



NEWSLETTER

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SICK BAY LINEN - FRIDAYS

Thursday 8 th June	Haitao Zhou
Friday 16 th June	Danielle Cetkovic

Dates for Your Diary

Friday	9 th June	Division Cross Country
Friday	9 th June	Curriculum Day- (<i>Pupil Free Day</i>)
Monday	12 th June	Queen's Birthday- <i>Public Holiday</i>
Friday	16 th June	Playgroup – <i>Dance studio</i>
Friday	19 th June	Region Cross Country
Friday	23 rd June	Cup Cake Making and Decorating - <i>Free event- 9.30am</i>
Friday	23 rd June	Musos – <i>Music room</i>
Friday	23 rd June	District Gala Sports Day 2 – Unit B
Monday	26 th June	STOMP Showcase for School Community – <i>2.30pm</i>
Thursday	29 th June	Parents & Friends Meeting - <i>After assembly in hall foyer</i>
Friday	30 th June	Last Day of Term - Finish 2.30pm

First Day of Term 3 - Monday 17th July

Tomorrow Friday, June 9th is a Curriculum Day. Children do not attend school on this day. Monday June 12th is a public holiday.



Please arrive on time!

We have noticed that many children are arriving at school after assembly has started. Please ensure that all students are at school by 8.45am. Later in life, your children will need to be at work on time, so it is important to instil good habits in them now. On Monday morning, I had to restart the assembly, because so many children were walking in late. I know it is hard to get parking in the morning, so perhaps think about walking to school. Please set those alarm clocks a little earlier so that everyone is here on time!

New Play Equipment Ordered

I am very pleased to announce that we have ordered our new play equipment and the 'Pirate Ship' should be installed early in term three. This piece of play equipment will be installed at the front of the school in front of the art room. Any money raised from the Walkathon that was held today will go towards the Pirate Ship, so we are hoping that families will be very generous. Please remember to collect donations from your sponsors as soon as possible and return this money to the school office.



Updating School Facilities

At Rosewood Downs, we aim to continually improve the facilities and equipment so that our students and staff have a great environment to learn and work in. We are pleased to announce that our next big project will involve the refurbishment of the children's toilets. This work will begin in the coming weeks. The toilets in Units A and B will be the first toilet blocks to be refurbished. The refurbishment will include new flooring, painting, new partitions and doors, new taps, lighting and hand dryers. I would like to thank Mr Growcott who has been responsible for organising this large project. We are hoping that by the end of the year, all of the toilet blocks including the staff toilets will have been upgraded.

In addition, we will be installing new cabinets & benches in the Sick Bay. We are also in the process of purchasing a large amount of student furniture including tables and chairs. This furniture will be delivered early next term.

Slapped Cheek- 'one case confirmed'

In accordance with directions from the Department of Education, parents are advised that a case of "Slapped Cheek" infection has been confirmed in a child attending the school. "Slapped Cheek" is a 'mild, self-limiting infection' - those who are infected are most contagious before the onset of the rash. This disease is characterised by bright red cheeks, a cold like illness and sometimes an itchy rash on the torso and limbs. Some members of our community will need to contact their doctor if they are immune suppressed, have chronic haemolytic disorders or are pregnant. Please understand that this is a precautionary warning.



Staff Car Park

Recently, we have had several parents parking in the Staff Car Park. Please remember that parents and visitors are not allowed to park in the staff car park at any time. We understand that it is sometimes difficult to get a park in the street, but the staff car park is strictly reserved for staff. It's also unsafe for parents and students to walk through the car park.

'Cup Cake Making and Decorating'- Free event- June 23rd 9.30am

Dear Parents- Have you ever wanted to learn how to make cup-cakes and to decorate them? Well here is your perfect opportunity. You are invited to attend a 'cup-cake making and decorating' session in the hall foyer on June 23rd, 9.30am to 11.30am. This is a free event and you are welcome to bring your toddlers. All ingredients and equipment will be provided. These sessions are a great way to meet new friends and to gain some new skills at the same time. We look forward to seeing you on the 23rd.



