

## Forbes Children's Centre Newsletter

### Term 3 2017

Welcome back for Term 3! We're now halfway through the year – time flies!

Last term was packed with experiences from Mud Day to Reconciliation Week to our first accreditation! Read on to see what's happening at Forbes in the term to come.

### Important Dates

**Book Week:** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August

**River Room Parent Teacher Interviews:** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August, 1:30 – 5:30pm

**Reeds Room Parent Teacher Interviews:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August and Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 12:00 – 5:00pm

**Nest Room Parent Teacher Interviews:** Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 1:00- 5:30pm

**Preschool Closure Day:** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September

**Annual General Meeting:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 6:30pm.

**Madhavi Nawana Parker Presentation:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 6:15 – 7:45pm

**Family Night:** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September

**End of Term:** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September

### Reminders

We still have a few more cold months to come so please pack a warm jacket and spare clothes for wet weather. We aim to offer outdoor play every day so the children can enjoy the natural environment and some fresh air.

The waiting list for the Reeds room is still open and if you know anyone with a toddler who is looking for childcare, we would love to speak with them!

### Staffing News

We have some new relief staff -Alice, Cazna and Samantha – who have been helping out across the Centre. Feel free to introduce yourself and say hi if you see them at drop off or collection times.

Early this term, Sayeda will be returning from leave and joining the Nest room team.

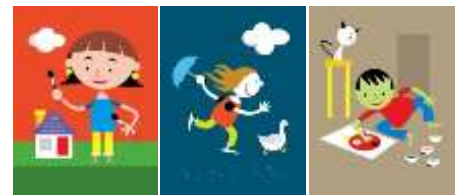
We're also in the process of hiring a new educator for the River room – more details to follow!

### Madhavi Nawana Parker: "How to Support Your Child's Emotions"

Have you bought your tickets yet?

Madhavi will be at our site on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September presenting strategies around building emotional resilience in your child. Madhavi is a behaviour analyst who works around teaching families and educators how to support children's emotions when problem solving or facing frustrations.

Tickets are available now from the front desk for \$10 – get in quick! Ticket pre-sale ends on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August and spaces are selling fast.



### Your Children, Your Centre Invitation to join the Governing Council

**When:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Where:** Forbes Children's Centre

The Governing Council is the management committee responsible for the ongoing and long term viability of the Centre and meets six times a year. We need parents interested in participating on the Governing Council.

Two meetings will be held on the night.

- **6:30pm Governing Council Meeting**  
Purpose: So parents interested in joining can see how the Council operates – it's not that scary!
- **7:00pm Annual General Meeting**  
Purpose: To advise members of the Centre's achievements for 2016/2017 and seek parent representatives for the Council for 2017/2018.

Agendas for each meeting are available at the front counter.

**Crèche and a shared dinner will be available.**  
Please **RSVP** to the Centre on **8293 9000** before 6:00pm Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

## KidsXap

Our new software, KidsXap is ready to go! You will have already received your first bill from KidsXap and we will soon be trialling the software in the rooms for signing children in and out.

If you haven't already, please touch base with the front desk to make sure we have your correct email address- this will make the software much easier to use for both yourselves and our admin staff.

## Feedback Survey

Our annual feedback survey is ready and waiting for your responses! This survey has been compiled by the Leadership team at the site and the responses we receive from families guide our planning for the coming year. You can grab a hardcopy from the front desk or complete the survey online at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/NRKMPXN](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NRKMPXN).

## Clothing Donations

If you or your children have any clothes you've outgrown, why not donate them? We now have a charity bin for clothing donations near the front gate of the Centre.

## Facebook



Find us on Facebook! We often post flyers for community groups, site updates and other information. We can be found at

[facebook.com/ForbesChildrensCentre](https://www.facebook.com/ForbesChildrensCentre)

## From Garbage to Garden: Home composting program

**Do you want to reduce your waste to landfill, help the environment and improve your garden?**

**Starting a compost system at home is really easy once you have the tools and know-how!**

**Sign up to this program starting in September and learn how to turn your food scraps into compost in your own backyard effectively, for any size garden.**

**Register and receive:**

- **Free kitchen caddy for food scraps**
- **Rebate on compost bin or worm farm**
- **Free training workshop and information kit**
- **Post-workshop support**

**Limited places available, registrations essential (City of Marion residents only)**

**For more information and to register**

visit [https://www.marion.sa.gov.au/food-](https://www.marion.sa.gov.au/food-waste)

[waste](https://www.marion.sa.gov.au/food-waste) or email our Waste Education Officer

[allison.byrne@marion.sa.gov.au](mailto:allison.byrne@marion.sa.gov.au)

## Here are some fun things to do in Adelaide during Term 3:

"A day in the life of a child in the 19th century", 28<sup>th</sup> August to 29<sup>th</sup> August, **Adelaide Migration Museum and Ayers House**, \$7 per session,

<http://migration.history.sa.gov.au/events/2017/day-life-child-19th-century>

"South Australian Living Artists Festival", 1<sup>st</sup> August to 31<sup>st</sup> August, **Various Locations.**

<https://www.salafestival.com/>

**We wish you all the very best during the new term!**

**Kind regards**

**Ros, Kim , Nat and Cathy**

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