



# GORDON EDUCATION CENTRE

"Towards Independence"

## PRINCIPAL LISA THOMAS

Welcome back to term 2!!

We have had an exciting start to the term. It was great to see all the smiling faces back at school ready to build on their skills and learn lots of new things.

### Upcoming events

- We have started swimming with our Senior and middle classes and then our younger classes will start in week 3. The children are thoroughly enjoying their water safety lessons and having some fun at Wulanda.
- In week 3 - 8 our senior and middle school classes will be taking part in an equine assisted learning limestone coast

‘Equine Assisted Learning is a unique way to explore personal development and a safe way to support healthy relationship with horses and animals. Those skills can then be implemented in healthy personal relationships.’

### New families

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new families to GEC. Our new students have settled in beautifully and have already started to build some beautiful friendships.

### Allergies

Due to some of the staff and students at Gordon Education having allergies to nuts and apricots would request these remain at home and don't go in lunch boxes.

### Mobile phones

With the recent introduction of a ban on mobile phones in South Australian schools, I ask that parents remind all students that any devices brought to school are handed in at the front office, no devices will be allowed in classes.

### *Key dates*

#### **24th May -**

Simultaneous Reading day. A time for families to join us and read with the children. More details to come.

#### **29th May -**

Student Free Day. Berry Street Day 1

#### **9th June -**

Pet Day organised by SRC. More details to come.

#### **12th June -**

Public holiday. Kings birthday

#### **7th July -**

Last day of term 2pm finish

### *Communication*

There are lots of ways that we communicate what's going on at school and ways that you can contact us.

- Telephone between 8.40-4.00
- Seesaw- we try to monitor everyday
- Pop in and make an appointment
- Newsletter
- Email
- Website
- Facebook GEC
- Facebook GEC parent carer share spot

