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End of Term Assembly 2:00 – 2:30pm	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
End of Term 2 (early finish 2:30)	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
First Day of Term 3	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2017

Dear parents and carers,

Time is flying by, as it is the end of week 8 already! We are very excited about the term we have had! As a collective, we have enjoyed the continued investigation into our inquiry topic **'Who helps us?'** with the in depth exploration into school, home life and aspects within the community. We also enjoyed, and are very grateful to have been able to show off some of our student learnings with 2017 inauguration of our Family Session during education week. We also received some valuable feedback from all those who completed our Parent/Carer Survey for which we are very thankful for. We are looking forward to our next **Family Session** mid Term 3 where our focus will be around the subject of Science – stay tuned!

The students from the Green section have also had the opportunity to participate in various **excursions** throughout the term. Some of the destinations our students have visited so far have included the Collingwood Children's Farm, drives around the local community, and a weekly Lawn Bowls program to Altona North Bowls Club. There are still 2 more groups to undertake their community access excursion – if that is your child (students from Rooms 2 and 4), please look out for the informant permission forms in the weeks to follow. Furthermore, our students were also provided the opportunity to get up close and personal with some of Australia's most common and not so common animals, when the **'Zoo came to Yarraville'** for an incursion earlier in the term. We have received fantastic feedback from students and parents alike, explaining how 'awesome' the interactive presentation was! I'm sure you will see some photos in the pages to follow if you haven't already!

Now to outside the classroom walls and into the **creative and movement-based rooms of the specialists**, where we have seen real signs of engagement, improvement and imagination from our students. A personal highlight of mine, and one that demonstrated the creativity of our students was the exhibition and absolute success of the **Yarraville SDS 2017 Art Show**. Fantastic work from all our students! We have also experienced success with the physical education program this year. We have received some amazing feedback from all those who partook in the Swimming program this term, where our students really excelled in their abilities. Please be aware that planning and organisation has begun, and Rooms 3, 4 and 5 will be undertaking the program at some point over the next semester.

To conclude, it has been a fantastic term for the Green section. Our students are becoming more and more settled with the understanding of routine and expectations, and we have seen our students engage in purposeful learning through new engagement strategies undertaken by staff. Enjoy all the photos from the classes of the Green Section in the following pages, and have a fantastic long weekend.

Warm regards,

Tim Witcombe

Green Section Learning Area Leader

## Message from Ashwini

What a great success Education Week was, and a big thank you to all the parents who got involved. Students had some great opportunities to explore the themes of "People Who Help us at Home, School and Community". Students are continuing to build their knowledge of the topic through the learning activities in their classrooms.

### Curriculum Day

Our curriculum day last Friday was a huge success. The teachers worked with Andrea Hillbrick, a Teaching and Learning Consultant to explore ways that we can immerse our students in language. Our allied Health team also joined the professional learning and it is great to see the implementation of some quality literacy activities in classrooms. The students have been responding very positively to these learning experiences. Our next curriculum day is on Monday November 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Mid-Year Reports and Parent Teacher Meetings

It is that time of the year that we evaluate the progress that students have made this semester. Teachers have completed all the assessments and are busy writing reports. The reports will be sent home on the last day of the term. Following this, we will hold parent teacher meetings in Week 1 of term three on Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be an opportunity for you to discuss your child's achievement and future goals with the teacher. **Please fill in the return slip and send it back with your child before next Friday to book a time.**

### End of Term Assembly

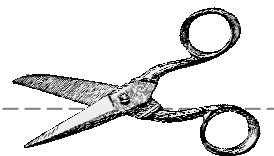
We will be holding an assembly on Friday June 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in the school hall. I hope you can join us for this celebration. Please also be reminded that school will finish at 2:30 pm on the last day. If your child travels home on the bus, he or she will be arriving home half an hour earlier than the usual time.

Finally, just a reminder that all students are encouraged to wear school uniform colours including the jumpers and track pants. Have a lovely week!

Regards,

Ashwini Sharma

## Every Child, Every Opportunity, Every Day



### SSG Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out two (1,2) preferences for the time that you would like to meet your child's teacher and return the slip to school.

3:30- 4:00 pm

4:00-4:30 pm

4:30-5:00 pm

5:30-6:00 pm

6:30- 7:00 pm

7:00-7:30 pm