Enrolments 2018- filling fast!!!

If you already have children at this school and are planning to enrol another child in 2018, we ask that you complete the enrolment process, as soon as possible. Enrolment packs are available from the school office. In addition, if you know of any other families who wish to enrol children please encourage them to attend one of our school tours that are held every Wednesday at 10.00am. If you wish to arrange a school tour on a day other than a Wednesday, please phone the school office on 9795 3744. We are happy to run school tours at any time that suits you. We appreciate parents from Rosewood Downs promoting our school in the wider community.

Helen

KidsMatter



STOMP IS BACK! Every Monday excited students are joining in the dance moves with Pieta, our STOMP instructor. The smiles on the faces of our children certainly support the research that dancing does make you feel happier!



You are INVITED to come along on Monday 26th June as our students showcase their learning. Pieta will lead each grade level in one of the dances they have learnt.

Date: 26th June

Time: 2.45pm – 3.30pm

Venue: Rosewood Downs Hall

An event not to be missed! For all our Rosewood Downs Community...students, parents, grandparents, carers and friends.



Kids Matter Action Team

ThinkPlus



It was great to welcome back our ThinkPlus Educators, Bernie Lanyon and Kayla Walker, to Rosewood Downs for a staff professional learning session. It was interesting for us to learn more about Neuroplasticity and how this applies to us all as life long learners. As we move along our ThinkPlus Journey we are seeing the strong connection it has to Resilience and Anxiety. At Rosewood Downs ThinkPlus and Kids Matter are working together to support the learning and mental health and well being of all our students.

ThinkPlus Action Team

Caught You Being Kind Award

Cade Marsh and Sikander Jhajj were 'Caught being Kind'. Well done Cade and Sikander.

Student of the Week

Honesty and Trustworthiness

Luka Babalj, Salemey Abdoul Hak, John Lindsay, Lincoln Farrier

Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion

Milan Milkovic, Shaun Spiteri, Lanny Duan, Angelina Hofferts

Music Award

Youzar Bou Hussein, Lana Debski, Rylan Edwards, Rafaella Villegas, Yusuf Dalati, Eliza Roden, Pierce Thomson.

Nina Miljanic, Maahi Kaur, Lillie Esmonde, Cindy Zhu, Amreeta Boby, Kayla Petta

Anita Chan – Music & Lote Coordinator

Sport Awards & News

Noah Tabit, Ruby Kendall, Alannah Terzic, Vlatko Ristevski, Natasha Papachristos, May Pham, Sweeping Lindsay, Ana Simic, Angelina Hofferts, Brianna Wilson, Ruby Fitzgerald, Lanny Duan, Lexi Dimpoulos, Sophie Xerri

District Cross Country – Friday 26th May

Well done to all of the students who competed at District Cross Country on Friday. Everyone supported each other well and as a school team we finished 4th overall out of 10 schools. We have 3 students going onto the Division Cross Country event after they finished in the top 10 of their event. Thank you to the teachers and parents who came along to look after and support our students.

Top 10 results

12/13 year old Girls – Zara 1st and Patricia 3rd

12/13 year old Boys – Dylan 8th

These students will race at the Division level on Friday 9th June, which is on our school curriculum day. Thank you.

Walkathon – Thursday 8th June

Well done to all of the students who participated in the Walkathon. It was our second House event for the year and it was a great success. We were very lucky to have good weather conditions and all of the support from our school community. Thank you to the students, parents and staff who helped with the event.

The results for the House points are:

1st – Barwon 1,744

2nd – Yarra 1,592

3rd – Rubicon 1,481

4th – Goulburn 1,393

Each student has had the amount of laps recorded and the distance they travelled during the Walkathon. Please remember to start collecting your sponsorship money and return it to school for our fundraising effort. Sponsors can pledge money per lap completed by the student (up to 15 laps) or they can donate a set amount.

