



Modbury West School



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Newsletter

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Developing a strong learning community through our values of:

Respect, Tolerance, Honesty, Trust, Co-operation and Care

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Dear families and caregivers,
We have had an excellent start to the 2019 School year. As I walked around the school yesterday I saw families and students with smiles and a positive attitude. Students and families noticed a koala perched high in a tree. The grounds have survived hot weather to continue being a cherished asset and value adding to our learning environment.

We are privileged to welcome many new families to our school and hope you soon feel confident in your new surroundings. We are all practising making strong choices, doing our personal best and being grateful.

We also welcome new staff to Modbury West and you may have met some already. We will profile each of these new educators in the newsletter next week.

Chris Harford -Deputy Principal
Michelle Parker- Wellbeing leader
David Poulain-Japanese specialist teacher F-4
Isaac Radan -Specialist Health and PE teacher 3-7
Katie Hoppo- Specialist Science teacher F-2 and Wednesday teacher of U1
Kelly Peel- Year 2 teacher U8
Mike La Pietra- Year 6/7 teacher M17

Our canteen has had its upgrade and certainly looks refreshed and inviting. The back fencing is nearly complete and work will begin on the front school yard soon, thanks to the wonderful financial support of our OSHC service.

NEXT Tuesday from 6:00-7:00 is Acquaintance Night and families are asked to gather in the Gym and then classrooms will be open. Opportunities are also provided to visit the Library, Specialist teachers and canteen.
I hope to see you there!

Kind regards,
Sue Wirth, Principal

“Every child needs to know and understand 7/8 new words each day to make them an effective reader”

Our regular visitor is back!

Last week during the extreme heat our visitor needed some assistance - Jane our Canteen manager supplied a bowl of water at the base of the tree and the Koala seemed to appreciate the water as it spent 20 minutes drinking.



SCHOOL TIMES

Start of day
8.45am
End of day
3.05pm

Diary Dates Term 1

February

5th Acquaintance
Night 6:00pm –7:00pm

6th Assembly 9:00am
Volunteer Induction
9:30am

12th Governing
Council AGM

14th Volunteer
Induction 2:00pm

20th Assembly 9:00am

22nd
Pupil Free Day

March

1st School Photos

6th Assembly 9:00am

12th Adelaide Cup
Public Holiday

20th Assembly 9:00am

April

1st – 5th Year 3-5
Swimming

3rd Assembly 9:00am

STAFF MEETING

The school has its staff meeting on every Tuesday at 3:15. Staff will not be available to have a meeting at this time.

SCHOOL CARD

Please note there has been a change in eligibility for receiving School Card assistance. Parents don't need to have a Health Care Card or Concession Card to be able to qualify. The tables below list the income limits for applications lodged in 2019 – based on the family's gross income in 2017/2018. If you have a Health Care Card or Concession Card you are automatically eligible for school card, please complete the form and return to front office as soon as possible.

To qualify for school card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you.

You will need to provide proof of income – eg payslips or Centrelink information. If you think you might fit the criteria please see the front office for an application form.

Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school

Number of dependent children	Gross annual School Card income limit	Gross weekly School Card income limit
1 child	\$59,432	\$1,143
2 children	\$60,493	\$1,164
3 children	\$61,554	\$1,185
4 children	\$62,615	\$1,206
5 children	\$63,676	\$1,227
More than five children	Add \$1,033 for each dependent child	Add \$20 for each dependent child

Contact - For more information or assistance with completing the form talk to your school or phone freecall 1800 672 758.

Email: DECD.Schoolcard@sa.gov.au

PUPIL FREE DAY

Our Pupil Free Day is Friday 22nd February.

REMINDERS

**SUN SAFE HATS
NO STRINGS**



**NAME ON
ALL
EQUIPMENT**

AGM

UNIFORM

Volunteer packs available from front office – Volunteers induction
WEEK 2 Wednesday 9:30 and
WEEK 3 Thursday 2:00