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MITCHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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- NOV. 8** NZ STUDENTS RETURN
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MONTH

TOLERANCE



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

MITCHAM MUSIC MAKERS VISIT TO DR STANLEY COCHRANE

On Tuesday morning, I felt very lucky to be able to participate in a special visit with our extremely talented Mitcham Music Makers to Dr Stanley Cochrane kindergarten. The 4-year-old kinder group were very entranced by the melodies of our music makers and loved the opportunity to have a go on the instruments after the performance.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our school library is always buzzing, but this week it has been an even greater hive of activity, it has been wonderful to hear children chat excitedly about the books they hope to purchase at the Book Fair, be sure to stop by the library next week to have a look at some of the lovely books. Thank you to Miss Primerano for organising it all for us to enjoy!

MATHS MASTER AWARD - CALLUM 1/2L

Callum received the award for adding two numbers in his head and being able to explain how he did it. Congratulations Callum!

PLANNING FOR 2020

Often at this time of year families make decisions to move house, as such, we will be welcoming several new families to Mitcham Primary School next year. We will also be saying farewell to some of our lovely families, if you know that your children will not be returning in 2020 we request that you let the office know as soon as possible, so that we can finalise our planning for 2020.

Our teachers will spend considerable time constructing classes for 2020. Students are placed by staff in class groupings best suited to their learning needs. Many factors are considered to create classes that are balanced – academic, social and behavioural factors, along with teachers' knowledge of students. This process is about creating positive learning communities across the school for everyone's benefit. If you have information of social or educational significance that you wish to be taken into consideration by teachers as class lists are prepared, please provide that information in writing to Erin Norman or Heather Wood by Friday 9th November. While taken into consideration, we can of course not guarantee that your request will be met.

Please note that requests for specific teachers will not and cannot be considered. Classes are structured around the needs of ALL students.

KEEPING OUR STUDENTS SAFE

Please help us to keep our children and community safe by driving safely in the streets surrounding Mitcham Primary School. Please reduce your speed and be especially mindful and cautious when driving in Bowling Green Lane. Several members of the community have been very concerned about a few recent 'near misses'. Please drive safely.

BIKES AND SCOOTERS

I would also like to ask all parents who have children who ride a bike or scooter to or from school to take some time to remind your children

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK: CONTINUED

that it is mandatory that they wear helmets, and that it is a school rule that bikes and scooters are not ridden within the school grounds, this ensures the safety of all our students and visitors.

PUPIL FREE DAY

The next pupil free day will be on Monday 4 November. Children are not required at school on this day. Please ensure that you contact OSHClub if you need to have your child minded on this day.

Wishing all of our Mitcham community a restful weekend, and for those families in our community celebrating Diwali, I wish you Happy Diwali.

Erin Norman: Principal



IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT
28 October	Book Fair
29 October	Book Fair
30 October	Book Fair Grade 5 Peer Mediation Training
31 October	Book Fair - Last Day! Walk to School Month Breakfast
1 November	MPS Student Exchange to New Zealand
4 November	Student Free Day
5 November	Melbourne Cup Day
6 November	Grade 3 - 6 Swimming Commences
8 November	MPS Student Exchange back from New Zealand 5/6 Region Hoop Time
9 November	Mitcham Ninja Warrior
14 November	Instrumental Recital 6pm
15 November	Grade 3 - 6 Swimming Ends

DATE	EVENT
18 November	Prep - 2 Swimming Commenced
29 November	Prep - 2 Swimming Ends
4 December	Community Evening
10 December	School & House Captain Speeches for 2020 Grade 6 Statewide Secondary School Transition Day
17 December	Grade 6 Graduation
19 December	Grade 6 Big Day Out
20 December	Last Day Term 4
29 January 2020	First Day Term 1, 2020
27 March 2020	Last Day Term 2, 2020
14 April, 2020	First Day Term 2, 2020
26 June, 2020	Last Day Term 2, 2020
13 July, 2020	First Day Term 3, 2020
18 September, 2020	Last Day Term 3, 2020
5 October, 2020	First Day Term 4, 2020



MITCHAM PRIMARY BOOK FAIR



MONDAY 28 OCTOBER - THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER

BEFORE SCHOOL: 8.15 AM – 8.45 AM

AFTER SCHOOL: 3.15 PM – 3.45 PM



**SEE YOU IN THE
LIBRARY**

GUESSING COMPETITION

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NEWS AND UPDATES

ICEY POLE FRIDAY

Icypole Friday is back and we need your help! Commencing Friday 18th October, we will be selling a variety of water icy poles and Quelsh Fruit stick icy poles every Friday for \$1.