Unit B District Gala Sports Day – Friday 23rd June

We are all looking forward to our second 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 this Friday are:

Rugby, Soccer and Tennis Hot Shots – Greaves Reserve (Bennet St, Dandenong)

Volleystars – Dandenong Basketball Stadium (270 Stud Rd, Dandenong)

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.

Lindsay Campbell - Sport Coordinator

Environmental News

Happy World Environment Day!

World Environment Day was Monday 5th June 2017

The theme for 2017 is '**Connecting People to Nature**'.

To celebrate World Environment Day make sure you get outside and enjoy the great outdoors. A good chance to do this would be next weekend, when all the children at Rosewood Downs will have a four day long weekend.

Try some mindfulness outdoors. Listen to the birds sing. Smell the flowers. Stand barefoot in the grass. Whether you go to the park, the beach, the forest or the country we hope you enjoy spending time outside.

Dylan and Luka - Environmental Captains

Parents & Friends Association



Our first gardening day was a big success, we had quite a few parents come along and we tidied up the front hedges and garden beds at the school entrance. Our next garden day will be on Thursday 19th July at 9.15am where I hope we can get a few more parents to join us and we can achieve even more.



Our next meeting will then be held on Thursday 29th June where we will begin planning our next event which will be the Father's Day Stall. Check Flexibuzz and the school newsletters for our gardening days and meeting days should you wish to pop in and help out. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Allison Esmonde – PFA president

School Banking

Get involved in the School Banking program.

ROSEWOOD DOWNS is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.



School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:

- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case
- Epic Earphones



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

Does your brother or sister have a Commonwealth Banking Youthsaver account?

If so, did you know that you can bring it to school, along with yours, every Wednesday and we can process their deposit into their account as well!

So if your big brother or sister has left our school, or hasn't started yet, they don't have to miss out. Simply bring all bank books to school on Wednesday and we will process for you. It's that easy. :)

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Banking is processed on **Wednesday mornings**.

Michelle Marsh

Rosewood Readers and Playgroup Term 1

Rosewood Musos

We are very excited to announce that along with Rosewood Playgroup and Rosewood Readers, we are now running a Rosewood Musicians session for Pre-schoolers. This musical program will run as part of a three week rotation with Readers and Playgroup, providing the opportunity for young children to participate in singing, creative movement and playing simple musical instruments.



These activities will be run by Mrs. Chan in the Music room. This program is free and open to all Pre-schoolers in our local community, although they must be accompanied by an adult.

We look forward to seeing lots of 'little people' attending these sessions and joining in the fun.

<p>ROSEWOOD DOWNS Primary School <i>Murray Road, Dandenong North 3175 (Ph) 9795 3744</i></p> <p>All toddlers and pre-school children are invited to join us for:</p> <p>Rosewood Playgroup in the Dance Studio</p> <p>Rosewood Readers in the Library</p> <p>NEW! Rosewood Musos in the Music Room</p> <p>Fridays 3 - 3:30pm</p>	<p>Term 2, 2017</p> <table border="1"><tr><td>April 21st</td><td>Readers</td></tr><tr><td>April 28th</td><td>Playgroup</td></tr><tr><td>May 5th</td><td>Musos</td></tr><tr><td>May 12th</td><td>Mother's Day Concert</td></tr><tr><td>May 19th</td><td>Playgroup</td></tr><tr><td>May 26th</td><td>Musos</td></tr><tr><td>June 2nd</td><td>Readers</td></tr><tr><td>June 9th</td><td>Curriculum Day</td></tr><tr><td>June 16th</td><td>Playgroup</td></tr><tr><td>June 23rd</td><td>Musos</td></tr><tr><td>June 30th</td><td>Last Day of Term 2</td></tr></table>	April 21 st	Readers	April 28 th	Playgroup	May 5 th	Musos	May 12 th	Mother's Day Concert	May 19 th	Playgroup	May 26 th	Musos	June 2 nd	Readers	June 9 th	Curriculum Day	June 16 th	Playgroup	June 23 rd	Musos	June 30 th	Last Day of Term 2
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Unit News

Unit A

The end of the term is rapidly approaching and the children in Unit A have really settled into the Rosewood Downs Community.

