



13TH SEPTEMBER 2018 NIDDRIE

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Dear Parents and Carers, Namaste, Selamat siang, Xin Chao, 你好 Bonjour, Guten Tag, Mahlaba, Ciao, Kia Ora
Welcome to this edition of the bulletin.

We are delighted that the arrival of Spring has provided us with some fine days and increased opportunities for outdoor play for the students. Footy fever is in the air and we look forward to seeing all the students and staff in their footy colours on Monday 17th September. We have commenced planning for the Prep swimming program in Term 4. If you have any permission or medical consent forms outstanding could you please send them in to the school office as soon as possible.

In the last few weeks we have had visitors from primary schools coming to meet students who are transitioning in Term 4. A number of students have visited their local primary schools with their WAS classroom teacher, in preparation for full days at their new school in Term 4. It has been very rewarding for staff to work with students and families during this exciting yet sometimes daunting time.

Assessment Australia reports have now arrived for most students transitioning to specialist settings in 2019. We look forward to inviting and welcoming destination schools to visit their prospective students at WAS during Term 4 and to assisting all of our students throughout the orientation processes in place at their new schools. Many families are still finalising their decisions about schools so please let us know if we can assist you in anyway.

Our local member, Minister Ben Carroll, will be visiting the school on Friday to formally announce the appointment of Guymer Bailey as our architect for the Niddrei redevelopment. Some of the 7A students have drawn pictures and plans of their ideas about a perfect, future school which they will share with Ben during his visit.

Please feel free to join us in the Conference Room, from 2.35 to have a cup of tea and share Ben's announcement.

Warmest Regards,
Liz Richardson
Campus Principal

TERM DATES AND WHAT'S ON

- Footy Day Colours – Monday 17th September 2018
- Term 3 finishes at 2pm Friday 21st September 2018
- Term 4 starts on Monday 8th October
- Swimming Program for 2A, 3A, 5A, 4B & 5B
- 16/17/18 & 23/24/25th October
- Curriculum Day Monday 5th November
No students are required at school.
- Public Holiday Tuesday 6th November
No students are required at school
- School ends Friday 21st December.

UPDATE NIDDRIE BUILDING REDEVELOPMENT

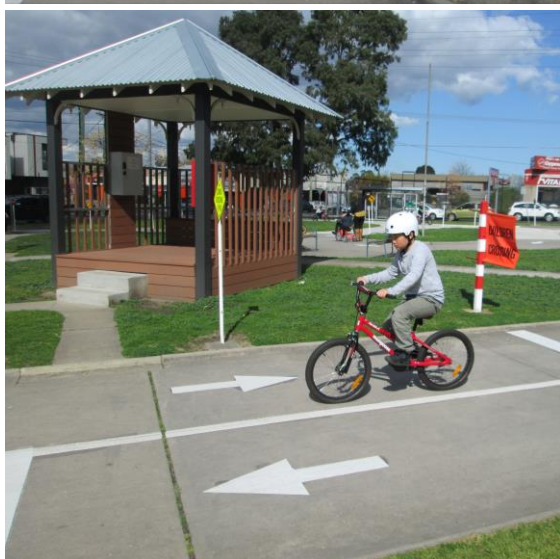
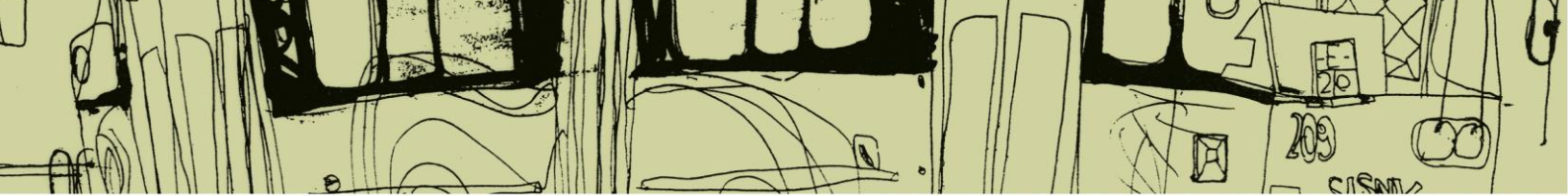
Architects from Guymer Bailey met with staff from Niddrie and Laverton to gather feedback about preferred teaching and learning spaces. They have toured both Niddrie and Laverton campuses and have also had a number of follow up visits to gather specific information about the buildings and site.

OUR VISIT TO THE ESSENDON TRAFFIC SCHOOL

On the 26th of August 4A joined their friends from 6B for an excursion to the Essendon traffic school. The children had great fun learning about road safety.

The students from 4a learnt about and discussed the importance of wearing a helmet whilst riding their bike. Emphasis was placed on bike safety along with learning about street signs and safety on the road. Later in class some students asked questions about traffic lights and were able to discuss the importance of following the rules.





FATHERS DAY STALL

A BIG THANK YOU to past parents Fred and Kannika Gath for running the Father's Day stall again this year. The total amount raised between Laverton and Niddrie was \$822.95.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY SHOW YOUR TRUE COLOURS!

Monday 17th September, 2018

We invite all students to dress up in their footy colours.