We need volunteers to run the stall on Fridays at the canteen from 1.00 pm - 2.15 pm. To volunteer for this event you need to have completed the Parent Helper Training with Kathy Lawson. To volunteer, please sign up at:

signupschedule.com/mitchamprimary

To check ingredients for allergy purposes, the brand is Coles Smart Buy.

SCHOOL BANKING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Regular saving is a great life lesson for children to learn, and the school banking program is a great way to start creating good financial habits.

If you're interested in helping us develop these habits in the children of Mitcham Primary School, please reach out!

Our dedicated team of School Banking Parent Helpers are currently seeking additional parents to assist in School Banking.

If you are available from 8:45 on Wednesday mornings for approximately one and a half hours, and would like to help facilitate the student's banking program, please contact the school office and leave your details, and one of our friendly team will be touch.

No experience is required, we'll gladly guide you through the process, and commitment does not have to be every week.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Does your child want to be part of School Banking?

If you're interested in your child taking part in School Banking, visit your local Commonwealth Bank branch and ask to open up a School Banking or 'Dollarmites' account for your child.

There are also great reward items to redeem after each 10 deposits, as it is an incentive for banking regularly and not a monetary exercise.

[Click here](#) to find out more about signing your child up.

MITCHAM NINJA WARRIORS

We are excited to announce that Mitcham Ninja Warriors will be held at the school on **Saturday 9th November 10.00am - 4.00pm**. In order to make the day a success, we need volunteers! Please note that as the event will be held on a Saturday, Volunteers DO NOT need to have completed Parent Helper Training. We would love to get as many community members as possible volunteer to make it a great event for our children.

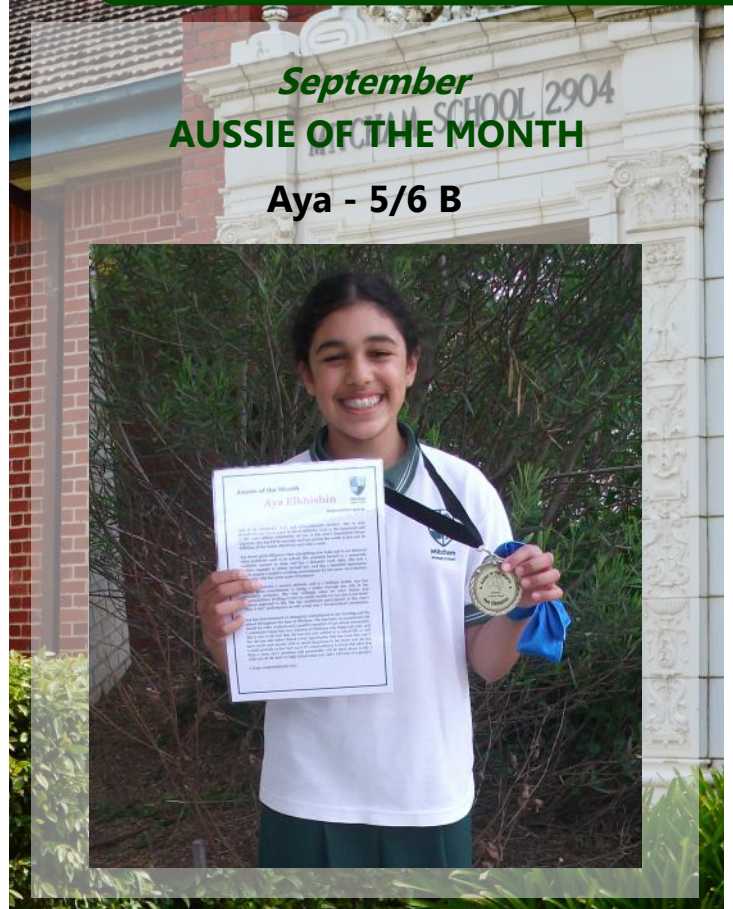
To volunteer, please go to:

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September
AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

