

Community Newsletter – Week 3, Term 1, 2020

Dear WCSS Community,

This morning I visited Kindergarten to wish our Kindy 4 children all the best for their first day, such a wondrous and momentous step for not only them, but their families as well. Whilst there, I was met by many of our Kindy 6 children, eagerly anticipating their first full day of school. Tales of the tasty morsels and the delectable treats that awaited them in their school bags for their very first lunch at school were joyfully shared. They were clearly excited, enthusiastic and ready for this next step – one of our goals in having a graduated and gentle start in the early years of our Kindy program. These children will now spend each lunchtime sitting together at their lunch tables, helping to dish out their food, pour water for themselves and those around them, take responsibility for wiping the tables after they are done and so on. The social skills, table etiquette, manners and sense of community fostered in such a task will serve them for many years to come.

As teachers and parents, we also model this sense of community for our children. The parent meetings on our Term 1 calendar are one such example. The opportunity to come together with your child's class teacher, hear about the expectations and plans for the year ahead and reconnect with the other parents in the class is a wonderful one. We thank you for the positive spirit, warm attitude and supportive approach that you bring to these events.

The attached welcome letter and WCSSCA membership form highlights another way that parents can participate in the community of WCSS. Completed forms can be submitted at Reception.

Wishing all in our community another wonderful week at WCSS.

With warmth,
Thomasina Henríquez

School Administrator (Acting)

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, February 19: Fathering Group Sausage Sizzle for Kindy 6 – Class 6 (\$2.00 each – subsidised by WCSSCA)

Thursday, February 20: Class 1 Parent Meeting – 7pm

Monday, February 24: Rose Kindy Parent Meeting – 3.15pm; Sunflower Kindy Parent Meeting – 3.15pm

In the Light of a Child – Michael Hedley Burton

Something new is mounting, growing deep within me, outward surging.

Seed is ripening, sap is flowing;

Power streaming, light emerging.

Fire-spirits sparkle round me, warmth and will-bestowing:

"Sing our fiery song of summer strength!" I hear them urging.