## **Leadership News**

Morphett Vale Primary and Preschool

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We have two exciting new changes to support our students here at Morphett Vale.

The first is our brand new REGULATION ROOM which opened this week. This room has been carefully designed to align with the amazing work our classes have done to teach our students about emotional regulation. Where possible, students use their classroom strategies to help them to regulate and be ready for learning. Sometimes though this just isn't enough, which is where the Regulation Room comes into play. This room is staffed by leadership and social work students and supports students through a series of steps that help them regulate. It has been a huge success already!







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The second change we are about to introduce is how we TRANSITION FROM BREAK TIMES. Starting Monday, our whole school will gather together after each break. Meeting on the open grass area by the library our students and staff will sit together and do a guided regulation activity, led by our Student Wellbeing Ambassadors, before returning to class with their teachers.

The purpose of this is to set our students up for success by creating a strong, clear procedure and ensuring our whole school is returning safely to class ready to learn.





## LITERACY READING; CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

## Reception / Year 1

In our class we do daily reading to self when students are to focus on a reading strategy to support their reading improvement. Checking of understanding is a reoccurring strategy for comprehension that we focus on. Even as an adult reader, there are times when you are reading a story and get lost and not sure what has happened. Fortunately, when this happens, we all have strategies to use to help understand the story. The same thing happens when children read. However, with children they often keep reading and do not realise they lost comprehension until the end of the story. They are too concerned with reading accurately and forget to take the time to think about what they are reading.

How can we help them gain comprehension?

 We can teach them the comprehension strategy: check for understanding because good readers stop frequently to check for understanding or to ask who and what.

How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

- 1. When reading to your child, stop periodically and say, "Let's see if we remember what I just read. Think about who the story was about and what happened." Do this 3 or 4 times throughout the story.
- When reading to your child, stop and have them practice checking for understanding by saying, "I heard you say..."
  - 3. Ask your child the following questions:
    - Who did you just read about?
      - · What just happened?
  - · Was your brain talking to you while you read?
    - Do you understand what was read?
    - · What do you do if you don't remember?

The more practice that all students have with this the greater the reading improvement and enjoyment of books they will achieve. Thank you for your continued support at home!



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## Mrs Schnetler Reception/1 Class Swimming Week

Our annual swimming week was held recently and the Reception to Year 4 students enjoyed a splash around, learning all about water safety. Watching them find the courage to blow bubbles under the water, show off their floating skills, as well as experiment with various water equipment, left a smile on every spectator's face. Water safety is such an important skill that everyone needs, knowing how to react in situations and how to save someone needing assistance, is a lifelong skill that they won't ever forgot. Here are a few snapshots of some of the moments from across the week.



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#### **Preschool News**

The children in the Preschool have been busy learning about road safety and gardening!

Last term the children went on the bus and visited the Road Safety Centre. During the visit the children learnt and practiced road safety skills which were presented by police officers.





At the beginning of this term the children engaged with a Bunnings incursion. Rob from Reynella Bunnings supported the children to paint pots and plant flowers seeds.

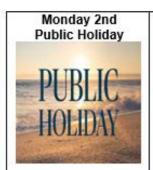




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## Vacation Care Program - October 2023 Week 1



Morphett Vale Primary School OSHC Closed

#### Tuesday 3rd Art Attack Day



Details In Centre

We will be offering a variety of creative experiences throughout the day

> Please provide: Recess and Lunch

Wednesday 4th World Animal Day



Details In Centre Incursion

We have the Animals Anonymous visiting with some friendly critters.

> Please provide: Recess and Lunch

Thursday 5th Healthy Kicks



<u>Details</u> In Centre Incursion

Wear your most comfortable sports clothing!

Please provide: Recess and Lunch Friday 6th Space Exploration

> Details In Centre

Today will be a fun day exploring all things space themed

> Please provide: Recess and Lunch

#### Week 2

#### Monday 9th Planet 51 Day



Details In Centre

Morning filled with space themed activities and movie snacks followed by an afternoon relaxing watch a movie

> Please provide: Recess and Lunch

Please advise of any dietary requirements or special needs on booking

#### Tuesday 10th Marine Discovery



Details Excursion

Departing Centre: 9:00am sharp

Returning to Centre: Approximately 2:30pm

Please provide:

Recess
and Lunch in large
snap lock bag

#### Wednesday 11th Mini Master Chef



<u>Details</u> In Centre

Back by popular demand our Master Chefs take over the kitchen for the day

(dairy free and gluten free options available)

Recess and Lunch Provided

Please advise of any dietary requirements or special needs on booking

#### Thursday 12th Lego Masters



Details In Centre

Join us for lots of Lego themed activities available throughout the day

> Please provide: Recess and Lunch

#### Friday 13th Dress Up Disco



Details
In Centre
Dress up in your fancy
clothes ready to dance
the day away

Please provide: Recess and Lunch

## Happy Father's Day

OUR FATHER'S DAY STALL WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY 29TH AND WEDNESDAY 30TH OF AUGUST THE STUDENTS CAN BRING UP TO \$10 GIFTS RANGE BETWEEN \$2 AND \$8 WE ASK THAT YOUR CHILD'S SPENDING MONEY BE SEALED IN AN ENVELOPE AND GIVEN TO THE CLASS TEACHER BY MONDAY 28TH PLEASE SEND ALONG A BAG FOR THE GIFTS TO GO INTO

SCHOOL CLOSURE FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER



#### NEW ARRIVALS

WE ARE EXCITED TO INTRODUCE OUR NEW 100% BREATHABLE POLYESTER AND UPF RATING 15 POLO TOP COMING SOON.



# SALE

20% OFF

T O MAKE ROOM FOR OUR NEW DESIGN, WE ARE HAVING A FLASH SALE REDUCING CURRENT STOCK OF POLO TOPS TO JUST \$30 EACH .

THIS SALE WILL BE FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY AND LIMITED SIZES AVAILABLE.

NOTE: NEW DESIGN WILL BE SLOWLY FAZED IN.