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Early Years

NEWSLETTER

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*"Minds are like
parachutes, they only
function when they
are open."*

- James Dewar

DIARY DATES:

Friday 9 March
Pupil Free Day 

Monday 12 March
Adelaide Cup
Public Holiday

Friday 30 March
Good Friday
Public Holiday

Monday 2 April
Easter Monday
Public Holiday

Friday 13 April
Last day of Term 1



Please be aware for safety reasons, **no dogs** are allowed on site without permission from the Principal.



A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF EARLY YEARS

Welcome back!

Firstly I would like to welcome the many new families to the Early Years this year. It has been a very busy few weeks with children spending time developing new friendships and learning the rules and routines of the school and their classroom. During Week 1 all classes focused on learning the school rules, Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be Responsible. Whilst children learn what these rules are, we focus on using the words Red and Green choices, which enables our children to reflect on decisions they have made in regards to their behaviour. Please take time to have a discussion around these words with your child in the coming weeks.

On Thursday this week the Early Years held a Meet and Greet Afternoon in classes giving families a chance to meet their child's teacher and understand what are the important things to know for each particular class. Thank you to the families that attended, we hope the timing of this event was valuable to families to create a positive direction for the year ahead.

If you were unable to attend this and have some queries or concerns, please make contact with your child's teacher or other EY staff as we are all very happy to help in any way we can.

Candice Horton
Head of Early Years



FINANCE REMINDER

Please note that 2018 Fees are **NOW DUE**. Staff are available at Reception to assist with your School Card application for the payment of School fees.

School Card Eligibility

1 child	\$57,870
2 children	\$58,903
3 children	\$59,936
4 children	\$60,969
5 children	\$62,002



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GROWTH MINDSETS

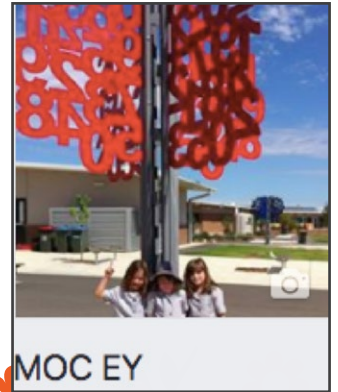
This term we will be teaching our students about Growth Mindsets. It is important at this time of year when learning journeys are just starting that everyone knows that their abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work. Brains and skills are just the starting point. This is a core pillar of the Positive Education framework that operates throughout our school and we will continue to explore these throughout the rest of year.

Lunchtime activities have commenced with different activities each day that students can choose to participate in such as playdough, Just Dance, and chalk drawing.

Other exciting events happening in the Early Years include new SRC members being elected in each class. Our first meeting is next week with several events coming up later this term such as Harmony Day, Anti-Bullying Day and Clean Up Australia Day that we need to discuss.

A reminder that there is an Early Years Facebook page called MOC EY with regular updates and information.

Daniel Botten
Student Wellbeing Leader - Early Years



FOUNDATION TEAM

In the Early Years building, Foundation children have been busy exploring new play/learning spaces, making new friends and getting to know the teachers. We have been learning all about the 3 Bee's and school rules. We love playing in the Boat area, sandpit and playground with their friends. The children are learning the alphabet, number, family and about me topics through play and small groups.

Foundation Team

(See more images on front page)



POSITIVE EDUCATION

In Ms Curtis and Mrs. Marrone's Year 2 class we have been 'busy bees'. The students got off to a flying start and have been demonstrating their 3 bees - **Be safe, Be respectful and Be responsible**. In our first week back, we worked with some of the Year 1 students to make our rock bees. These are displayed in the class to remind the students that they are part of our 'Year 2 Bee Hive' and that a hive works together to stay safe and happy. During Health, Ms. Curtis has been looking at 'Bucket Filling' with the students. This is part of Positive Education and promotes the use of kind and respectful language. Our students are always demonstrating how they can be bucket fillers, filling people's emotional buckets with kindness. We are all looking forward to such a positive and successful time at school and can't wait to showcase our awesome learning throughout the year.

