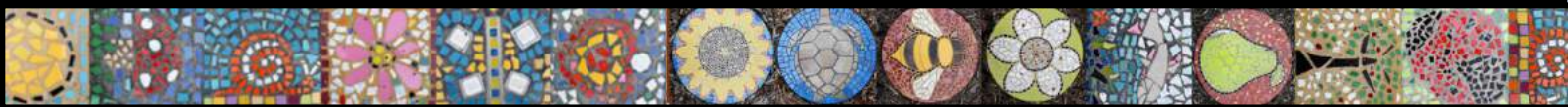


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FAREWELL, NOT GOODBYE

On Wednesday night we had the privilege of congratulating the Year 7 students on their graduation from primary school. This group of young people have had a wonderful year with their teacher, Jessica McWhinney and are well placed to have a highly successful transition to their respective high schools. We are saying farewell to the Chew, Liang, Jones, Nguyen, Matthias, Hickman, Pescud, Palm, Ellison-Szpunar, Taylor, Hamilton and Qani families of our Year 7s. We wish other families who are moving to new schools all the best in their new communities next year.

We have a number of staff who at this stage will not be joining us in 2020 and we wish each one of them a very positive future. Alex Beven, and Michael Laing have provided invaluable support to classes and individual students over the last couple of years.

Thank you to Ash Chambers for his teaching in Room 9 this year; Scott Donaldson joined us recently and we wish him well. Ellen Lysikatos and Jasmine Nadebaum have worked tirelessly in their respective classes; thanks also, to Julie Gunning who stepped into the role of receptionist/admin for 3 terms and has been well received by the community.

Mercedes Puyo has been our teacher of Spanish for the last 8 years; she has decided to take the opportunity of teaching in the secondary sector from 2020 so we have also farewelled her today.

A very special acknowledgement for Sue Whittaker, who after leave in Term 2, returned



in a part-time capacity as personal assistant to the leadership team; Sue will now take the opportunity to retire. Sue has been the mainstay in the front office for 30 years. It will be a very different look next year, however we know that with Sue's many interests, she will continue to have a very rich life.

Jo Byrne will not be on the scene in 2020 as she takes a 12 month exchange to Canada.

DATES

- 13/12 End of term – dismissal 2:15pm
- 16/12 – 24/12 Vac Care open
- 25/12 – 3/1 Vac Care closed. Re-opens on 6/1/20
- 20/12 School office closes
- 20/1/20 School office opens
- 28/1/20 Students commence

WHAT'S COMING UP

CASUAL DAY

Friday 13/12 will be our last day for the year.

Students may wear casual clothes (sun smart essential).

A gold coin donation is being collected for the charity CANTEEN which supports young people living with cancer.

FIRST DAY 2020

The first day for students is Tuesday 28/1/20. This follows the public holiday on Monday 27/1 which is for Australia Day.

New uniforms will be available for purchase from the office from 21/1/20.

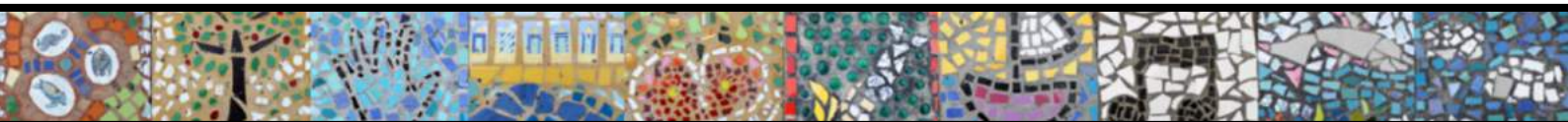
REPORTS

Reports and class placement advice has been sent home on Thursday 12/12.

All requests for placement have been met.

We trust that the reports provide a helpful summary of your child's last two terms.

On Thursday, all children made a transition visit to their 2020 classroom.



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I would also like to acknowledge this year's Governing Council; its members – Emma Dottore, Jacqui McConville, Trent McNamara, Penny Hamilton-Smith and Teila Jaques have each brought a tremendous energy to their role. The number of additional volunteers they have encouraged through the various sub-committees has ensured continued growth in a number of areas of our school. I know the council will continue to grow in strength in years to come and continue to ensure the school maintains a strong and inclusive community feel.

All staff are to be commended for their continued endeavour to ensure the best learning opportunities for our children and young people. I have every confidence that our staff, including those joining in 2020, will continue to strive to provide strong programs and learning environment for everyone. Building works are continuing with the restoration of the library and canteen. This work will be completed by early February.

I also take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Georgina Sprigg who has been my Deputy this year. Georgina has worked tirelessly in her student support role and it has been an absolute pleasure to work alongside her this year.

In 2020, Georgina will be returning to a class role as one of our two Reception teachers.



I take this opportunity to say thank you to all of our community – parents, carers, students and staff for a wonderful year and I wish you all a safe holiday, and a very happy Christmas to those who celebrate this time. I look forward to saying my final farewell at our last assembly at 2:15pm on Friday.

Phase 1 of our playground is also ready for use and we saw many students enjoying it today. Another section around the pipes, sandpit area will commence in January. Our students have certainly enjoyed the challenge of using the new equipment today.



OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Hi Everyone,

The December/January Vacation Care program is coming up fast. Make sure to book your children in as soon as possible to ensure that they don't miss out on all the fun excursions and activities. Children from other schools are also welcome to attend. Programs are available in the OSHC room, front office and on the school website.

Please note: The centre will be **closed** from 25/12/19-3/1/20, reopening on 6/1/20.

Please fill in a booking sheet for term 1 for before and after school care 2020. Forms are on the sign in/out desk.

Kind regards,
Robyn (Director) ☺

Hours of Operation

Before School Care: 7:00-8:30am
After School Care: 3:15-6:15pm

Fees

Before School Care: \$12/Casual \$15
After School Care: \$20/Casual \$25
Pupil Free Day: \$48/Casual \$53
Vacation Care: \$48/Casual \$53 per day

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