

# NEWSLETTER

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## SICK BAY LINEN - FRIDAYS

Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Daniella Cetkovic
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Michelle Marsh

## Dates for Your Diary

Friday	11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Rosewood Readers – Library 3.00pm-3.30pm
Friday	11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	House Athletics – Unit B & C
Friday	18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Rosewood Playgroup – Library 3.00pm – 3.30pm
Thursday	24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Division Winter Finals – Mixed Netball
Thursday	24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Parent and Friends Meeting – In the hall at 9.15am
Friday	25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	District Gala Day 3 – Unit B
Friday	25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Greater Dandenong Neighbourhood House – Community Session
Friday	25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Rosewood Musos – Music Room 3.00pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	District Athletics

❖ Last Day of Term Three- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Finish 2.30pm

❖ First Day of Term Four- Monday October 9<sup>th</sup>

I am very pleased to be back at school, after enjoying three weeks long service leave. I was very fortunate to be able to travel to Europe and enjoy some warm weather during my time off. What a difference three weeks make at Rosewood Downs!!! I am so happy to see that the 'pirate ship' has been installed and is being well utilised by our students. New furniture has arrived and has brightened up all of the Units. The Unit A and B toilets also look fantastic after the recent renovation. In addition, the staff toilets and sickbay have had major makeovers. We continue to work hard to improve our school environment.

I would like to thank Mr Growcott for all of his hard work to ensure that these projects were completed. I know that Julian gave up much of his holidays to oversee this work. Julian was Acting Principal during my leave and did an amazing job, supported by our leadership team Mrs Payne and Ms Lucas.

Term Three is always an exciting term and it concludes with the Year 6 Musical. I know that our Year 6 students are working very hard to learn their lines, songs and choreography. We cannot wait to see the finished production.



### Pirate Day-Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September

To celebrate the official opening of the Pirate Ship we are going to have a special 'Pirate Day' on 1<sup>st</sup> September. Start getting your pirate costume ready to wear! A pirate costume can be easily assembled all you need is a striped t-shirt or a white shirt, jeans and a scarf or belt. You can be creative and add a parrot toy, hook or a sword. An eye patch, vest or pirate hat will finish your costume off nicely. *Further information will be sent home shortly, outlining the plans for the day.*

*Helen Casey*  
*Principal*

## Allergies

The Department of Education & Training has a new policy for managing mild to moderate student allergies. Students with a mild or moderate allergy to a food or insects and those with a medication allergy should have an ASCIA Action Plan for Allergic Reactions (green plan). Those students with a severe reaction to allergies should have an ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis (red plan). Both of these action plans are required to be provided to the school by parents. If your child has an allergy that is already noted on our system you will be receiving a letter and proforma to complete to ensure our information is up to date and accurate. If you don't receive this and your child has an allergy please contact the school so that we can update our records.

Thank you. Debbie

## **KidsMatter**



Thank you to Hayfa, from Beyond Blue Connect, who visited Rosewood Downs recently to present at both our Kids Matter Action Team Meeting and our Staff Meeting. Hayfa gave an overview of a new initiative, Beyond Blue Connect, which was launched in the Greater Dandenong region on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2017. Beyond Blue Connect is a free service for adults living in the Greater Dandenong community to improve how they may feel, cope and connect with local support. We have attached the flyer from Beyond Blue Connect if you are interested to know more.

We had another great turn out to our Dandenong Neighbourhood House session last Friday. Sharon demonstrated how to bake delicious Cup Cakes and Nada from the CFA gave valuable tips on fire safety in the kitchen. Sharon will be back on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September with quick and delicious meal ideas to cook for the family. Please keep the dates free as we look forward to you joining us. Further information will follow shortly.



## Kids Matter Action Team



Our Rosewood Downs staff are excited to be embracing some new challenges to stretch themselves outside their comfort zone. We have three ThinkPlus Professional Learning sessions scheduled for our staff in Term 3. Our first session was today when we welcomed Bernie Lanyon and Kayla Walker, both ThinkPlus Educators, back to Rosewood Downs. We looked at a new resource the 'ThinkPlus Circle', which staff can use when planning ThinkPlus lessons for students.

Our ThinkPlus overview has also been updated, a copy has been attached. We encourage you to have a read to see what's happening in this innovative initiative, ThinkPlus.

### **ThinkPlus Action Team**

### **Caught You Being Kind Award**

Dev Walia and Ruby Kendall were 'Caught being Kind'. Well done Dev and Ruby.

