Can you believe that we are nearly halfway through term 1 already? What a busy start to the year it has been at the Preschool.

Some of you may have noticed a couple of new faces in the Preschool. Nicole Lindner will be teaching for the remainder of the term. Nicole comes to us with experience in various age groups. Nicky Graham has also joined the Preschool team as an ECW.

Sun Protection at Preschool:
To help support us, please ensure children have sun cream applied before each session, have a sun appropriate hat each preschool session and are wearing sun appropriate clothing. This includes keeping sleeveless tops to a minimum. Children are supported by educators to apply sun cream after lunch in readiness for outside play in the afternoon.

Snacks and Lunches:
In the mornings children are asked to place their morning fruit snack (fresh or dried fruit or vegetables) and afternoon healthy snack (cheese, crackers, fruit etc.) in their trays. We ask that yoghurt not be sent as a snack as it is difficult to be eaten quickly and cleanly. If you are sending yoghurt as a snack, with the current warm weather please send yoghurt in the lunch box with an ice pack to be eaten as an extra lunch time snack.

Family photos:
We have had some family photos for our belonging display. We would love to see some more.

Playdough:
Thank you to those families that have donated playdough ingredients. We’re still looking for more donations of flour, salt, oil or cream of tartar.

Reminder from the Principal

Please ensure that you child is signed in and out daily. Dismissals prior to 3:00pm require parents or guardians to sign their child out through the front office before collecting. This policy is in place at both Mallala Primary School and Preschool to ensure all children are safe and accounted for at all times in case of an emergency.

The last mat time for the day is a valuable learning time where we often spend time reflecting on the day’s events. Children’s reflections are used regularly as a tool to inform our fortnightly program. We ask that parents and guardians remain outside until your child is dismissed to ensure the safety of all children.

Items labelled:
To help us return any lost items, please ensure that all items are named with your child’s first name so that we can return all lost items quickly.

Donation of goods:
We require the donation of any boxes no larger than shoe box size for our making table. Please do not include toilet rolls for hygiene reasons.

Please turn over for important dates
# Important dates

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**Preschool Thursday Dates**  
**Term 1 2016**

- Week 6: Thursday 10\textsuperscript{th} March  
- Week 8: Thursday 24\textsuperscript{th} March  
- Week 10: Thursday 7\textsuperscript{th} April