

From our Chairperson

Dear Parents

As we head towards the end of Term 2 in 2023, on behalf of the School Council, I wanted to take the opportunity to say hello to all of the new families who have joined our school this year, as well as welcome back the families who are returning for another year.

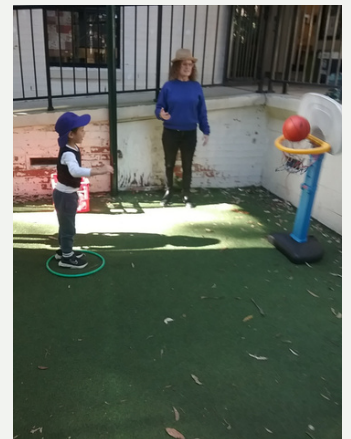
The Montessori way of learning can only continue with the support of the parents as you participate in the various initiatives, which benefits our School. To that end, I would like to thank the parents for their support in Term 1& 2 in helping to staff the barbeques and assist with the maintenance days. These events help with the School's fundraising initiatives as well as maintain an appropriate environment for the children so it is greatly appreciated.

Additionally, now that Covid appears to be well and truly behind us, there will be more opportunities for in-person events in 2023. I know the School's fundraising co-ordinator Ariana is busy planning the trivia night, which will be held in August, and I hope to see as many parents as possible on that evening. It has been a few years since we have held such an event and it will be a great opportunity to meet more parents in person and get to know one another. I can speak for the Council when I say we are very excited to be attending.

Finally, the School Council is made up of a group of parents who are here to assist in any way. As such, if you do have any issues, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of the Council members.

I wish everyone happy holidays over the next break and I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming in-person events in 2023.

Best Regards
Jason Zhang
Chairperson



From Our Teachers

PRACTICAL LIFE

Practical life area is the core of the Montessori curriculum. Through practical life activities from an early stage, children develop independence, concentration, mathematical and scientific mind, coordination of movement and body control.



SENSORIAL

Montessori sensorial activities are those which refine the five senses – tactile, visual, auditory, olfactory, and gustatory senses. Children are particularly receptive to developing their senses from ages 2-6, and it's important to give children at those ages as many sensorial experiences as possible.

LANGUAGE

Enriching the child's vocabulary expands his capacity to clearly communicate to others and express himself. Once the child is able to better express himself, his personality begins to truly surface and shine



MATHS

Montessori math materials create a tactile experience for the child. Manipulatives allow the child to use their sense of touch to grasp mathematical concepts of quantity. Over the course of their three years in the Montessori classroom, a child is introduced to the four mathematical operations in a variety of ways and with a variety of materials.

CULTURE

The Cultural curriculum refers to an integrated study that includes History, Biology, Geography, and Physical Science, as well as the Arts.

Students also begin to realize, at a young age, how interconnected these subjects are.



From Our Principal

Our Extended day/ Kindergarten program incorporates project work as well as the main subjects taught at a main stream school.

In the first term we study Sea Life and go to the Aquarium to see real life specimens.

