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SCHOOL NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF ROSEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Swimming

Thanks to all of our families for supporting the swimming program. The staff at G.R.A.C. do a fantastic job and the program has run very smoothly over the past two weeks. We understand that many students receive swimming tuition, we also appreciate that for some of our students, this opportunity may be the only one they receive to participate in swimming lessons. All schools are mandated to provide swimming programs so this will continue in 2025. We now return to normal school days and a full teaching and learning schedule.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Bookings for parent-teacher interviews are now available via Compass. If your child has a Student Support Group meeting, you will not need to attend a PT Interview. We look forward to meeting with our community and providing insights into student progress.

AEDC

Mrs Champion has just completed AEDC testing with the prep students. The AEDC is a national assessment conducted every 3 years to examine how children have developed by the time they start school. It looks at 5 areas of early childhood development: physical health and wellbeing, social competence, emotional maturity, language and cognitive skills (school-based), and communication skills and general knowledge.

2024 TERM 3 DIARY DATES

August

Wednesday 7th

ATSI Children's Day - Knob Reserve

Friday 16th

HDSSA Athletics

Monday 19th

Science Week

Thursday 22nd

Library Excursion,
Grades P-2

Friday 23rd

Book Week Parade

Wednesday 28th

Grade 5 Sale College Transition Day

September

Monday 2nd

Latrobe Valley Eisteddfod

Friday 6th

Father's Day Breakfast

Wednesday 11th

5/6 Sharing of Learning

Friday 13th

Footy Colours Day
Wellington Division Athletics

Wednesday 18th

Sharing of Learning

Friday 20th

Last Day Term 3





Prep Enrolment

We have begun to receive enrolment forms for 2025 Prep students, which is very exciting. The State Government timeline states that enrolment forms should be submitted by 28 July 2024. This is necessary to allow schools to plan in preparation for the coming year. If you have a child commencing school in 2025, now is the time to submit enrolment forms.

A reminder, the next Prep 2025 transition session is scheduled for Wednesday 14 August.

Excursions

We are excited to, once again, join staff and students from Rosedale Kinder to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day at the Knob Reserve on Wednesday 7 August. We are incredibly lucky to have such a wonderful relationship with Pauline and the staff at the kinder, supporting the cultural awareness and knowledge of our students and in learning more about the GunaiKurnai people, their history and traditions. Students from Prep - Year 2 will attend, consent forms have been shared on Compass.

On Thursday 29 August, our Prep - Year 2 students will walk to the Rosedale Library for a performance to celebrate Book Week. Consent for this excursion has already been provided via the local excursion form shared via Compass earlier in the year. Information will be provided in the coming days.

HDSSA Athletics

On Friday, 16 August, those students who qualified for the next round of Athletics will accompany us to Sale to compete against other schools in our network in a range of track and field events. This is always a great day. Parents and families are invited to join us to cheer for the 24 students who will represent us at this event. Consent needs to be provided via Compass.

Have a great week everyone.

Regards,
Brett Wilson

ATTENDANCE LADDER!

A rash of coughs and colds has led to our attendance being down in all classrooms this week with the exception of Room 9.

★ Room 1
91.77%

Room 9
91.29%

Room 6
88.03%

Room 2
87.04%



FLAIR AWARDS

Congratulations for demonstrating our school values.

Friendship

Learning

Delilah, Joseph,

Acceptance

Integrity

Zach D, Nate, Clara Jade, Noah P

Respect

Happy Birthday!!

August

9th	Bonham Noahh
13th	Izabella



REMEMBER

ATSI Children's Day

Remember our junior school excursion to The Knob Reserve in Stratford is next week. Make sure you have given consent in Compass.

HDSSA Athletics

HDSSA Athletics is coming up on Friday 16th August.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews are now open for 14th and 15th August. Log into Compass to book an appointment to meet with your child's teacher.

School Times

Just a reminder that apart from breakfast club, there is no teacher on duty until 8:45 am. Please ensure your children are not attending before this time as they are not supervised. If you require an early start, please notify the office.



Breakfast is on Us!

We have a selection of breakfast cereals available in the front office. Call in a grab a box! Breakfast is on us. Also our lemon trees are groaning under the weight of their fruit. Bring a bag and grab a handful.



Please remember our school grounds are a dog free zone. No animals are allowed on the grounds without prior approval by the Principal.

This is a Victorian Education Department mandate.

If the owners of dogs in the school grounds cannot be easily contacted the Ranger will be notified to remove them.

School Photos

An exciting day at school on Friday with school photos underway.

Photos can be ordered through the SchoolPix website. You will require the code from the leaflet sent home earlier in the month.



Working through the holidays, Ben Wallace has removed our cracked concrete and created a lovely area outside Room 2



Winter Tips: Check in on warmth. Before kids head outside, tell them to come inside if they get wet or if they're cold. Then keep watching them and checking in. They may want to continue playing outside even if they are wet or cold.



Principals' Day 2024

We celebrate the outstanding work of principals on Friday 2 August 2024. Principals' Day is an initiative by the Victorian Principals Association. Celebrated in schools across the country, Principals' Day is about recognising the tireless efforts of principals and assistant principals in achieving excellence in education. Our students would like to thank Mr Wilson for his strong leadership and integrity, which has helped to make our school a vibrant and stimulating place for learners.

Thank you for coming to camp with us and making our school so much better. Without you this school would not be so great.

Matthew

Thank you for making our gardens and our outside classroom.

Thank you for organising all of the things that we do in our school.

Amarlie.

We would like to acknowledge how hard Mr Wilson tried to get us shade sales, fake grass and an outside learning area. The landscaping makes our school look cool and a happy place to learn. It makes me want to come to school more.

