



# Valley View Kindergarten Newsletter

Term 3 Week 1 2024

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## What's Happening in Term 3!

We are continuing the Book Based program on Mr McGee Books by Pamela Allen. With a focus on children having the ability to recount and recall information and most importantly the Program is designed to be interactive and fun. It will be wonderful to see the children re-enacting the stories at our Story Table and making meaning by drawing pictures and singing songs and chanting rhymes. In Week 1 we will enjoy the 'Mr McGee,' book. Focussing on, in particular, reminiscing with the children and sharing memories both at home and Kindy. We will continue to celebrate the beauty of Winter and also playing with the loose parts and having fire-pits to keep warm. There will be times when we get dirty so please pack a spare change of clothes and also ensure you send raincoats, gum boots and hats/beanies.

You may have noticed our nice new fence at the front of the Kindy and a big thank you to Tony (Janina's Dad) for making our new sign on Paul's Drive. However there is temporary fencing along Paul's Drive as the fence has not been finished. We have ensured the Contractors have secured the area and have also undertaken risk prevention strategies.

We welcome the new children and families that are joining us for our mid-year intake. I hope you all enjoy being part of the Valley View Kindy community.

## Housekeeping/Important

**Dates:** Kindy Starts:

Blue Group: Mon 22 July

Red Group: Tues 23 July

Olympic-a-thon—Mon 5 Aug —Blue Group

Olympic-a-thon— Tues 6 Aug—Red Group

Kindy Photos: Blue Group: Mon 12 Aug

Red Group: Tues 13 Aug

Pyjama Day—Blue Group: Wed 21 Aug

Pyjama Day—Red Group: Thurs 22 Aug

Mon 26 Aug—Pupil Free Day—No Kindy this day

Tues 27 Aug and Tues 24 Sept —

Preschool Health Checks

Blue Group Friday Sessions: Week 1—Fri

26 July and Week 2—Fri 2 Aug

Red Group Friday Sessions: Week 3—

Fri 9 Aug and Week 4—Fri 16 Aug

Movie Night—Fri 6 Sept (tentative)

## Governing Council News

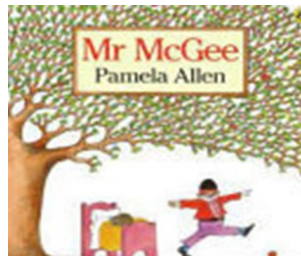
We had a great meeting on Mon 24 June with many items discussed. We are looking at holding a Kindy Movie Night and are currently planning a 'Pyjama Day,' to raise funds for children in Foster Care. In term 4 we're also looking at planning a Valley View Kindy Art Gallery Experience.

**Next Governing Council Meeting: Mon July 29 at 7:00pm**

In Week 3 –Mon 5 Aug and Tues 6 Aug we will be holding an Olympic-a-thon and on Fri 6 Sept we are looking at having our Movie Night. Last term we went to the Patch Theatre Performance of 'Superluminal.' This was one of the first performances as part of Illuminate Adelaide. It was an amazing interactive, light performance. Please see pictures below:

### Mr McGee

Mr McGee lived under a tree,  
One morning he woke up  
and said,  
'It's time that I got out of bed.'



Photos of our 'Superluminal' Excursion Experience –Term 2.



## Further Program News:

The Olympics will be held over the next fortnight and because of this we thought it would be a good opportunity to have our very own Olympic-a-thon. Look for more information coming out soon.

Our Quality Improvement Plan priority is on developing the children's ability to share memories and elaboratively reminisce. Some of the work that we have been undertaking in this field around StoryChamps and utilizing the Narrative Language Measure has been recognised. We are taking part in a Pilot Project with Ingle Farm East Primary to share our knowledge and understandings and have also been nominated for a Public Education Award for 'Equity and Excellence.'

SA Water will be updating the local water pipes in the Valley View area. This will affect the Kindy on: Fri 26 July, Wed 31 July and Thurs 1 Aug. They will be providing a Water truck to supply the Kindy so we wont have to close over this period of time.

Any questions...please ask.