Thank you to all who have already put their name on the roster.

**Setting up helpers**— please meet at kindy at 12.30 p.m. Thursday 17th. Trailers, utes or large cars will be needed!

**Packing up helpers**— please meet at the tent at 5 p.m. Saturday. We will need utes/ large cars or trailers.

You can drive these on to the site after 5 p.m. Thanks!!!

Day time tent helpers— there will be instructions on what to do available at the tent. Please arrive 5 mins prior to your shift so that the other helpers can show you what to do.

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**FIELD DAYS ROSTER 2016**

**TENT HELPERS**

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**Setting up helpers Thursday 17th March from 12.30 p.m.**

Eliza Handbury, Clare Garner

Please bring ute or trailer if possible.

**Packing up helpers Saturday 19th March from 5pm**

Rob Handbury, Lachie Seears, Grant Eddy (?)

Please bring ute or trailer if possible.

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Thank you to everyone who helped at the Christmas Street Party!

Governing Council
COMPUTERISED BOMB THREATS and FALSE SCHOOL CLOSURES

Unfortunately there have been a number of computerised bomb threats made to DECD sites, including Naracoorte High. These have eased and hopefully it is coming to an end with the people responsible being reprimanded. The update we received is as follows:

Further to the computerised threats to sites recently there has been a social media posting stating that a number of schools will be closed for a week.

For some the posting looks plausible. We (DECD) are working with media and others to contain this and to ensure that accurate messages are communicated to parents and the wider community.

We are using our tested procedures to keep your child safe. We will also use our usual communication channels including, newsletters, communication books and phone calls to ensure that you are informed directly of any decisions that might affect the operation of our Centre. If you have any questions please contact us directly (87662139) during our operating hours.

Nature Play—FREE SESSION

Why is it important?

Reminder for Governing Council and Staff to come along to an information session about incorporating nature play at our Centre.

Guest speaker Simon Hutchinson, Nature Play Specialist from Climbing Tree in Adelaide will cover:

What is nature play, what does it look like?

Why risk is important for children and how natural play spaces provide opportunity to explore/learn risks?

How to incorporate Risk Benefit Assessments into your schools culture

The session will be held in :

Naracoorte at the Naracoorte South Primary School on Thursday 25th February from 6pm – 7pm

Please let Kara know if you would like to attend so we can confirm

NEW UNIFORM

Governing Council have endorsed the new uniform and we are patiently awaiting the digitisation of our logo so we can finalise costing. Governing Council, staff and children have all had their say and have chosen to go with Royal blue t-shirts for all children with an optional Navy polar fleece jumper (check JB clothing website for colours). Staff will have the same logo and style, but in differing colours.

Once we have final costs we will put out an order form for families.

Thank you for your patience!

BUS CHILDREN

Unfortunately some children have not been following instructions on the link bus to the school after Kindy. They are getting out of their seats and walking towards the door before the driver has stopped the bus. This is very unsafe and they have been spoken to by the driver a number of times. I have spoken to them and ask that you do the same. The local Police Officer will be organised to speak to them too as it is very serious and was discussed at the last bus meeting.

CAMP DRAFT

After the resounding success of last years Camp Draft we have again been asked to put together a trading table.

The Camp draft is on the 2nd and 3rd of April. We will be holding the trading table on Saturday the 2nd from 9:30am—1:30pm.

All families are asked to put together 2 donations of either cakes, biscuits, slices, sausage rolls, etc and drop them at the Kindergarten on Friday the 1st by 5:30pm. All donations must have a list of ingredients attached.

Feel free to share this with your friends and family, the more donations the more we are able to raise to improve the learning experiences of your children.

If you are interested in working the stall please see Casey or Kara to be put on the roster.

Last year we made around $900, which is a realistic target for this year!
LUNCH ORDERS FROM LAS

Michelle Maynard at the Lucindale Area School has kindly offered to take lunch orders from us every Kindy Wednesday (even weeks of school).

Attached is a copy of the Price list she has created especially for us with consultation from our Governing Council.

Children will need to complete a lunch order bag and hand it in to kindy before 930am. Any orders after that time may not be filled.

I have attached a blank bag to get you started. You will need to order more bags with your first purchase.

Thanks again to the Lucindale Area School and Michelle for offering this service to us.

SCHOOL VISIT

The Reception and Year 1 children from the school came for a visit with Mrs Wilkin and Kerena on the 9th of February. They stayed for a play and lunch, then went back to school.

The children had a great time seeing their old Kindy friends. We are going to visit them at school on Tuesday the 23rd February.
Kindy News

What a busy start to the year! The children have all settled in beautifully and are engaging well with their learning experiences.

We have been learning about ourselves, our likes and dislikes, our families and our town. We have created a wall of wonderings which we will investigate throughout the term. We will begin implementing the Child Protection Curriculum, which will build your child’s understanding of trust, safety and emergency services. We may require your input at stages through this program and will notify you when the need arises. Children have created a hospital and have been busily making ambulances to ferry patients around the grounds. It is lovely to see their care and empathy showing through dramatic play.

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With the warmer weather we have been using water play as a means to both learn and cool down. Children have been choosing the colours of the water and have been cooking up a storm in the mud kitchen!

Kara and Roanna

Rural Care News

This fortnight at Rural Care we are learning about fruit and vegetables. We will encourage children to help with preparing our garden to plant new vegetables to share and cook with later in the year.

We hope to eat a rainbow and try a variety of fruits and vegetables throughout the year. This may require your child to bring a piece of fruit to share at fruit time with the group or we will bring different fruits and vegetables to show and taste. For more information please visit www.nutritionaustralia.org or see the information sheet at Rural Care.

We are continuing to learn about ourselves through reading books and identifying ourselves by looking at pictures, drawings and our bodies. We encourage you to please bring in a family picture for our belonging and identity tree.

We have been successfully integrating with the Kindy and it has been enjoyable for all children and staff. We will be working with them to complete show entries (cooking) on Thursday as well as other entries in the lead up to both the Show and Field Days.

Please put your name down on the Field Days roster if you haven’t already ‘many hands make light work’.

REMINDER: Children need hats to play outside, appropriate footwear is required to protect your child’s feet and please pack spare clothes.

Thank you

Casey and Steph