Welcome to Term 2. The first Monday of term was a closure day for all staff to attend the Le Fevre Peninsula partnership conference. We listened to world recognised keynote speakers who challenged our thinking and understanding of the importance of “Critical and Creative Thinking” and “Growth Mindsets”. Martin Westwell and James Anderson gave inspiring presentations aimed to challenge, provoke thinking and broaden perspectives, encouraging us as educators to reflect on and influence ongoing actions and practice. We also heard from gold winning Para Olympian Katrina Webb on how a change in mindset helped guide her life successes. Our staff chose to attend the Lisa Burman workshops. Lisa is a consultant in pedagogical change, specialising in Early Childhood Education, Literacy and Playful Learning, who based in Adelaide, South Australia. Lisa spoke about powerful learning with loose parts and the language of learning. These topics are very relevant to us at Le Fevre Kindergarten as they are areas we are going to pursue further as part of our quality improvement plan.

If you want to find out more about these interesting speakers and their subjects, you can access them on the internet.

The knowledge, insight and understanding gained from hearing these excellent speakers will assist us as we work together with other early years sites within the partnership with an inquiry question. We are looking at how do we enable and support sustained and meaningful interactions with children for learning. We also attended a training session with Ann Pelo, on “Looking Closely, Listening with Care: Creating a Culture of Inquiry” exploring the skills, dispositions, and practices that help us grow a culture of inquiry in our sites. Ann is a teacher educator, program consultant and author from America whose primary work focuses on reflective pedagogical practice, teaching and learning.

This term we have a University student doing her professional experience placement with us for 4 weeks. Her name is Georgia Casbarra. She is already known to some of the children and families as she works at Le Fevre after school care. Please welcome Georgia to our team.

**Diary Dates.**
- Friday, May 6 – playgroup resumes for term 2.
- Tuesday, May 10 and Wednesday, May 11 – kindergarten photos.
- Saturday, June 25 – Family Dance night. Further information available closer to the date.
- Friday – July 8 – end of term 2.
Kindergarten Fees.
Invoices for term 2 fees will be available from next week. Prompt payment is appreciated. We have various options available for fee payment, please see Di if you would like an alternative payment arrangement.

Governing Council.
At the last Governing Council meeting, fundraising options were discussed. We have applied for a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle and although we don’t know if we are successful, we are putting out an “expression of interest” note to families to gauge support when/if needed. Also we have some small ongoing fundraising opportunities that families can take up if they wish. These include the Drake Foodland tokens and Jamberry Nails (samples and catalogues available on cupboard by the front door). We also have kindergarten 40th birthday anniversary Port for sale for $10 a bottle - a very nice Seppelts Tawny port that can be consumed straight away or put down for a few years.
The big fundraising event for term 2 is the Family Dance Night. This is an event that has happened for a few years now where families come together and spend time “dancing” together. The children learn some action songs, circle games and traditional dances. We like families and adults to join with the children for a fun, active evening. Save the date – Saturday June 25.
At the dance night we also hold a silent auction and we are looking for donations to be auctioned on the night. If you have any contacts with local businesses, sporting clubs, hotels, restaurants etc please let us know so we can organise a fundraising letter to go out.

Contact Details.
Parent contact phone numbers have been added to our kindergarten emergency mobile phone. If, in an emergency, we need to contact you, we will send a message to the contact number we have. Therefore, if you change your contact number, please let us know.

Playgroup
A reminder that Playgroup is held each Friday except for the last Friday of term. It is a parent run playgroup and runs from 1pm to 2.30. Parents/carers stay with the children and bring a piece of fruit which is shared. Cost is $2.00 per family. Numbers have declined over the term so please consider coming to playgroup or let others know that it is running.

Sunsafe.
In term 2, according to our sunsafe policy, we only wear hats when UV rays are 3 or over. Therefore children still need to have a hat in their bags at all times. We will monitor the UV ray index daily to let you know if hats need to be worn.

Facebook
After a few glitches, the Le Fevre Kindergarten and Playgroup facebook page is up and running. Items of interest and diary dates will be posted on this page. Look us up on Le Fevre Kindergarten and Playgroup.

Get Well
We wish Roger a speedy recovery after a recent stint in hospital. I know he has been missing the children as we have been missing him. We look forward to seeing him back at kindergarten soon.

Thank you – Di, Sally, Sabine, Ingrid, Sharon, Leonie, Michelle and Krystal

“The best teachers are those who show you where to look, but don’t tell you what to see”
Alexandra K Trenfor