

Bertram Hawker Kindergarten Newsletter

Term 3 2018

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Bertram Hawker Kindergarten Parent Calendar						TERM 3 2018
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	JULY 23 1st Day of Term 3	24	25 Yoga with Bec every Wednesday at 1pm	26 Glen Osmond Primary School (GOPS) year 5/6 Buddy class visit 9.30am fortnightly	27 Playgroup 9-11am weekly	
2	30 Kindergarten Photos- Crackerjack Studios Governing Council Meeting-7.30pm	31 Kindergarten Photos-Crackerjack Studios	AUGUST 1	2	3	
3	6	7 Patch Theatre Excursion	8 Patch Theatre Excursion	9 PUPIL FREE DAY	10	
4	13 Walk to GOPS Mon/Wed Group	14	15	16	17	
5	20 Book Week	21	22 Walk to GOPS Mon/Wed Group Chld Youth Health checks	23	24	
6	27 ART SHOW FRAMING EVENING	28	29 Nadia's group visit the war Veterans Home 10am	30 10am Walk to Glen Osmond Primary School	31	
7	SEPTEMBER 3	4	5	6	7 Tues/Thurs children- transition to GOPS- classroom experience	
8	10 Walk to GOPS Mon/Wed Group Governing Council Meeting-7.30pm	11	12	13 ***** *THIS SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST* BERTRAM HAWKER FETE & ART SHOW 11AM-3PM *****	14 Tues/Thurs children- transition to GOPS- classroom experience	
9	17	18	19	20	21 Tues/Thurs children- transition to GOPS- classroom experience	
10	24	25	26 Nadia's group visit the war Veterans Home 10am	27	28 END TERM 3	

Our values and vision make us who we are:

***... a community of children, educators and families ... learning with and from one another... having fun ... connecting with nature, the world and each other... facing challenges with respect and a sense of adventure
(from Our Philosophy Statement)***

The Kindergarten Staff Team

Director- Margie Colton (week 1-3)
 Directors-Kim Raftery & Nadia Caon (week 4-10 while Margie is on leave)
 Teachers- Nadia Caon, Carolyn Harbord, Kim Raftery, Shiva Pakrou
 Early Childhood Educators- Lyn Myall, Jan Mills, Julie Mosheev, Uzma Ali Kazmi, Andrew Xu, Taetia McEwen
 Speech Pathologist- Jose Ng
 Playgroup Coordinator- Julie Mosheev
 Bilingual Support- Melody Roointan (Persian speaking)

We have seven children in our speech and language program on Tuesdays and Thursdays who have additional support from Shiva and Jose. This inclusive and integrated program is an important part of our kindergarten.

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Nadia Carolyn Jan Uzma Julie	Kim Margie Jan Julie Taetia Shiva Jose	Nadia Carolyn Jan Julie Admin: Lyn	Kim Margie Jan Julie Shiva Jose Admin: Lyn	Julie (Play Group)

Parent Involvement

We welcome parents to join in with and enrich our curriculum. The children are very interested in learning from parents about different life experiences, including cultural celebrations.

You are invited to share with a small or large group. This is a powerful way to help your

child feel a strong sense of belonging at kindergarten.

Some suggestions for sharing are sharing information about your cultural background, playing a musical instrument, gardening, reading stories, cooking; sharing your occupation, travel stories, photographs or an interest.

Arrival and pick up times

Kindergarten session times are 8.15-3.45pm.

Please make sure that you let a staff member know that your child has arrived at kindergarten and let us know when you are collecting your child early. If you collect your child during group time, please be mindful not to disrupt the group time. If you need to talk to a staff member or another parent at group time, please do this on the verandah.

Parents need to sign in each morning and sign out at the end of the day. Remember to take items home, such as food containers and water bottles.

Please ensure that you do not leave your child before the starting time and please pick your child up on time.

'Eat A Rainbow' Healthy Eating

Thanks for supporting our 'Eat A Rainbow' Healthy Eating Program for children to learn about looking after their bodies through eating a range of healthy foods.

The first two weeks we ask you to send fruits and or vegetables that are **BROWN/WHITE** with your child as part of their morning, lunch and/or afternoon snack. As well as packing fruit and vegetables that your child is familiar with, please also consider including something they may not have tried before. Please use packaging that can be re-used or recycled.