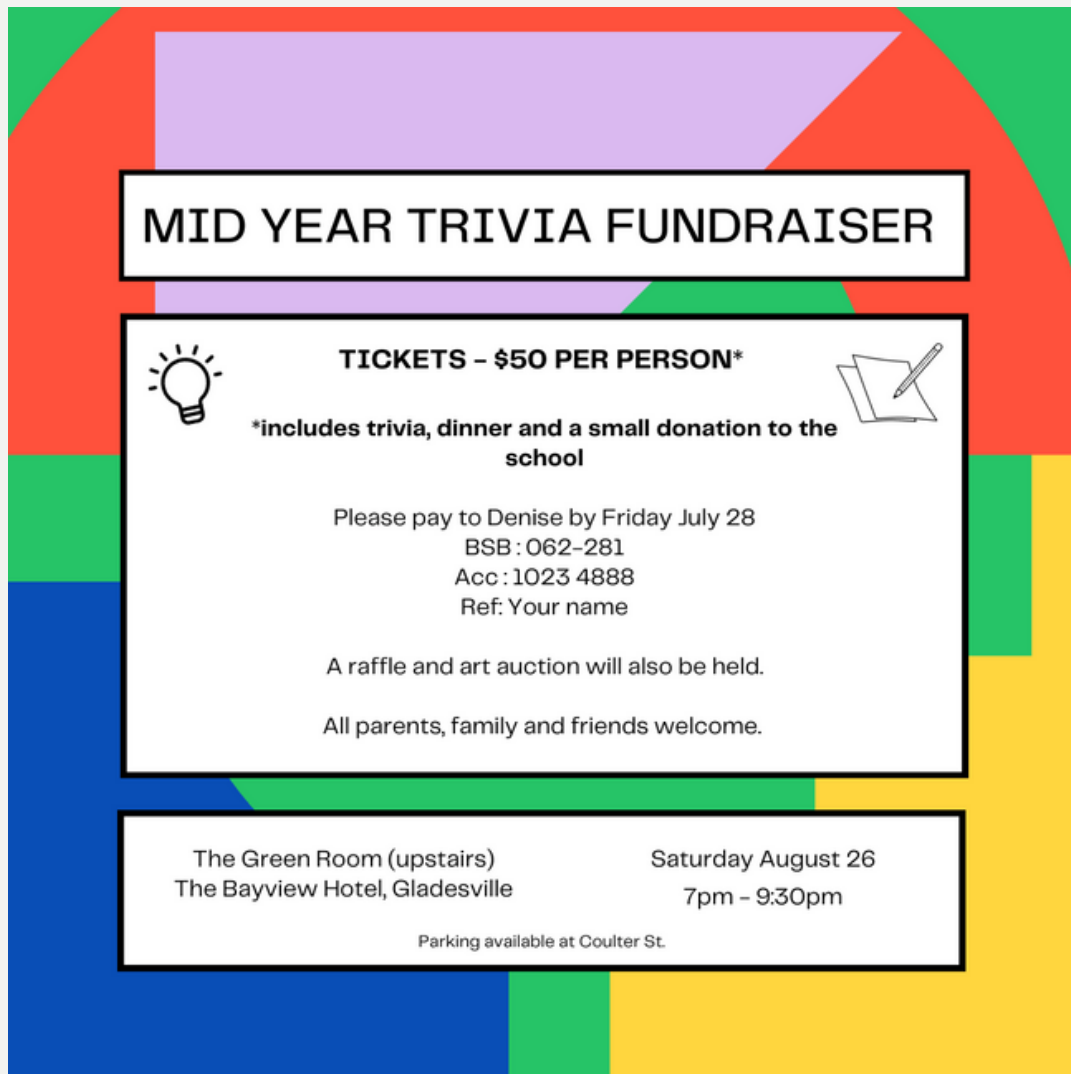
During the second term we study zoo animals and go to either the Koala Park or the Sydney Zoo.

The third term revolves around All Things That Grow. We finish with a trip to the Botanic Gardens.



In the fourth term we look at the Timeline of the Earth and visit the Sydney Museum.



Upcoming Events



MID YEAR TRIVIA FUNDRAISER

 **TICKETS - \$50 PER PERSON*** 

***includes trivia, dinner and a small donation to the school**

Please pay to Denise by Friday July 28
BSB : 062-281
Acc : 1023 4888
Ref: Your name

A raffle and art auction will also be held.

All parents, family and friends welcome.

The Green Room (upstairs)
The Bayview Hotel, Gladesville

Saturday August 26
7pm - 9:30pm

Parking available at Coulter St.

Seminar 2: Raising Confident, Competent Children

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® is designed for parents and carers of 0-12-year-old children.

Date: Wednesday 9th August 2023. **Time:** 6.45pm for a 7.00pm start.
Cost: \$30 per person & \$50 per couple

Presenter: Nadiah Karim, PACFA Psychotherapist and Counsellor

Please make payment and indicate your name/s to:

Bank Name: National Australia Bank

Account Name: Nadiah Karim

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