Aya - 5/6 B



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Mehardeep - 3/4 C

Mitchell - 3/4 C

Jarod - 3/4 D

Tyson - 3/4 A

Aarav - 3/4 C

Farrah - 5/6 B

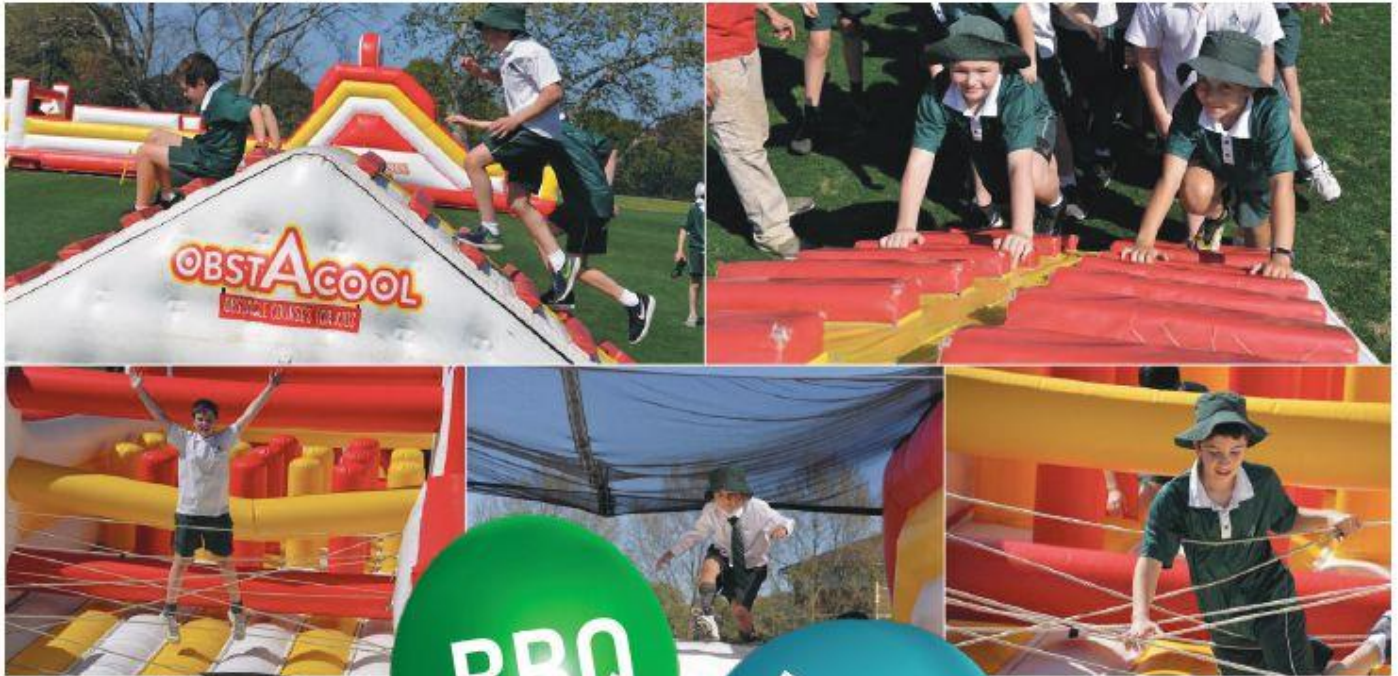
MITCHAM NINJA WARRIOR



SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER
AT MITCHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mitcham Ninja Warrior

**Are you ninja enough to complete our
HUGE obstacle course?**



BBQ

**Entertainment
Stalls**

REGISTER HERE:

www.trybooking.com/545145



**Saturday November 9th
294 Mitcham Rd Mitcham
10am - 4pm**

MITCHAM NINJA WARRIOR



Fundraising

Our major fundraiser this year is the Mitcham Ninja Warrior Day on **Saturday 9th November**. The children are already excited about it – it is going to be a great day!

TICKETS

Tickets are now available for Mitcham Primary School students! To purchase tickets, [click here](#), or go to:

www.trybooking.com/545145

Get in quick to avoid missing out on a spot!

Tickets cost \$15.00.

Your ticket purchase includes half an hour access to an amazing outdoor inflatable obstacle course, a ninja headband, a wristband and an icy-pole on the day. You will need to select the half an hour age group suitable time slot and choose a ninja headband colour preference.