### **Student of the Week**

#### ***Doing Your Best***

Mason Black, Pierce Thompson, Fatima Kobeissi, Ash Jayasinghe.

#### ***Care and Compassion***

Thomas Banasios, Niko Ntotas, Rihanna Souleiman, Alannah Terzic.

### **Music Award**

Thomas Banasios, Luka Mimic, Alannah Terzic, Mo Phan, Zipporah Ioane, Alanna Meseha, Shaylee Stephens.  
Natila Tran, Sophie West, Chelsea Dawson, Charli Paterson, Aleisha Zhou, May Pham, Brandon Cheim.

### **LOTE News**

Food taste tasting will commence next week during LOTE lessons. Children are going to make Fried Wontons and Stuffed Tofu.

### **Anita Chan – Music & LOTE Coordinator**

### **Sport Awards & News**

Nemanja Ivanovic, Maahi Kaur, Theodora Rozakis, Niki Stankovic, Yianni Rozakis, Niko Ntotas, Tanner Paterson.  
Mingqi Duan, Sikander Jhajj, Leonora Rakovic, Hayden Cashman, Anabella Ros, Eliza Roden, Nicholas Cunningham.

### **SPORT NEWS**

#### **AFL Player Visit – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August**

Last Tuesday all students in Unit C received a visit from two Richmond football players - Shaun Hampson and Daniel Rioli. They helped run a clinic with the students from 2:30 to 3:30pm. The players answered questions from the students and signed photos to hand out.

The visit was part of the AFL community program that encourages children to participate in junior football, as well as other physical activities. The players emphasised the benefits associated with playing sport, such as, building teamwork, leadership skills and resilience.

### **Division Winter Finals – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August**

Last Friday, the school Mixed Netball team played in the Greater Dandenong Division Winter Finals. The team successfully won their two games against Springvale Rise PS and Keysborough PS.

The members of the team were Zara Badic, Brandon Chiem, Nicholas Cunningham, Sonia Doan, Kaniha Muhundan, Sam Norton, Peter Kranias, Sienna Wilson and Sophie Xerri

The team will play in the Southern Metropolitan Region Finals on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August at the Pakenham Indoor Sports Centre. Thank you to the parents who have helped to organise transport for students and support the team.

A big thank you to Annette Paterson and Isabelle Wier who have spent a lot of extra time to make a new set of Netball shirts and bibs for the team. The shirts look great and they will be an excellent addition to our sporting uniform sets for years to come.

### **Unit B and C House Athletics – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

We will be holding our House Athletics Day at Ross Reserve on Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> August. It would be great if any parents who are available can come along to help with the various track and field events on the day or just come to support the students as they compete for their team to win the House trophy. This event will also form part of the selection process for the upcoming District Athletics competition in September. Please dress warm for the event. It may be wise to pack extra clothing and shoes to change into after the event.

### **Unit B District Gala Sports Day – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August**

We are all looking forward to our third and final Gala Sports Day for the year. The Unit B students will be competing in four sports against students from the 9 other schools in our District.

The venues for the Gala Sports Day are:

AFL 9s, T20 Blast Cricket and Osh Rounders – Greaves Reserve (Bennet St, Dandenong)  
Soccer 6s – Dandenong Soccer 5s (29 Brindley St, Dandenong South)

The competitions will be starting at around 10:00am and will run to about 2:00pm.

If there are any parents from Unit B available to help and support our teams, could they please let the Unit B teachers know, thank you.

### **House Team Merchandise**

We now have all of the House T-shirts in stock at school. If you are thinking of buying a new T-shirt they will be available for purchase through the office. Please see Mr Campbell for the available sizes. They are \$27 each or a special pack for \$30 including two merchandise items.

In the lead up to the House Athletics, which is our third House event this year, we will be selling more House merchandise. There will be lots of different items ranging from \$2 to \$5 and they will be on sale before assembly in the hall. Thank you to all of the students who have helped to make all of the merchandise items. A special thanks to Sonia Doan who finished all of the items at home with her family during the holidays.

### **Tennis Hot Shots – Free racquets**

On Monday, Marcel Pietrasik, from Rosswood Tennis Club, helped to hand out a free 19" tennis racquet to each of the Prep students. This is part of our partnership with Tennis Australia which delivers the Tennis Hot Shots program in our school and local community. The students also received a 3m 'Play Anywhere' net and wristband.

He also has a special offer of a free tennis lesson for students from Rosewood Downs, so please see the attached information and contact him directly.

### **FREE AFL TICKETS – The Welcome Game**

As part of our involvement with the AFL Multicultural program, the Melbourne Football Club invites all families to the 'Welcome Game' to celebrate our great diversity in Melbourne and the South East.

