

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our final term of Preschool! Our Term 4 focus will be on making connections with children, fostering friendships between children and ensuring preschool is a safe, happy and engaging environment. Our view is that children's lives can be characterised by belonging, being and becoming. From before birth children are connected to family, community, culture and place. Their earliest development and learning takes place through these relationships, particularly within families, who are children's first and most influential educators. As children participate in everyday life, they develop interests and construct their own identities and understandings of the world.

Preschool Learning Program

Our programs will continue to be posted to Seesaw. Photos/videos of learning will also be shared to your child's journal.



Spare Clothing

Please remember to continue to pack a spare change of clothing, including shirts, pants, socks and underwear.

Labelling Items

With the weather getting warmer, please make sure that all of your child's belongings are labelled so we can return lost items easily.

SunSmart

Macgregor is a SunSmart school. We teach sensible sun protection habits from an early age and encourage sun protection measures, aiming to reduce skin cancer risk.

Ways to protect your child:

- clothing that covers shoulders
- apply sunscreen each morning (we prompt children to reapply during the day)
- wear a hat (we provide)
- play in the shade.



Literacy

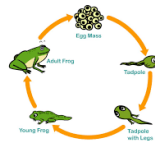
This term we will continue to build vocabulary, support children to experiment with writing and explicitly teach letter names and sounds. Children will be given opportunities to practise speaking and listening during investigations and group times.

Numeracy

Through investigations, games and routines we will provide opportunities for children to count items, learn aspects of a calendar (days and months) and explore mathematical concepts such as patterns, shape and capacity.

Science

We will be focusing on environmental science which will include the opportunity to view animal and plant lifecycles.



Transition to Kindergarten

We are currently organising our preschool to kindergarten transition program and will be in contact with our preschool families over the next couple of weeks to confirm arrangements.

Details:

Week 7 - Transition visit
Week 8 - Transition visit
Week 9 - 'Moving Up' morning

'Moving Up' Morning

Thursday 7th December 9:00am to 11:00am

Buru and Walga classes will attend with their preschool teachers. Please note that Gudamang and Guginya parents will have to stay with their children as it is a non-attending day for these classes.

Upcoming Events

10/10—Kenny Koala (Guginya/Gudamang)

13/10—Kenny Koala (Buru/Walga)



Car Park Safety

Ways to keep safe in the carpark area:

- park in parking bays only
- always hold hands.

Healthy Lunchboxes and Allergies

Thank you for continuing to pack a variety of healthy food in your child's lunchbox each day and providing a water bottle we can refill with water as needed. To keep all students safe, please assist us by not **packing any nut, kiwi fruit or seafood (fish, prawns, tuna) products.**



Illness

We kindly ask that you keep your child at home if they show any signs of illness. We will make contact with you through the day if your child becomes unwell.

Student Reports

At the end of this term we will send home a report to celebrate your child's learning during semester two. If you wish to discuss your child's learning, please contact your child's class teacher directly. If you require any additional copies, please contact the front office.

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Kind regards,

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