Choose your school house colour so you can reuse your headband at cross country and house athletics.

WAVE NUMBERS AND TIMES

Wave 1: 10am to 10.30am (7-10 year olds)

Wave 2: 10.30am to 11am (5-7 year olds)

Wave 3: 11am to 11.30am (10-13 year olds)

Wave 4: 11.30am to 12noon (5-7 year olds)

Wave 5: 12noon to 12.30pm (7-10 year olds)

Wave 6: 12.30pm to 1pm (10-13 year olds)

Wave 7: 1pm to 1.30pm (5-7 year olds)

Wave 8: 1.30pm to 2pm (7-10 year olds)

Wave 9: 2pm to 2.30pm (10-13 year olds)

Wave 10: 2.30pm to 3pm (5-7 year olds)

Wave 11: 3pm to 3.30pm (7-10 year olds)

Wave 12: 3.30pm to 4pm (10-13 year olds)

Please note that this link will be included on our promotional boards that are going up in the community at the end of September so that children from other schools can buy tickets. Make sure you have your tickets before then to avoid missing out.

Race packs will be distributed in the week before the event.

Any questions please feel free to contact the fundraising team at:

fundraising.mitcham@gmail.com

NINJA WARRIOR FAQs

What does my ticket purchase include?

Your \$15 ticket includes:

- Half an hour to go through the Ninja Warrior style obstacle course as many times as you can
- A ninja headband
- A colour coded wristband to wear on the day that gives you access to the course during your allotted time
- An icy pole to have on the day (just show your wristband)

A Waiver form must be read and agreed to before you can access the course – you will see it on the trybooking site.

How do the waves work?

You will select a wave time when you book your tickets. 10 minutes before the start of your wave, present to the Waiting Bay at the Marshall Booth wearing your colour coded wristband. Ninjas will be released gradually onto the course. You have 30 minutes to attempt the course at your leisure. You are welcome to do multiple run throughs during



MITCHAM NINJA WARRIOR: CONTINUED

your wave. At the end of your wave time, the Course Attendants will direct you to the exit.

What if I am late and miss my wave?

There are limits on how many people can be on the course at one time and we only have set age groups on the course at particular times. Please ensure that you are on time. If you are not able to be there at your time please contact the Ticket Booth to discuss your options.

My child is younger than 5 – can they still have a go on the course?

The course is only suitable for 5-13 year olds – children less than 5 are not able to go on the course but we do have a great **Mini Ninja** course in the **Gymbaroo building** on site for anyone under 5. The cost is **\$5.00** and tickets are available on the day from the Ticket Booth.

What do participants need to wear?

Ninjas should wear comfortable clothing (you will be running, climbing, crawling, sliding etc.) and running shoes – thongs and sandals are not allowed to be worn on the course. This is an outdoor obstacle course so make sure you have sunscreen on.

How do I get my wristband?

Everyone that registers will receive a race pack prior to the day that contains their wristband and headband. Mitcham Primary families will receive their packs via the school. If you do not go to Mitcham Primary School your race packs can be collected from the Ticket Booth on the day of the event.

Where do I go on the day?

Look out for the Waiting Bay near the obstacle

course which will be located on the large open grassed area in the middle of the school grounds. Please arrive a few minutes before your time slot and listen for instructions.

What else is there to do on the day?

Come for your run, stay for the day. The Mitcham Ninja Warrior Day is the major fundraiser for Mitcham Primary School. Alongside our Ninja Warrior course, there are many other events on offer such as: Live music, Scouts climbing wall, demonstrations from local sporting clubs, a silent auction, Lob a Choc, Mini Ninjas, a variety of food stalls, craft activities, face painting, crazy hair, show bags and more – it is going to be a great Community event!



FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE

Find our Facebook Event Page, 'Mitcham Ninja Warrior' [here](#) or [here](#). Make your way to the Event's Discussion section to watch a quick video about donations for the day, as well as a sneak peek of the kind of fun we'll be having.

Mark yourself as 'Interested' or 'Going' in order to receive ongoing updates from the Facebook Event Page. Otherwise, keep an eye on Konnective!

Don't forget to tell your friends!



