

## Reminders for our community.

There are a number of things that I wish to bring to our parents attention for the beginning of the year. Hopefully these reminders will assist with a smooth year.

1. As the Department of Education and Early Child Development does not offer individual cover for student's personal injury, I recommend parents consider insurance. JUA underwriting agency offer a "Student Health" - Personal Injury and Accident Protection insurance - [www.studenthealth.com.au](http://www.studenthealth.com.au)

2. We have a school bag bell at 8.55 am for children to come inside and hang up their bag. The teaching day commences at 9.00 am. It is **critical** for children to arrive on time ready to start the day. This ensures their learning and does not disrupt others.

3. Attendance: *It's Not Okay to be Away!* It is a requirement that all children attend school. Regular attendance is essential to allow them to reach their full potential.

4. School uniform is compulsory. A copy of the uniform policy is attached to this newsletter. Please note extreme hairstyles such as Mohawks, tails, extreme colours are not permitted. Only small ear studs are permitted earrings. Only medical or religious jewellery is permitted and where possible should be under uniform for safety reasons.

5. Bikes can be stored behind the black gates at the Bayview Learning Centre which is at the west end of the classroom buildings. **Please note that children riding to school on bikes or scooters must wear a helmet and must be in grade 4 or above unless accompanied by an adult. SKATE BOARDS ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

6. Please discourage children from bringing precious items to school. All personal items of students, including bikes, mobile phones, special toys, etc, if brought to school, are done so at student's own risk. A number of students have been bringing in remote control cars to play with. These are expensive items and are also inappropriate for the playground, so, unfortunately, not permitted to be taken out during recess and lunchtimes. Mobile phones must be logged in at the office and collected at the end of the day.

7. Mobile phones **MUST** be handed into the office each day and collected at the end of the day. Children are not permitted to have these on their person or in their school bags.

8. All forms for excursions, incursions, etc must go through the classroom and not be delivered to the office first.

9. Canteen will operate this year as follows: Monday and Tuesday recess window sales only. Wednesday to Friday as usual for lunch orders and window sales both recess and lunch.