Greetings families,  

The school term has recommenced and the madness of the morning school run resumes. Think about getting bags and lunches made the night before to help you with the morning routine as starting on time at kindy 8.30am and at school is recorded on our attendance charts. This also allows your child to be involved in the morning routine and not feel out of place if they walk in late. It also sets them up for being organised and knowing where to locate their belongings when you leave. We will support you as much as we can. Over the holidays we had our yard extended. Please go into the yard and have a look at our new play area—we have lots of room to run around now. We will be needing some helpers to spread out the red top soil if anyone has some time to spare. This will help the grass grow and cover up the clay.

**Opening Times**  
Childcare 7.45-5.45pm. Kindy 8.30-11.30 & 12.15-3.15pm. Before these times staff are preparing for the day & may not be in the room if they until the session starts. Please respect the starting times and allow staff the opportunity to engage in their pre-session duties.

**Welcome to our new staff:** we warmly say hello to our new fulltime kindy teacher Jodie Cramer who has replaced Wendy-Anne for the year. We also welcome Shayne Stevens to kindy on Wednesday’s. Also back in the kindy room is Corrin, Shelley, Wendy, Kay, Lisa and Christina. In Childcare we can let you know that Ashleigh found a job in a centre at Lockleys and Lynn is about to have her baby. All other childcare staff will be back this year– Gilda, Kym, Dona, Michelle, Joan, Amanda, Rachael, Maria, Pam, Carole, Rie, Hayley & Emma. It would be lovely if you could introduce yourself and your child to the staff team that you haven’t met yet, with so many new faces we will be trying really hard to remember who you are 😊.

**Painting**—we are nearly finished this massive job that began in early January and only have a couple more rooms (offices) to go. Children and staff have been playing musical rooms for the last few weeks, however we are all set to go for the start of the new term. We will be looking for helpers who can hang things in a straight line and use a drill to put all our pictures and racks back on the walls. Please see Christina if you are skilled in this.

**One year intake for kindy children**—this new system begins this year with children who turn 4 before May, starting their kindy year this week. They are entitled to a year of kindy before starting school in January 2015 as a collective group. Please let us know if you know someone who meets this criteria and hasn’t been into see us yet.

**Childcare accounts**—(including kindy’s lunchtime care) must be settled asap. As a business this is the main source of revenue that is used to pay staff for their day’s work for caring, feeding and educating your child. As you are billed for this after the occurrence in good faith we would appreciate prompt payment. Failure to pay will see childcare bookings cancelled until all accounts are settled or a payment plan is established. Further bookings may require upfront payment. We appreciate those families who pay their accounts on time.

**Emergency procedures**  
This is a brief explanation of what happens during our emergency procedures that are practiced monthly at any time of the day.

Continuous ringing of bell—INVACUATION—go into babies room.  
Continuous blowing of whistle—EVACUATION—go outside through gate at side of yard near swings and meet on grass.

We are looking for: paper brick press, portable steam cleaner, corrugated cardboard, Christmas cards  

Thank you Christina

**Diary Dates:**  
3/2/2014 Governing Council meeting 7pm  
4,5,6 Feb Mr Cox visits  
24/3/2014 Annual General meeting—all parents welcome