The Mitcham Primary School Fundraising Committee
putting the fun back into raising money for our school



MITCHAM NINJA WARRIOR: DONATIONS

CLASSROOM COMPETITION

Planning is underway for our Mitcham Ninja Warrior day, which will be held on **9th November, 2019**.

Each fortnight there will be a new item to bring in as a donation to the event.

The classroom competition is always hotly contested and the kids love being part of it. Points are gained by bringing in specific items as listed below.

The class with the most points by the 9th November will receive a class prize, which will be decided in conjunction with the class teacher.

Today

Start potting up plants for our Plant and Sustainability Stall.

9th September till 20th September – Lob –a- Choc Collection.

Bring in a family size block of chocolate to donate. Hand them into your teacher at the start of the day. 1 point allocated per block received. Bring in as many as you can! All perishable items **MUST** be within their use by date.

Holidays – Start collecting for Hampers

7th October till 18th October – Hamper Collection.

Bring in a **BRAND NEW (NOT USED)** item matching your class category (see the list below and on our Mitcham Ninja Warrior Facebook Event [video](#))

These items will be used to create hampers for our silent auction. 1 point allocated for each item donated. All perishable items **MUST** be within their

CLASS DONATION CATEGORY	
CLASS	HAMPER ITEM
PREP B	Stationery Hamper
PREP K	Party Hamper
PREP R	Afternoon Tea Hamper

1/2 L	Baby Hamper
1/2 M	Garden Hamper
1/2 C	Men's Hamper
1/2 H	Kitchen Hamper
3/4 A	Beauty Hamper
3/4 B	Laundry Hamper
1-3 J	Women's Hamper
1-3 M	Girl's Hamper
4-6 L	Camping Hamper
4-6M	Bathroom Hamper
5/6 K	Kids Craft Hamper
5/6 I	Boy's Hamper
5/6 L	BBQ Hamper
3/4 C	Cake and Baking Goods Hamper
3/4 D	Office Hamper

21st October till 25th October – Lolly Collection

Bring in a bag of lollies / chocolates to put in our Sweeties Stall. Please make sure that it is an unopened bag. 1 point allocated for each bag donated. All perishable items **MUST** be within their use by date.

28th October- Information will be handed out about Cake Stall.

8th November – Cake Collection and Plant Collection

Cake Stall and Plant Stall Collection will take place in the Hall. Details will be given out closer to the date. 1 point allocated for each item donated. All perishable items **MUST** be within their use by date.

Please show your support to the school by participating in this competition and by volunteering for a couple of duties or roles at the event.

Mitcham Ninja Warriors



Mitcham Primary School would like to thank the following sponsors for contributions made to our major fundraiser for 2019



The Farry Family



The Grave Family

**The Pemberton
Family**



FLETCHERS



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Hello everyone!

This week the children enjoyed running group games from the new Moovosity app. Most of the days we had a picnic for afternoon tea. The sports field and Basketball Court have been most popular outdoor areas. We are working with preps to get them ready to walk on their own to and fro from the school.

Big thank you to Neha Jain (Maahit's mum) for donating heaps of Lego bricks. Children have been very busy making Lego creations using the donated bricks.

PUPIL FREE DAY

On the 4th of November 2019, Mitcham primary school will be closed due to a Pupil Free Day.

In regards to this event, OSHClub will be offering an all day service from 7.00am to 6:30pm.

Please see the following page for more information.

EXCITING NEWS

Mitcham OSHClub has been rated as 'Meeting National Quality Standard' by the Department of Education.

SUN SMART POLICY

A kind reminder that soon we will be following our Sun Smart policy based on the UV index. So, please remember to provide a hat for your child. We supply Coles' branded 50+ protection sunscreen here at the service, however, if your child has specific sunscreen needs we encourage parents to either leave some with us at the program or ensure that children have some in their bags when they arrive.

BOOKING POLICY FOR BSC AND ASC SESSIONS

- Parents will not be able to book online within 24 hours as the system is locked 24 hours before the session commence time.

- Parents can book their child(ren) into the program on the day by calling or texting 0422 097 497.
- Program times are from 7am—9am and 2:30pm—6:30pm, bookings will be confirmed during these times.
- A late booking fee of \$4 will automatically be charged when a booking is made at short notice (0-24 hrs ahead of the start time of the session). This fee was waived last term for goodwill as the CCS was stabilising – it is part of our usual T&C's.
- When a child is booked but does not attend, and there's been no notification that they will be absent, a \$5 'no-show' fee will be incurred.
- Our cancellation policy is now 48 hours before the session commences. Cancellations within 48 hours will incur full fee.

