Week 6, Term 1, 2016

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From the Director:
Can you believe it’s week 6 already and half way through 1st Term. So far this term the children have been learning and developing in many areas. They have learnt kindy routines, begun to develop relationships with peers and staff and have been learning lots about eggs including animals that are oviparous (egg laying animals) and viviparous (animals that don’t lay eggs). A big aspect of kindy is children learning to take responsibility for themselves in preparation for school. This includes taking care of personal belongings, developing self-help skills (such as putting on own shoes, washing hands etc) and taking care of themselves (such as wearing hats, eating at set times and drinking water). Staff spend a lot of time supporting children to learn these skills by explicit teaching, playing games and constant reminders at certain times. Please support your child’s independence by ensuring children have water bottles and lunch boxes they can open, food they will eat and shoes they can put on themselves. Staff do monitor eating and encourage water drinking throughout the day, children are encouraged to refill their drink bottles when they are empty.

Library Borrowing:
This week we will start borrowing library books from kindy. Children must bring a library bag to kindy if they are wanting to borrow books. If you would like to purchase a library bag we are happy to order waterproof ones (which can be used for swimming once your child starts school). If you are interested in purchasing one an order form will be on the white board near lockers please write your name on the order sheet and place money in an envelope and place it in the money box.

Bush Kindy:
Next term we will be commencing our bush kindy program. We encourage parents to provide appropriate clothing for this program including a rain coat and boots or sneakers. Last year we offered parents the opportunity to purchase rain jackets from our supplier. These jackets are lined and waterproof and come in a range of colours for $35. Order forms will be sent home this week if you are interested in purchasing one please return form and money by 31st March.

Easter Raffle:
We are seeking donations for our Easter Raffle. Raffle tickets will be sent home this week in children’s note pockets, tickets are $1 each. If you would like another raffle book please see staff. Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 14th April, please return all books and tickets by April 13th. All money raised will go towards the next stage of our yard redevelopment.

Important Dates
Tuesday 8th March:  
AGM 7pm

Monday 14th March:  
Pupil Holiday. No kindy

Monday 28th March:  
Easter Monday No Kindy

Monday 4th - Thursday 7th April: Book Fair

Thursday 14th April:  
Last Day of Term 1

Monday 2nd May:  
First day of Term 2

Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May:  
Kindy Photo’s

Important information about alternative day  
Term 2

Your child’s alternate day will continue to be odd or even next term. As this is an eleven week term if your child has a 2 day week in the last week they will start in week 1 with a 2 day week. If they finish in week 11 with a 3 day week. In week 1 they will have a 3 day week.