



Learning Beyond Boundaries

Be Responsible

Be Respectful

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY	100 DAYS
29th	OF PREP
AUG	BOOK
22nd-26th	WEEK
AUG 26th	BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY
SEP	FOOTY
16th	DAY





Dear Parents/Carers and Community Members,

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope that everyone enjoyed the break and had lots of fun getting out and about in the community.

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Between the rainy days, of which there were so many, my family and I managed to get out and explore the beautiful countryside that Victoria has to offer. While we all enjoyed reconnecting with the simpler things in life, none of us enjoyed it quite as much as Bunji did!

Unfortunately for Bunji, however, these holidays were also the perfect opportunity for him to visit the vet, for a necessary but rather personal procedure, and while I'm not entirely sure he has forgiven us, I have no doubt that now he has returned to school, there will be plenty of hugs and fuss which is sure to make him feel better.



#### NEW BUILD

While the weather has had some impact on the progression and speed of the new works, I am pleased to share with you that it has not had an impact on the final completion date.

Below is a photo of the recently laid main slab which I found to be quite uplifting. As with every main building project, the initial works remain largely unseen, so to see something structural above ground is, I think, very exciting!



#### **TEACCH TRAINING**

On Saturday 16 July 2022, MSS hosted the first of 3 workshops at the Rendezvous Hotel in Melbourne. The workshops are aimed at our teachers and support staff who are seeking to enhance and expand on their existing knowledge of the TEACCH fundamentals.

The TEACCH framework focuses on the strengths and interests of a young person and uses these strengths alongside visual structures to reduce the impact that ASD has on learning and behaviour.





I am delighted to say that the first workshop went incredibly well and I am very much looking forward to hosting the next two.

If you would like more information regarding the TEACCH approach, please follow the link below, or reach out to me. I would be more than happy to have a chat.

https://teacch.com

#### PARENT DROP OFF AND PICK UP

I realise that I seem to repeat this message in most of the newsletters, however, it is really important to remember not to line up and double park outside Gate 1.

We understand that at times this is frustrating and you may have to do a loop – this is why we ask that parents and carers do not arrive before 8.55 a.m.

Myself and other members of staff have witnessed on several occasions the police issuing our parents with fines for double parking.

If you miss the school bus please drop your child off through the loop in Gate 1 after 9.00 a.m.

CORRECT PICK UP AND DROP OFF PROCEDURES

Please remember to follow the correct procedures when picking up and dropping off your child:

#### • ALL VEHICLES MUST ENTER THROUGH GATE 1 AND EXIT VIA GATE 2

PARENTS DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP STUDENTS ON FOOT MUST ONLY USE GATE 3

You will notice staff dressed in Hi-Vis jackets holding lollipop sticks, please pay attention to these traffic coordinators and respond accordingly.



Green means MOVE SLOWLY

#### WEATHER

As we continue to shiver through this very cold weather, please ensure that you send your child to school in appropriate warm clothing. If you need assistance purchasing uniform pieces please get in contact with the classroom staff or our Allied Health Team. Please know that we are here to help where we can.

Best wishes,

Brooke

## **Mercy United Services**

# PARENTS, WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOUR LOCAL NDIS PROVIDER

Mercy United Services prioritise meeting the personal needs of our community and providing a holistic approach to lifestyle management.



Our services promote dignity, self-worth, resilience and involves participants and their families in decisions that impact their lives.



## **Provided Support**

- Participation in the community
- Developmental life skills
- Early childhood support
- Assist personal activity / daily living

CONTACT US:

🕲 0431 300 952 🔊 info@mercyunitedservices.com.au Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm Scan to see more of our services via our website





## **FREE NDIS Education Series**



## Are you from an Ethnic background with an NDIS Plan?

- Do you want to learn more about how to better utilise your NDIS plan?
- Do you want to understand the NDIS process, the funding categories, and the NDIA structure?
- Do you want to understand **service agreements**, and the **privacy** and **complaints** procedure?

## How do I join?

To **register** your attendance or for further information, please contact **Alie** on **0490 543 270** or by email on **alie@adec.org.au** 

Please note that these session are **FREE** of charge for community members. **Family** members, **friends**, **carers** and **support workers** are welcome to register as well. **Refreshments** will be provided.

## Where and when?

#### WHEN:

Every Tuesday- 26th July until 30th August 2022 Time: 10:30 am to 11:30 am WHERE:

Melton Central Community Centre 239 Station Road, Melton

## Registration is essential. These sessions are FREE!



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# **COMMUNICATION**

### **SEESAW & COMPASS**

A reminder of the importance of using Compass and Seesaw for families. Teachers and families communicate via Seesaw. Compass is used to send important information to families. If you need help setting up either system please contact the office.

## UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform orders can be placed at any time by returning a completed form to the office. Going forward <u>ALL uniform orders will be filled on a Thursday</u>. Please keep this in mind when requesting uniform.

Students are unable to try on uniform items, however feel free to bring in a personal clothing item to help compare sizes. We are **unable to exchange items for different sizes** after purchase. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Preferred payment is Bank Transfer or we can accept correct Cash - we do not have change.

A copy of the uniform order form is available on our website for you to calculate your total. Go to our website> Enrolment> Uniform Order Form



### HEALTHY LUNCHES AT SCHOOL

MSS is a healthy eating school. We focus on healthy choices with the food we bring to school. We ask that parents and carers encourage this with healthy options in our lunch boxes. If you have any questions or special requirements please speak to your classroom teacher.

### CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE!

Remember to "like" Melton Specialist School on Facebook to stay up to date on the latest news and activities. You can also download the school newsletter tosee what is coming up on the school calendar.