Melbourne v St Kilda – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August, 1:10pm MCG

Please register for free tickets online at: [www.melbournefc.com.au/schools](http://www.melbournefc.com.au/schools)  
Go Demons!

### **Lindsay Campbell - Sport Coordinator**

#### **Woolworths Earn & Learn**

##### **Earn and Learn is back at Rosewood Downs Primary School.**

Thank you to those families who have already started collecting the stickers from Woolworths! There is a box at the Woolworths at Waverly Gardens to put stickers in or you can bring them to school and place them in the box at the front office. The more stickers we collect the more resources we are able to choose for our school. Anyone from our school community – staff, parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends – who shop at Woolworths can collect stickers for the school.

We would love your help to earn extra resources for our school.  
Thanks for your support

### **Mia Todisca and Liz O'Meara**

#### **Premiers' Reading Challenge**

The Premiers' Reading Challenge is still on and it is not too late to complete the challenge! Mrs Thompson has placed the most recently approved challenge books in tubs near the front of the library so they are easy to find. There is a tub for P-2 and 3-6. Don't forget, they are the ones with the orange dots!

If you want to get involved, please make sure that you return your consent form to the school as soon as possible. You have until the 8<sup>th</sup> of September. Everyone who completes the challenge will be presented with a certificate and bookmark.

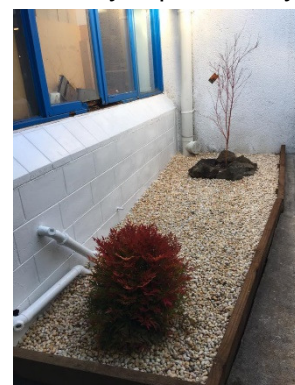
Happy reading!

**Mia Todisco**

#### **Parents & Friends Association**



The Parents and Friends Association have a few events coming up soon that we would love some help with. There will be the **Father's Day stall**, which will be on **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September**. If you can spare an hour or 2 either of those days please leave your name with Anna, at the front office, we would greatly appreciate it. The PFA is a very casual group who meet once a month, on a Thursday morning for coffee and a chat. We help the teachers with some fundraising events and with volunteers for the student's activities throughout the year such as walk-a-thons, discos, grade 6 graduation, book fairs, school banking, BBQ's, athletics days, plus many more. If you would like to be more involved in the school the PFA will be perfect for you. **Join us on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 9:15am, in the hall foyer after assembly.** There is no long-term commitment, if you would like to help out a little or a lot we appreciate it all. The PFA also have gardening days where, if the weather permits, we get together and do a bit of tidying up, weeding, pruning, planting, etc. Our latest project is the indoor garden at the side entrance for Unit A. There are plans for a lovely water feature to be installed once it is all complete. I will send out a notice of our next gardening day on FLEXIBUZZ and I hope to see you there.



### **Allison Esmonde – PFA president**



## School Banking



Everyone who banked this week should have received a flier in their bank book regarding a new Commonwealth Bank School Future Games competition which begins on Monday **14<sup>th</sup> August 2017** and ends Term 4 Friday **10<sup>th</sup> November 2017**. If you didn't get a flier, please collect one from the display cabinet in the hall foyer. School Bankers will have the chance to win High Tech Prizes by demonstrating regular savings behaviour. Each person who makes three or more deposits during the competition, will automatically go into the draw. Good Luck.

If you would like to know more about School Banking or would like to see the rewards on offer this year please view these in the display cabinet in the school hall foyer.

Happy Banking!

**Banking** is processed on **Wednesday mornings**.

**Michelle Marsh**

## Rosewood Readers and Playgroup Term 3

### Term 3, 2017

July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Readers
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
August 4 <sup>th</sup>	Musos
August 11 <sup>th</sup>	Readers
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Musos
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Readers
September 8 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Musos
September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Last day of Term 3</b>



### ROSEWOOD DOWNS Primary School

Murray Road, Dandenong North 3175 (Ph) 9795 3744

All toddlers and pre-school children  
are invited to join us for:

**Rosewood Playgroup**  
in the Library

**Rosewood Readers**  
in the Library

**Rosewood Musos** **NEW!**  
in the Music Room

**Fridays 3 - 3:30pm**

## Unit News

### Unit A

Despite the usual battle with winter colds and flu, the Unit A children have enjoyed presenting their Family Boxes and learning about the diversity of our Rosewood Downs families.

