



YARRAVILLE

Special Developmental School

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Our Values are to be...

Safe, Respectful, Responsible

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the 2020 school year and we warmly welcome all new families into our community. I hope that you have had an enjoyable break shared with families and friends.

I wish Ashwini well in her new role as Acting Principal at Warringa Park School during term 1. I will be the Acting Principal in her absence with Kelly as the Acting Assistant Principal and Jacqui the Acting Leading Teacher.

Thank you to all the new families who attended the morning tea on Thursday. It was a lovely opportunity for families to meet each other, share experiences and have questions answered.

Students have made a great start to the year with many of them very excited to be back. It was also a delight to see students actively engaged in their work in classrooms and to see many of them in their uniforms. This term we will continue to encourage students to wear their uniforms to school and a hat when outside.

On Thursday, we welcomed 4 new prep students to the school. They were full of energy and curiosity about their new environment. While returning students were tuned into their learning and the school environment and routines. Preps will stay home each Wednesday for the month of February

We welcome the following two new staff to the Yarraville SDS Senior Learning Area:

Lanny Watson – Teacher and **Sarah Paton**- Education Support

I am looking forward to working with our school community to ensure that Yarraville Special Developmental School continues to strive for the best possible outcomes for every student, every day.

Compass and See Saw

We apologise for the delay with Compass and See Saw and anticipate that they will be accessible by Wednesday next week. You will receive notifications about this. In the meantime, staff will send communication about the day or school matters in your child's lunch box. Thank you for your patience with this matter.

Student Valuables

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include toys, calculators, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The Department of Education and Training does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. I am asking parents to discourage students from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school. Your cooperation in ensuring that this occurs is appreciated.

Please also be reminded that the Department of Education and Training Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students.

Student absences

If your child is away, please inform the school on (ph.) 93144919. Alternatively, you may send a note to your child's class teacher with a member of the bus staff. As you are familiar with the departmental guidelines, the school will be contacting you if we have not received any notification of your child's absence.

Meet the Staff Evening

We will be holding a Meet the Staff Evening on **Wednesday 5th February. Please arrive at 5:45pm for a 6:00pm start we should conclude by 7:00pm.** This is an opportunity for you to meet members of our staff working closely with your child. We hope to see many of you joining us on the evening.

School Contribution Fees

Please note that the school fees are:

Primary Learning Area; \$260 Year or
\$65 per term

Secondary Learning Area; \$300 Year or
\$75 per term

Wishing you and your family a fantastic year ahead.

Davina

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