#### Newsletter # 6 Friday 22nd May 2020 Term 2, Week 4



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Nandana Preschool – Year 7



# Upcoming Events:



27th May - 3rd June Reconciliation Week "In this together"

**2nd June** Governing Council Meeting, 9.00am

8th June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

22-24th June Dental for Schools

29th June - 3rd July NAIDOC Week "Always was, Always will be"

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Government of South Australia Department for Education

## A Message from Leadership

Dear Families and Carers,

Over the last two weeks teachers have been excited to see almost everyone back to school as we have all missed the laughter and joy that children bring.

As of Wednesday the 20th of May the Department for Education have stated that it is now an expectation that all students are back to school and preschool, unless they are:

- Feeling unwell
- Have a chronic medical condition or compromised immune system and are not able to attend school on advice from their medical practitioner
- Live in a household with others that are deemed vulnerable to COVID-19 and are not able to attend school on advice of their medical practitioner
- Have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or have been required to self-isolate by SA Health.

It is still a requirement that parents should maintain the 1.5m physical distance between themselves and other adults (parents and teachers) at all times, including school drop off and pick up. Thank you to all parents for understanding by dropping your child off at the door. We know this is a challenge for some, especially our gorgeous pre-schoolers. If possible, please continue to email or Seesaw your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Afterschool clubs such as Coding, Homework and Basketball will start in the near future when we get the go ahead from SA Health. I know many students are waiting patiently to get back involved. Remember that if your child is participating in Children's University they are able to access the website for a variety of fantastic online learning tasks which can be counted for their hours.

https://cuaustralasia.com/adults/learning-destinations/onlineactivities/

For a bit of excitement last week, Wandana students enjoyed the fresh air and class social distancing at the whole school picnic. Students were encouraged to chat and socialise with their friends over a nice sandwich. One of our Year 6 student's Liana stated "it was such a good idea and [she] had great fun". (See photos above)

We are looking forward to a time when we can open up the school and celebrate some of our fantastic learning. Class teachers have been acknowledging student success with reading awards and character strength awards. I would like to express how proud I am to see students striving for success.

Kind regards,

Tegan Sims, Acting Principal



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### Bravery

In Room 12, our focus for the last 2 weeks has been on **bravery**. Being brave and not shrinking from fear is an important character strength for students to develop, especially in these uncertain times. In class we talked about what being brave means. Some things that the students came up with were, standing up to someone and asking them to stop if they are doing something you don't like or consider unfair, speaking about your learning in front of others and trying something new.

Our activity was to write down anonymously something that worries us or we are scared of. We had to be brave to share our fears with others. We had a paper snowball fight and scrunched up our fears and worries into a ball and threw our fears and worries away.

After this we sat in a circle and read out and shared our fears with the group. There was lots of great discussion and collaboration during this reflective phase of the lesson and all students agreed that a fear shared is a fear lessened, that they are not in it alone, and some of the fears they have are shared by others in the class.













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