



Dear families,

Welcome back to Term 2. It's bound to be another very busy term and the calendar is already full!

### Reporting on Learning & Parent Chats

Last term our reporting on children's learning included sending home some learning snap shots, chatting at drop-off and pick-up, and sending home the children's learning portfolios. The staff have now completed an Individual Learning Plan for each child that includes a Term 1 reflection and Individual Learning Goals. These will be sent home this week and you will have a chance to contribute further through a 'parent chat' being offered in week 3 and 4. A booking sheet for parent chats is on the sign on desk for you to book a time that suits. If you can't make one of the times available please speak with your child's key teacher to make an alternative time.

### Governing Council

Just a reminder that our next GC meeting is Tuesday, 11 May @ 7pm. New members are very welcome to attend. If you have questions, feedback or suggestions joining the GC is a great way of being involved but you're welcome to talk to staff at any time.

### Excursion

Our excursion to Wittunga Botanic Gardens is in week 3. There will be a consent form with detailed information that needs to be signed and returned asap. Parents are welcome to attend and we will have some seats on the bus. Other parents are welcome to meet us there.

### Working with Children Clearance

While not compulsory, parents with a current Working With Children Clearance will be prioritised to attend excursions. If you would like to arrange a Working with Children Clearance these are free for volunteers. For more information please go to <https://screening.sa.gov.au/home> If you already have a WWCC please email it to Suzanne to be filed.

### Additional Friday Sessions - Group 1

Group 1 have their extra sessions beginning this Friday.

**Dates are - April 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28 & June 4**

Sessions times 8:30am - 3:30pm as usual.

Leesa & Mandy will be the teachers for all of our Friday sessions.

### Kindy Photos

Kindy photos are in week 3. Last term we sent home order forms for kindy photos. Please bring these back to kindy completed with all your details and payment enclosed or the credit card details completed.

### Uni Student - Welcome Kate

This term we have a student from Flinders Uni doing her teaching placement with us. Kate will be with us every day until the end of Week 6. This is the final placement of her teaching degree and Kate will be taking group times and a lead in much of the teaching.



### Music mentor program

This year we have been lucky enough to be selected to join the National Music Teacher Mentor Program. We applied as our colleagues at Pennington Children's Centre were involved in 2020 and found it such a valuable program. Starting this term we will have our music mentor, Susan Marshall working with us. Susan will visit 5 times in term 2 and 3. She will be working directly with the children and modelling different teaching strategies to help us include more music into our program. We will then include these into our group times each day.

We're sure the children will love the music Susan includes as we've already introduced a few new songs to them that we learned at a professional development session she ran in 2020. We're really interested in seeing how the children enjoy the different types of music learning. Both literacy and numeracy are key components of music learning through exploring pattern, beat, rhythm, songs and rhyme.

### Getting Ready for the cooler months

As the weather gets cooler we ask that the children come dressed for outdoor play. We will be aiming to play outside every day unless it is very wet. There is so much learning to be done outside even in the cooler months. Gumboots and a waterproof jacket are ideal and a change of clothes is also important. Children do get very warm when they are busy playing and don't need too many layers.



**Please remember to name beanies, jackets & jumpers .**

### Enrolment at School

If you haven't enrolled your child for school it's important you begin this process. All children should be enrolled for school by the end of this term. Schools need to know how many children will be attending to plan for transition visits in Term 4 and set-up their classes for next year. Once you have enrolled your child at school please let us know where they will be attending.



Our local school is Woodville Primary . This term the dates for school tours are Tuesday, 11 May and 15 June at 9:30am. A tour is a great way to get more information, meet staff and look around the school.

Term 2 - Dates to remember	
Mon. 10 May	Kindy Photos - Group 1
Tues. 11 May	Governing Council Meeting - 7pm
Wed. 12 May	Kindy Photos - Group 2
Thurs. 13 May	CLOSURE DAY GROUP 2 - NO KINDY Staff Professional Learning Day
Tues. 18 May	Group 1 Excursion to Wittunga Botanic Gardens
Wed. 19 May	Group 2 Excursion to Wittunga Botanic Gardens
Tues. 8 June	Governing Council Meeting - 7pm

## Circle of Security - Parent Course

We are hosting a Circle of Security Parent Course at kindy this term beginning 12 May. The course is FREE! Runs for 8 weeks on Wednesday afternoon from 1:30pm - 3:00pm. Crèche is available for Group 1 children and younger siblings. Please let us know if you would like to attend.



*Circle of Security Parenting*

A FREE 8 week program for parents and carers of children aged birth - 5, with a focus on attachment and relationship based parenting

Wednesdays Term 2 2021  
 WHEN: Begins 12 May 2021 for 8 weeks  
 TIME: 1:30pm - 3:00pm  
 WHERE: Adelaide Mlethke Kindergarten, 15 Dual Ave, Woodville South SA 5011

Limited creche available - **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**  
 Please contact Jessica Scott and book your spot now via  
 Jessica.scott@sa.gov.au or 0408 556 769  
 or book with Adelaide Mlethke Kindergarten

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## Paint the Westside REaD

Our PTWR message for May is 'Dancing to Music together everyday helps our brain to grow'. We will be including music and movement into our program throughout the term.



**'DANCING TO MUSIC together everyday helps my brain to grow'**

Lizzie says...

Please **DO NOT** send foods containing nuts.



Includes muesli bars & nut-butter products.

## Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC)

You will have seen information in our handbook about the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum. All of our teachers are trained in delivering the KS:CPC curriculum. The KS:CPC teaches children and young people to recognise abuse, tell a trusted adult, understand what is appropriate and inappropriate touching and ways of keeping themselves safe.

For Ages 3-5, the following topics are covered:

The right to be safe	Relationships	Recognising and reporting abuse	Protective strategies
Feelings	Rights and responsibilities	Privacy and the body	Strategies for keeping safe
Being safe	Identity and relationships	Recognising abuse	
Warning signs	Trust and networks	Secrets	

This term our focus topic is 'The right to be safe'. Please speak with one of the staff if you would like more information or go to the KS:CPC website: <http://tiny.cc/KSCPC-ParentCarerInfo>.

**This term we have been focusing on Area 1 - The right to be safe and Area 2 - Relationships.**

- We have completed risk-benefit assessments with the children for many play spaces so that the children are clear on our expectations during play and talked about how we feel when things go wrong and right in the play and how we solve problems with each other if they happen. We are focusing very much on 'safe play'.
- We have discussed who children can ask for help in a range of situations and who in addition to their family members they can trust. We are also covering the concepts of fair and unfair as part of participating in a group at preschool.