



Director: Allyson Goodale

Welcome to Term 3 at Avenues College Children's Centre.

As it is the start of term, I would like to share with you some thoughts on how Playgroups can benefit you, your child, your family and the community.

As you would be aware your child(ren) between the ages 0 – 5 years go through a stage of rapid brain and skill development. Playgroup supports development by providing, early learning experiences in a stimulating play environment to enhance physical skills, problem solving, communication and social interaction.

Playgroup is a great way for your child(ren) to learn about the world, make friends and develop social skills, while giving mums, dads, grandparents and caregivers opportunity to connect with their child(ren) in a space that is dedicated to shared learning experiences. Playgroup supports the building blocks to community connection where families have a chance to share ideas and experiences and build long-term friendships.

Avenues College Children's Centre is committed to working alongside our community and is open to hearing your ideas, which can further strengthen our community. Through our current Playgroups many families talked about difficulty in regulating sleep for their child(ren). Being aware of this particular need Avenues College was able to support families to learn about sleep, by hosting Professor Sarah Blunden a pediatric sleep specialist. Sarah offered her knowledge and expertise to empower families to improve sleep in their homes. How can we further support you?

Please find Included in this newsletter is a copy of our Term 3 timetable, don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Coffee Morning



Nature Play



**Robyn McLean**  
Principal

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Head of Early Years

**Chan Welfare**  
Head of Primary Years

**Roy Webb**  
Head of Secondary Years

**Teresa Maiolo**  
Coordinator of the Centre for Hearing Impaired (CHI)

**Danielle Smith**  
Business Manager, B-12

### Diary Dates

- 7th Aug Governing Council
- 9th Aug Preschool excursion "The Very Cranky Bear"
- 20-24th Aug Book Week
- 22nd Aug Book week parade
- 31st Aug Pupil Free Day
- 3rd Sept School Closure Day
- 6th Sept Preschool Pupil Free Day
- 11th Sept Governing Council
- 28th Sept End of Term 3 - Early dismissal - 2pm

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

#### Beginning Term 3

It has been a terrific start to Term 3 but it's hard to believe we are more than half way through the school year. We have some more new families to welcome, Tayla has joined our 4/5 class, Nataylia our 2/3 class and Nathan and TJ our 6/7 class. I would like to thank all of families and the children for always making people new to our community feel supported and included! It was great to hear parents chatting to new parents last week at pick-up time.

#### Term Overviews

You will have received a Term Overview last week that provides a snapshot of learning in which the children will participate. In addition Auslan lessons will continue with rapid skill building and great enjoyment. At the end of last term we were very pleased to welcome Robert Newton to our staff. He is a Digital Technologies teacher and is providing much sought after expertise for our students. Each class is currently attending 2 IT lessons a week where they are learning the technical skills required and integrating their learning from other subjects as content. Grades 2-7 will be creating Webpages using Microsoft Expression 4 which is web building software. This will be a collaborative project that requires the students to choose their topic, create, design and critique their work to include ongoing improvements. Reception and Year 1 students will be using Scratch to engage in 'beginners' coding. This will include the development of fine motor skills through drag and drop and use of the mouse. Students are really engaged in this work and are using their new skills well – some can be seen in the foyer! Rob will also be assisting with our morning reading groups and lesson observation.

#### Transition from Preschool to School

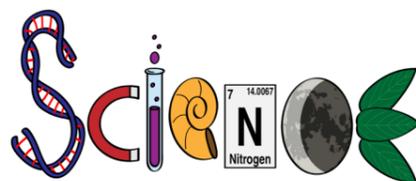
Term 3 will also see the beginning of our Transition Program from Preschool to school (detailed information has been provided for relevant families this week). We look forward to having our Preschool children and families working closely with us. **If you have a child currently at preschool who will be attending in Reception please contact Lisa as soon as possible regarding enrolment** as we have had numerous enquiries and have begun planning for the best start to school these children could have in 2019!

Kind regards

*Chan Welfare*  
Head of Primary Years



# Year 1



## Math

We have had a great start to term 3 and we are all ready to explore new things. We started maths with non-standard measurement. Children especially liked measuring different things in the classroom. It was fun measuring others' length with different non-standard units. We are looking forward to exploring more in measurement.



## Science

In year one we have been doing biological science where we are learning about living things. Starting term 3, we are learning about common features of plants and identifying the use of plants' parts. We did an experiment on bean growth. In this lesson students are exploring the process of plant growth. We discussed how to plant seeds and provide all the things seeds need to become a healthy plant. Children are recording bean growth and changes every day in their science journals.



### Bean Growth Experiment

#### Materials

- Glass jar or bottle
- Cotton wool balls
- 2 butter beans

#### Method

1. Fill a glass jar or bottle with cotton wool balls.
2. Put one bean on either side of the jar.
3. Water the cotton balls until they are damp but not too wet.
4. Place the jar near a window.



