



**Newsletter No.3,
Term 2, 2015**

Dates to remember:

Tuesday 30/6/15: Purple Group Farm Barn Excursion (also last day of term for Purple Group).

Friday 3/7/15: Green Group Farm Barn Excursion (also last day of term for Green Group).

Monday 20/7/15: First day of Term 3 for Purple Group.

Thursday 23/7/15: First day of Term 3 for Green Group.

(The first Wednesday of each term is a Purple Group session).

Hahndorf Farm Barn Excursion...

We are very excited about our excursions to the Hahndorf Farm Barn next week, and have been counting down the days! Purple Group is going on Tuesday, and Green Group on Friday.

If you have forgotten the details and requirements, please read the note on the door or speak to staff. Please be at Preschool at the normal time of 8.30am for a prompt departure, and children will need their lunch, snack and drink packed in their Preschool bag. We will be back by normal pick up time or possibly earlier. We greatly appreciate parent helpers on our excursions, however the spare seats on the bus are limited (staff will inform you if you have a place on the bus). Parents are welcome to join us by driving up or maybe carpooling with a friend. Please remember younger siblings cannot join us on this excursion, as we need every adult helper concentrating on enjoying the experience with our Preschool children and assisting with making the day run smoothly.

Term Overview:

Each term we provide a Term Overview of our curriculum 'in action', detailing experiences, learning and enjoyment of the term, and referencing the Early Years Learning Framework. This will be available next week, and a copy will be placed in each child's portfolio. We appreciate any comments and feedback, and any ideas for future learning experiences that may relate to your culture, or your child's special interest areas.



Dolls house revamp:

Thank you to Nadia, Olivia and Deb Van Zon for the wonderful makeover they gave our Dolls House. It looks fantastic and has inspired much social and imaginative play.

Our Mud Kitchen: Thank you to the families and staff who have assisted with part one of our new 'Mud Kitchen'! Sandra kindly donated the barbeque, Chris and her husband Tom modified it, and Thomas and his family provided lots of utensils! It has been a very busy place of cooking, sharing, estimating, inventing, exploring, imagining, creating, cooperating and having fun! Perhaps over the holidays you may have some family fun exploring some of the many natural environment areas around Adelaide... Bonython Park has a wonderful nature play area near the kiosk for some 'mud-a-lious' and 'puddle-tastic fun' (EE Cummings).



School enrolments: Thank you to the families who have confirmed with us where their children are enrolled to commence Reception in 2016. If you haven't done this yet, we would appreciate you letting us know as soon as you can, to assist with end of year planning.

Formative Reports: These reports provide a 'snapshot' of your child's engagement and interests at Preschool in their initial terms. They will be finalised and distributed by the end of this term, and will include an area for your comments and feedback.

'Stuck on You' fundraiser: Don't forget you can order from the 'Stuck on You' range at any time, and quote MAWSONLAKESPRESCHOOL to enable us to add to our fundraising tally, whilst keeping your child's belongings named, as a percentage of the sales go back to the Preschool!

Governing Council Gmail account:

We now have a Gmail account, if you wish to contact the Governing Council direct with concerns, queries, or feedback (positive or not so positive)...

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