monday and Wednesday and Subway orders are available on a Friday. To place an order for Lunchiez go to <https://lunchiez.com.au/> 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. We look forward to our prep students heading directly to our assemblies each morning, starting from Monday.



Rosewood Downs Primary School

Special Day!

Thursday 21st February, 2019



Brainstorm Productions

Award-Winning In-School Theatre Performances

Dear Families,

15th February 2019

It is with great enthusiasm we announce our first Kids Matter Day for 2019. The focus is Social and Emotional Learning (Kids Matter Component 2) with our aim to creating a positive, safe and supportive environment and providing opportunities to build and practise relationship skills, resilience and social and emotional competencies. It is hoped all children participate in this empowering and engaging event.

Being Brave

On **Thursday 21st February** Brainstorm Productions will be presenting their student wellbeing program 'Being Brave' for all students at Rosewood Downs.

Being Brave is a live theatre production which will help students accept change, deal with their emotions and bounce back when things go wrong. The production is inspirational and empowering, providing kids with strategies such as good communication and positive self-talk, to help make them more resilient and able to navigate life's storms.

Being Brave is part of our student wellbeing curriculum (S.E.L.-Social & Emotional Learning) and the program has been developed in consultation with teachers, psychologists, as well as real-life student experiences. The methodology of the program is safe, supportive and nonjudgmental and designed to provide students with positive and useful tools they can use in their everyday lives.

More than 350,000 Australian students have already benefited from Brainstorm Productions multi award-winning educational theatre programs over the past twelve months. Their programs cater to the specific wellbeing needs of students, helping to create a healthy and harmonious school environment. If you would like to know more about Brainstorm Productions, visit their website at www.brainstormproductions.edu.au

If you have any further questions about this event please contact us.

Deborah Lucas
Coordinator

Julian Growcott
Principal

BEING BRAVE

Compass

Online payment for this event is currently available through the Compass Parent Portal. If you require assistance in navigating the Portal or have forgotten your log-in details, please see Shelby in the office.

It is very important that all families are now regularly using the Compass Parent Portal.

If you are currently unable to access the Portal, payment can still be made using cash or card at the office.