Dear Parents and Carers

We thank all who attended the Community Breakfast in the Hall, and we also thank the parents and carers of prospective students for 2017 who attended Sandra Hall’s presentations on Wednesday evening for either Preschool or Kindergarten. On Tuesday 29th November, after school, all staff attended a meeting. The main purpose of which was to refresh our collective understanding of Workplace Health and Safety. The Directorate’s WH&S Officer David Pitt presented and the AEU also attended, as did members of the Network Student Engagement Team and Senior Psychologists and officers from the Education Directorate.

The meeting agreed that WH&S was an ongoing concern for both students and staff safety and wellbeing not just at NECS, but system-wide. WH&S has five components: Communication, Consultation, Training, Compliance and Risk Assessment. The meeting agreed that while certain protocols were in place, there is always room to improve our understanding. To this effect, David Pitt is working with the school leadership around the School’s Register of Risk Management, as well as looking at gaps in assessing risks that can be improved upon. A further Risk Assessment Review is scheduled for this week.

Finally, a reminder that student reports will be issued in the afternoon of Friday, 9th December. The reports consist of two parts: a grade distribution summary with achievement standards in the Early Years and/or the Australian Curriculum Framework, as well as more detailed learning profiles which individual teachers have prepared to capture your child’s learning successes. Having read these descriptions, we encourage you to take your time to read these, as they contain evidence of rich and deep learning and substantial growth that students and parents can rightfully be proud of.

Sandra Hall and Michael Kindler

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**Winnunga Christmas Party**

Friday 16th December

10am—2.30pm

Any parent/carer who does not wish for their child to attend the Winnunga Christmas party, please contact the front office on 6142 3828 or email Natalie.Lalor@ed.act.edu.au.

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Principal— Bernadette Hayes
Board Chair— John Norgrove
Families@NECS President— Phoebe Bathgate
Communities@Work Director— Rebecca Lester
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New Multicultural Playgroup

Narrabundah Early Childhood School in partnership with Woden Community Services Inc. has a new multicultural playgroup in the Inner South where children up to 5 years old can come along, play and make new friends!

There will be exciting activities such as:

- Songs
- Games
- Crafts
- Multicultural events
- Library

Where: Narrabundah Early Childhood School Hall

When: Every Tuesday

Time: 9:30am to 11:00am during school term.

Contact: Call Vicky on 6181 2811 or email victoria.leung@anglicare.com.au
Paint and Play

A free outdoor playgroup
For children birth to 5 years & their parents/carers
Painting, art & craft, stories and lots of fun activities.

Saturday
10th December 2016
9:30am to 11:00am
Narrabundah Early Childhood School
23-27 Kootara Cres, Narrabundah
(Second Saturday of every month excluding school holidays and wet weather)
P.S. Remember your healthy morning tea, hat, sunscreen and water bottle
Winnunga Kids Christmas Party

Come celebrate Christmas with Winnunga
there will be plenty to see and lot’s of activities food and fun
including Animal Petting Zoo, Jumping Castle, Balloon Modelling face
painting music and plenty more come and join us as we do Christmas
Winnunga Style a great event for the community please join us for
this free exciting day of fun with SANTA and much much more.

Winnunga is also showcasing all the services we provide on the day making
this an action packed day for the whole family to enjoy if you have any
questions about our various programs or services please ask any of our
friendly Winnunga Staff we are more than happy to help you may even want
to link into a program you may not have known about.
Winnunga would also like to ask if anyone is able to donate presents for this
Event to please bring them into Winnunga by Tuesday 13th December will
make a child’s day a truly happy one as Santa’s Sleigh can get quite heavy.

Winnunga 10-3 Friday 16th Dec
63 Boolimba Cres Narrabundah
Santa on his way