

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Foundation teachers would once again like to begin by welcoming everybody back to what we hope will be a settled return to remote followed by onsite learning. We are so excited to be able to work with the students face to face, continuing our learning and preparing for 2021. The staff are all very aware that some students may be feeling anxious about returning to school, and we will be putting measures in place to assist with the transition back to school. This has certainly been an incredibly challenging year, and we are confident we can complete our studies and prepare the students for what we hope will be an exciting 2021. We are so proud of our little learners and are certain that the students will complete the year with the same diligent work ethic displayed while remote learning.

Thursday's Session

On Thursday October 8th, students will be participating in their usual WEBEX session at 9:15 and will then complete self directed 'grid style' learning tasks. These will focus on ways to assist our little learners prepare for on site learning, and will be 'device free'. More information regarding the learning grid will be forwarded next week.

Comfort Toys

We would like to extend the offer of students bringing in those little comforts from home as we did back in Term 2. The teachers found that this small gesture assisted in helping the students feel comfortable about coming back to school. The students really enjoyed sharing stories about where, why, who and how these items came to be with them. There is no obligation to do this, but we wanted to make the offer available again should you feel it may help calm nerves and ease any possible anxious feelings.

There will be the usual 9:15 morning WEBEX session and check in sessions will commence at 10:15, 10:30 and 10:45 as of Monday October 5th. There is a slight change however to Thursday's session.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 9:15am Morning Webex Check in sessions 10:15, 10:30 and 10:45. <u>French</u> | 9:15am Morning Webex Check in sessions 10:15, 10:30 and 10:45. <u>Art</u> | 9:15am Morning Webex Check in sessions 10:15, 10:30 and 10:45. | 9:15am Morning Webex <u>Learning Grid</u> | 9:15am Morning Webex Reflection Reflection activity |

GEM TV, Season 2 has launched. Each session is 20 minutes long focused on gratitude, empathy, mindfulness, emotional literacy and connection. You can access GEM TV at: https://theresilienceproject.com.au/at-home/gemtv/season-1/?mc_cid=3f9cf8fca3&mc_eid=2739695fae. Martin is such an engaging presenter!

Specialist classes:

PE: Students will be developing their movement skills through performing different jumps and rolls.

Learning Intention: I will learn how to perform jumps and rolls safely.

Success Criteria: I can jump and roll in different ways with control.

Art: Students will develop their emotional vocabulary and visual literacy, they will develop their understanding of how emotion can be conveyed through art, and create their own expressive artwork which evokes a feeling.

Learning Intention: I am learning to identify and discuss how ideas and emotions are expressed in works of art.

I am learning to experiment with colour, line and shape to visually express my ideas and emotions.

Success Criteria: I can design and create a portrait composition that shows an emotion.

French: Greetings Song for Children

Learning Intention: I can watch and enjoy 'French Greetings Song for Children'.

Success Criteria: I can learn some new greetings and maybe memorize a part of the song.

Please reach out via email or Seesaw to your child's teacher if you have any further questions. We look forward to seeing all students in our next WebEx meeting on Monday October 5th at 9:15am.

Kind Regards,

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