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Our Values are to be...

Safe, Respectful, Responsible

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Parents Group 9:30am @ YSDS	Tuesday 24 th April 2018
School Council Meeting	Tuesday 24 th April 2018
Parent Resource making morning	Tuesday 1 st May 2018
Morning Tea for Vietnamese families	Friday 4 th May 2018
School Council Meeting	Tuesday 22 nd May 2018
Parents Group 9:30am @ YSDS	Tuesday 29 th May 2018
Parent Coffee Morning @ Alfa Café	Saturday 2 nd June 2018
Curriculum day – pupil free day	Friday 8 th June 2018
Parents Group 9:30am @ YSDS	Tuesday 26 th June 2018
School Council Meeting	Tuesday 26 th June 2018
Whole School Assembly 2:00pm – 2:30pm	Friday 29 th June 2018
Last day of Term 2 2018, students finish at 2:30pm	Friday 29 th June 2018
First Day of Term 3 2018	Monday 16 th July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope everyone had a lovely Easter break with family and friends and students are refreshed and ready for term 2. Term 2 has commenced with lots of enthusiasm and excitement despite the colder weather. I must say that our newly established café is great on cold mornings when one can order coffees served by our hard working smiling students. Thank you to Lauri and the amazing student barristers for your amazing work.

Teaching and Learning

This term students will be investigating how their body works. Teachers have planned the inquiry unit in their teams and they look forward to using the topic as a springboard to enhance literacy, communication and personal learning. The Respectful Relationships curriculum will also be integrated in this unit of work.

Over this term, we will also be focusing on communication through writing. In week 5, teachers will participate in a pro lo quo 2 go PD delivered by SCOPE. The aim of the PD session is on using the app to support learning in the classroom throughout the day. We have requested to video the session so we can share the learning with members of our school community.

Facilities

Over the school holidays, there was a lot of work done at school. Sinks, cabinets and vinyl on the floor was changed in two of our kitchen areas. A door and steps have been placed in room 11 (newest mod 5 building) to the back area. This allows for access to an additional learning space for students in the Secondary Learning Area.

We have also had instant lawn put in the bike track to cover dust and rocks.

Home School Partnership

Parent - Strengthening Group

We had four families attend this last term. Parent – Strengthening group will now be meeting on the last Tuesday of every month. Abbey from McKillop Family Service will facilitate the discussion. The next meeting is on Tuesday 24th April.

Resource Making Morning

We are greatly thankful to parents and carers who have been participating in the Resource making sessions. The next Resource making session will be on Tuesday 1st May.

NDIS information session

On Thursday, we held the first day of the 5-day workshop "Families as Planning Partners Course" for families at the school. The workshop was run by VALID and 13 families attended day one of the course. We hope to share some parent/carer feedback from this workshop in the upcoming newsletters.

School Council

Our School Council will meet at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 24th at the school. Council is currently working through evaluation of the school's strategic plan and the budget expenditure, which will address the much needed maintenance of our school facilities.

You are welcome to join the meeting and have a chance to contribute to discussion around our school improvement agenda.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

Regards,

Ashwini

Every Child, Every Opportunity, Every Day

PREPARING FOR TRANSITION TO THE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME (NDIS)

FREE INFORMATION SESSION

This **two hour** information session is aimed at assisting people with disability and their families start to prepare for transition to the NDIS and includes:

- Basics on the NDIS in a user –friendly format ie. what it is, who for, what it funds & how the scheme works
- Practical ways to prepare for and manage the transition to the NDIS
- Latest updates on the scheme

23rd May, 2018
Altona Meadows Library
1st Floor meeting room
(2 Newham Way, Altona Meadows)
10am –12pm

About the presenter:

Christine has many years working with the disability 'System' along with personal experience as a parent of a young adult with a disability who has been funded by the NDIS since 2013.

Christine works at VALID and has supported many individuals and their families with resolving NDIS issues and getting the best out of the NDIS in all the Victorian rollout sites.

Refreshments will be provided. Bookings are essential.

Please contact Gateway Community Services
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