UPDATING CONTACT DETAILS

Please remember to update your family's contact details, especially phone numbers, addresses, and any medical conditions if there is any change. This can be done online at: www.oshclub.com.au

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE: WEEK 4	
DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	Roti bread & Indian Restaurant Play
TUESDAY	Diwali Envelopes, Diya Rangoli & Cards
WEDNESDAY	Halloween Craft & Create a Survey
THURSDAY	Halloween Bookmarks & Halloween Bag
FRIDAY	Patty Cake Flowers & Gaga Ball
AFTER SCHOOL CARE: WEEK 4	
DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	Diwali Craft and Bib Tag & Tennis
TUESDAY	Story of Diwali & Handprint Elephants &
WEDNESDAY	Halloween Paper Lanterns, Word-search & Halloween Scavenger Hunt
THURSDAY	Halloween Craft & Halloween Biscuits
FRIDAY	Alien Slime, Wordsearch & Ball games

OSHCLUB NEWS: PUPIL FREE DAY

UPCOMING PUPIL FREE DAY

We have been informed of an upcoming Pupil Free Day at Mitcham OSHClub on Monday 4 November, 2019, which will run if we receive a minimum of 15 bookings for the day.

Please book prior to 5.00pm on the 28th of October. We will advise on this day if we have enough bookings to proceed.

If going ahead, the session will run all day from 7:00am to 6:30pm at the cost of \$65.00 (before any applicable Child Care Subsidy). Many families are eligible for Child Care Subsidy, which reduces the out of pocket cost of outside school hours care. To establish what level of CCS you may be entitled to please contact the Centrelink Family Assistance Office on 13 61 50.

Session date: Monday 4 November

Book before: 5.00pm, 28 October, 2019

PUPIL FREE DAY: 7.00 AM - 6.30 PM

Monday 4 November, 2019

FEE (before any applicable Child Care Subsidy) \$65.00

HOW TO BOOK

Please log in to your account online at www.oshclub.com.au and book in under the Pupil Free Day Room.

Please note that bookings can not be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the MITCHAM OSHCLUB service directly. The service's phone number can be found by visiting our website and searching for the service.

WHAT HAPPENS

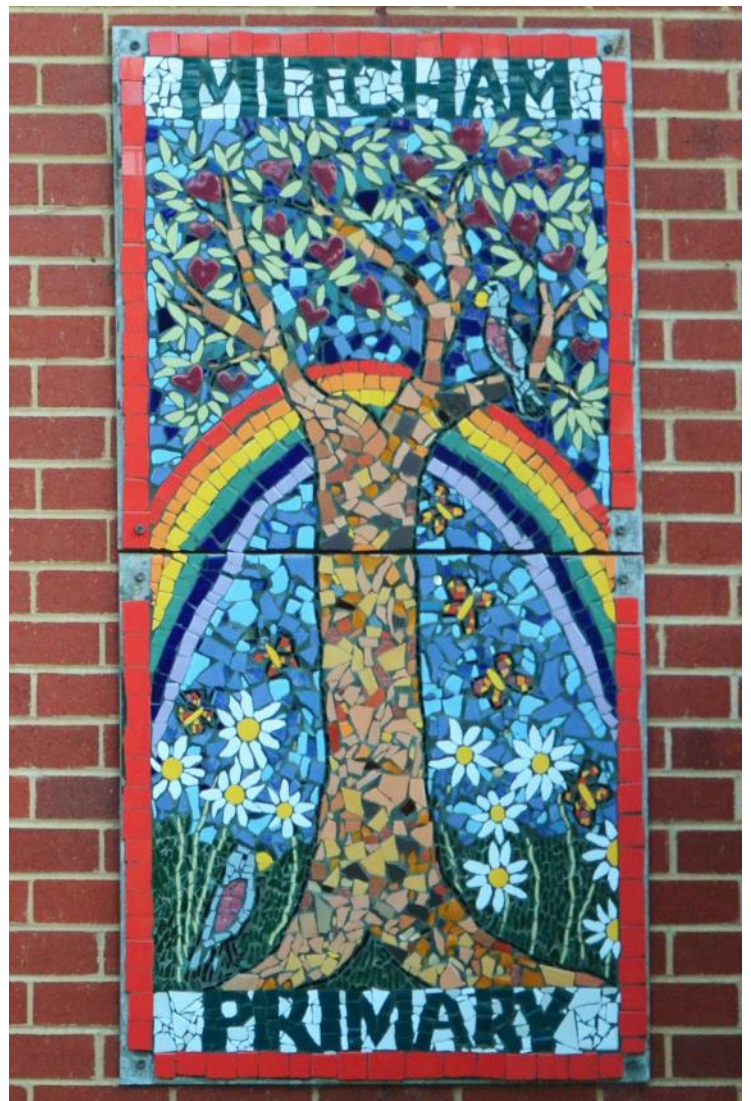
We provide fun activities for all ages including arts and craft, games, sports, drama, board games, dress ups and fun with friends.