Cohen



I like the way you changed the garden and all the new stuff you have given the school.

Skyla

We would like to say Happy Principal's Day. I like the way Mr Wilson makes our school look cool. I like that he organised for us to learn how to swim.

Jackson

Thank you for trying your best for our school and getting us upgrades to make this school safe for any child to learn. We appreciate all your efforts as our principal.

Marrissa

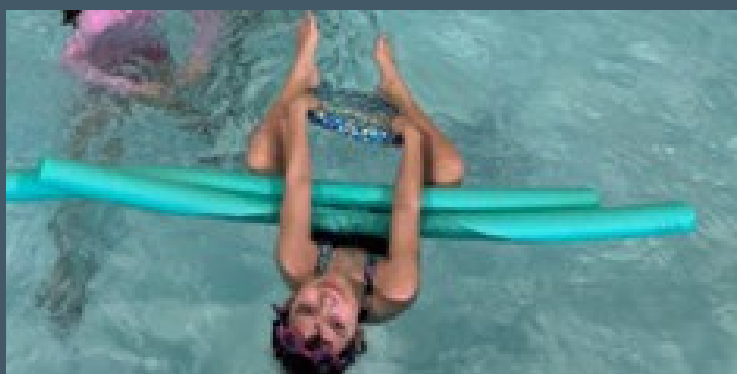
Beat the freeze!
Buy an RPS Beanie.
\$20 from the office



Winter Tips: Keep them hydrated. In dry winter air kids lose more water through their breath. Offer plenty of water, and try giving them warm drinks and soup for extra appeal.



Our swimming program is in full swing with students having fun as well as learning life saving skills. Last year 281 Australians lost their lives in drowning incidents, so it has never been more important to ensure our children have the skills they need to be safe in the water.



Winter tips: Check often to see that your child is warm and dry. Younger children should take regular breaks and come inside for a warm drink.

Aussie of the Month



May



Vivian

Vivian is a kind friend. He is a role model to the class. Vivian listens to everyone.

Sophia

Sophia is a supportive friend and a respectful student. She listens to the teacher and does her best, answering questions and settling down to her learning quickly.

Sally

Sally is a great friend. She wrote very kind and caring letter to recommend Ami as Aussie of the Month. Sally recognised all the important things you need to be a good student and a good friend. Sally wrote a well-structured paragraph.

Amie

Amie is respectful and never talks when the teacher is talking. She always tries her best and never gives up. Amie always includes people in games no matter what.

Harlee

Harlee always demonstrates the FLAIR values, and is a consistent and dedicated learner. Harlee is a wonderful friend to all his peers.

Congratulations to our wonderful role models.

IS IT BULLYING?

IF SOMEONE SAYS OR DOES SOMETHING ONCE AND IT'S UNINTENTIONAL

RUDE

IF SOMEONE SAYS OR DOES SOMETHING ONCE AND IT'S INTENTIONAL

MEAN

IF SOMEONE CONTINUES TO INTENTIONALLY SAY OR DO SOMETHING REPEATEDLY AFTER YOU'VE TOLD THEM TO STOP

BULLYING

IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY!

How many days of school has your child missed?

10 days or less off per year
95% or above -
Awesome attendance

11-20 days

This is poor attendance.

A child with this attendance rate could miss up to 2 years of schooling between Kindergarten and Year 10.

20+ days

This is concerning attendance.

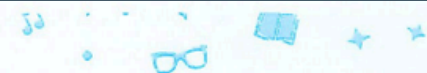
A child with this attendance rate could miss up to 2½ years of schooling between Kindergarten and Year 10.

Winter Tips: Remove wet clothing and boots immediately after playing.



Glasses for Kids

Last week we were visited by Luke from Glasses for Kids. Luke will be returning in Term Four, offering initial vision screening, further testing if required and glasses at no cost to students from Prep – Year 3! Even students currently with glasses can participate. We'll be sending home consent forms and an optometrist questionnaire for families to complete. This compliments the free dental care service we provide through Smile Squad.



How does the Glasses for Kids program work?

- GFK partners with qualified optometrists who will visit your school and offer your child initial vision screening and if required, further testing and glasses at no cost.
- All screening and testing sessions will be completed during school hours.

How can my child be part of the program?

- Please return the Consent Form and Optometrist Questionnaire to your school by the due date.

How do I get the results for my child?

- Your child will receive a letter about their vision screening outcome to bring home.

What if my child needs glasses?

- If the optometrist prescribes glasses for your child, GFK will provide them at no cost to you.
- Your child will have the chance to choose their glasses and be fitted on the day.
- Your child will be given a letter telling you why the glasses have been prescribed.

Who can participate?

- Primary Schools: Prep – Year 3 students.
- Specialist Schools: Students aged 5 to 10 years old.

Can children who currently wear glasses be part of GFK?

- Yes, they can. If their glasses are less than 12 months old, please provide a copy of their latest prescription if available.
- If your child is already under the care of another optometrist, please share any relevant information on the Optometrist Questionnaire.

Do I have to return separate forms for each child?

- Yes, each student must have a signed Consent Form and Optometrist Questionnaire.

Do I have to provide Medicare details?

- Yes, any testing that may be required on the day of the visit may be bulk billed through Medicare.
- However, if your child does not have a Medicare card, they can still participate in the program.

What happens if the glasses are damaged?

- GFK will provide one (1) replacement, providing the initial pair is less than 12 months old.
- If the replacement glasses are then damaged or lost, families and/or schools can purchase additional pair/s from SSR.

4 simple steps to be part of the Glasses for Kids program...

- 1 Read the Information for Families Brochure
- 2 Complete the Consent Form and Optometrist Questionnaire
- 3 Give both forms back to school
- 4 Ensure that your child is at school on the day of visit