White fruits and vegetables contain a range of health-promoting phytochemicals such as allicin (found in garlic) which is known for its antiviral

and antibacterial properties. Some members of the white group, such as bananas and potatoes, are also a good source of potassium.

Suggestions for **BROWN/WHITE** fruit and vegetables include: cauliflower, dates, lychees, brown pear, bananas, mushroom, potato, parsnip, fennel bulb, butter beans, Japanese radish, Jerusalem artichoke, swede, taro and yam, water chestnuts.

Food Policy-Nut Awareness

We recommend that children bring fresh fruit or vegetables, savoury biscuits or sandwiches for snack time. To encourage independence, we suggest children select their own fruit and have it cut at home if necessary. Please avoid packaged snacks.

Parents are requested NOT to send food to kindergarten that contains nuts. This includes peanut paste, Nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts.

Please send a named water bottle and place in the trolley. Children can help themselves to cups of filtered water at kindergarten.

EVENTS & DIARY DATES

Governing Council Meeting

Our first Governing Council meeting for term 2 is at 7.30pm Monday 30th July at Bertram Hawker Kindergarten.

Kindergarten Photos

Leanne King of Crackerjack Photographic Studios will come into kindergarten to take photos of children in week 2 on Monday 30th July and Tuesday 31st July.

I have attached a photo permission letter with information and a web link on how to order before **Wed 25th July**. If you order online, you don't need to return the attached form.

<http://crackerjackstudios.com.au/photoshoots2018/bertram-hawker-kindy-package-2018>

Note: Only pre-ordered photos will be taken.

Patch Theatre Excursion

7th and 8th August (see attached information)

Pupil Free Day

There will be no kindergarten on Thursday 9th August.

The staff team will have professional development of this day.

Child and Youth Health Checks

A Child and Youth Health Services nurse will conduct free health checks at kindergarten for children who are over 4 years 3 months.

This term the health checks will be held on Wednesday 22nd August.

Please arrange an appointment time with Jan.

Alternatively, health checks can be arranged at Norwood by calling Child and Family Health Services on 1300733606.

Art Framing Evening- (see attached poster)

27th August at Kindy

All parents welcome to help frame children's art work for our Art Show and Spring Fete

Governing Council meeting

7.30pm, Monday 10th September

Art Show and Spring Fete

Saturday 15th September 1-3pm

This family event is a highlight of our kindy year!

There are many ways you can be involved in this event so please read and respond to information you will receive from our energetic and amazing Art Show and Spring Fete organising committee

Washing and Equipment Roster

Families take turns to wash smocks, dress ups and materials. You will receive a washing and equipment roster in your pigeon hole at the beginning of the term. Please note your weeks in your diary as a reminder for you to pick up the washing and equipment when it is your turn.

Recycle Materials wanted

Please remember to bring recycle materials to kindergarten, such as plastic lids, corks, wool, plastic containers and boxes. The children can make good use of them as they invent and create.

Home Borrowing

A selection of books and interactive kits on the verandah are available for children and parents to borrow. Please write your name and date that the books are borrowed and returned.

There is also a parent library located inside on the wooden shelves in the corner. This has lots of fantastic books, especially relevant to parents for supporting children's learning and development.

A Literacy Resource Folder is located in the parent library. A master copy is for reference and to stay at kindergarten. A second copy is available for home borrowing. You are welcome to make copies of articles of interest.

Fees

You will receive your term 3 fee invoice in week 1. Please pay as soon as possible.

Fees need to be paid via internet banking or cheque:

Internet banking-

Ensure that you enter your child's name when making the payment and keep a record of your payment no. Accounts payable to Bertram Hawker Kindergarten Bank SA account no: 460145640, BSB no:105-125

Payment by cheque-

Enclose cheque and invoice in a named envelope and post into the silver box on the wall near the kitchen.

Checking Pigeon Holes

As well as the children's lockers we also have parent pigeon holes on the front verandah next to the table with the sign in folder.

To keep up-to-date with kindergarten happenings and information, please check your pigeon hole daily. Any injuries or incidents are reported to parents through a notice in your pigeon hole, so it is important to check your pigeon hole at the end of the day.

Parent communication

We want you to feel comfortable to openly communicate with us. This is the best way we can ensure a positive kindergarten experience for your child and you.

If you have any concerns at all, no matter how big or small, please feel welcome to talk with a staff member.

If we are unavailable at drop off or pick up times you are welcome to telephone- the best time is 10-11.30am or 2-2.30pm.