

Hi everyone,

Welcome back to our whole school community!

We are getting ready for an exciting new year, and we wanted to welcome all our returning students and families, as well as those who are joining our school community for the first time. We are thrilled to be back, and we have many exciting things planned for your child's education. We believe that learning should be fun and engaging, and we are committed to providing a safe and supportive environment that encourages our students to explore and discover new things. Our staff have spent the last couple of weeks getting classroom spaces organised for the start of term, and we spent two days together undertaking training and development. These two days focused our Improvement Plan goals, working with Bond Block materials in numeracy and integrating our beautiful outdoor environment into our science curriculum, alongside our Greenhill Living outdoor program (<https://greenhilliving.com.au/>)



Staffing

As outlined in our last newsletter, we have increased our enrolments a little so we are starting this year with 10 classes. Here is a list of our classes and their teachers:

Reception: Ellie Tasker

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Year 1: Lisa Hyatt

Year 2: Linda Cottle

Year 2/3: Petra Dunaiski with Kim Richards (Wed)

Year 3/4: Jarrad Wyatt with Samantha Perrott (Wed)

Year 4/5: Scott Huff

Year 5: Stacey Wood with Kim Richards (Fri)

Year 6: Lisa Marsden with Felicity Godson (Fri)

Year 6: Sam Richards

Science: Nic Strevens

PE / health: Cam Grigg

Arts: Steve Gallagher

Auslan: Claudine Deneuve

We are tremendously lucky to have a highly skilled and enthusiastic classroom SSO team joining us again this year:

Emma Reader (Mon, Thur, Fri)

Amber Waller (Tues, Wed)

Linda Begg (Tues, Wed, Thurs)

Emily Harris (Mon, Tues, Wed)

Skye Kinghan (Thurs, Fri)

Acquaintance Afternoon

Please keep the late afternoon of Tuesday 11th February free as we have scheduled an Acquaintance session across our whole school. We think this is a great opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher, hear about classroom routines and ask any questions you may have. We know how important the connection between school and home is, so we encourage you to pop in and say hello during this time. More information will follow soon.

Staying Connected

We are committed to working with parents and families to ensure that every child at our school receives the best possible education and support. Please stay connected with the school through our website, newsletters (weeks 3, 6 and 9 of term), Seesaw app and Facebook page, where we will be sharing updates on all our upcoming events. If you have any questions regarding setting this up, please let us know.

The best way to contact teachers is through Seesaw messages or email. If you have sent a message, please allow 24 hours for a response. For anything urgent, please contact the front office or email us directly. Please understand and respect that our teachers are very busy people and they have the right to 'switch off' after hours.

Finally, we want to thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. We are so proud of our beautiful school and families, and we look forward to a fun and rewarding school year ahead. Our newly appointed student Prime Minister, Maddie, and Deputy Prime Minister, Jordan, are meeting with ourselves this week to discuss our student focused priorities for 2025.

Please reach out if you have any questions or queries and we look forward to seeing you all soon.

Warm regards,

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