



# GORDON EDUCATION CENTRE

"Towards Independence"

## PRINCIPAL LISA THOMAS

A big welcome back to all of our families and students. We have hit ground running planning a term of amazing learning experiences and opportunities. This term our students will continue their swimming lessons at Wulanda, take part in an excursion to Sir Robert Helpmann to see the Adelaide Chamber Orchestra as well as class excursions within the community.

This term our whole site learning focus will switch from Literacy to Wellbeing. Following on from our learning with Berry Street we will be looking at our whole school teaching and learning of strategies that support everyone's positive mental health. The educators have begun delving deep into how we are promoting positive mental health at GEC and how we can teach strategies which are children can use in areas of their lives.

We have also been very busy creating a more inclusive environment at GEC. With the support of Jamey Case and the incredible One Forty One our garden is beginning to take shape. It will have been made more accessible by evening out the floor, more inviting by adding grass mounds to run on and a creek bed to play in. We have also been busy with the support of Mel Jones our What happens Next coordinator to create a shared space for parents to get information and resources to help in every day life. Watch this space for more information and the grand opening which we hope will happen this term.

GEC is an amazing school, with dedicated educators, passionate families and formidable students. We are always so grateful to you for making GEC the amazing school it is.

## *Key Dates*

3/6 - Student Free Day

10/6 - Kings Birthday

