Newsletter #16 Friday 25th October 2019

Term 4, Week 2





Room 11 learning about rotational and reflective symmetry with mandalas

Upcoming Events

TERM 4:

Friday 1 November

• Assembly hosted by the Year 5/6 class

- Monday 4 November
- Pupil Free Day
- Children's University Graduation
- Wednesday 6 November
- Governing Council 9 am
- 11 18 November
- PE Week
- Tuesday 12 November
- Preschool Year 7 Beach Day

Friday 15 November

- Assembly hosted by the Year 3/4 class
- Thursday 21 November
- Celebrating Success Graduation

Monday 25 & Tuesday 26 November

School External Review

Friday 29 November

Assembly hosted by the Year 2/3 class

Tuesday 3 December

- Governing Council & Volunteers Lunch
- Preschool Year 7 Christmas Concert

Wednesday 11 December

• Student Reports home to families

Thursday 12 December

• Year 7 Graduation

Friday 13 December

- Last day of school for students
- Terrific Kids Assembly
- 2 pm dismissal

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Leadership Report

Welcome back to the last term for 2019. This year has certainly passed quickly and we are now well into planning for the end of year events and graduations. Term 4 is always packed with exciting events and this year this includes Beach Day; Preschool, Year 7 and Children's University Graduations and Rugby Clinics. This term we will also being having a pupil free day, where as part of our continuous improvement, staff will be analysing this year's achievements and set priorities for the next few years. To complement this we will also be involved in an external review with the Department for Education review panel. The purpose of this review is to support us in raising achievement for all students. We will send some detailed information home to families closer to the review date.

Regular attendance is the key to successful learning outcomes for your children.

Congratulations to all students who received an attendance letter home in Term 3. It was wonderful to see so many awards presented. All students are required to attend school 93% of the school year. That means they are **not** supposed to be absent for more than 10 days of school for the entire year. Our goal for our school is to reach and maintain a 93% attendance rate, which is the requirement from the Department for Education. Here the steps to work as a team to provide the best education for your children.

1. Contact details: Parents/carers-have you moved recently or changed phone numbers? Let us know and we will update your details to keep you up-to-date!

2. Notify the school of your child's absence: Please remember that it is your responsibility to notify the school if your child is going to be late or away from school.

Call the school on 8261 1699 or check out our Attendance Policy.

3. Same-day notification of unexplained student absences:

Have you missed a text/call from us checking on your absent child? Don't forget to text/call/email back so we know your child is safe and the absence can be correctly recorded.

Kind Regards

Belinda Smith, Principal



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Room 11 News

Over the course of this term students in Room 11 have focused on symmetry for Maths. We have been discussing where we might see symmetry in and around our local environments; in nature or in the places we play and live. Students have been learning about both rotational and reflective symmetry. This week we have been learning about cultures or religions, such as Buddhism, that use mandalas as a means to promote positive mental health and a connection to their personal identity and spirituality. Mandalas have been used as a spiritual practice in many different faiths. Mandalas are circular designs symbolizing the notion that life is never ending. Many mandalas have spiritual significance to an individual or group of individuals. Mandalas are symmetrical in design, and are created using a repeating pattern in a circular shape. Today, students decided that they would like to use nature to construct their own mandalas. This is what we came up with.



Halloween Press Up & Sausage Sizzle Thursday 31st October

On Thursday 31st October we will be having a Sausage Sizzle Lunch. It will cost \$1.00 per Sausage (in bread). Fruit Boxes and Cupcakes will also be available for \$1.00. These will be available by **pre-order only.** The order form **MUST** be returned to the office with payment **by** <u>Monday 28th October</u>.

ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE.

Please note: *Sausages are halal *Casual clothes or clown outfits are not permitted *

Students are also able to dress-up in their favourite Halloween costume for a gold coin donation collected on the day.



Rugby Clinic



This term, students are learning different skills in Rugby. Chipper from National Rugby League Ltd is running the program. Foundation to Year 2 program uses story based learning to assist young students to grasp the skills and concepts of Rugby League. The Year 3 to Year 7 program is underpinned by innovative games and sports teaching approach.

You can claim a free footy by following the website below: <u>https://www.playrugbyleague.com/</u>

CLAIM YOUR FREE FOOTY TODAY Thank you for participating in your schools program or event Simply follow the below steps to redeem your FREE FOOTY* Go to playrugbyleague.com/freefooty CHOOSE YOUR NEXT EXPERIENCE Go to playrugbyleague.com North East **Community Day** Saturday 2nd November 2019 10am - 2pm FREE Entry FREE Kids Entertainment FREE Live Entertainment 40 + Stalls Coffee Van, Sausage Sizzle, SA Tornado Potato & Cheese Toasties Bring your own picnic and enjoy the atmosphere North East Community House, Queensborough Avenue, Hillcrest (4) Government of South Australi Join us on

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