

Welcome to Week 1 Term 4 2019

Monday 14th October 2019

Welcome Back

My staff and I are looking forward to seeing your children back with us in 'The Garden' tomorrow. Today my staff were very busy preparing for the new term and planning for 2020. We did some anaphylaxis training with our school nurse Diane Williams. Miss Merta our German teacher shared some German Language strategies and resources to be used by our classroom teachers and Mr Batt guided staff through an indepth anyalysis of our NAPLAN results. We then continued planning for our new Business Plan to be released early next year. Our School Board will contribute to this planning at their next meeting.

We are very privileged to have such professional and committed staff who continue to work tirelessly to achieve our school's Vision. Our Vision states that parents join with staff to share the responsibility for their child's growth and development.

One really simple way you can share this responsibility is ensuring your child attends school every day, **unless they are unwell**. Our attendance data is poor due to a growing percentage of students with unsatisfactory attendance. We have many children who have repeated absences and this is seriously impacting on their learning. Our teachers implement a very explicit targeted program of learning and when your child is not present they miss

vital learning opportunities. I do encourage you to ensure your child attends school every day this term.

School Colour Fun Run

Last term you received a note about the School Colour Fun Run. Thank you to the families who have already gone online to find out how they can help raise funds for our school through this special community event. I have attached the note distributed last term for your information.

Connect Notices

If you hear of people who are not accessing our Connect notices can you please refer them to our front office as we are keen for EVERY parent to have access to important school information.

Students Leaving in 2020

We are in full swing for planning for 2020. Can you please let us know as soon as possible if your family will not be returning to The Garden in 2020.

Term Planner

Attached is the Term 4 planner. Please add these dates to your calendar or keep this planner for future reference.

This Week....

Choir is on this week, with the Junior Choir at 7:45am on Wednesday and the Senior Choir at 7:45am on Thursday.

Looking further ahead...

Rockingham Foreshore Picnic is happening again this year on the last day of Term 4 and all parents are invited to join our staff and students for this happy community event. More information will be provided in future weeks.

IDance is our very important and much enjoyed dance program. This dance program is a very important part of our Physical Education and Arts programs and all children are expected to participate. The IDance program culminates in our end of year concert and we are very keen for all children to participate in this special event. All payments for IDance must be finalised by the end of the week. If you are experiencing financial difficulties then please don't hesitate to contact me and we can put a payment plan in place.

Dental Clinic Closure Message

Due to training our clinic will be closed on Wednesday 16th October for any emergencies please call 9523 0965 for assistance.

Kind regards

Candice

Baldivis Gardens DTC | Dental Health Services

It's so good to be back in 'The Garden' after my long absence. If you have any questions or queries in relation to our school and your child's education please do not hesitate to speak to me. I am available via both phone and email

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Feel free to have a chat with me when you see me before or after school. Your feedback is valued. Very soon we will send you our formal online survey and I do hope every parent will take the time to complete this survey. By giving us your honest feedback we can work alongside you to make this wonderful school an even better school.

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