



## Principal's Letter

What a wonderful two weeks we've had! Our 3 year old students began their journey at Furlong Park last Monday. There were a few tears when saying goodbye to mum or dad though I saw lots of happy faces as they met new friends in the sandpit and were able to explore our large outdoor space. I'm excited to see their communication skills develop in our Early Learning Centre.

Thank you again to everyone who was able to attend our Family Welcome Evening at Buckingham Reserve! When parents and teachers are working together it can only have a positive impact on the students and thank you to each parent who attended the SSG (Student Support Group) meeting on Wednesday. Establishing the goals for the next 6 months gives a clear direction for the teachers, parents and most importantly, the students.

Lee Bullock  
Principal

## Term Dates 2018

**Term 1** – 30 January to 29 March (Thursday)

**Term 2** – 16 April to 29 June 2018

**Term 3** – 16 July to 21 September 2018

**Term 4** – 8 October to 21 December 2018

## Upcoming Events 2018

**Every Thursday** – 9:15am-10:15am – Auslan classes for adults. All welcome.

**Monday 5 March** – 9am – Assembly.  
All parents welcome.

**Wednesday 7 March & Thursday 8 March** –  
All day – SSG meetings in ELC.

**Friday 9 March** – 3pm – Room 2 Assembly,  
Shelley's class. All parents welcome.

**Monday 12 March** – Labour Day – No school

**Wednesday 14 March** – Australian Hearing visit school

**Friday 16 March** – 3pm – Room 9 Assembly,  
Deb's class. All parents welcome.

## FREE AUSLAN CLASSES FOR ADULTS START THIS WEEK!

Parents, family members and friends are invited to come along to **FREE Auslan classes** each week.

**Each Thursday 9.15-10.15am**  
**Starts March 1st**



*All welcome – Beginners especially!*

If you would like a spoken language interpreter please let us know so we can arrange one for you.

Call Furlong Park School Reception **03 9312 3244** and come along.

Learn Auslan in a relaxed way with other parents





## Furlong Park Welcome Event

We had a great evening at the Furlong Park Welcome Event at Buckingham Reserve Park last Thursday. It was a lovely opportunity to welcome some new families to our Furlong Park community and catch up with old friends. The children (and big kids alike!) had a great time on the flying fox, climbing ropes and exploring the water play area while we enjoyed some home-baked goods. Thanks to all families who were able to attend and made it a great evening.



## Room 2 Integrated Inquiry

In Room 2, our Term 1 Integrated Inquiry unit has a strong focus on feeling and thinking. We have started by looking at emotions; the different types, how they affect us and how to express them. Last week each student chose an emotion, and aimed to convey it visually using a canvas and paint. Come and check them out in our classroom!



## PBS stickers

Congratulations to Zoe and Magic for receiving the first PBS 10 frames for the year! They were able to show that they were safe, caring for others, good learners and responsible!



## Welcome to our preps!

Our prep class in Room 9 have settled in beautifully and are enjoying being a part of the school program. It's wonderful to see the older students looking after our preps in the playground and around the school.







## School captains and student leaders

Last year six of our senior students gave speeches to the school as to why they wanted to be in a leadership position at Furlong Park. They each did an outstanding job and I am very happy to announce that William and Mohammed are our school captains for 2018! Fatuma, Ryder, Antanhe and Sarah are our student leaders who will carry out their special responsibilities throughout the year.



School captains – William and Mohammed



Student Leaders – Fatuma, Ryder, Antanhe and Sarah

## Leaders with their families

