# **MICHELAGO PUBLIC SCHOOL**

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Term 1 Week 3

Thursday 13 February

# Welcome to our new Kindy Children



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## From Claire's Desk....

To all our dear families:

A very warm welcome back - again!

Thank you to Emily for organising a Bushfire Get Together for the children and their families at the hall last Friday. It was great to see so many families and the children having so much fun together.

What a feast they enjoyed!!

#### Work Health & Safety: Working With Children Check

#### Important

Please read the Factsheet attached.

Parents are required to complete Appendix 5.

This can be done online and is free. Please provide a completed copy to the school.

The site can be accessed at: https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check

#### Emergency Calls:

If you receive a call or text from the school in an emergency, respond immediately.

Please approach staff with queries or concerns as they arise. We welcome the opportunity to resolve issues and provide relevant information.

Parent help is always encouraged, particularly with reading, art etc.

Please ensure your child has plenty to drink, and sunscreen available during this term.

The school uniform hat is essential at this time of year.

#### Counselling

Two of our school counsellors visited on Wednesday and spoke to some of our students in regards to the bushfires.

The counsellors were impressed at the resilience demonstrated by our students.

They have provided worthwhile factsheets for all parents.

If you feel your child may require counselling in the future, in regards to the fires, please let us know.

Thank you







#### Country Kids Club Michelago : Child care

Contact number for Country Kids Club - 6236 8305

**Casual Use:** For those parents who may require casual use of the service, please fill in the forms as you also need to contact Centrelink. This is important as the documentation needs to be completed before you can access the Child Care service.

If you are a regular user of the service, please remember to call or text Country Learning if you *change arrangements* for the day or week. Word of mouth from a student is not appropriate.

Our students are very much enjoying the activities and the afternoon tea break provided by Tania and Mandy. What a success!

#### Mobile Library Bus

The bus visits every second Monday. All students are encouraged to borrow from the bus. New students are required to register. Forms will be provided.

#### School & Parent Information Session Tuesday 18 February

Staff will host a school information session at 3:15pm.

We look forward to seeing you all there. This is a great time to ask questions and find out relevant information.

We will discuss homework, communication procedures, online learning activities, learning support and reading strategies etc.

# <u>#Ready2020</u>

The NSW department of Education has developed a new hub for parents and carers. You can access #Ready2020 at education.nsw.gov.au/ready2020

This parent friendly toolkit contains a host of information on all manner of topics relevant to your child and to yourself.

## SCHOOL PHOTO'S

Theo from School's Studios will be taking school photos on Thursday 27 February.

Students are to be dressed in clean, full school uniform.

Envelopes will be sent home in students' blue communications folders when we have them. More envelopes will be available at the office.

#### School Uniform & Hats

Your WorkWear in Cooma or The Uniform Shop in Kippax ACT will assist you with all your uniform needs.

All items of clothing need to be clearly labelled.

#### <u>Payments</u>

Payments can be made at the front office or Online through the school website using the **Make a Payment Tab**. Eftpos at the school or Online is the preferable method of payment.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask Nicole or Trish in the office.

#### Voluntary Contributions

Due to the bushfires and the emergency situation over the past few weeks, the school has decided to waver the voluntary contributions in order to reduce levels of stress and anxiety placed on all our families.

#### Student Activity Books

The school assists families by ordering student activity books for the beginning of the year.

The cost of the books is subsidised .The Student Activity Book fee is \$100 per student.

Early payment is greatly appreciated.

#### Student Requirements:

It very important that day to basic student resources be maintained and updated each term.

Students in K-2 should have the following:

Box of tissues

Glue stick

Sharpener

Pencils & textas

Eraser

#### Students Yr 3-6 should have the following:

Box of Tissues

Glue stick

Sharpener

Pencils & textas

Red pen

Black pens

Ruler & Eraser

#### Term 1 Excursion K - 6

National Art Gallery Wednesday 4 March Transport : Bus Further information to follow



#### Blue Communication Folders

Communication folders will be sent home each day.

#### Please ensure they are returned the following day.

This assists staff in sending important notes and messages home as well as providing you with an opportunity to pop in a note.

#### Mobile Phones at School: Update

In public schools, students will not be allowed to use digital technology during class, recess and lunch unless for an educational purpose or where a student needs it for another reason such as an adjustment or disability.

Any child bringing a mobile phone to school is required to hand it into the office for the day.

#### <u>Absences</u>

If a student is absent please advise either the teacher or the office with an explanation either in writing ,by telephone or text. Word of mouth from a student regarding absence is NOT LEGALLY ACCEPTABLE.

If a student is being collected by someone other than their parent and there is a change to routine, please inform the teacher prior to the collection.

#### Family Leave

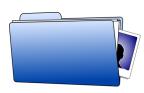
Parents are required to complete an *Extended Leave Form* for student leave of a week or more.

## First Assembly 2020

### Friday 21 February 9am.

All parents and carers are welcome to attend. Your encouragement of your children is always welcomed and appreciated.





# P & C HAPPENINGS

# <u>AGM</u>

## **Tuesday 18 February**

## **Following the Parent Information Session**

## @3:15pm

All parents, carers and community members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to elect the following roles:

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

We encourage and welcome anyone who is interested to come along and join the P&C as your involvement will aide our school to continue to grow and evolve. Bring along your new and fresh ideas for the year ahead.

Your support is invaluable.

Any questions please contact Emily Green 0400054338.

## Welcome Back BBQ

# Thursday 27 February 5:00 - 7.00pm



RSVP please by Monday 24 February for catering purposes

#### Lunch Orders

We encourage all families to place their lunch orders at the shop prior to the start of the school day. It is important to remember all orders including those made by phone have to be in by 9:30. This gives Sally plenty of time to have the orders completed by 11am. Late orders can disrupt the shop as well as impact on learning time.

Our school follows the 'Healthy Schools' Policy" and therefore junk food: chips, lollies and fizzy drinks etc are not permitted.

#### Crunch & Sip Program

At 10:00 each morning students have crunch and sip in the classroom. This program benefits student health and wellbeing. Please supply your child each day with the following:

Crunch-fruit & vegetables only!

Sip- water only!

Thank you!

School Sport

During term 1, sport will be held on Friday mornings in the cooler part of the day.

Joggers are required.

Events coming up:	
Tues 18 Feb	Parent Info Session 3.15pm
	P & C AGM (Following the info
	session)
Wed 19 Feb	Playgroup 9:00-11:00
Thur 27 Feb	School Photos
	Welcome BBQ 5pm
Wed 4 Mar	Excursion Canberra
	Playgroup
Thur 5 Mar	Healthy Lunch Day
Wed 18 Mar	Playgroup
Fri 6 Mar	Assembly 9.00am
Thur 2 Apr	Mini Markets