

Welcome to Week 2 Term 4 2019

Monday 21st October 2019

School Parent Survey

I do trust that as parents and carers you feel confident and comfortable providing feedback to the school. My staff and I have worked hard since our school opened three years ago to create a safe welcoming environment for parents where your feedback and communication is prioritised and valued. This informal feedback and communication is very helpful for my staff and Administration team. **The other feedback that is very important to us is our annual online survey.** This is a quick and easy way for parents to provide immediate feedback to our school. The results will be reviewed by the Administration team, our teaching staff and our school Board.

I look forward to seeing a 100% return rate on our survey. With your involvement, support and feedback we can make our great school even better. We ask you complete this survey by the 1st November 2019.

This is the link to the survey:

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/BGParentSurvey2019>

School Colour Fun Run

Thank you to the families who have logged on and are now raising funds for our 'Fun Colour Run' on Friday 15th November. It is such a fun, happy day and it has the potential to raise a large amount of money with minimal effort. So once you have registered share the link with your family and friends, here in

Australia and overseas and help us make this event a big success.

<https://schoolfundraising.com.au/>

Rockingham Excursion Last Day of School

Do you remember this happy day on the last day of school in 2017?



Well it is on again! Please put **Thursday 19th December** in your diary and come and join your children for a happy day at the beach. Permission notes and further details will go home in few weeks. The students have been told about the event and they have also been told that we cannot take students who will not be safe due to their disrespectful or aggressive behaviour. I will be in touch with parents if I feel their children will not be safe on this excursion due to their behaviour.



School Voluntary Contributions.

Did you know only 40% of our families have paid their voluntary contributions for 2019. Unfortunately what that means is our school has approximately \$15,000 less Literacy, Numeracy and Technology resources in our school than a school that gets a 100% return rate. I do understand some families are experiencing extreme financial hardship and we do respect this. However, we do have families that choose not to pay these contributions simply because they are voluntary. We are doing our best to resource our growing school using the government funds allocated according to the number of children in our school, and any identified school specific needs. However, the demands on these funds are great and the funds are limited. If you haven't paid your 2019 voluntary contributions I do ask that you reconsider your financial situation and the possibility of making a payment before the end of Week 4.

All those who have paid will go into the draw to win a child's bike at our Week 4 assembly. **Our sincere thanks to those families who have paid their school voluntary contributions for 2019. You are making a big difference to our school's resourcing and your commitment to supporting us is highly valued.**

This Week....

Community Assembly and World Teachers Day: Please join us for Miss Jackson's Year 3 assembly from 8.50 am in the covered assembly area this Friday the 25th October. This will be an extra special assembly as we celebrate World Teachers Day. I am wondering if there are any parents who would like to organise a special morning tea for the teaching staff. Please phone the front office if that is something you think you could organise. You and your children may also like to make a special 'home made' message or gift for your teachers as a way of expressing your

appreciation to them for their commitment to our school and your children.

Choir

Choir is on this week, with the Junior Choir at 7:45am on Wednesday and the Senior Choir at 7:45am on Thursday. Thank you to our parents who faithfully get their children to choir practice every week. Your support is appreciated and valued.

IDance

IDance notes and payment should have been finalised as I Dance commences in Week 3 on Wednesday 30th October. Please don't let your child miss out on this wonderful learning opportunity and a chance to perform at our end of year concert.

Enjoy the beautiful weather and I will look forward to seeing you on Friday at our special community assembly.

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