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What's On Term 3 2018 23 July — 28 September 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Avenues College Preschool 8:45am - 3:00pm Contact Allyson 8261 3339</p> <p><b>ACORN</b> Parent-Infant Attachment Group 9.30 am - 11.30 am Attachment based group for mums with mental health struggles and their child/ren aged birth to 3. Contact: Coordinator 81313400 or acorn@anglicaresa.com.au <b>ANGLICARES SA</b></p> <p><b>CaFHS</b> Early Parenting Group 1:30 - 4:00pm Parenting for the first time Avenues College Children's Centre Attendance is referral based call 1300 733 606</p> <p><b>NINGA Playgroup</b> Watto Purrurna Aboriginal Primary Health Care Service at Maringga Turtpandi GP Plus Super Clinic 10.30 am - 12.00 am Come along to Playgroup, during the school term with Amy and Cherie. Please bring a piece of fruit to share. Contact: Cherie on 74258916</p>	<p>Avenues College Preschool 8:45am - 3:00pm Contact Allyson 8261 3339</p> <p><b>Coffee and Crafts Morning</b> 9.00 - 11.00 am Avenues College Children's Centre After Preschool, or school drop off, join us for a craft program for adults and children. All Families Welcome Starts 31st July</p> <p><b>Baby Playgroup</b> Birth to confident walking age 1:00 - 2:30pm For parents with babies to learn, play and connect with each other. Contact Steph or Erica Ph: 8261 3339 Starts 31st July</p>	<p>Avenues College Preschool 8:45am - 3:00pm Contact Allyson 8261 3339</p> <p><b>Connections Playgroup</b> For parents using the "Circle of Security" as a parenting roadmap. 9:30 am - 11:00 am at Avenues College Children's Centre <b>Bookings Essential</b> Contact Nicole or Steph: 8261 3339 Starts 1st August</p> <p><b>Circle of Security Parenting Course</b> 7 Weeks : 1st Aug - 12th Sep 12-2pm Light Lunch available Light Meal and Crèche enquiries Contact Steph: 8261 3339 Starts 1st August</p>	<p>Avenues College Preschool 8:45am - 3:00pm Contact Allyson 8261 3339</p> <p><b>Family Support Service</b> Steph is available: TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS. for individual appointments regarding parenting and personal concerns affecting your family. Contact: Steph 82613339 Stephanie.wheaton2@sa.gov.au</p> <p><b>Nature Playgroup</b> Held in the Community Garden 10:00am - 11:30 am An outdoor Playgroup for Toddlers to 5 years old and parents / carers. Aimed to encourage unstructured play in a natural environment. <b>Bookings Essential</b> Contact Lisa: 8261 3339 Starts 2nd Aug</p>	<p><b>Playgroup</b> Avenues College Children's Centre Session 1: 9.00 am - 10.30 am Session 2: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm A supported playgroup for families with children 0-5 years. Contact Nicole: 8261 3339 Starts 3rd Aug <b>Booking essential (limited space)</b></p> <p><b>MY TIME</b> 9:30am - 11:30am During the School Term at Gilles Plains GP Plus Clinic, A time out group for carers of children with a disability, developmental delay or chronic medical condition. Free crèche for children 0 - 5 years Contact: Silvana Zotti 0488 151 789</p>

All groups need bookings. Programs have limited access and eligibility. Please talk to us regarding this policy.

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## Avenues College OSHC

Spreading smiles across your school community

Dear Families,

Welcome to Camp Australia OSHC my name is Michelle and I am the Coordinator for the BSC and ASC service which began at your school on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

Operating hours are Monday to Friday BSC 7am-8-30am and ASC 3pm-6pm.

Breakfast is provided in the mornings, a choice of cereals and toast with spreads and in the afternoon a fresh fruit and vegetable platter and second snack consisting of a variety of healthy foods.

We offer a warm, safe and friendly environment for children to relax and enjoy a variety of activities including games, art and craft, cooking, physical play, and time for homework if required.

If at any time you have any queries, concerns or questions please don't hesitate to make a time to meet or you can call the service on 0412 567 671 during oshc hours or email [saavenuescol@oshccampastralia.com.au](mailto:saavenuescol@oshccampastralia.com.au).

When making a booking please ring customer service on 1300 105 343 or use the parent portal online, this will ensure the safe arrival of your child to the service.

Kind regards  
Michelle Sims

# Come and Play NETBALL

Cheerio Netball Club is welcoming new players of all ages for the current winter season and upcoming summer season.

## Register now!

Ph: 0419 810 656  
Email: [secretary@cheerionetball.com](mailto:secretary@cheerionetball.com)  
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See you on the court