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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3 – the year is flying by and we are ready for another big term of fun and learning. A big thank you to Kate, Sammy and Georgie for the amazing job they did last term in keeping everything running smoothly and also providing a wonderful and exciting term of experiences for the children. It was great to come back and see all the wonderful learning that took place. A special well done to Kate taking on a leadership role in only her second year of teaching – a great learning opportunity and challenge that she rose to exceptionally well.

Curriculum Report

This term we will be continuing to investigate the wider world in and beyond Robe – I hope to bring some of the things I learnt on my travels in SE Asia to share with the children. We will also continue the work on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) investigations and will take advantage of the weather warming up to do some work in the garden.

We are also planning an author study about Nick Bland in preparation for our excursion in Week 6 to Mount Gambier to see the Patch Theatre Performance of 'The Cranky Bear'. We will be reading lots of Nick's books and looking at them in terms of 'Reading Like A Writer' – this was part of our learning on the Matt Glover Bookmaking Pupil Free Day next term. This will hopefully lead the children to use some of Nick's author's tricks in their bookmaking. At the bookmaking table we have some alphabets from Thailand and Cambodia to spark the children's thinking about writing in other countries.

Spring Cleaning

In the holidays a massive spring clean took place both indoors and outdoors. Thanks very much to the CCOWS team for arranging to stay in the RSL on the last day of term to help facilitate the pack up. Thanks also to the kindy staff who stayed late on the last day to ensure that all the furniture was packed onto the verandah. Thanks to Shannon, Wendy and Karla also for helping with the reset of the room ready for this term. You will notice that the carpets are clean, the floors are shiny and the playground trees have had a big trim!

Excursion

As mentioned above we have arranged to attend the Patch Theatre performance of 'The Cranky Bear' in Mount Gambier on Thursday 30th of August at 12 noon at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. I have booked for extra children and adults and we really need volunteers for transporting the children on the day. I have attached a form for you to indicate whether you are able to come along and help out with car transport – please return this form asap. More forms will follow as the date gets closer. The performance is paid for by your fees and so is free – siblings and adults are welcome to attend with us.

Volunteers needed

Our much loved old colourful swing frame is in need of replacement. We would love some parent volunteers to help remove it from the playground area ready for a new swing frame to be installed next to the cubby. Please let me know if you can help out with this job.

Pupil Free Day

We may be having a Pupil Free Day on the 20th of September to enable staff to attend the second day of Early Years Numeracy training with Jane Lemon. Please put this tentative date in your diary as the kindy may be closed on that day.

CAFHS Checks

CAFHS checks for the following children will be held on Thursday the 23rd of August at the kindergarten. Checks this term will be Jax, Harry, Scarlett, Aiden, Isabel, Zac, and Henna. An adult must attend with your child for the appointment. The remainder of the checks will be conducted in Term 4. Please find your appointment slip attached if your child has a check this term.

Can you let me know asap if this time or day does not suit and I can swap appointment times or move your child to next term.

Robe Plumbing Donation

A big thank you to Adrian and Kylie Johns who donated \$1000 raised from their business in Feb/March to the kindergarten. The Governing Council will add this to the funds raised from the Robe Bridge Club Tournament and make plans to spend it on the learning environment for the children. If you see Adrian or Kylie please say a big thank you on behalf of the kindy.

Reminders

- Please return your child's folder asap so that we can keep adding interesting things to it!
- Please remember to send along rubber boots and a coat on wet days as there is not such thing as bad weather – only bad clothes – we love to get outside as much as possible
- Along the same lines, please send along spare clothes each day as you never know when we will get muddy!

Thanks to the parents who organised our new kindergarten hoodies! They look fantastic and are great for those cold wet days.

See you soon at kindy, Georgie, Sammy, Kate and the kindy children ☺

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