Look out for the Prep pirates who are lurking in the playground since the arrival of our sensational Pirate ship. The children couldn't wait to get on board and sail away for some new adventures.

Further excitement was created with the rearrangement of our classroom play area to incorporate a Construction site and a Vet clinic. The children have been engaged in some wonderful imaginative play which also supports the enrichment of their oral language skills.

The next calendar event to look forward to is our excursion to the Zoo on the 31<sup>st</sup> August. This will be a fun and stimulating experience for the children and will be the focus of many classroom discussions and activities. We encourage all students to attend, and would appreciate the return of permission forms and payment as soon as possible. Please note that the cost of the excursion is \$30, as there was an error on part of the notice that was sent home.

PMP sessions will be held in the hall for the rest of this term, as the Dance Studio has been reserved for the Grade 6 Musical rehearsals.

Only a few more weeks of Winter so let's all rug up, keep warm and look forward to some Springtime sunshine!

### **Unit A Team**

**Ashlee Rumney, Linda Harrison and Karen Woodhouse**

### **Unit B**

The musical continues to be busily organised and thank you to all the staff and parents that are assisting with everything. It is greatly appreciated. If any parents have access to a large van, trailer or truck and are available to assist in the transportation of props to Carwatha College on the morning of Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> September and the evening of Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> September could you please contact either Ashley Bell or Ben Pinwill.



Thank you to these boys for help making the timber frames for the musical.

### **Unit B Team**

**Ben Pinwill, Ashleigh Price-Bell, Brenda Brighton, Carly Pinwill and Jo Ford**

### **Unit C**

A recount from Mia:

On Wednesday, the junior choir and the hand bells group went to four kinder gardens. They were Heritage, Ross Wood, Shalimar and the Earn and Learn Centre at Waverley Gardens. They had such a fun time. They performed wonderfully well and we're sure the kindergarten children enjoyed it because they sang and clapped along. At the end, we came back and enjoyed a nice hot piece of pizza.

By Mia Souleiman.

### **Unit D**

All the Unit D children who attended our excursion last Friday had a fantastic time. 'Tiny Giants' at IMAX was the first 3D experience for many of the children, and a great insight into the survival instincts of small animals. We then travelled on to RUSH HQ where I think we succeeded in wearing them out completely, so trust they all slept well on Friday night.

The pirate ship has been a huge success with all our grades having a 'private' session to familiarise ourselves with all the exciting features. Thanks to everyone for the big fundraising effort that contributed to this great addition to our school.

### **Unit D team**

**Mary Chan (1C), Terrie Palmer-Tanner (1PT), Maddy Hartmann (2H) & Dianne McCulloch (2M)**

## FATHER'S DAY STALL PRICE LIST



GLASS MUG	\$5.00
TRAVEL MUG	\$5.00
CAR WASH KIT	\$5.00
SUNGLASSES	\$5.00
SCREW DRIVER SET	\$5.00
TOP DAD CAP	\$5.00
SUPER HERO MUG	\$5.00
HOW TO DANCE MUG	\$5.00
GLASS FRAME	\$4.00
NOTEBOOK & PEN	\$4.00
BEANIE	\$4.00
USB LIGHT	\$4.00
DAD BLOCK SIGN	\$4.00
MAN CAVE SIGN	\$4.00
MUG AND SOCK SET	\$4.00
MONEY TIN	\$3.00
SOCKS	\$3.00
PUZZLE CUBE	\$3.00
CRICKET STUMP STICKER	\$3.00
DAD PEN IN BOX	\$3.00
GRAND DAD KEY RING	\$2.00
LANYARD	\$2.00
DAD PEN	\$2.00
SOCCER PEN	\$2.00
STRESS BALL	\$2.00
SUPER DAD PLAYING CARDS	\$2.00
GIFT CARDS (ASSORTED)	\$1.00
GIFT BAG (LIMITED)	\$1.00

**PLEASE NOTE. LIMITED NUMBER OF EACH ITEM, PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT SOME ITEMS WILL SELL OUT EARLY. SEND MONEY WITH STUDENT ON THURSDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH THEIR NAME AND CLASS. THE STALL WILL ALSO BE OPEN FRIDAY MORNING FROM 8.30am FOR ANY PARENTS OR STUDENTS WHO WISH TO PURCHASE. ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TOWARDS OUR SCHOOLS FUNDRAISING EFFORTS.**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED ON THURSDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> FROM 9.30 UNTIL 12pm. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP OUT PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME AND NUMBER WITH ANNA AT THE FRONT OFFICE. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU COME ALONG, IT'S A LOT OF FUN!**