WHAT TO BRING

Please bring morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Make sure your children wear/bring appropriate footwear and clothing, including a hat.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- 7 days notice is required for cancellation of the Pupil Free Day, to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs.
- A \$4 late booking fee applies for bookings made within 5 days of the session commencing.
- All regular Before and After School Care bookings have been removed.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES 2019

CLUB/ACTIVITY	COST (Y/N)	DAY OF WEEK	WHEN	STUDENTS INVOLVED	ORGANISER
Before School Reading	N	Tuesday	Before school	All Welcome	Heather Wood
Bonsai Club	Y	TBC*	During school	Grade 5/6s	Marina Rich
Chess Club	Y	Wednesday	After school	All Welcome	Heather Wood
Five Six Mix Choir	N	Thursday	During lunch	Grade 5/6s	Natalie Wickham
Gardening & Sustainability Club	N	Monday	During lunch	All Welcome	Marina Rich, Laura Luscombe & Kate Medcalf
Hot Shots Tennis	Y	Multiple	During & After School.	All Welcome	Contact Office
Instrumental Music	Y	Various	During school	All Welcome	Contact Office
Junior School Council	N	Various	During school	Elected students	Jayne Koth, Tracey Irvine & Kate Medcalf
Kelly Sports	Y	Multiple	During lunch	All Welcome	Contact Office
Lunchtime Library Sessions	N	Wednesday & Friday	During lunch	All Welcome	Erin Norman
Media	N	Thursday	During school	Media Team	Tracey Irvine & Emma Bates
Mitcham Melodies Choir	N	Thursday	During lunch	Grade 3/4	Jess Yuen, Emma Bates & Deb Williamson
Mitcham Music Makers	N	TBC	During lunch	Grades 4-6	Natalie Wickham
New Zealand Exchange	Y	N/A	N/A	Grade 5/6s	Heather Wood
Peer Mediation	N	Various	During recess	Grade 6s	Tracey Irvine, Laura Luscombe & Marianne McKay
Perceptual Motor Program	N	Monday	During school	Preps	Val Berardini
Quiet Space	N	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	During lunch	All Welcome	Michelle Dybing
Robotics Club	N	Friday	During lunch	TBC	Netanel Koles
Running Club	N	Friday	Before school	Grades 3-6	Laura Ellis & Tracey Irvine
Street Dance Studios	Y	Tuesday	During lunch	Grades 4 - 6	SDS Staff
Snack and Study	N	Thursday	After school	EAL Students	Michelle Dybing
Tournament of Minds	N	TBC	TBC	Grade 5/6s	TBC
Grade 5/6 Games	N	Thursday	During Lunch	Grade 5/6	Paul Bremner (Volunteer)

FROM THE COMMUNITY



GYMNASTICS CLASSES

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Foam pit, trampolines, bars,
ropes, beams and more



Handstand, cartwheel, roll, jump,
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All Welcome



SEASON 2020 REGISTRATIONS

**Age groups U5 to U18
Girls, Boys & Mixed Teams**

Sat 26th Oct 2019

Sat 23rd Nov 2019

U13-U18 gradings on registration days

10:00am - 2:00pm

**For more information contact
registrar@doncasterrovers.org**

Anderson Park, 117-121 Anderson Creek Rd, Doncaster East