The Buddies Program is well underway and the students are looking forward to the weekly interaction they have with their buddies. They have been participating in 'getting to know you' activities and it is great to see the Grade 5 students taking their mentoring role seriously and supporting the Prep students so enthusiastically.

The children and teachers are keen participants in STOMP, having lots of fun exercising and learning new dance moves. We are looking forward to the opportunity to perform and show off one of our dance routines. At this time of the year we are going to experience some very cold weather and we hope that all children will come to school adequately dressed for going outdoors. Please make sure that jumpers, jackets, hats, etc. are all clearly named, to avoid items of clothing being lost.

We are working towards the end of our unit of work on Nursery Rhymes. The students have enjoyed reciting and performing familiar rhymes, and have also learnt some new ones. We hope they have been sharing some of these with you whilst developing the skills to detect rhyming words in other stories they may read.

At the entrance to Unit A there is now a notice board for parents. We will put posters featuring upcoming events that the students will be participating in and reminders about notices that need to be returned. There will also be information about parent and toddler sessions that the school is running. Make sure you have a look each time when you're picking up your prep student to remain up to date.

CONGRATULATIONS to Noah Tabit and Ivan who have both become big brothers this week. Noah has a baby brother and Ivan has a baby sister. We wish both their families all the joy that a new baby brings.

Unit A Team

Ashlee Rumney, Linda Harrison and Karen Woodhouse

Unit B

Musical

The musical is in full swing now. Students are wearing their 'Creepytown' T-shirts to help promote the production. Students now have their scripts and rehearsals have just begun. We have been very impressed with the early rehearsals, with students working hard to learn their lines and really getting into their character's personality. We would appreciate if parents could assist their children with learning their lines each night at home. This helps us have far more productive rehearsals, focusing more on delivery and stage presence.

RACV

Unit B students enjoyed an educational visit from the RACV last week. The students looked at why wearing a helmet is important and found the sessions both informative and fun.

Projects

Grade 5 and 6 students are busy completing their waterways geography projects. Grade 6 students will begin to present their projects this week. The different waterways and the manner in which the information has been presented will make for very interesting presentations. Mrs Brighton expects grade 5 students to present in the last two weeks.

Unit B Team

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

Unit C

DCT day

Last week on Wednesday 31st May Unit C had a DCT day. DCT stands for Design Create Technology. The Grade 4s created a crash test dummy vehicle. Our crash test dummy was an egg. Most of our tests were successful but some were not! The Grade 3s created rafts for their gingerbread men and tested them if they would float or sink. Most of the rafts floated. Everyone had a lot of fun designing, making and testing their vehicles or rafts. We are hoping to have another activity day like this at the end of the term.

Anthony Diacoyannis and Janith Amarasinghe

Just a friendly reminder for Grade 3

Clear plastic or glass jars are needed by Thursday for a Mindfulness activity. Thank you.

Unit C Team

Shaun Pepper, Mia Todisco, Gail Fitzpatrick and Liz O 'Meara

Unit D

The weeks are whizzing by...and there is still lots happening and many exciting events to come. Our students are working well and the unit is buzzing with loads of 'learning' and 'doing'. We are proud of our students and all the hard work they do every day!

STOMP lessons are going well and Pieta, our instructor, is extremely happy with our ability to learn a new dance every week. We can't wait to share our performances with the whole school in a few weeks' time. We are so lucky to have this opportunity for our students.

Today was our school Walkathon. We would like to take this opportunity to **thank** parents for their support with a number of early donations already in.

Just a reminder that Friday June 9th is a Curriculum day. No students are required at school on this day. The teachers will be at school working on new and exciting Maths ideas, games and activities with our presenter Mr Michael Ymer.

Another baby was born to one of our Unit D families! How precious and congratulations to them. Have a lovely, restful Long Weekend.

Unit D team

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